

St Finbar's Catholic Parish

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OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE YEAR A

26th November - 2023

Parish Staff

Parish Priest: Fr Ian Ranson

Retired Priest: Fr Clemente Cafarella

Parish Secretary: Mrs Carmel Cristiano (Tues & Thurs, 9.00 am—3.30pm)

St Vincent de Paul: 1800 305 330

Acting School Principal: Ms Michelle Hill

Weekday Masses

Monday - Friday 9.30am

Weekend Masses

Saturday: 9:30am, 5:30pm Sunday 9:00am, 11:00am

Baptisms & other sacraments: please call the office to organise.



Let us pray

Baptism:

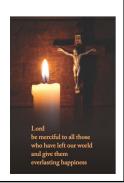
Charlotte Norton Santino Fraraccio Max Crisafi

For peace in Israel and Palestine.

For peace in Ukraine.

Anniversary:

Charlie RiddleMary Rogers Franco Liburti Christina Hayes Isidoro Tucarelli



Necessities of [Eternal] Life

The eternal destiny of every human being of a certain maturity is determined by decisions made in relation to food and drink for the famished, clothing and housing for those without decent clothing or shelter, visiting those in circumstances which cut them off from life-giving contact with others (the sick and prisoners).

Those who provide such assistance, in the words of Pope Francis, touch the wounds of Christ! A Christian can be fully conscious of this, but for non Christians it is possible to do so without any of our awareness or belief. Christ is completely incognito to them: 'When did we ever see you hungry and feed you ...?'.

We know the doctrine of the Real Presence in the poor and marginalised. Woe betide those of us who ignore this fact of faith. We are on the way to a Hellish state of existence. That is equally possible for those who do not share our faith, but who ignore the plight of the marginalised and continue in a self-absorbed way.

We could pause for a moment to pray that we, and many billions of non-Christians, may hear the invitation: 'Come you blessed of my Father, inherit the Kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world.'

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This week's liturgy marks the end of the liturgical cycle. Next week begins the new year with the season of Advent. The liturgy is celebrated as the Feast of Christ the King – reminding us of a very imperial model of church and theology that reflected the structure of the Roman Empire and later, Feudal Europe. To have this reading on the feast of Christ the King is a powerful reminder of how Jesus envisaged the Kingdom of God. For Jesus, the Kingdom was not a rule of power and status but a rule of justice and peace for even the lowliest. It is an apt conclusion to the liturgical year.



NOVEMBER—Souls in Purgatory

27th St Virgil of Salzburg 28th St James of the Marches 29th St Saturnius of Toulouse 30th St Andrew God, Lord of mercies, grant to the souls of Your servants and handmaids, the place of refreshment, the bliss of eternal rest and the splendor of Your light.

SAINTS FUN FACTS

St. Andrew was the brother of Simon (St. Peter). He was a follower of John the Baptist and then became the "First apostle" of Jesus. He was a fisherman until giving it up completely to follow Our Lord. He preached the gospel in Greece after the Ascension and was put to death there.

He is the patron saint of Socioland and Russia.

Faithful servants never retire. You can retire from your career, but you never retire in the Kingdom of God.

Roster for Next Week

First Sunday of Advent -Year B 03.12.23	5.30pm	9.00am	11.00am
Lector	Paul Dungan	Rod Watson	Richard Wakeham
Minister	Clare Sabatino	Mary Callea	Jenny Reiche
Audio Visual Operator	John Sabatino	volunteer	Teresa Myer

Advent Program 2023

Starting Thursday 7th Dec after 9.30am morning mass. Where: Marian Room Material will be provided.

Come along and prepare for this wonderful time in welcoming the Birth of Our Lord Jesus.



Ecumenical Advent Study

A look at the wonder of the Christmas Story in the gospels of Matthew and Luke.

- St Stephens Anglican Church III North Rd, Brighton. Enquiries: 0435 767 867
 - Leader: David Noble
- No cost bible study
- 7pm Tuesdays: 5th, 12th & 19th December

St Finbar's Christmas Mass Schedule.....

Parish Advent Carols – in Church Friday 15th Dec, 7.00–9.00pm (The St Finbar's Singers)



Christmas Giving Tree for the Brigidine Asylum Seeker Project. Many of the tags have been taken ... and the hampers are starting to come in. Thank you!

Please bring your hampers in **this weekend and next**. We will deliver them to BASP on **Monday 4th Dec** ... which gives the Brigidines' volunteers time to distribute them before the end-of-year rush.

Your gifts are very much appreciated ... messages of thanks from previous years ...

Thank you so much for kids gifts and food. Love you. God Bless you."

Thank you to help you \dots I and my child love you \dots Miri Cristmas and happy new year

What a beacon of hope and love through action! So very blessed by your kindness, support and generosity.

Thank you! To help move hampers on delivery day ... call Philip 0423 109-506