



SUNDAY 2ND NOVEMBER, 2025.

THE COMMEMORATION OF ALL THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED. YEAR C

Reflection

The “Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed” or “Feast of All Souls” as it used to be called (November 2) has traditionally been a fairly sombre feast in the liturgical calendar. It is a time to remember those who have died, especially the deceased members of our family and those close to us. It follows immediately on the Feast of All Saints (November 1).

There is a close overlap between these two feasts that fall on successive days. Over these days, we celebrate the mystery of the communion of saints: the saints through whom we pray to God, the saints for whom we pray, and the “saints” or God’s “holy” people with whom we gather to pray.

All Souls Day was first celebrated by monks in the seventh century, on the day after Pentecost. Since the 10th century, it has been observed on November 2. Prayer for the dead is grounded in a deep conviction that a purifying process accompanies the experience of death.

Theories about the nature of such a process abound. Some suggest that at death we face the personal limitations we have not faced in life. Who knows? It remains in the realm of mystery.

By Sr. Veronica Lawson, RSM

NOVEMBER MASSES

November is traditionally the month at which we pray for all the faithful departed, especially members of our families and friends, for it is a good and holy thing to pray for those who have died. Anyone wanting a Mass said in remembrance of a loved one or a family member, please fill in one of the November Envelopes available on the pews, at the back of the Church or in your set of envelopes. As of this weekend, there will be a Remembrance Book at the front of the churches for parishioners to write down the names of deceased relatives and friends they wish to be remembered and prayed for during the month of November.

CELEBRATING ALL SAINTS DAY AND ALL SOULS DAY

In the Catholic tradition, November is traditionally a month of remembrance of the dead. The month begins with the Solemnity of All Saints on 1 November and the Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed (All Souls’ Day), on 2 November.

While no longer holy days of obligation in Australia, the Church has consistently encouraged prayers for the faithful departed and, during November, a list of the names of the dead is usually placed in the church so that the community can remember them in prayer.

THE ORIGINS OF ALL SAINTS DAY

All Saints’ Day commemorates all the saints in heaven. The feast dates back to the early Church, when communities would gather and celebrate the anniversary of the martyr’s death. During the persecution under the emperor Diocletian at the beginning of the fourth century the number of martyrs became so great that a separate day could not be assigned to each saint, so the Church established a common feast day for all the martyrs. All Saints’ Day is a time to consider the example saints offer us and to reflect on how we can imitate their lives. As Pope Benedict XVI said, All Saints’ Day calls us ‘to see the Church...as Christ wanted it, that is, as the communion of saints.’

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DEATHS & ANNIVERSARIES

We pray for **Gloria Saunders, Rose Mc Intyre, Margot Clarke, Fr Barry Moran and Fr. Peter O’Rourke** who died recently; and for **Stan Badowski, Rodney D’Souza, Francesco & Maria Lanciana and John Baptist Luu Van Chinh** whose anniversaries occur at this time.

May they rest in peace.

Entrance Antiphon: 1 Thess 4:14; 1 Cor 15:22

Just as Jesus died and has risen again, so through Jesus God will bring with him those who have fallen asleep; and as in Adam all die, so also in Christ will all be brought to life.

First Reading: Isaiah 25:6-9

A reading from the prophet Isaiah

On this mountain, the Lord of hosts will prepare for all peoples a banquet of rich food. On this mountain he will remove the mourning veil covering all peoples, and the shroud enwrapping all nations; he will destroy Death for ever. The Lord will wipe away the tears from every cheek; he will take away his people's shame everywhere on earth, for the Lord has said so. That day, it will be said: See, this is our God in whom we hoped for salvation; The Lord is the one in whom we hoped. We exult and we rejoice that he has saved us.

The Word of the Lord. (R.) Thanks be to God.

Responsorial Psalm: Ps 26:1, 4, 7-9, 13-14. R. v. 1

R. The Lord is my light and salvation.

1. The Lord is my light and my help;
whom shall I fear?
The Lord is the stronghold of my life;
before whom shall I shrink? **(R.)**
2. There is one thing I ask of the Lord,
for this I long,
to live in the house of the Lord,
all the days of my life,
to savour the sweetness of the Lord,
to behold his temple. **(R.)**
3. O Lord, hear my voice when I call;
have mercy and answer.
It is your face, O Lord, that I seek;
Hide not your face. **(R.)**
4. I am sure I shall see the Lord's goodness
in the land of the living.
Hope in him, hold firm and take heart.
Hope in the Lord! **(R.)**

Second Reading: Romans 5:5-11

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Romans

Hope is not deceptive, because the love of God has been poured into our hearts by the Holy Spirit which has been given to us. We were still helpless when at his appointed moment Christ died for sinful men. It is not easy to die even for a good man — though of course for someone really worthy, a man might be prepared to die — but what proves that God loves us is that Christ died for us while we were still sinners. Having died to make us righteous, is it likely that he would now fail to save us from God's anger? When we were reconciled to God by the death of his Son, we were still enemies; now that

we have been reconciled, surely we may count on being saved by the life of his Son? Not merely because we have been reconciled but because we are filled with joyful trust in God, through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have already gained our reconciliation.

