

BRUNSWICK AND MORELAND CATHOLIC MISSION

Weekly Newsletter



St Joseph



St Fidelis



Our Lady help of
Christians



St Ambrose

31st Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year B

31 October 2021

MASS TIME

Our Lady's

Friday 10:00 am

Saturday 5:00 pm

Sunday 9:00 am

Communion Service

Wednesday 10:00 am

Sacrament of Reconciliation

First Saturday:

10:30am – 11:00am

St Ambrose's

Thursday 10:00 am

Sunday 10:30 am

Communion Service

Tuesday 10:00 am

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Second Saturday:

10:30am – 11:00am

St Joseph's

Wednesday 10:00 am

Saturday 6:30 pm

(First Saturday only)

Sunday 9:00 am & 5:00 pm

Italian Mass:

2nd & 4th Sunday at 10:30am

Communion Service

Tuesday 10:00 am

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Third Saturday:

10:30am – 11:00am

St Fidelis'

Tuesday 9:15 am

Friday 9:15 am

Saturday 6:00 pm

Sunday 11:00 am

Italian Mass:

1st & 3rd Sunday at 9:30am

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Fourth Saturday:

10:30am – 11:00am

November – A Time to Remember All Our Faithful Departed

November is traditionally the month of Remembrance for the Dead – a time when all, including our loved ones who have gone before us, are prayed for and remembered in a particular way. The two years of the Covid19 Pandemic has profoundly made us aware of the thin veil between life and death.

A deep sense of loss is felt, when someone close to us dies, especially without family by their bedside. For us, the darkness of this moment gradually melts into the bright light: the Light of Christ, the Light of the Resurrection. The Faithful Departed are members of the body of Christ and we, the living, together with them, are alive in Christ. As we remember and pray for them, they remember and pray for us. We are all united in the one body of Christ.

Therefore, November offers us the opportunity to join with our ancestors in faith, by remembering all the good and holy women and men who have lived good and holy lives before us. This Remembrance paves the way for us to continue their work.

As St. Paul reminds us in his letter to the Philippians: *"our citizenship is in heaven and we eagerly await a Saviour from there, the Lord Jesus Christ who, by the power that enables Him to subject all things to Himself, will transform our lowly bodies to be like His glorious body"* (Philippians 3:20)

HOLY SOUL'S DAY MASSES – 2nd NOVEMBER

9:15 St Fidelis

10:00 St Joseph

10:00 Our Lady Help of Christians

Note: Vaccinated and Non- Vaccinated People may be present at the above Masses. The limit will be 30 people.

Communion Services will resume 3rd November.

First Reading

Deuteronomy 6:2-6

A reading from the book of Deuteronomy
Moses said to the people: 'If you fear the Lord your God all the days of your life and if you keep all his laws and commandments which I lay on you, you will have a long life, you and your son and your grandson. Listen then, Israel, keep and observe what will make you prosper and give you great increase, as the Lord God of your fathers has promised you, giving you a land where milk and honey flow.

'Listen, Israel: The Lord our God is the one Lord. You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your strength. Let these words I urge on you today be written on your heart.' **The word of the Lord.**

Responsorial Psalm

(R.) I love you Lord, my strength.

1. I love you, Lord, my strength,
my rock, my fortress, my saviour.
My God is the rock where I take refuge;
my shield, my mighty help, my stronghold.
The Lord is worthy of all praise:
when I call I am saved from my foes. **R.**
2. Long life to the Lord, my rock!
Praised be to the God that saves me.
He has given great victories to his king
and shown love for his anointed. **R.**

Second Reading

Hebrews 7:23-28

A reading from the letter to the Hebrews
There used to be a great number of priests under the former covenant, because death put an end to each one of them; but this one, Christ, because he remains for ever, can never lose his priesthood. It follows, then, that his power to save is utterly certain, since he is living for ever to intercede for all who come to God through him.

To suit us, the ideal high priest would have to be holy, innocent and uncontaminated, beyond the influence of sinners, and raised up above the heavens; one who would not need to offer sacrifices every day, as the other high priests do for their own sins and then for those of the people, because he has done this once and for all by offering himself. The Law appoints high priests who are men subject to weakness; but the promise on oath, which came after the Law, appointed the Son who is made perfect for ever. **The word of the Lord.**

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

All who love me will keep my words,
and my Father will love them and we will come to them.

Alleluia!

Gospel

Mark 12:28-34

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark
One of the scribes came up to Jesus and put a question to him, 'Which is the first of all the commandments?' Jesus replied, 'This is the first: Listen, Israel, the Lord our God is the one Lord, and you must love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind, and with all your strength. The second is this: You must love your neighbour as yourself. There is no commandment greater than these.' The scribe said to him, 'Well spoken, Master; what you have said is true: that he is one and there is no other. To love him with all your heart, with all your understanding and strength, and to love your neighbour as yourself, this is far more important than any holocaust or sacrifice.' Jesus, seeing how wisely he had spoken, said, 'You are not far from the kingdom of God.' And after that no one dared to question him any more.

Gospel of the Lord.

Prayers of Intention:

For the Sick:

Gianfranco Berardi, Maria Grazia Zanchi, and Simone Berardi, Lucy McDonald, Lilian Miceli, Sammuell Nercieca, Kieran Staunton, , Leanne Paolini, Doug Bracken, John McCann, Brendan Meredith, Clelia Modonesi, Krishna Kelly, Kim Simpson, Sian Middleton, Angela Pavano, Marie O'Toole, Joyce Chong, Noli Sagolili, Marilyn Figueroa, Reymond Figueroa, Reyhan Joseph Figueroa, Mary Refalo & Kevin Barry.

Recently Deceased: *Alfred Bugrja*

Anniversaries: *Nourell Davies, Caroline Ciantar, Terry Sheehan*

Rules We Need To Follow in Order To Open our Churches.

How wonderful it is that we are able to celebrate Mass together the weekend of 6/7th November and share our faith at the Eucharist, the source and summit of our faith.

However, there are some significant changes to the *Sign In* process, required by the regulations of the **Victorian Government**, regarding large gatherings.

We need to be kind and respectful of each other, remembering that the rules are in place to protect everyone.

Our usual liturgies are available to fully vaccinated people only (children under twelve with fully vaccinated adults and adults with medical exemption are also permitted to attend)

You must bring your vaccination certificate or your medical exemption with you.

PLEASE REMEMBER to bring this information as you will not be able to attend without it.

Please come early (10-20 mins preferably) and expect to be in a queue outside the church for signing in and vaccination certificate checking. Greeters will assist you.

There are two ways to sign in

1. Using the Services Victoria App or the QR code. You will also need to show to the Greeter, your vaccination status, or have an exemption letter. A Greeter will take a photo of your certificate for record keeping.
 2. If you are signing in manually you will need to show a copy of your vaccination status or your exemption letter - a Greeter will take a photo of this and send it to the parish office for record keeping
- If you are unable to do 1 or 2 you **cannot** attend the Masses on Saturday night or Sunday morning at BBE, but you **can** attend an extra Mass at 3pm for people who do not want to declare their vaccination status. It will be held at St Ambrose's at 3pm on Sunday afternoon.
 - The number for this extra mass is capped at 30 people, so it is necessary to phone and book
 - Please sanitize upon entry to the church and please sit in the seating that is available

- Sanitise prior to taking communion
- Masks will need to be worn during the service and can only be removed to take Communion.
- At the conclusion of Mass please assist us by sanitizing where you have been seated. Sanitizing products will be provided at the pews for this purpose.
- If you have any questions or concerns regarding these requirements can you please contact a member of the Parish Pastoral Council or the Parish Office.

These are some big changes but are required to keep everyone safe.

Have You Been Thinking About Becoming A Catholic?

Or maybe you know a family member or a friend who is considering becoming a Catholic. We would like to invite you to take a closer look, by attending our formation sessions on "The Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults" (RCIA). In these sessions we will provide information about the Catholic Church and what it teaches, in addition to taking a look at all your important questions relating to the faith. The programme will commence at the beginning of the Season of Advent - the last week of November 2021.

We are also in need of volunteers, to assist with preparing the Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA) programme. If you have experience or qualifications in catechesis, religious education or teaching and are able to assist us at St Fidelis and St Joseph parishes, we would be very grateful. This can be a very rewarding ministry and you would be supported by priests and our wonderful team of existing catechists, who would make you welcome, and they will be looking forward to working with you. For further information or to offer your expression of interest, please contact us via the parish email, St Fidelis moreland@cam.org.au; St Joseph's, brunswickwest@cam.org.au or phone 0452 180 037.

All volunteers are required to meet the Safeguarding Standards.

BBE – Parish Weekend - Doxa Camp,

Keep this date free: Friday 11th March to Sunday 13th March 2022. More details will be made available closer to the date.

Looking for a house to rent

Family in our parish is looking for a three-bedroom house in Brunswick area to rent. Please ring: Silvia on 0481 353 455 if you can help. Thank you.

ONLINE SERVICES

Sunday Masses

Via Zoom at 10:30

[https://us06web.zoom.us/j/84220979481?](https://us06web.zoom.us/j/84220979481?pwd=OURkMmVTM3BRWUhwamxYY1JhbGkrZz09)

[pwd=OURkMmVTM3BRWUhwamxYY1JhbGkrZz09](https://us06web.zoom.us/j/84220979481?pwd=OURkMmVTM3BRWUhwamxYY1JhbGkrZz09)

Meeting ID: 842 2097 9481

Passcode: 327349

Via Facebook and YouTube @ 11:00 am

<https://www.facebook.com/St-Fidelis-Parish-Moreland-183834618311776>

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCm7GEgt-p2odZexFuLSq92Q>

Gospel Reflection on Zoom

Each Wednesday during lockdown there will be an opportunity to join in a Zoom discussion of the Gospel of the forthcoming Sunday at 4pm. The Zoom link: <https://acu.zoom.us/j/148563929>.

Vespers (Evening Prayer of the Church)

Please join us for evening prayer via zoom on Fridays at 4:30 pm during lockdown.

[https://us06web.zoom.us/j/85235376047?](https://us06web.zoom.us/j/85235376047?pwd=bTd0KzVVempMYWFxT2Q4UWJoYlExZz09)

[pwd=bTd0KzVVempMYWFxT2Q4UWJoYlExZz09](https://us06web.zoom.us/j/85235376047?pwd=bTd0KzVVempMYWFxT2Q4UWJoYlExZz09)

Meeting ID: 852 3537 6047 Passcode: 104550

Zoom Rosary

Our final lockdown Zoom Rosary will be at 9:00am Saturday 30/10. <https://zoom.us/j/92496488650> Meeting ID: 924 9648 8650
By telephone: 7018 2005.

We will conclude our devotion for the Marian month by praying the Rosary in person at the grotto at St Fidelis after 9:15am Mass on Tuesday 2/11. All welcome.

Meditation Every Tuesday Evening at 7.30 pm.

Everyone is welcome, newcomers and experienced meditators alike. If you would like to participate, please call Jo Bennett (0401148133) or email jbennett@joeb.com.au

BBE Parish Cooking Club

Please join us on **Monday 1 November** at 4pm via Zoom using <https://acu.zoom.us/j/148563929>

You can cook along or just watch. Guest cook: Emily

Cooking: Seafood Risotto. All welcome

SAINTS OF THE WEEK

1 November: **ALL SAINTS' DAY**

2 November: **Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed (ALL SOULS' DAY)**

3 November: St. Martin de Porres, Religious

4 November: Saint Charles Borromeo, Bishop

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Safety of Children and All Vulnerable People

We hold the care, safety and wellbeing of children and all vulnerable people, as a central and fundamental responsibility, of our parishes. The Parish Statement of Commitment and the Reporting Process, are on display in all churches, and all Parish Policies are available, on the website: bmcatholicmission.org.au