



21/22 November 2020

Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe



ST ANTHONY'S PARISH CHURCH 105 ELEVENTH AVENUE AUSTRAL 2179

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Sacramental Life

Celebration of the Eucharist:

Mass Schedule:

Saturday Vigils: 4.30pm & 5.30pm
(Includes Children's Liturgy during
School Term)

Sunday - 7.30am & 9am
(Includes Children's Liturgy during
School Term)

Thursday- Communion Service
9am

Masses: Tuesday - 7.30am

Wednesday - 7.30am

Friday - 7.30am Mass

Reconciliation: Saturday
3.45 pm - 4.15 pm

Baptisms & Marriages:

By appointment at Presbytery

Anointing: Every 2 months -
check bulletin for dates

Sick Calls: Any time - day/night.

Funeral Masses: In Co-operation
with Funeral Directors.

Entrance Antiphon: How worthy is the Lamb who was slain, to receive power and divinity, and wisdom and strength and honour. To him belong glory and power for ever and ever.

Responsorial Psalm: The Lord is my shepard: there is nothing I shall want.

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia!

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

Communion Antiphon: The Lord sits as King for ever.
The Lord will bless his people with peace.

**Dear Parishioners,
Today we celebrate Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the
Universe Year A**

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The [Gospel](#) reading for this feast is very rich. It invites us to reflect on the difference between true love and its false imitation, between real Christianity and its fake lookalike. It encourages us to exercise ourselves in the care of all God's children. It prompts us to reflect on all the different kinds of hunger there are in the world, and the very different kinds of feeding those various hungers require.

What wouldn't you yourself have given to lay your weary head on the breast of your Lord?

These are all good things to ponder, but there is still more to see. Here is one more thing. Think about what it is for God himself to be incarnate. A human woman took the Lord to her breast and suckled him there. The apostle John reclined by the Lord and laid his head on the bosom of the Lord. A woman washed the Lord's feet with her tears, and a woman rubbed his feet with lotion. How did those people get so lucky? Of all the millions and millions of God's people, how can it be that so few touched God in the flesh, that only one woman anointed his feet? Wouldn't you have liked to be among these very lucky people? In desperately sad and stricken moments, what wouldn't you yourself have given to lay your weary head on the breast of your Lord?

It is good to have a God who enters human history, but anything in history is local, constrained in time and space, cut off from so many things that aren't right here, right now. How can it be that only those few people, who were *there* with Jesus, in that place and at that time, had contact with the Lord flesh to flesh? The answer to this question and the consolation the question seeks is in the [Gospel](#) reading: whatever you did to one of the least of my own, the Lord says, you did it to me.

From the Priest's Desk

2. One week Leave from the Military

The week 23 – 30 November, I will be on leave from the Military duties so I will be available during the week for parish duties. Feel free to call in Still on that, Thursday 26 November will be Mass at 9am

3. Congratulations to first Holy Communion Candidates



We are proud of our children who make their first Holy Communion at this weekend's masses. Another group will be doing theirs next Sunday 29 November. Continue to remember them in your prayers. The four additional masses over the two weekends are strictly for the Holy Communion candidates and their families in order to prevent COVID-19 spread.

4. Son of God: The Daily Gospel Year B-1

The new Liturgical Year begins on the First Sunday of Advent. This e-book may be downloaded free of charge to any computer/ tablet/ phone. It offers the Gospel for every day of the coming Liturgical Year B-1 (Sundays Year B, weekdays Year 1), followed by a reflection of some 750 words on each daily Gospel. The e-book may be passed on for downloading to friends or acquaintances as desired. It carries the Imprimatur of Archbishop Anthony Fisher of Sydney, given when he was Bishop of Parramatta.