The Word of the Lord. (R.) Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation: John 6:39

Alleluia, alleluia! This is the will of my Father, says the Lord, that I should lose nothing of all that he has given to me, and that I should raise it up on the last day. **Alleluia!**

Gospel: Luke 7:11-17

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke

Jesus went to a town called Nain, accompanied by his disciples and a great number of people. When he was near the gate of the town it happened that a dead man was being carried out for burial, the only son of his mother, and she was a widow. And a considerable number of the townspeople was with her. When the Lord saw her he felt sorry for her. 'Do not cry,' he said. Then he went up and put his hands on the bier and the bearers stood still, and he said, 'Young man, I tell you to get up.' And the dead man sat up and began to talk, and Jesus gave him to his mother. Everyone was filled with awe and praised God saying, 'A great prophet has appeared among us; God has visited his people.' And this opinion of him spread throughout Judaea and all over the countryside.

**The Gospel of the Lord.
(R.) Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ**

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**I believe in one God, the Father almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all things visible and invisible.
I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ,
the Only Begotten Son of God,
born of the Father before all ages.
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God, begotten, not made,
consubstantial with the Father;
through him all things were made.
For us men and for our salvation
He came down from heaven, *(All bow)*
and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate
of the Virgin Mary, and became man.
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate,
he suffered death and was buried,
and rose again on the third day
in accordance with the Scriptures.
He ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.**

He will come again in glory
to judge the living and the dead
and his kingdom will have no end.
I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son
is adored and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.
I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church.
I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins
and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Communion Antiphon: John 11:25-26

I am the Resurrection and the Life, says the Lord.
Whoever believes in me, even though he dies, will
live, and everyone who lives and believes in me will
not die for ever.

**PRISON VOLUNTEERS –
HOSPITALITY AND WORSHIP**

A number of prisons in the Archdiocese have regular Masses and other services. At these Masses and services, there's an opportunity for volunteers to assist with setting up the worship space, assisting the prison residents who attend, to follow the service, and then sharing a social 'cuppa' with them afterwards. The expectation is that volunteers will be rostered on once every four weeks. If you're interested in assisting in this ministry, please contact the senior Catholic Prison Chaplain, Deacon Jim Curtain by email: Jim.Curtain@catholiccarevic.org.au and please include your phone number so that Deacon Jim can discuss the ministry with you.

READERS AND MINISTERS

The next roster, (commencing December and covering Christmas and next year through to Lent) will be prepared soon. If you know that you will be away on holidays, it would be appreciated if you let either Fr. Werner or Kath Baker know before the roster is done.

Readers, Ministers, Counters and all volunteers in our Parishes are required to have a **current** Working with Children Check, signed our Code of Conduct and completed the Safeguarding Essentials Module.

Please check **all dates** and update if necessary. See our parish website: www.melbcatholic.org/yarraville under the section Safeguarding Framework & Resources and also the back page of the current roster, for more details. If you need further assistance contact **Pat McLaughlin**, our Safeguarding Officer, in person or by email patmac766@gmail.com

ORDINATIONS TO THE DIACONATE

On two separate days, in different parishes, two seminarians – **Dominic Lawes and Rhys Lowther** – are being ordained to the transitional diaconate. Dominic Lawes: 7pm on Friday 24 October at St. Peter's Clayton and Rhys Lowther at 11am Saturday 1 November at St. Anthony's Lara.

ITALIAN PRAYER GROUP AND MASS

The weekly Italian Prayer Group and monthly Italian Mass are on hold until further notice.

ST. CECILIA'S EVE ORGAN RECITAL

Featuring Dion Henman, a classically trained pianist and organist with extensive experience, on **Friday 21 November 2025 from 6pm – 7pm at St. Patrick's Cathedral, 1 Cathedral Place, East Melbourne**. Dion is the principal organist at St. Patrick's Cathedral and has appeared in solo recitals and with choral and instrumental ensembles in Victoria and interstate.

SACRED MUSIC CONCERT

Saturday 22 November 2025 from 7.30pm – 9.30pm at St. Mary Star of the Sea, 33 Howard Street West Melbourne. From lively Christmas carols to powerful chants and songs, honouring saints, angels and the life of the spirit, this evening will be filled with exquisite harmony and ancient polyphony. Entry is by donation and all proceeds go to supporting the St. Mary's Star of the Sea restoration project.

