

## FIRST READING

### A reading from the book of Deuteronomy 6:2-6

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.'

## RESPONSORIAL PSALM

**R./ I love you Lord, my strength.**

## SECOND READING

### A reading from the letter to the Hebrews 7:23-28

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.

## 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 READING

### A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark 12:28-34

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.



**CHRIST OUR LIGHT  
CATHOLIC PARISH**

**HIGHETT / CHELTENHAM**

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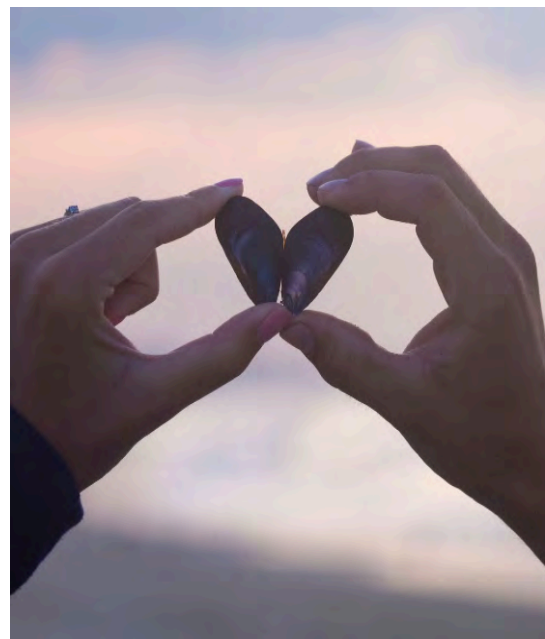
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## THIRTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

**YEAR B - 2<sup>nd</sup> / 3<sup>rd</sup> NOVEMBER, 2024**



You must love the Lord your God  
with all your heart,  
with all your soul,  
with all your mind,  
and with all your strength.

Mark 12:30

We are called to a covenant relationship with the Lord who is God, the one who is Lord alone. We have been invited into an intimate personal relationship with the creator of the universe who with infinite interest has numbered the very hairs on our head. It is not marvel enough that this mysterious God has created us; we have also been redeemed. As victim-priest Jesus has offered himself on our behalf. He is the sacrifice that sealed the covenant; his blood was the expiation for our sins; he is our rock, our fortress, our deliverer, our shield, our stronghold. Only one thing is asked of us in return: that we open ourselves to him and cling to the covenant, that we proclaim with all our hearts 'The Lord is our God, the Lord alone!' We are to love with all our heart and all our soul and all our strength; we are to love God and to love others.

*Dianne Bergant CSA*

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MASS TIMES - CHELTENHAM & HIGHETT  
SATURDAY VIGIL & SUNDAY MASSES:  
Saturday [St Agnes Church] 6:00 pm  
Sunday [OLA] 9:00 am, 11:00 am

WEEKDAY MASS TIMES:  
Tuesday [St Agnes Church] 9.00 am  
Tuesday [OLA Church] 6.00 pm  
Wednesday [OLA Church] 9.15 am  
Thursday [OLA Church] 9.15 am  
Friday [St Agnes Church] 9.00 am  
Saturday [OLA Church] 9.00 am

COMMUNION SERVICE (except Public Holidays)  
Monday [OLA Church] 9.15 am

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION:  
Wednesday [OLA Church] 9:45 am  
Saturday [OLA Church] 9.30 am

BAPTISMS: Contact Parish Office: 9583 6161.

WEDDINGS: By appointment, 6 months' notice required. Saturdays or weekdays (not Sundays).

The clergy, employees and volunteers of our two parishes are committed to upholding a duty of care to all children, young people and vulnerable adults, taking all reasonable steps to protect children, young people and vulnerable adults from all forms of abuse and harm and commit to safeguard their health and well-being.

THIRTY-FIRST SUNDAY  
IN ORDINARY TIME  
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PRAYING FOR:

Albert Tanzimat (40 days),  
Jennifer Batchelor, Leonard Fernandes,  
Thomas Lambert, Malcolm Devenport,  
... and all those who died recently.

WE ALSO REMEMBER:

Ian Welling, Ronald Lourey, Carmela Sofo,  
Lorna Melia, Slavica Madarevic,  
Adam Madarevic, Vjekoslav Madarevic,  
Piotr Volkel, Manuela Antoni,  
Antonino Fucile, Daniel Paoli,  
Antonia Fucile, Francesco Fucile,  
Giuseppe Fucile, Carlo Paoli,  
Maria Salanitri, Salvatore Fucile,  
Marco Paoli, Grazia Castro,  
Carmelo Fucile, Giovanni Fucile,  
Arine Scott, Jeni Glove, Stefano Bettoni,  
Antonino Trigona, Concettina Trigona,  
Beverley Smith, Amelia Smith,  
Charles Farrugia, David Barrile,

...and all who we remember at this time.

...additionally, we keep in our prayers all  
who are currently unwell.

**VOLUNTEERS:** Please make sure that your WWCC/POLICE CHECK documents are current, that is, have not expired, and copies made available to the Parish Office.

**PARISH STEWARDSHIP:** Thank you to all parishioners who continue to generously support our parish i.e. through their contributions to both our Thanksgiving and Presbytery collections. With the assistance of the Archdiocese we are currently working on refining the facility for parishioners to contribute to Christ Our Light Parish via an online portal.

**PLEASE NOTE:** There will be **no 9am** Mass at **St Agnes' Church**, this coming **Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> November**. Tuesday's 6pm Mass at OLA church will be celebrated as scheduled. Apologies for any inconvenience.



MONTH OF NOVEMBER  
Remembering Our Dearly Departed

The Cross of Remembrance

You are invited to inscribe the names of your dear loved ones who have died. A cross is located near the Altar in each of our churches.

November Offering envelopes are available in our church foyers and at the Remembrance Crosses, for those who would like Masses offered for deceased loved ones.



**This Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> November**, you're invited to stay and join fellow parishioners for a cuppa after the **9am & 11am Masses**, in the OLA church Meeting Room.

CHRIST OUR LIGHT SOCIAL LUNCH

The next Parish Social Lunch will be on **Thursday, 5<sup>th</sup> December, at 12 noon**, at the **Highett RSL**. All are most welcome. **Please RSVP by Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> November** to: Karen Mitri: 0411 354 670 or 9553 0350 or via email: [karen.mitri@gmail.com](mailto:karen.mitri@gmail.com)



**PASTORAL CARE APPEAL 2024** (previously known as Chaplaincy Appeal) **Next weekend** is CatholicCare Victoria's annual Pastoral Care Appeal in the Archdiocese of Melbourne. Each year a special collection is conducted in all parishes, so that the vital work of the Catholic Chaplains can continue. The Catholic Chaplains support thousands of Victorians every year in prisons, to help them journey towards a brighter future. Your gift can help people find comfort and hope as they go through some of their darkest times of their life. Please give generously.



OLA FETE - 23<sup>rd</sup> Nov. **DO YOU HAVE A MARQUEE?**

If anyone has a marquee that they could loan for the fete, please contact John Bardon at [jkardon@gmail.com](mailto:jkardon@gmail.com) ASAP & cc. [fete@olacheltenham.catholic.edu.au](mailto:fete@olacheltenham.catholic.edu.au).

**PLANTS STALL** is seeking donations of flowers, herbs and succulent in plastic pots. Packets of seedlings are also welcome. Contact Cathal 0404344456 or Alysha 0404283615 for queries.

**LUCKY BOTTLES STALL** The Fete committee are collecting wine, bubbles or spirits for the lucky bottles stall. Bottles will be accepted right up to the week of the fete. Kindly drop your donations into the school office.

**CAKE STALL** is seeking donations of jams, curds, oils and preserves. These items are always very popular so please make as many jars as you can. Contact Kara Bogicevic 0409 353 957 for queries.

**SECOND HAND CLOTHES STALL** Does anyone have a clothes rack and/or coat hangers (including skirt hangers) they could donate to our stall? Please email the fete committee if you do.

**RIDES, RIDES, RIDES** Don't miss the early bird prices and purchase your wristbands here - <https://www.trybooking.com/events/landing/1261007>

**BASP TRIVIA NIGHT** The Brigidine Asylum Seeker Project Trivia Team are organising another Trivia Night, via Zoom, on Friday 8<sup>th</sup> November at 7.30pm. These Trivia Nights run by St Mary's church, Hampton, are great fun and raise funds for asylum seekers supported by the Brigidine Asylum Seeker Project. If you would like to test your knowledge and enjoy good company, you can form your own team, or join others from Christ Our Light Parish. To register, go to <https://cohdig.au/trivia> or contact Adrian Foley at [ade.foley@gmail.com](mailto:ade.foley@gmail.com) or mobile 0497 780 233.