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



14 November 2021 - 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Please Pray For Those Who Have Died

Recently Deceased: Kevin Doolan, Colin Constable, Lorraine Reilly,

Deceased: All those who have died in the last 12 months
Anniversary: Beryl Elsey, Ronald O'Neill, Rita Nolan, Ron Porter, Emily Press, Coral Ryan, Angela Perry, Liam Rosewar, Gordon Baker, Adriano T. Llave, John Wellard, Joyce Wellard, Raymond Barr, Eleanor Bennett, Matthew Denny, James Barr, Ern Webster, Christopher Irwin, Kate Barr, Rev. Fr. Stan Campbell, Michael Burrascano, Noel Nemes, Vera Forsyth, Judith Forsyth, Mary Conroy, Marjorie Fitzgibbon, Brian Conlan, Vera Graham, Patricia McCarthy, Patricia Fitzsimmons, Norman Constable, Eugenia T. Llave, Pam Boulton, Elizabeth Murphy, Colleen Green, Mick McCarthy, Monsignor Clary Fisher, Molly Garity
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: Maïs Burrascano, Bishop Bill Wright, Peter Pigot, Mary Smith, Pat Reidy, Paul Murphy, Craig Lawrence, Ivy Taylor, Di Dillon, Michael Hausfeld, Sister Pat Barley, Lisa Brown, Ray Lamb of Gunnedah, Les Ward, David Sailer, Rita Looney, Fr. John Willis, Clare Crane, Bill Gleason, Billy Gadder, Ros Turton, Gavin Sewell, Ian Gallagher, Fiona Nolan, Gail Martin, Wendy Brown, Sue Thomson, Lucy Gijil, Father Pat O'Neill, Tom Sanderson, Colleen Hyatt, Michael McCormick, Dan O'Donnell, Maria Dalton, Jack Dunn, Colin Gallagher, Andrew McManus, Joan Greenlee, Rosalynn Chan, all the members of the Parish who are ill.

Other Intentions:

Roster	
20/11/2021 R:	W Rheinberger
21/11/2021 R:	M Corbould
C:	J Daniels & K Sweep

Coming Events

Mon 15 Memorial Service for Kevin Doolan RIP at 10.30am
Tues 16 Reflection Day with Deacon Paul Manwell after 9.30am Mass all welcome to attend
Fri 19 Josephite Companions Meeting at 10.30am at St Joseph's Centre.
Sun 28 Mass at Carroona at 11.15am
Sun 5 Morning Tea after 9.30am Mass with the Raffle to be drawn

Planned Giving \$560.00 + \$50.00 = \$635.00

First Collection \$220.00

Raffle & Morning Tea The Drawing of the Raffle will on Sunday 5th December and will be the last "after Mass" morning tea for 2021. We thank the Gunning family once again for being the provider of the beautiful food and drinks. The raffle prize for the winner - \$40.00 Tamarrang Service centre Voucher, 2nd Prize \$20.00 Chemist Voucher (which has been donated) will be drawn so make sure you have your tickets in it, if you haven't already done so. Your kind support is much appreciated.

Josephite Companions Meeting On Friday 19th November 2021, Josephite Companions are invited to come to the 'chat and meeting' at the St Joseph's Centre to begin at 10.30am after 9.30am mass. This year 2021 in September was the 25th Anniversary of the Quirindi Group of the then Josephite Associates. Like many other celebrations during this difficult year it was not possible to celebrate as we would have wished. There will be much to discuss so please keep the day free and come with your support, ideas and prayers.

Prayer & Reflection Day Deacon Paul Manwell will be holding a Prayer and Reflection Day on **Tuesday 16th November** after 9.30am mass, in the Father Stan Campbell Hall. **All are welcome to attend.**

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.

Josephite Calendars Order your 2022 Josephite Calendar containing inspirational quotes from Mary MacKillop and Fr. Tensin Woods. A great gift to family and friends. Cost is \$9.00. Please write your name on the sheet attached and leave your money in the box. Many thanks.

Saints to Remember

St Albert the Great - Memorial - 15th
St Margaret of Scotland & St Gertrude - Memorial - 16th
St Elizabeth of Hungary - Memorial - 17th
The Dedication of the Basilicas of Sts Peter & Paul - Memorial - 18th

Pushback against the NSW Euthanasia Legislation

The NSW Legislative Council's Standing Committee on Law and Justice is undertaking an inquiry into the provisions of the *Voluntary Assisted Dying Bill 2021*. You will note that there is provision on the webpage for residents of NSW to participate if they wish in an online questionnaire regarding the bill. The following link will take you to the online questionnaire <https://bit.ly/NSWVAD2021>. The online questionnaire is only to be completed by NSW residents. The closing time and date for submissions and participation in the online questionnaire is **11:59pm, 22nd November 2021**. We also encourage you to make appointments to see, call and email your local member directly. If you would like help with getting resourced for this, please contact Chris Da Silva, Diocesan Director of Mission and Evangelisation on chris@armidale.catholic.org.au

Corona Virus Update 8th November 2021

- A place of worship is open to all members of the public regardless of their vaccination status. People attending churches will need to observe a two square metre rule, with the exception of people from the same household. Check in with the QR Code or via a written register is still required and face masks must continue to be worn.
- Attendance at Funerals is restricted to the 1 person per 2 square metres social distancing guidelines. Someone who is not fully vaccinated can only attend a small funeral or memorial service. A small funeral or memorial service is one with a maximum of 10 people in attendance, not including the person conducting the service and anyone necessary for the conduct of the service.
- Singing is also allowed those in the congregation who are fully vaccinated however they must be wearing a mask. Singing without masks by up to 10 fully vaccinated lead singers/choir who are socially distanced remains in place.

