



# ST ANTHONY OF PADUA CATHOLIC CHURCH

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### Sacramental Life

**Celebration of the Eucharist:**

**Mass Schedule:**

Saturday Vigils: 5pm

Sunday - 7.30am, 9am & 5pm

Masses: Tuesday—6pm

Wednesday, Thursday and - Friday  
9.00am

**Reconciliation: Saturday**

4.15pm—4.45pm

**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.

20-21 November 2021

## Our Lord Jesus Christ , King of the Universe, Year B



**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 king; he is robed in majesty.

**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!

**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 B

The [Gospel](#) Reading, Christ is being held by Pilate, who holds him in his power. In the next part of the story, as we know, Christ is on the cross: poor, dishonoured, in pain, and dying. **There is a time for suffering, when all worldly values and all earthly desires are turned upside down.**

Christ's willingness to accept these afflictions sets the standard for all Christians, and it turns all worldly standards upside down. What most people reject as the worst things in life turns out in Christ's crucifixion to be the prize-winning goods. On the cross Christ makes manifest that real *winning* is what looks to the world like losing. And *vice versa* too, of course. There is something small and unworthy about a life lived totally at ease.

That is why Paul says that all things work together for good for those who love God—all things ([Rom. 8:28](#)). Our sins are included in that "all things," not just our suffering. When Paul pleaded with God to right then take away a sin of Paul's that Paul was impatient with, God told him, "My grace is sufficient for you." ([2 Cor. 12:9](#))

But now notice in the [Second Reading](#) the very different picture of Christ and of the standard of excellence for Christ's people.

The Second Reading shows us Christ not as poor, dishonoured, and suffering but as the king of kings, the most powerful and honoured of all rulers. And it shows us Christ's people in the same way: not as afflicted with Christ-like suffering, but glorious in Christ's kingdom. In that picture, all Christ's people are honoured priests for God, and they are also freed from their sin— not some of their sins, but *all* of them.

So which of these two pictures—of Christ, of Christ's people—should set the standard for us, the goal at which we aim?

The answer, of course, is "Both of them!"

There is a time for suffering, when all worldly values and all earthly desires are turned upside down, a time when we struggle with sin and suffering. But there is also a time when things turn right-side up again and then all struggle ends.

At that time, each one of Christ's people will say of every affliction, "That was then; *this* is now!" Only that "now," when all sin and suffering falls away, is an everlasting now.

And the cross is the way to it.

### 3. New Rules

On the solemnity of Christ the King, we continue to present the following for the sake of clarity:

- Churches are open to all people regardless of vaccination status.
- The only limit on attendance within a church is now the density limit: following the most recent update, that is now one person per 2sqm.
- Masks must be worn while inside a church.
- Only the members of choir (fully vaccinated) are permitted to sing and can remove their masks only while singing.

With the above, our church is now allowed to accept more parishioners in mass. This is great news especially as we approach our Advent Season. No bookings are required at all our four masses. However, you will still be required to sign your name on the sign in sheet and check in using the QR codes. We ask that you maintain social distancing whilst walking to the Altar to receive the Eucharist.

#### Our routine:

Summarily, our protocol is still the same as follows (when you come to the church):

- Scan the QR code on the pillars or on the doors at entrance to the church
- Sanitise your hands with liquid alcohol on the walls on both sides at church foyer
- Write your name on the sheets of paper provided on the table at church foyer
- After mass, use the alcohol soaked wipes to clean your pew and dispose the wipes on the refuse buckets at the church foyer.
- Please, **DO NOT** leave the wipes on the pews or on any wooden surface as they corrode the woods and fade the paint on them.

Your safety and our Parish's safety is a priority. May Christ the King bless and protect us.

### 4. Advent Program

Advent begins on the weekend of 27-28 November 2021 in the Church. We will again invite all Parishioners and visitors to our Parish to join the Advent program this year. The Program will begin on Tuesday evening 23 November 2021 in Church cry room after 6pm Mass. If you are interested in partaking in this Program, please advise the Parish Secretary. If you would like to lead the program, please contact the Office or Fr Kene.

### 5. Confirmation

Our Confirmation program has now commenced. We ask that you keep the children of our Parish in your thoughts and prayers.

### 6. CWF Parish Appeal

The next Charitable Works Fund (CWF) Parish Appeal will be held next weekend. Your generous donations will help those most vulnerable in Sydney, with crisis pregnancy support, telecare counselling, support for the deaf and hard of hearing, pastoral support for our Aboriginal communities, and care for children needing foster care, among many other things.

Appeal envelopes will be provided for your use so please keep an eye out for them! You can also make a donation and find out more at [www.ourfaithourworks.org/cwf](http://www.ourfaithourworks.org/cwf)

### 7. Columban Mission 2022 Calendar

They are at the back of the Church for just \$10.00 per copy. Please place money in the poor box when you purchase.

### 8. St Vincent de Paul Christmas Appeal

As our Christmas tree goes up next week, it will be a perfect time to help those in our community who are in need. We have contacted St Vincent de Paul to be part of the Vinnies Christmas Appeal this year and they have provided a list of items you can donate and place under our Christmas tree. The list is on the front notice board at the entrance to the church. Items you can provide include anything from non-perishable items, toiletries both male and female, gift cards etc. We thank you for your generosity and your donations.

