



Sacred Heart Parish, North Albury, pays respect to the Wiradjuri people, the traditional custodians of the land on which we gather to celebrate our faith and worship God. We acknowledge with respect elders past, present and emerging.

*Thirty—Third Sunday in Ordinary Time
13th / 14th November 2021*

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Mass Times

SATURDAY VIGIL: 6.00 pm

SUNDAY: 9.30 am

NO Weekday Masses scheduled between Monday 8 November and Friday 3 December inclusive.

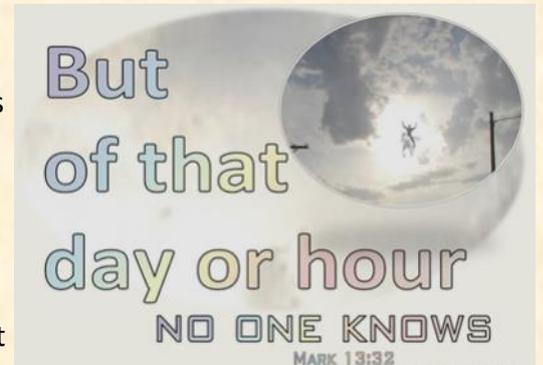
Live-streaming on Sunday 9.30am Mass by accessing our website

As the Church's year draws to a close, the readings this Sunday speak both of endings and eternal beginnings. All of them offer hope and direction to communities living in the midst of turbulent change and uncertainty.

The Prophet Daniel in the First Reading offers hope of resurrection to a people facing persecution for their faith. The Psalm is a song of confidence in God as a refuge and shelter. It would have been sung and prayed by those facing sickness and death, and by their loved ones. These comforting words speak of a joyful life when we keep close to the Lord, even in the midst of our difficulties.

In the Second Reading, the early Christian community is taught that there is no longer a need for the ancient priestly practice of offering sacrifices for the forgiveness of sin. Christ is our one Eternal Priest and offers us a life of forgiveness and freedom from the burden of sin.

Jesus is preparing his disciples for a time of loss, tribulation, change, and ultimately the new life of Resurrection (Gospel). Although dramatic change will soon fall upon him and the disciples, Jesus's teaching also reminds us that it is the nature of our world always to be facing moments of death and resurrection. The eternal words of Jesus will never pass away, and these are our comfort and refuge for the uncertain times we live through now.



Parish Community



We pray for those who have gone before us marked with the sign of faith especially:

RECENTLY DECEASED: John Keane, Helena Bylard, Dennis Hanily, Nita Smith, Matthew West, William Smith, Alan McCallum, Margaret Doyle, Tony Whiting, Pat O'Shaughnessy.

ANNIVERSARIES: Shane Fifield, Trixie Stephens, Sr Cabrini Knott, Wally Patterson, Karen Bin, James Hollis, John Gaudry, Joyce Patterson, Paul Halpin, Nance Barnett, Anne Mulquiney, Bill Phillips, Vera Peric, Wolly Lawrowicz, Mary Star, Frank Wyatt, Bob Thompson, Josie Konacik, Bishop John O'Loughlin, Fred Howard.

Gather our loved ones into your arms. Quiet our doubt and anger and send us your healing grace. Through Christ our Lord.

Prayer for the Sick

We pray for all those who are sick. May they draw strength and healing from God's presence with them and from our prayers and thoughts for them. May they have peace in their hearts and know they are greatly loved by all. We offer our prayers believing that God's presence and power can do more than we can ever know. Amen

ROSTERS

Sat / Sun: 13th / 14th November

Ministry	Vigil	9.30am
Commentator	Sr Carina Morton	Bede Hart
Lector 1	Paula Waters	John Dowling
Lector 2	Catherine Cutlet	Gavin Dykes
Eucharistic Ministers	Jeneice Harding	Sue Betts
Cantor	Ann & Lachlan McIntyre	David Hicks
Musicians	Judy Foley	Val Hayes

Counters: Nardia Scarvell & Liz Simon (Group 7) Monday

Sat /Sun: 20th / 21st November

Ministry	Vigil	9.30am
Commentator	Colleen Day	Richard Parkinson
Lector 1	Kellie Gordes	Mercedes Goss
Lector 2	Jasmine Gordes	Ann McIntyre
Eucharistic Ministers	Pauline Mulquiney	Carey Menz-Dowling
Cantor	Catherine Cutler & Judy Lindsay	Simon Goss
Musicians	Judy Foley	Val Hayes

Counters: Margaret Brown & Moira Porta (Group 8) Monday

Thought for the Week (Pope Francis):

"In everything, Jesus teaches that poverty is not the result of fate, but a concrete sign pointing to his presence among us. We do not find him when and where we want, but see him in the lives of the poor, in their sufferings and needs, in the often inhuman conditions in which they are forced to live ."

