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Friday 9:00am - 12:00pm

15th November 2020 - 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Please Pray For Those Who Have Died

Recently Deceased: Val Watts (nee Probst);
Deceased:
Anniversary: Arthur Guiney; Esmeria Ignacio; Victorino Ignacio; Beryl Easley; Ronald O'Neill; Rita Nolan; Ron Porter; Emily Press; Coral Ryan; Angela Perry; Liam Rosewam; Gordon Baker; Adriano T. Llave; Joyce Wellard; Raymond Barr; James Barr; Ern Websler; Christopher Irwin; Kale Barr; Fr Stan Campbell; Michael Burraston; Noel Nelmes; Vera Forsyth; Judith Forsyth; Mary Conroy; Marjorie Fitzgibbon; Brian Conlan; Patricia McCally; Patricia Fitzsummons; Norman Constable; Eugenia T. Llave; Pam Boulton; Elizabeth Murphy; Colleen Green; Mick McCarthy; Mons Clary Fisher; Molly Garrity; 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 Palon; Fr John Willis; Fr John McHugh; Clare Crane; Bill Gleeson; Billy Godden; Ros Turton; Gavin Sewell; Ian Gallagher; Fiona Nolan; Gail Marini; Wendy Brown; Sue Thomson; Lucy Gigli; Father Pat O'Neill; Tom Sanderson; Colleen Hyatt; Michael McCormick; Dan O'Donnell; Marie Dalton; Jack Dunn; Colin Gallagher; Andrew McManus; Ivy Taylor; Joan Greentree; Rosalynn Chan; **all the members of the Parish who are ill.**

21/11/2020R:	Roster W Rheinberger
22/11/2020R:	M & J Easley M & P Perkins C:

Coming Events

Thurs 3 Dec Mass at Eloura at 2.00pm
Fri 4 Dec Advent Reflection Morning after 9.30am Mass at St Joseph's Centre



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

St Margaret of Scotland - Memorial - 16th
St Gertrude - Memorial - 16th
St Elizabeth of Hungary - Memorial - 17th
St Dedication of the Basilicas of Sts Peter & Paul - Memorial - 18th
The Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary - Memorial - 21st

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.

Memorate

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.

JOSEPHITE CALENDARS Order your 2021 Josephite Calendar containing inspirational quotes from Mary MacKillop and Fr Tenison Woods. A great gift to family and friends. Cost is \$8.00. Please write your name on the sheet attached and leave your money in the box. Many thanks.

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.

ADVENT BOOKLETS of daily reflections are now available for purchase at a small cost of **\$5.00**. Orders will be placed very soon. Please write your name on the sheet provided if you would like to purchase one for your own use. The booklet will also be used for the 1 hour **ADVENT REFLECTION MORNING** which will be on Friday 4 December following 9.30 Mass at St Joseph's Parish Centre. Morning tea will be provided. If you haven't been to a reflection session before it is highly recommended, very simple and no demands placed on any one attending. No RSVP required.

MASS AT ELOURA Thankfully after a long hiatus, there will be Mass on Thursday 3rd December at 2.00pm at Eloura. For those who wish to attend you are reminded that you must provide proof that you have had the influenza Vaccine this year, this is the protocol for entry and or visits to the facility.

CHRISTMAS RAFFLE \$1.00 Tickets go on sale for the **\$50.00 IGA Christmas Voucher** will be available as from this weekend. Please write you own tickets and place money in the tin provided. **GOOD LUCK.**

Planned Giving \$295.00 + \$25.00 = \$320.00

First Collection \$345.30

Reflections on the Gospel

to those on his right hand, "Come, you whom my Father has blessed, take for your heritage the kingdom prepared for you since the foundation of the world. For I was hungry and you gave me food; I was thirsty and you gave me drink; I was a stranger and you made me welcome; naked and you clothed me, sick and you visited me, in prison and you came to see me." Then the virtuous will say to him in reply, "Lord, when did we see you hungry and feed you; or thirsty and give you drink? When did we see you a stranger and make you welcome; naked and clothe you; sick or in prison and go to see you?" And the King will answer, "I tell you solemnly, in so far as you did this to one of the least of these brothers of mine, you did it to me." Next he will say to those on his left hand, "Go away from me, with your curse upon you, to the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels. For I was hungry and you never gave me food; I was thirsty and you never gave me anything to drink; I was a stranger and you never made me welcome, naked and you never clothed me, sick and in prison and you never visited me." Then it will be their turn to ask, "Lord, when did we see you hungry or thirsty, a stranger or naked, sick or in prison, and did not come to your help?" Then he will answer, "I tell you solemnly, in so far as you neglected to do this to one of the least of these, you neglected to do it to me." And they will go away to eternal punishment, and the virtuous to eternal life."