**FEAST OF CHRIST THE KING
CELEBRATION AND PROCESSION**

On **Sunday 23 November**, the Combined Societies of Mary invite you to join them on the Feast of Christ the King at St. Patrick's Cathedral, along with Cardinal Mykola Bychok and Archbishop Peter a Comensoli, for a grand celebration and Eucharistic street procession, beginning with **prayers at 2pm**, followed by **Mass at 3pm**. Following Mass, the procession will process around the block on which the Cathedral is situated, asking God's blessing on all the four directions of the city. Everyone welcome.

AUSTRALIAN CATHOLIC YOUTH FESTIVAL

Sunday 30 Nov – Tuesday 2 Dec. 2025

Venue: Melbourne Convention and Exhibition Centre, 1 Convention Place, South Wharf.

Each day will include the opportunity to engage in a wide range of activities including Mass, workshops, talks, live concerts, games, justice issues and an interactive expo.

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LITURGY TIMES**TUESDAY MASS**

St Augustine's....6.00 pm

Exposition: 5.30 –6.00pm

WEDNESDAY MASS

Corpus Christi.....9.15 am

THURSDAY MASS

St Augustine's...9.15 am

FRIDAY MASS

Corpus Christi....9.15 am

SATURDAY MASS

Corpus Christi....9.30 am

SATURDAY VIGIL MASS

St Augustine's...5.00 pm

SUNDAY MASS

Annunciation.....8.00 am

St Augustine's....9.30 am

Corpus Christi..11.00 am

St Augustine's..11.30 am

(Polish)

RECONCILIATION:**SATURDAYS** after 9.30am

Mass at Corpus Christi

St. Augustine's...4.15pm

ITALIAN MASS

On hold until further notice

COLLECTIONS

THE FIRST COLLECTION supports the Priests of our Parish, the Archbishop, Priests on special duties and retired priests.

THE SECOND COLLECTON (includes envelopes), supports the running costs of the Church and pastoral initiatives.

To set up a **Direct Debit** Payment to our bank accounts for the Presbytery and the Church, use these account details.

ST. AUGUSTINE'S YARRAVILLE

St. Augustine's Yarraville Church Account:

BSB 083347 Account No. 638052213.

St. Augustine's Yarraville Presbytery A/C:

BSB 083347 Account No. 638051413**CORPUS CHRISTI KINGSVILLE & ANNUNCIATION BROOKLYN**

Corpus Christi Kingsville Church Account:

BSB 083347 Account No. 485182315

Presbytery Account:

BSB 083347 Account No. 638051413**QR Codes for one off donations.**

This QR code is unique to the Parish of St. Augustine's and gives you access to giving a donation via Credit card.



This QR code is unique to the Parish of Corpus Christi Kingsville

There are census cards at the back of the church for new subscribers wishing to use weekly envelopes. Record details and put the card on the collection plate at Mass or contact the Parish office for a set of envelopes.

SAFETY OF CHILDREN AND ALL VULNERABLE PEOPLE

At Yarraville, Kingsville and Brooklyn, we hold the care, safety and well-being of children and all vulnerable people as a central and fundamental responsibility of our communities. The Parish Statement of Commitment and Reporting Process are on display at the entrance of all the Churches and all Diocesan Policies are available on the website or at the parish office.

www.cam.org.au/Professional-Standards/Statements

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY - We acknowledge the Traditional Custodians who have walked upon and cared for this land for thousands of years. We acknowledge the continued deep spiritual attachment and relationship of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people to this country and commit ourselves to the ongoing journey of reconciliation.

ROSTER FOR THIS WEEK(1st & 2nd November)**Com. of Faithful Departed C****READERS: St. Augustine's**

5.00pm Kath Baker

9.30am Gerald Bain-King

Sam Polzella

COUNTING..... Phillip Marques**READERS: Corpus Christi**

11.00am Natasha Fernandes

Imelda Gibson

MINISTERS: St. Augustine's

5.00pm.....Frank Galea

9.30am.....Pat McLaughlin

MINISTER: Corpus Christi

11.00am.....Val Taylor

ROSTER FOR NEXT WEEK(8th & 9th November)**Dedication/Lateran Basilica C****READERS: St. Augustine's**

5.00pm Krystyna Biront

9.30am Phillip Marques

Anna Messina

COUNTING..... Krystyna Biront**READERS: Corpus Christi**

11.00am Cass Pelino

AJ Pelino

MINISTERS: St. Augustine's

5.00pm.....Greg Buhagiar

9.30am.....Pat McLaughlin

MINISTER: Corpus Christi

11.00am.....Hong Nguyen

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

Many thanks for your donations of non-perishable food. Cereal, long life milk, tea, coffee, milo, soup, pasta, pasta sauce, baked beans, spaghetti, tins of tuna, tinned fruit, rice, jam, biscuits; washing powder/liquid, shampoo, soap, deodorant, toothpaste and brushes are always needed.

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