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5 November 2017 31st Sunday in Ordinary Time Year A



DEVOTIONAL PRAYER FOR NOVEMBER

For All the Faithful Departed

Almighty Father, You made everyone in your own image and likeness, and when that image was defaced by sin, you restored it through Christ:

Hear our prayers, we pray you, for all our brothers and sisters who have gone to their rest in the hope of the resurrection, and show them the glory of your face. Through Christ our Lord.

Amen

Entrance Antiphon

Forsake me not, O Lord, my God; be not far from me!
Make haste and come to my help, O Lord, my strong
salvation!

1st Reading

Mal 1:14-2:2,8-10

I am a great king, says the Lord of Hosts, and my name is feared throughout the nations. And now, priests, this warning is for you. If you do not listen, if you do not find it in your heart to glorify my name, says the Lord of Hosts, I will send the curse on you and curse your very blessing. But you, you have strayed from the way; you have caused many to stumble by your teaching. You have destroyed the covenant of Levi, says the Lord of Hosts. And so I in my turn have made you contemptible and vile in the eyes of the whole people in repayment for the way you have not kept to my paths but have shown partiality in your administration. Have we not all one Father? Did not one God create us? Why, then, do we break faith with one another, profaning the covenant of our ancestors?

The word of the Lord.

Responsorial Psalm

In you, Lord, I have found my peace.

2nd Reading

1 Thes 2:7-9,13

**A reading from the letter of St. Paul to the
Thessalonians.**

Like a mother feeding and looking after her own children, we felt so devoted and protective towards you, and had come to love you so much, that we were eager to hand over to you not only the Good News but our whole lives as well. Let me remind you, brothers, how hard we used to work, slaving night and day so as not to be a burden on any one of you while we were proclaiming God's Good News to you. Another reason why we constantly thank God for you is that as soon as you heard the message that we brought you as God's message, you accepted it for what it really is, God's message and not some human thinking; and it is still a living power among you who believe it.

The word of the Lord.

OFFICE HOURS

Mon to Fri: 9:00am – 3:30pm

CONTACT DETAILS

Parish Priest
Fr. Vincent John CMI
Parish Deacon
Charles English
Parish Secretary
Josephine Thomas
School Principal
Karen Wilson
(9749-1055)

WEEKEND MASSES

Sat: 6:00pm
Sun: 8:30am, 10:30am, 5:00pm
Filipino – 4th Sun: 12:00pm
Polish – 1st Sun: 3:30pm
Spanish – 1st & 3rd Sun: 12:00pm

WEEKDAY MASSES

Mon, Tue, Thu, Fri: 8:30am
Wed: 8:30am & 7:00pm
Sat: 9:15am

CONFESSIONS

Wed: After 7:00pm Mass
Sat: After 9:15am Mass

DEVOTIONS

Divine Mercy Chaplet & Benediction

Fri & Sat morning after Mass &
Sat afternoon at 2.30pm
First Friday: 7:00pm to 10:00pm
**Morning Prayer & Exposition of
the Blessed Sacrament**

Mon to Fri: 8:00am

Sat: 8:30am

Next Healing Mass

3rd Dec 17, 2:00 to 4:30pm

Our Lady of Perpetual Help

Wed after 7:00pm Mass

Rosary

Mon to Fri after Mass

Sat before Mass and at 2.00pm

BAPTISMS

3rd, 4th, 5th Sunday

10:30am or 2:15pm

Baptism Formation Meeting

1st Monday of the month, 7:00pm

WEDDINGS

By Appointment

ANOINTING OF THE SICK

Call Parish Office on 9749 4300

HOUSE BLESSINGS & VISITS

Call Parish Office on 9749 4300

ALL QUERIES

Parish Office 9749 4300

Gospel
Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia! You have one Father, your Father in heaven; you have one teacher: the Lord Jesus Christ. **Alleluia!**

Gospel
Mt 23:1-12

A reading from the holy Gospel according to St. Matthew.

Addressing the people and his disciples Jesus said, 'The scribes and the Pharisees occupy the chair of Moses. You must therefore do what they tell you and listen to what they say; but do not be guided by what they do: since they do not practise what they preach. They tie up heavy burdens and lay them on men's shoulders, but will they lift a finger to move them? Not they! Everything they do is done to attract attention, like wearing broader phylacteries and longer tassels, like wanting to take the place of honour at banquets and the front seats in the synagogues, being greeted obsequiously in the market squares and having people call them Rabbi. 'You, however, must not allow yourselves to be called Rabbi, since you have only one master, and you are all brothers. You must call no one on earth your father, since you have only one Father, and he is in heaven. Nor must you allow yourselves to be called teachers, for you have only one Teacher, the Christ. The greatest among you must be your servant. Anyone who exalts himself will be humbled, and anyone who humbles himself will be exalted.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

Communion
Antiphon

You will show me the path of life, the fullness of joy in your presence, O Lord.

Next Week's
Readings

Wis 6:12-16; 1 Thess 4:13-18;
Mt 25:1-13

Feasts of the
Week

St. Leo the Great
St. Martin of Tours

Fri, 10 Nov
Sat, 11 Nov

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ENVELOPES/CR CARD/BANK CR: \$3564.35
LOOSE MONEY: \$1914.80
PRIESTS: \$1544.55
CHAPLAINCY: \$

ROSTERS

Money Counters 12 Nov 17

John Allen / Jules & Neeta Pereira

Readers – 11/12 Nov 17

6:00pm	Elaine Dalton
8:30am	Kevin McLoughlin
10:30am	Lionel D'Cruz
5:00pm	Jeslin Shaji

Extraordinary Ministers of Communion 11/12 Nov 17

6:00pm	Josie T. / Sharon A. / E. Mills / J. Poppen
8:30am	R Johnson / C Coelho / K English / S Gomez
10:30am	F. Caruana / S. Colla / V. Firman / Sally DiB
5:00pm	S. Joseph / J. Etiennette . E. Behrouzi /VOL

Music Ministry 11/12 Nov 17

6:00pm	KNK
8:30am	Shirley & Group
10:30am	Youth Band
5:00pm	Shepherds of Christ

PARISH NEWS

FR. VINCENT'S INSTALLATION MASS will be held on **Saturday 11th November at 6:00pm**. Everyone is invited to attend this special Mass to officially induct Fr. Vincent as our new Parish Priest. There will be a light supper afterwards so could you all kindly bring a plate of savoury or sweet finger food to share.

SPECIAL MASS ON TUESDAY 21 NOVEMBER 17
There will be a special Mass held on Tuesday, 21 November at 7:00pm for the families who have lost loved ones during the period from **November 2016 to date**. Families will be asked to bring a photo of the deceased. The photos will be placed on a table in the church and Mass will be offered for the souls of the deceased. All are welcome to attend Mass and are requested to bring a plate for shared fellowship.

KNIGHTS OF THE SOUTHERN CROSS DECEASED MEMBERS' MASS

Will be held on the 08^h of November at 7:00pm. Members are asked to assemble at 6:45pm prior to Mass, with Widows, relatives and parishioners, who are invited to be at this Mass and to stay for refreshments afterwards.

PIETY STORE

Come and see our **Nativity Sets**, ornaments, etc. All are very reasonably priced. Divine Mercy and Columban Calendars, Religious Christmas cards and Advent calendars are now available. **Browse the Christmas CATALOGUE. Orders can be taken until November 12th for delivery before Christmas.** Some items may sell out quickly so early orders are highly recommended.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED once a month after any of the weekend Masses for 15-20 minutes to help in the Piety Store. Please contact Bev on 9749 2388. Thank you.

READERS AND COMMUNION MINISTERS

Please note that this is the last week to return your Christmas / New Year Availability forms. If you have not done so, could you please email or leave it at the Parish Office by Tuesday, 7 November at the latest. Thank you.

PARISH YOUTH PROGRAM

Taking off from the Melbourne Archdiocese Year of the Youth Program, our parish intends to start a Youth Program for youth aged between 16 to 25 years commencing December 2017. Initially we are looking for leaders who have experience in working with youth or have expertise in sports, education, entertainment, music, etc. If you would like to join the leadership team please call Royden on 0426 071 375. Thank You.

