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Our Lord JESUS CHRIST, KING of the UNIVERSE 25 - 26 November 2023

Solemnity of Christ the King

This weekend we celebrate the solemnity of Christ the King. With this, and at the end of this week, we come to the end of the liturgical Year A. We give thanks for all of God's blessings during this liturgical year, the climax being the Cathedral Community Day to be held next Saturday. From next Sunday, we begin liturgical Year B with the celebration of the first Sunday of Advent. How awesome. Let us prepare to welcome Year B with new enthusiasm and vitality. Let us be prepared for the greater things that God has in store for us individually and as a parish community. Let us look to the coming year with great expectation and trustful hope. For indeed the Lord is our shepherd, we shall not want (Ps 23). All that God has prepared for us will find it's way to us as we journey in faith. Happy solemnity of Christ the king.

Cathedral Community Day

This event comes up next Saturday, 2nd Dec. (1.00 to 4.00pm). It is an event for both the young and the not-so-young. It is organised with families in mind. It is meant to bring us all together alongside the entire community of Sale to celebrate one another, and catch fun together, in an atmosphere of friendship and faith. We will need all of you on board. So many different activities are lined up including sports (cricket, etc), live band music, petting zoo, face painting, and lots more. Come and catch some fun as a family. I'm looking forward to the day. I hope you are too.

Annual Parish BBQ

The annual Parish BBQ comes up on Monday, 4th Dec 2023, beginning with Mass at 5.00pm. This will be followed by a lovely evening in the Chapter House. Some people at the end of Mass last Sunday asked: is it for everyone? Of course it is for everyone. Come with your children. There's room for all. Only please indicate your attendance on the attendance sheet on the table at the entrances. This will help with catering. Last year's was very well attended, with some very interesting stories to tell afterwards. That's what community is about—to celebrate one another in a friendly environment. Come as a family, for we are family.

Cathedral TV screen update

Last Sunday, our Bishop gave a video message on the topic of Domestic Violence. He has been releasing video messages of this sort at different times for different occasions. Unfortunately, for us here in the Cathedral, we have been unable to show these messages to our most beloved parishioners because we do not have the means. But that narrative is about to change, praise God. Soon, we will be able, with the rest of the Diocese, to show video messages from our Bishop and other relevant video messages. This is because donations for and inquiries about this project are overwhelming. By next weekend I will let you know what we have received in total and what we are able to do. Thanking you all for your immense support of the parish.

Parish Assembly update

As promised last Sunday, we have now set up the Assembly implementation team who will work closely with the PPC and myself to see to the implementation of the Assembly recommendations. Also, the rough materials from the Assembly have been typed through the assistance of a parishioner. So the team are now ready to begin discussing and reviewing the documents with the mind of proposing a strategic plan to the PPC. The team comprise of: Tim Morrison, John Dykun, Brenda Burditt, Shari Balog, Fr Aneesh, Fr Jithin (until Jan 16), and Fr Francis. You will receive further updates after the first meeting. Thanks for your continuous prayers for our parish.

Fr Jithin's farewell

Given the importance of this event for our parish community I'd be grateful for you all to please note the date in your diary and please keep it free. It is Sunday 17th Dec, 2023. