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Mon & Tues 9.00 - 11.00am
Friday 9:00am - 12:00pm

1st November 2020 - All Saints Day

Please Pray For Those Who Have Died

Recently Deceased:

Anniversary: Esmerina Ignacio; Victorino Ignacio; Beryl Easley, Ronald O'Neill, Rita Nolan, Ron Porter, Emily Press, Coral Ryan, Angela Perry, Liam Rosewar, Gordon Baker, Adriano T. Llave, Joyce Wieland, Raymond Barr, James Barr, Ern Webster, Christopher Irwin, Kate Barr, Fr Stan Campbell, Michael Burraston, Noel Nemes, Vera Forsyth, Judith Forsyth, Mary Conroy, Marjorie Fitzgibbon, Brian Conlan, Patricia McCarthy, Patricia Fitzsimmons, Norman Constable, Eugenia T. Llave, Pam Boulton, Elizabeth Murphy, Colleen Green, Mick McCarthy, Mons Clay Fisher, Molly Garthy, Gwen Taggart, Alphonus Nolan, Rita Nolan, Eileen Baker, Helen & Barry Hird, All the Holy Souls.
May their souls and all the souls of the faithful departed through the mercy of God Rest in Peace. Amen.
And for those who are ill:
Ray Lamb of Gunnedah; Les Ward, David Seiler; Rita Looney; Bobbie Patton; Fr John Willis; Fr John McHugh; Clare Crane; Bill Gleeson; Billy Godden; Ros Turton; Gavin Sewell; Ian Gallagher; Fiona Nolan; Gail Martin; Wendy Brown; Sue Thomson; Lucy Ggill; Father Pat O'Neill; Tom Sanderson; Colleen Hyatt; Michael McCormick; Dan O'Donnell; Marie Dalton; Jack Dunn; Colin Gallagher; Andrew McManus; Ivy Taylor; Joan Greenlee; Rosalynn Chan; all the members of the Parish who are ill.

The Sacred Liturgy

Quirindi:

Vigil Mass 5.00pm
Sunday 9.30am

Werris Creek:

Vigil Mass Saturday 6.30pm

Willow Tree:

Mass at Willow Tree 8.00am

Carroona:

To be advised

Confessions:

Saturday 4.15pm to 4.45pm and
after each Mass except Saturday
night

Weekday Mass Times:

St Brigid's: Mass Monday, Tuesday, Friday &
Saturday at 9.30am.
Werris Creek: Mass Wednesday; Thursday at
9.30am.

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament & Benediction:

Baptisms by arrangement with Parish Priest - any
Sunday at 11.30am

*Rosary is said prior to Mass
only when there is no Benediction
No Anointing on the 3rd Sunday of the
Month during Mass*

Coming Events

- Holy Souls - St Brigid's Mass on Monday 2nd November at 8.00am at the Cemetery
- Holy Souls - Werris Creek Mass on Monday 2nd November at 10.30am in the Church
- First Confession Lessons on Wednesday 4th November 2020 at 3.50pm in the Father Stan Campbell Hall.
- Sacrament of First Confession Thursday 5th November at 6.00pm in the Church
- Clergy Retreat 8 November to 13 November 2020. No Mass in the Parish this week

Coronavirus

The following must be observed at all Masses:

1. Please sign-in on the log-sheets every time you enter the church.
2. Sanitise your hands, observe physical distancing and sit on allocated seats
3. No congregational singing, only Father to sing; no Sign of Peace.
4. Printed bulletins are for single use only and must not be reused by other people
5. One single line during Holy Communion.

Saints to Remember

All Souls' Day - 2nd
St Martin de Porres - Memorial - 3rd
St Charles Borromeo - Memorial - 4th

November Mass Offerings

Please remember to have Masses offered for your deceased Relatives and Friends during the month of November. Envelopes are at the back of the Church.

All Souls Day

Mass at the Quirindi Cemetery at 8.00am (please remember to bring your own chair).
Mass at Werris Creek at 10.30am in the Church.

Daily Mass Book - The books will be \$20.00 each orders close next weekend. They go from Advent to Advent. If you wish to purchase a Daily Mass Book please write your name on the sheet at the back of the Church. Many thanks.

Memorare

Remember, Our Lady of La Salette, true Mother of Sorrows, the tears you shed for me on Calvary. Remember also the care you have always taken to keep me faithful to Christ your Son. After having done so much for your child, you will not now abandon me. Inspired by this consoling thought, I come to cast myself at your feet in spite of my infidelities and ingratitude. Do not reject my prayer, O merciful Virgin, but intercede for my conversion, obtain for me the grace to love Jesus above all things, and to console you by a holy life, that I may one day see you in heaven. Amen.

Our Lady of La Salette reconciler of Sinners
Pray without ceasing for us who have recourse to thee.

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Saint Michael the Archangel, defend us in the day of battle. Be our safeguard against the wickedness and snares of the devil. May God rebuke him we humbly pray, and do thou, O Prince of the Heavenly Hosts, by the power of God, cast into hell Satan and all the evil spirits, who wander through the world seeking the ruin of souls. Amen.