REX BAND, LIVE IN AUSTRALIA: AN INSPIRING MISSION

Saturday 11 November, 6.30–9pm Melbourne Convention and Exhibition Centre, 1 Convention Centre Place, South Wharf. Rexband is a world-renowned group of young musicians formed in India to bring Christian music to the young people of the world. They have toured Australia previously in 2008 and 2012, and have played at every World Youth Day since 2002. The 2017 Australia-wide tour of the band is a special mission for the band as it is a concert tour involving the Catholic Church—spreading the message of Jesus and celebrating the sheer joy of the Catholic experience, mainly among young people, to energise them in their faith journey. Cost: \$50–\$100

Details: Assis on 0410 690 783 or

rexband2017Melbourne@gmail.com

Bookings: <https://www.cybersystemspertth.com.au>

Web: <http://www.rexbandaustralia.com>

IMPORTANT DATES FOR PARISH

Sundays	6:15 – 8:15pm HSI School of Discipleship in Community Centre.
Wed 8 Nov	7:00pm Knights of the Southern Cross Deceased Members' Mass
Sat 11 Nov	6:00pm Fr. Vincent's Installation Mass
Tue 21 Nov	7:00pm Special Mass for family members deceased from Nov 2016 to date.

STEWARDSHIP CORNER – 31ST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

"Whoever exalts himself will be humbled; but whoever humbles himself will be exalted." - MATTHEW 23:12

Jesus gave His life to serve, not to be served. Putting other's needs before our own needs is a sign of becoming a mature disciple, of following Jesus' example. Humility is really a sign of a strength. By putting other's needs first we declare to the world that we are putting our complete trust in God. When we align our thoughts and actions with God's plan for us, the result is Joy and Peace.

MARRIAGE PLEBISCITE

Ballot papers for the marriage plebiscite are due by November 7. If you have not sent in your vote, please do so as soon as possible. Our ability to win the plebiscite and preserve family, faith and freedom will hinge on the outcome of this vote. Please check the poster on the Bulletin Board.

If we vote 'YES' in the plebiscite:

1. Loss of freedom of speech
2. Loss of freedom of religion
3. Parents won be able to oppose the radical sex education program 'Safe Schools.'

If we vote 'NO' in the plebiscite:

1. We send a strong message on family, faith and freedom.
2. Parents can continue to teach their children about their own beliefs about gender, sexuality and marriage.
3. We win the right to civil debate where political correctness has previously intimidated many into silence.

RECENTLY DECEASED: We pray for Cath McLoughlin, Ben Baluya, Arthur Granada. Lilibeth Malegro and all who passed away recently.

DEATH ANNIVERSARIES: We pray for Timothy Crough, Noel & Tessie Lawrence, Ricardo Burgos Sr., Fr Alej Plaza svd, Roman, Danuta & Chester Hajduk, Joanna & Walter Michalowski, Zanatta family, Mary Noronha, Rajkumar Shukla, Ireneo Besa, Joseph Thien, Anna Hue, Joseph Dupont, Irene Cameron, Erik Menjivar, Frank Crabb and all whose anniversaries occur at this time.

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK: We pray for Shirley & Leo Linehan, Angela O'Brien, Lydia (Aleida) Van Susteren, Celine Coelho, Peter McGlade, Gary Spotswood, Stan Walkden, Diane Cameron, Edith Street, Georgette Maalouf, Jamilton Dabu, Carmen Mifsud, Bob Meehan, Sean Donaldson, Liam Parr, Barbara Grogan, Sr. Eileen Brown, Eugenie Rinaldi, Keith Gill, Imelda Rundell, Brian Jones, Carmen Sherri, Melissa Caroline, Carmen Agius, Josie Tabone, Geff Grech, Carmel Negline, Dot Mulquiney, Virginia Kallio, Edwinda Francisco, Frank Fazio, Alwyn White, Hamish Stott, Marcus