



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.

Feast of Christ the King 23/24 Nov 2024

Sacred Heart Parish is a Child Safe Community. We promote the safety, wellbeing and inclusion of all and a zero tolerance to child abuse.

Parish Clergy:

Fr Martin Cruickshank—Parish Priest

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Bank A/c Details for Parishioners wishing to Direct Deposit into our Church A/c (2nd Collect)

BSB: 066 789; A/c No: 10000 5574;

Ref No: Name # Please contact Office for a number

Presbytery A/c BSB: 066 789; A/c No: 10000 5575

Safeguarding Children & Vulnerable People:

<https://wagga.catholic.org.au/safeguarding-children-vulnerable-people/>

Mass Times

SATURDAY VIGIL: 6.00 pm

SUNDAY: 9.30 am

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

WEEKDAY MASSES: This Week:

Wednesday & Friday 9.30am

RECONCILIATION: SATURDAY: 5.15 PM-5.45 PM

BAPTISMS—By appointment.

CHILDRENS LITURGY:

Children's liturgy is offered in Sacred Heart parish community each second and fourth Sunday at 9.30am mass during school terms.

BIBLE STUDY GROUP

Our parish bible study group continues every second and fourth Wednesday of the month at 7.00pm in the parish hall.

Reflection—Feast of Christ the King

As we come to the end of another liturgical year, the feast of Christ, King of the Universe, gives us the opportunity to consider the priorities we wish to live by in our troubled world. This universality is described with the vision of 'one like a son of man', who we identify as Christ himself, from the book of Daniel (**First Reading**). Christ's sovereignty is eternal. It is not exclusive, and shall never be destroyed.

The **Psalm** picks up this theme of kingship and majesty. Christ, as Son of God, has reigned from the beginning of time. In the **Second Reading** from the Apocalypse, Christ is called the Alpha and the Omega. He has rescued us from our sins and will be made manifest when he comes again on the clouds of heaven.

The **Gospel** brings us to the essential question. What kind of king is Jesus? As Pilate questions him, Jesus explains that his kingdom is not of this world; it is not a kingdom of pomp and power and glory. Christ has come to testify to the truth.

May we pray this week that all humankind may be united in Christ, so that he can offer to the Father a people 'of truth and life, of holiness and grace, of justice, love and peace'.



Parish Community



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

RECENTLY DECEASED: Peggy Gallagher, Anne Munk, Bob Hilton, Lloyd Charter, Leigh Torrisi, Phillip Wise, John Raines, Bernard Hore, Joan Quick, Mike Egan, Ray Allen, Peter Treacy.

ANNIVERSARIES: Helen Gardner, Roger Lescun, Corrie Van Lint, Marlene Mirani, Kevin Loughry, Sr Barbara Murray, Margaret Russell, John Dale, Mark Conlon, Lawrence Loughran, Lorrie Quigley, Beatrice Purvey, Bob Tuziak, Gabe Farrah, Eileen Ryan, Sarah Caton, Br Trevor Kimble, Addie Mathieson, Christine Benson, Kathleen Berg, Virgil Lindley, Daisy Hobdell, Cecil Woodhouse, Peter Hickey, Elsie Esler, Margaret Kane, Albert Gorkom, Jim McLaughlin, Mary Bourke, Christine Glennon.

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



This weekend we welcome into the community of the Christian church through the sacrament of Baptism:

Jude Thomas McGlone
son of David and Alexandra

ROSTERS

Sat / Sun: 23rd / 24th November

Ministry	Vigil	9.30am
Commentator	Justin Clancy	Richard Parkinson
Lector 1	Catherine Cutler	Shinead Kilroy
Lector 2	Xavier Clancy	Sr Patricia Weekes
Eucharistic Ministers	Pauline Mulquiney Nicole Morton	Pamela McIntosh Marisa Hart Mercedes Goss
Cantor	Lachlan McIntyre	Heath Neville
Musicians	Catherine Cutler	Ashleigh Donaldson
Counters: Barry Pickett & Bernie Seaton		

Sat / Sun: 30th Nov / 1st Dec

Ministry	Vigil	9.30am
Commentator	Colleen Day	Natalie Osborne
Lector 1	Paula Waters	Kay Morrell
Lector 2	Kaye Deanshaw	Lorraine Willis
Eucharistic Ministers	Jeneice Harding Anna Farrell	Trish Parkinson Cathy Nyhan Eamonn Buckley
Cantor	John van Lint/Brian Waters	Bernadette, Helen and
Musicians	Val Hayes	Wendy
Counters: Bethany Carey & Brian Fealy		

Parish Prayer

God of Love, Source of all hope and good things; You call us in love, to share in the work and ongoing life of our Sacred Heart Parish.

Bless this parish of ours and lead us to be confident and joyful in serving those around us, so that through us, the world may catch a glimpse of the love you have for each one of us.

Make us instruments of your love to everyone that we encounter in our parish community, at home, at work and in our neighbourhood.

Help us to grow in gratitude so that we can recognise and thank you for all the good things you have given us.

Each day may we come to know you more clearly, love you more dearly and follow you more nearly.

Through Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Thought for the Week (Pope Francis):

“ Jesus Christ is the King who reigns not by dominating us but by freeing us from all that prevents us from loving and being loved.”

Parish News

From St Anne's Primary School

News has been received that Peggy Gallagher has passed away. Peggy is the mother of Michael Gallagher (principal of St Anne's). Please keep Michael and his family in our prayers during this difficult time.