■ The Gospel of the Lord.

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STANDING BEFORE THE LORD NOW

The Gospel to conclude the Church's year appropriately evokes the great judgement instituted by the Shepherd-King at the end of time. The Christian tradition, especially in art (Michelangelo's painting in the Sistine Chapel) and music (*Dies Irae*), has often depicted the scene in terrifying literalness.

We may not today feel bound to such a literal understanding of imagery and motifs taken from the apocalyptic Jewish worldview of Jesus' day. But we have to recognise that what the Gospel wishes to communicate with great seriousness is that the final outcome of one's existence is irreversibly determined by the attitude and action one adopts in regard to fellow human beings here and now.

Nothing is said about correctness of faith, or the need to be free from, or to have obtained forgiveness for, all kinds of sin. The sole determinant is whether one has acted with care and compassion for people in various situations of need. Here the 'greatest commandment of the law'—the twin love of God and of one's neighbour (Matthew 22:36-40)—and the sense of Jesus as 'Emmanuel' ('God with us' [Matthew 1:23]) receives its most radical extension. The one who sits upon the throne as Judge, has so identified with even 'the least' of his 'brothers and sisters' that effective compassion shown or not shown to *them* has been shown or not shown to *him*.

There is no need to wait for the Son of Man to come in judgement; every time one encounters a fellow human being in need one already stands before the Judge and King.

Brendan Byrne, SJ

THE SAVING WORD

OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE / A

22 NOVEMBER 2020

FIRST READING

Ezek 34:11-12, 15-17

A reading from the prophet Ezekiel

You, my flock, I judge between sheep and sheep.

The Lord says this: I am going to look after my flock myself and keep all of it in view. As a shepherd keeps all his flock in view when he stands up in the middle of his scattered sheep, so shall I keep my sheep in view. I shall rescue them from wherever they have been scattered during the mist and darkness. I myself will pasture my sheep, I myself will show them where to rest – it is the Lord who speaks. I shall look for the lost one, bring back the stray, bandage the wounded and make the weak strong. I shall watch over the fat and healthy. I shall be a true shepherd to them. As for you, my sheep, the Lord says this: I will judge between sheep and sheep, between rams and he-goats.

■ The word of the Lord.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM Ps 22:1-3, 5-6. R. v. 1

R. The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.

1. The Lord is my shepherd; / there is nothing I shall want. / Fresh and green are the pastures / where he gives me repose. R.
2. Near restful waters he leads me, / to revive my drooping spirit. / He guides me along the right path; / he is true to his name. R.
3. You have prepared a banquet for me / in the sight of my foes. / My head you have anointed with oil; / my cup is overflowing. R.
4. Surely goodness and kindness shall follow me / all the days of my life. / In the Lord's own house shall I dwell / for ever and ever. R.

SECOND READING 1 Cor 15:20-26, 28

A reading from the first letter of St Paul to the Corinthians

He will hand over the kingdom to God the Father; so that God may be all in all.

Christ has been raised from the dead, the first-fruits of all who have fallen asleep. Death came through one man and in the same way the resurrection of the dead has come through



one man. Just as all men die in Adam, so all men will be brought to life in Christ; but all of them in their proper order: Christ as the first-fruits and then, after the coming of Christ, those who belong to him. After that will come the end, when he hands over the kingdom to God the Father, having done away with every sovereignty, authority and power. For he must be king until he has put all his enemies under his feet and the last of the enemies to be destroyed is death. And when everything is subjected to him, then the Son himself will be subject in his turn to the One who subjected all things to him, so that God may be all in all.

■ The word of the Lord.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Mk 11:9, 10

Alleluia, alleluia! Blessings on him who comes in the name of the Lord! Blessings on the coming kingdom of our father David! Alleluia!

GOSPEL

Mt 25:31-46

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew.

He will take his seat on his throne of glory, and he will separate men one from another.

Jesus said to his disciples: 'When the Son of Man comes in his glory, escorted by all the angels, then he will take his seat on his throne of glory. All the nations will be assembled before him and he will separate men one from another as the shepherd separates sheep from goats. He will place the sheep on his right hand and the goats on his left. Then the King will say