Prayer for World Day of the Poor 14th November 2021

Generous God, we thank you: For the gifts you have given us, the abundance of your Creation, and the beauty that surrounds us.

For the people whose lives have touched ours, for the love they show, the burdens they lift, the hopes we share.

Compassionate God, we ask you: to fill us with your love, to place in our hearts a spirit of courage, to move us to reach out to others in need.

And lead us to play our part, so that now and in generations to come all your children may share in our hope for a better world. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen



Parish News

Fr Martin—Holidays

Fr Martin will be taking holiday leave from Monday 8 November until Thursday 2 December. We welcome back to our parish communities Fr Bernie Thomas who will celebrate Eucharist with us on weekends in Fr Martin's absence. If you need the urgent pastoral ministry of a priest please contact Fr Reece Beltrame Thurgoona on 6043 2222 or St Patrick's Albury 0439 530 515. Our office will be staffed as usual, so for all other enquiries please contact Gemma or Fran during this time.

No weekday masses are scheduled from Monday 8 November—Friday 3 December inclusive.

Updated COVID-19 Diocesan Protocols

If you are feeling unwell, have a cough or cold, sore throat or flu like symptoms please do not attend our physical gatherings as this puts others as well as yourself at risk. Our Sunday 9.30am celebration of the Eucharist continues to be live streamed. This can be accessed by website:

<http://sacredheartnorthalbury.com/>

It makes our digital processing of attendees much easier if you use the QR code provided at all church entrances.

Otherwise, please continue to use the paper register provided or have your name and contact details ticked off by one of our parish welcomers.

- Attendance at places of worship is limited to one person per **two** square metres.
- Physical distancing is to be practiced. People from different households are to remain 1.5m apart.
- Masks are to be worn in all indoor non-residential settings (ie churches).
- Singing by the congregation at indoor places of worship is not allowed.

2021 Catholic Mission Church Appeal

In his message for World Mission Day, Pope Francis tells us, Everything about Christ reminds us that he knows well our world and its need for redemption and calls us to become actively engaged in this mission: "Go therefore to the highways and byways, and invite everyone you find" No one is excluded no one need feel distant or removed from this compassionate love. If you haven't already had the opportunity to contribute to this annual Mission Appeal and are in a position to do so please take one of the set of envelopes and place your donation in one of the collection baskets. So far \$912 has been raised for Catholic Missions.

Together

Our Diocesan newspaper 'Together' for the month of November has arrived. Please take a copy from entrances to the church.

November Book of Life

November is traditionally the month to remember the Holy souls. Our Book of Life will be displayed at the front of the church during November. If you would like to add family members to this book there are sheets of paper and sleeves inside the front of the book.

"They whom we love and lost are no longer where they were before. They are now where ever we are"
(St John Chryostom)

Memorial Plaques

Plaques in the Sacred Heart Memorial Garden in remembrance of loved ones are still available. The cost is usually around \$250. It takes approximately eight weeks from the time of ordering to delivery. If you are interested in purchasing a plaque please contact the parish office and you will be provided with a sample order form.

Break-in Update

Thanks to the expertise and generous commitment of Michael Byrnes a new entrance door has been installed on the garage.

Gratitude is extended to Gemma Whitehead, Margaret Gawen and Marjorie Serbinek for the cleaning of the hall interior.

One piece of good news was that a mobile phone was discovered amongst the mess in the Meeting Room - so here's hoping for a positive police result.

Australian Catholics

The summer edition of Australian Catholics has arrived. As we draw near to the Christmas Season this edition focusses on the nature of "Love and Relationships".

Jesus spoke continually about love. In Matthew 22:36-40 he summed up the commandments into two: 'Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind. (Second) Love your neighbour as yourself.' Again, at the Last Supper he said, 'I give you a new commandment, that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another.' (John 13:34).

How do we love our family, our neighbours, our planet, our spouse? Are our relationships giving? Are they rooted in respect for ourselves as well as the others around us? In this edition we explore the various iterations of love. Please take and distribute your free copies.

Head of Evangelisation & Religious Education CEDWW

Dr Sandra Harvey has been appointed to the above position beginning 2022.

Sandra has extensive experience in school leadership, having held positions as Principal, Assistant Principal & Religious Education Co-Ordinator .

Sandra has held the positions of Assistant Director: System Improvement at the Catholic Education Office, Diocese of Ballarat, Assistant Director: Education, Head of Mission and Educational Services and Head of School Services, North for Catholic Education Tasmania.

Liturgy of the Word

First reading : Daniel 12: 1-13

'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 15:5, 8-11

(When the Psalm is sung, the words will vary slightly but the meaning remains the same.)

Response: Keep me safe, O God; you are my hope

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**

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**

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

A reading from the Letter to the Hebrews 10:11-14, 18

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 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.

Gospel Acclamation:

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

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark 13: 24-32

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 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.