All Souls Day Prayer

REMEMBER LORD, THOSE WHO HAVE DIED AND HAVE COME BEFORE US MARKED WITH THE SIGN OF FAITH ESPECIALLY THOSE FOR WHOM WE REGRET
PRAY THESE AND ALL WHO SLEEP IN CHRIST FIND YOUR VOICE PRESENCE LIGHT, COMFORT, AND PEACE THROUGH CHRIST, OUR LORD



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Alleluia, alleluia! / Come to me, all you
that labour and are burdened, / and I will
give you rest, says the Lord. / Alleluia!

GOSPEL

Mt 5: 1-12

A reading from the holy Gospel according to
Matthew.

*Rejoice and be glad, for your reward will be great in
heaven.*

Seeing the crowds, Jesus went up the hill. There
he sat down and was joined by his disciples.
Then he began to speak. This is what he taught
them:

'How happy are the poor in spirit;
theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

Happy the gentle:

they shall have the earth for their heritage;

Happy those who mourn:

they shall be comforted;

Happy those who hunger and thirst for

what is right:

they shall be satisfied;

Happy the merciful:

they shall have mercy shown them;

Happy the pure in heart:

they shall see God;

Happy the peacemakers:

they shall be called sons of God;

Happy those who are persecuted in the

cause of right:

theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

'Happy are you when people abuse you and
persecute you and speak all kinds of calumny
against you on my account. Rejoice and be
glad, for your reward will be great in heaven.'

■ **The Gospel of the Lord.**

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Reflections on the Gospel

THE BEATITUDES

The gospel of the Beatitudes is often read
at funerals and weddings. In its own way, it
sounds comforting and indeed it is. However,
it is also very challenging—which suggests that
'Blessed' is a better rendering of the opening
word in each case than 'Happy'.

Jesus is instructing his disciples concerning
the kind of people they must be, not just for
themselves but for the benefit of the mass of
afflicted people down below the mountain,
who he has just healed.

To this end, the beatitudes describe ways
of living that mean putting oneself in a
vulnerable situation quite contrary to the
values of the world. To be 'poor in spirit',
rather than proud and dominant; to feel
compassion ('mourn') because other people
suffer; to have a passionate commitment
(‘thirst’) for justice; to exercise ‘mercy’ rather
than taking advantage of those in an inferior
position; to actively promote reconciliation (as
‘peacemakers’); and so forth: all these things
make one vulnerable here and now, entailing
much loss.

But in light of the hope for the kingdom of
God, whose values the Beatitudes enshrine,
disciples who adopt this way of life are already
‘blessed’. Their future happiness is in the
hands of an ever-faithful God.

Moreover, living in this way means that they
can be ‘salt’ and ‘light’ for the world, especially
for the afflicted. It is those who are prepared
to live in the vulnerable way commended by
Jesus who make the world a hospitable home
for all humanity. This is the legacy of the
‘saints’ who have gone before us.

Brendan Byrne, SJ

ALL SAINTS DAY / A

THE SAVING WORD

01 NOVEMBER 2020

Apoc 7: 2-4, 9-14

FIRST READING

A reading from the book of the Apocalypse.

*I saw an immense crowd, beyond hope of counting, of
people from every nation, race, tribe and language.*

I, John, saw another angel rising where the
sun rises, carrying the seal of the living God;
he called in a powerful voice to the four angels
whose duty was to devastate land and sea,
‘Wait before you do any damage on land or at
sea or to the trees, until we have put the seal
on the foreheads of the servants of our God.’
Then I heard how many were sealed: a hundred
and forty-four thousand, out of all the tribes of
Israel.

After that I saw a huge number, impossible to
count, of people from every nation, race, tribe
and language; they were standing in front of
the throne and in front of the Lamb, dressed in
white robes and holding palms in their hands.
They shouted aloud, ‘Victory to our God, who
sits on the throne, and to the Lamb!’ And all
the angels who were standing in a circle round
the throne, surrounding the elders and the
four animals, prostrated themselves before
the throne, and touched the ground with
their foreheads, worshipping God with these
words: ‘Amen. Praise and glory and wisdom
and thanksgiving and honour and power and
strength to our God for ever and ever. Amen.’

One of the elders then spoke, and asked me,
‘Do you know who these people are, dressed in
white robes, and where they have come from?’
I answered him, ‘You can tell me, my Lord.’
Then he said, ‘These are the people who have
been through the great persecution, and they
have washed their robes white again in the
blood of the Lamb.’

■ **The word of the Lord.**

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps 23: 1-6. R. cf. v. 6

**R. Lord, this is the people that longs to see
your face.**

1. The Lord’s is the earth and its fullness,
the world and all its peoples.
It is he who set it on the seas;
on the waters he made it firm. **R.**



2. Who shall climb the mountain of the Lord?
Who shall stand in his holy place?
The man with clean hands and pure heart,
who desires not worthless things. **R.**
3. He shall receive blessings from the Lord
and reward from the God who saves him.
Such are the men who seek him,
seek the face of the God of Jacob. **R.**

SECOND READING

Jn 3: 1-3

A reading from the first letter of John

We shall see God as he really is.

Think of the love that the Father has lavished
on us,
by letting us be called God’s children;
and that is what we are.
Because the world refused to acknowledge
him,

therefore it does not acknowledge us.
My dear people, we are already the children of
God
but what we are to be in the future has not yet
been revealed:

all we know is, that when it is revealed
we shall be like him
because we shall see him as he really is.
Surely everyone who entertains this hope
must purify himself, must try to be as pure as
Christ.

■ **The word of the Lord.**