### 9. Christmas Confession

Our Christmas confession is as follows:

Date: 16 Dec, 2021

Time: 6:30pm

This is an excellent opportunity to prepare for the Christmas celebration. You are invited.

### 10. Aid to the Church in Need | ACN Australia

**Job Vacancies** - Could you share the stories of suffering Christians? Are you looking for flexible part time work? Aid to the Church in Need is recruiting for a number of Diocesan Outreach Assistants who will deliver monthly presentations in parishes across the Archdiocese. For all details visit, [www.aidtochurch.org/work](http://www.aidtochurch.org/work)

## 11. Getting Our Church Ready for Christmas

Advent is fast approaching and therefore our Church needs to be ready for this and Christmas celebrations. If you could spare some time on Tuesday 23 November 2021 at 9am to assist with the Christmas Tree and preparing the altar please contact the Parish Secretary. Children are always welcome to help.

## 12. Catholic Club Christmas Carols

Given that the Liverpool Catholic Club is unable to hold their annual Christmas Carols on the oval due to capacity restrictions, they are now holding a smaller indoor concert in their auditorium on Sunday 5th December at 7pm. Tickets are \$5 and will be available from 10/11/21 from the rear foyer of the Club or via their website [liverpoolcatholic.com.au](http://liverpoolcatholic.com.au). A flyer is on the Noticeboard if you require further information.

## 13. Volunteers

As we are reaching the end of the year we would like to begin drafting rosters for next year. However we are in need of more assistance in all ministries. There are a lot of young families moving into our Parish and we believe that this is a great opportunity for you and your family to be involved in our parish activities. At the moment we are in need of counters, cleaners and anyone that can assist in church preparation for events. We ask that you consider about volunteering in our growing Parish.

## 14. Christmas Pageant

Attention children of St Anthony's Parish! We would like to invite any child 5 years and older to participate in the Christmas Pageant, to be presented at our Christmas Eve Vigil Mass. Practice begins on **Tuesday 30th November at 3.30pm** in the Church and then continues every Tuesday until Christmas Eve. Bring along your smiles and talents to help make this Christmas extra special! If you have any questions, please see Veronica or Sarah Casha, or contact the Parish office.



## 15. Parish Vision

We remind you that next Saturday 27th November after the 5pm Mass and next Sunday 28th November after the 7.30am and 9am masses we have Parish Engagement for our Parish Vision. All are welcome.

## 16. Parish Assembly

On Friday 17th December 2021 at 6pm we invite all parishioners to join us for our first Parish Assembly. The evening will begin with Mass at 6pm in the church followed by light refreshments in the hall. We will then have a year in review of our Parish and a look into the future. This is also an opportunity to thank our wonderful volunteers in our Parish

*God Bless,*

**Fr Kene Onwukwe**

### *Dates to Remember*

Monday 22 November – St Cecilia

Wednesday 24 November—Sts Andrew Dung-Lac

Thursday 25 November—St Catherine of Alexandria

**The Catholic Weekly is now available to purchase  
(please place \$2 in the poor box)**

- Stephanie's story: One woman's experience of euthanasia's brutal reality
- Bishop's a hit: Robert Barron talks evangelisation with Aussie Catholics
- Beauty's back: Rosebery parish creates something special
- The risk of believing. Report: the world is a dangerous place for many Christians
- Movie review: Ron's Gone Wrong
- The saint of the Sahara



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## WE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO HAVE DIED OR ARE IN NEED OUR PRAYERS

**In your love and concern, please pray for:-**

### **Recently Deceased:**

Pasquale Cantanzariti, Rodney Kelsey, Christine Cselka, Natalina Tallarico

### **Anniversaries:**

Carmelo Cilia, Grace Cilia, Syliva Farrugia, George Velso, Donald D'Souza, Maria Camilleri, Vince Camilleri,

### **Also for:**

Antonio Pisano, Michelina Inzitari, The Dimech Family, The Pace Family & The Bonanno Family, Paolo Politio, The Departed Members of the Legion of Mary, Deceased members of the Vella Family,

**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, Michael Jasenko, Tomislav Juric, James Dimech, Jean Poles, Hanee Abe Rached, Rhodora Manon, Anastacio Swing, Irene Norris, Natalie Biro, Carmela Garzaniti, Rene D'Silva, Mrs Mary Vella, Lena Xerri, Anita and Anthony Zappia, Charito San Jose, Flossy Lobo, Peter Domazet, Linda and Family

### **The Paduans Prayer during the Pandemic**

*Merciful God of hope and life, during this time of pandemic, May we hold to attitudes and behaviours that profess our faith in Jesus Christ, May we act with care and responsibility to keep our community safe, May we be beacons of hope to those feeling overwhelmed and fearful. Heal those who are infected by the virus, Guide healthcare professionals and researchers in their work, Inspire politicians, business and community leaders by your wisdom, Bring those who have died to yourself and comfort their loved ones. We make this prayer through Our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen Mary, Mother of God: pray for us. All Saints: pray for us*

### **A Message from the Archdiocese of Sydney**

Child sexual abuse is a crime. The appropriate people to deal with the 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](mailto: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.

### **Baptisms in the Parish**

Xavier Linus  
Son of Chukwunonso and Chizom  
And  
Maverick Jay Fisher  
Son of John and Chantelle  
And  
Federico Marchetti  
Son of Enrico and Elena  
And  
Chiara Rose Celea  
Daughter of Benjamin and Natalie