Son of God: The Daily Gospel Year B-1 may be accessed at the following URL address: www.catholic-thoughts.info/ebook/

5. Advent Program

The parish is organizing an Advent program and expressions of interest are sought from parishioners to attend an Advent discussions group on Advent Sunday readings. This activity will assist you individually or as a family in preparation for the celebration of Christ's annual Birthday. Individuals, families, young people are all invited. Interested persons please express your interest by registering with the parish secretary by return email or returning the attachment (find form in the bulletin) to Fr Kene, at weekend Masses.

Venue: Parish church Hall

Date: TBD by majority

Time: 7.30pm



6. Booking for the Mass

We are still encouraging all to think ahead if you will be attending a weekend mass and book on time by ringing the parish office either Tuesday, Thursday or send email. Turning up on the day without booking and without ringing for a spot may put us into a hard decision of not allowing you inside the church for the Mass if the church has reached it maximum. If your name is already on the list, please mark off your name each time you attend the weekend Mass in order to continue maintaining your spot. If you are not coming for a particular Sunday Mass, let the parish secretary know via email or phone so someone will fill the spot. If you missed to come for a particular weekend Mass, please ring the parish office to rebook your availability for subsequent weekend Masses. Otherwise, we take it you are no longer available and we give your spot to a waiting person. In the spirit of charity, let us strive to make our parish a COVID-19 safe place.

7. Want to Become Catholic?

Whether you are a unbaptised, or baptised in another christian religion, we welcome you to join our Catholic Community.

The RCIA program starts early next year to prepare you on becoming a Catholic christian and participate in the sacraments.

Please indicate your intention by a call to the parish office or the parish email. We look forward to sharing Jesus Christ and His life with you

8. Columban Calendars

The Columban Calendar is a work of the Columban Fathers and is a fundraiser for their missions, especially in South America. The Calendar has a page a month and a religious painting for each month. It indicates Feast Days and Sundays. I recommend it to you. Please leave monies on the plate next to the calendars. Still only \$10.00

9. Sacrament of Reconciliation

Some families have not returned due to illness or worries about COVID. Again, I encourage those families to streamline Mass either from St Mary's Cathedral at 10.30am Sunday or Wollongong at 9.30am on Sundays. In this way the family or individual is giving time to God and their own spiritual life. But TV Mass is not the answer to attending the community and joining in Sunday worship in hearing the Word of God and then, encountering Jesus in Eucharist. If families or family members have become lazy due to being away from worship then, before receiving the Eucharist in good conscience they should go to the Sacrament of Reconciliation before receiving the Eucharist.

10. November Envelopes

November is the month of the Holy Souls, we remember our deceased loved ones. There are November envelopes in the Planned Giving boxes and on the back table. Please put the envelope with your offering and put in the collection plate or give to the priest, Fr Kene.

11. Direct Debit via Giving Point Tap

Due to the COVID virus, the Archdiocese has asked that parishes include a Donation Point Tap device for use by parishioners who are not carrying cash. Many young families do not carry much cash nowadays, but use credit cards and so, this is a further reason to introduce "The Donation Point Tap." The device is set at \$5.00, so that the \$5 will be allocated to the Collections. If parishioners wish to give above this amount they either "tap again" or use the collection plate as it passes by. Parishioners wishing to claim a Tax Deduction for their giving will need to take up a set of Parish Envelopes and support the community through the envelope system.

12. Children's Christmas Pageant

Due to COVID-19 restrictions, the traditional Christmas pageant that the children of the parish normally participate in on Christmas Eve, will not be occurring. Instead, we are hoping to prerecord an item to be shown at all Masses over Christmas.

Children of primary school age are invited to be involved in this, with preparation etc commencing at 3.15pm on Tuesday 1st December.

Permission forms will be available on the day and must be signed by parents/guardians prior to any filming.

For further information please speak to Vanessa, Sarah or Veronica Casha.

IMPORTANT DATES DURING THE WEEK

Tuesday 24 November
Saint Andrew Dũng-Lạc and Companions

Sunday 29 November
First Sunday of Advent
First Holy Communion Mass Groups 3 and 4

May God Bless

Fr Kene



WE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO HAVE DIED

In your love and concern, please pray for:-

Recently Deceased: Antonia Romeo, Sylvia Wells, George Velso

Anniversaries: Abella Family, Maria Camilleri,

Also for: Franco Mosca All Souls., Guiseppe Catenea

We remember those who are sick in the community that the Lord will be their comforter and healer as we pray for:

Ian & Shirley Farrell, Ken O'Leary, Paul Farnsworth, Marie Gough, Michael Jasenko, Tomislav Juric, James Dimech, Jean Poles, Hane Abe Rached, Rhodora Man-on, Anastacio Swing, Irene Norris, Natalie Biro, Carmela Garzanti, Renzo Martignago, Renee D'Silva, Mrs Mary Vella,

CHURCH CLEANING ROSTER

23-28 November

L Simat, Y Refalo

30 November—4 December

S Mercieca, M Farrugia,
T Gimerllaro, K Puric, R Breen



READERS ROSTER

21-22 November (Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe)

Saturday Vigil: 5.30pm

Commentator: Sarah Casha

Readers:

Sarah Casha: 1st Reading

Sarah Casha : 2nd Reading & Prayers of Faithful

Sunday: 7.30am

Commentator: Margaret Cvetko

Readers:

Margaret Cvetko: 1st Reading

Pasqualina Catanzariti: 2nd Reading
& Prayers of Faithful

Sunday: 9am

Commentator: Volunterer

Readers:

Volunteer: 1st Reading

Volunteer :: 2nd Reading & Prayers of Faithful

28-29 November (First Sunday of Advent)

Saturday Vigil: 5.30pm

Commentator: Rita Moro

Readers:

Rita Moro : 1st Reading

Maja Simat: 2nd Reading & Prayers of Faithful

Sunday: 7.30am

Commentator: Liz Habib

Readers:

Liz Habib 1st Reading

Linda Katsibras : 2nd Reading &
Prayers of the Faithful

Sunday: 9am

Commentator: John-William Fisher

Readers:

John-William Fisher: 1st Reading

Tessie Christophers :: 2nd Reading
& Prayers of Faithful



Extraordinary Minister of the Eucharist Roster



21-22 November

Saturday Vigil

Sarah and Veronica Casha

Sunday 7.30am

Virginia Romeo & Pasqualina Catanzariti

Sunday 9am

Pam Ajkay & Frances Musso

28-29 November

Saturday Vigil

Rose Crescini & Margaret De Vries

Sunday 7.30am

Virginia Romeo & Pasqualina Catanzariti

Sunday 9am

Faye Palamara & Karen Power

ACOLYTES ROSTER

21-22 November

Saturday Vigil

Gerry Crescini

Sunday 7.30am

George Ajkay

Sunday 9am

Anthony Zanetic

28-29 November

Saturday Vigil

Gerry Crescini

Sunday 7.30am

George Ajkay

Sunday 9am

Anthony Zanetic

CHILDREN'S LITURGY



ON HOLD DUE TO COVID 19

NURSING HOME ROSTER

November

TBA

December

TBA



Catholic Weekly—Available \$2.00

Available to purchase at the back of the Church

BAPTISMS AT ST ANTHONY'S

We welcomed into our Faith-Community last week

Giselle Marie Sciuto
(Daughter of Benjamin and Vanessa)

We request that all Priests of our Parishes display the Safeguarding notice below in all future parish bulletins.

A message from the Archdiocese of Sydney:

Child sexual abuse is a crime. The appropriate people to deal with crimes are the police. If you, or anyone you know, have been abused, please contact the police. Alternatively, you can contact the Safeguarding and Ministerial Integrity Office at **(02) 9390 5810** or **safeguardingenquiries@sydneycatholic.org**.

You may also want to speak to your Parish Priest who will be able to provide support and guidance. The Archdiocese has a legal obligation to report crimes to the police.