R.I.P. Bob Hilton

Prayers of thanksgiving for the life of Bob Hilton was held at Sacred Heart Church on Friday. For many years Bob coordinated the collection process on a Sunday morning. We will miss his cheerful nature and vigilant presence.

Fr Martin's Annual Leave

Fr Martin is taking holiday leave from Saturday 2 November until Friday 29 November.

Please contact Fr Norman 6025 1516 for priestly assistance in his absence. Our office will be staffed as usual Monday, Wednesday, Friday 9.00am—2.00pm for the usual enquiries.

Parish Pastoral Council

The last meeting of our Parish Pastoral Council for 2024 takes place on Thursday 12 December at 6.00pm in the Parish Hall.

All agenda items need to be referred to the council Secretary Marjorie Serbinek: m4serbinek@gmail.com by Monday 29 July.

MERCY NIGHT—Friday 29 November

ST PATRICK'S CHURCH 7.30pm

Open to anyone wanting to grow closer to the Lord and experience his mercy - including those who want to encounter the Lord for the first time.

Music, Adoration, Confession, testimony and prayer.

Enquiries: Grace 0476 143 279.

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 front of book.

November Mass Envelopes will also be available on the table at back of Church if you wish to request a Mass or prayers for your deceased family members or friends.

December Parish Morning Tea—Change of Date

As already announced Ed Brown has decided to retire from teaching at the end of the 2024 school year. Ed has a distinguished career in our diocese as a talented and committed educator. Previous to his position at Xavier High School as RE Co-Ordinator and Director of Faith and Mission, Ed was firstly Principal at St Joseph's Primary School, Finley and then St Mary's Primary School, Corowa.

Always an active parishioner here at Sacred Heart we have an opportunity to give thanks for his faith filled service to the teaching profession during our celebration of Eucharist on Sunday 8 December at 9.30am. Morning tea to follow in our Parish Hall. If possible, please bring something to share.

Parish Christmas Day Lunch

Our Parish Christmas Day lunch will be held in our parish hall from 12 noon—3pm. This lunch provides an outreach to those parishioners who otherwise might be alone on that day.

If you would like to join us for lunch on that day and have not already done so please add your name to the list at the Sacred Heart window area of the church or contact the presbytery during office hours.

There is also a list to put your name and phone number down for anyone wanting to donate food or drinks or who may be able to help prepare and decorate the hall, serve food or tidy up.

Parish Invitational Brochure Launch

This weekend the Parish Pastoral Council is launching an Invitational Brochure. This is a resource we can all hand out to people who might like to come and join us for mass or any of our parish ministries mentioned.

It also has the Christmas mass times but can be handed out all year round! We hope you have someone in mind to invite, and through our community, into a relationship with Jesus.

There will be a speaker at each mass this weekend to give an explanation.

TO PONDER: The liturgical year has brought us full circle back to where we began, mediating on Christ's return in the First Sunday of Advent. As we close this year's cycle, I invite you to one last "pondering". Where has your faith journey taken you over the course of the year? What have been the ebbs and flows, the moments of feast and fasting? In what places, what relationships, what moments has God felt most present and most absent? And through it all, where have you found the invitation into deeper communion with God? As the Advent season beckons, where does our gracious God continue to call you, gently and lovingly, inviting you into ever-greater intimacy?

Liturgy of the Word

First Reading: A reading from the prophet Daniel 7:13-14

I gazed into the visions of the night.
And I saw, coming on the clouds of heaven,
one like a son of man.
He came to the one of great age
and was led into his presence.
On him was conferred sovereignty, glory and kingship,
and men and women of all peoples,
nations and languages became his servants.
His sovereignty is an eternal sovereignty
which shall never pass away,
nor will his empire ever be destroyed.
The Word of the Lord



Responsorial Psalm 92

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

Response: The Lord is king; he is robed in majesty.

The Lord is king, with majesty enrobed;
the Lord has robed himself with might,
he has girded himself with power. **R**

The world you made firm, not to be moved;
your throne has stood firm from of old.
From all eternity, O Lord, you are. **R**

Truly, your degrees are to be trusted.
Holiness is fitting to your house,
O Lord, until the end of time. **R**

A reading from the book of the Apocalypse 1:5-8

Grace and peace to you from Jesus Christ, the faithful witness, the First-Born from the dead, the Ruler of the kings of the earth. He loves us and has washed away our sins with his blood, and made us a line of kings, priests to serve his God and Father; to him, then, be glory and power for ever and ever. Amen. It is he who is coming on the clouds; everyone will see him, even those who pierced him, and all the races of the earth will mourn over him. This is the truth. Amen. 'I am the Alpha and the Omega' says the Lord God, who is, who was, and who is to come, the Almighty.
The Word of the Lord

Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, alleluia!

Blessed is he who inherits the kingdom of David our Father; blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Alleluia!

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John 18:33-37

'Are you the King of the Jews?' Pilate asked. Jesus replied, 'Do you say this of your own accord or have others spoken to you about me?' Pilate answered, 'Am I a Jew? It is your own people and the chief priests who have handed you over to me: what have you done?' Jesus replied, 'Mine is not a kingdom of this world; if my kingdom were of this world, my men would have fought to prevent my being surrendered to the Jews. But my kingdom is not of this kind.'

'So you are a king then?' said Pilate. 'It is you who say it', answered Jesus. 'Yes, I am a king. I was born for this, I came into the world for this: to bear testimony to the truth; and all who are on the side of truth listen to my voice.' The Gospel of the Lord