PRAYER FOR THE DEAD

Priest/Leader. Almighty God and Father it is our certain faith that your Son who died on the cross was raised from the dead, the first fruits of those who have fallen asleep. Grant that through this mystery, our parents, brothers and sisters, relatives and friends who have gone ahead to their rest in Christ, may share in the joy of His resurrection. We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ your Son who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, God forever and ever. Amen

Lord, have mercy R. Lord, have mercy
Christ, have mercy R. Christ, have mercy
Lord have mercy R. Lord have mercy

Our Father...

Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord,
And let your perpetual light shine upon them.
May they rest in Peace. Amen.

Alleluia, alleluia!
Be watchful, pray constantly,
that you may be worthy to stand before
the Son of Man.

Alleluia!

GOSPEL

Mk 13:24-32

A reading from the holy Gospel according to
Mark.

He shall gather his elect from the four winds.

Jesus said to his disciples: 'In those days, after the time of distress, the sun will be darkened, the moon will lose its brightness, the stars will come falling from heaven and the powers in the heavens will be shaken. And then they will see the Son of Man coming in the clouds with great power and glory; then too he will send the angels to gather his chosen from the four winds, from the ends of the world to the ends of heaven.

'Take the fig tree as a parable: as soon as its twigs grow supple and its leaves come out, you know that summer is near. So with you, when you see these things happening, know that he is near, at the very gates. I tell you solemnly, before this generation has passed away all these things will have taken place. Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away.

'But as for that day or hour, nobody knows it, neither the angels of heaven, nor the Son; no one but the Father.

■ The Gospel of the Lord.

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Breaking Open the Word

'MY WORDS WILL NOT PASS AWAY'

The language of Daniel's prophecy and Jesus' dire warnings concerning the day of judgement that will accompany the return of the Son of Man were intended to be deliberately unsettling. In the centuries immediately preceding Jesus' birth a style of literature developed which is now known as apocalyptic. The seeds for this style of preaching and literature had been sown earlier by the prophets who had spoken of the day of the Lord. At its heart was the belief that God would forcefully intervene in human history and set in order all that humanity had wounded through violence, sin, and unfaithfulness. It was theological reflection on a large scale since it gave expression to the deep-seated belief that God was the Lord not only of life and death but of human history as well.

Faced with a world that desperately needed to be set in order, the apocalyptic literature expressed the belief that the means that God would use would be cataclysmic, involving the resurrection of the dead prior to the distribution of rewards and punishments. The signs that would accompany this moment of judgment and grace were cosmic, involving the disruption of the natural order of the universe.

It is this mode of expression which Jesus himself uses in speaking of God's intervention in our world at the coming of the Son of Man. It is crucial to note that while the heavens and earth will be overturned there is a point of reference that does not change or pass away – Jesus' life-giving word.

Christopher Monaghan CP



THE SAVING WORD

THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME / B

14 NOVEMBER 2021

FIRST READING

Dan 12:1-13

A reading from the prophet Daniel

When that time comes, your own people will be spared.

'At that time Michael will stand up, the great prince who mounts guard over your people. There is going to be a time of great distress, unparalleled since nations first came into existence. When that time comes, your own people will be spared, all those whose names are found written in the Book. Of those who lie sleeping in the dust of the earth many will awake, some to everlasting life, some to shame and everlasting disgrace. The learned will shine as brightly as the vault of heaven, and those who have instructed many in virtue, as bright as stars for all eternity.'

■ The word of the Lord.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps 15:5, 8-11

R. Keep me safe, O God; you are my hope.

1. O Lord, it is you who are my portion and cup; / it is you yourself who are my prize. / I keep the Lord ever in my sight; / since he is at my right hand, I shall stand firm. **R.**

2. And so my heart rejoices, my soul is glad; / even my body shall rest in safety. / For you will not leave my soul among the dead; / nor let your beloved know decay. **R.**

3. You will show me the path of life; / the fullness of joy in your presence; / at your right hand happiness for ever. **R.**



SECOND READING

Heb 10:11-14, 18

A reading from the letter to the Hebrews

By a single offering he has achieved the eternal perfection of those who are sanctified.

All the priests stand at their duties every day, offering over and over again the same sacrifices which are quite incapable of taking sins away; Christ, on the other hand, has offered one single sacrifice for sins, and then taken his place for ever, at the right hand of God, where he is now waiting until his enemies are made into a footstool for him. By virtue of that one single offering, he has achieved the eternal perfection of all whom he is sanctifying. When all sins have been forgiven, there can be no more sin offerings.

■ The word of the Lord.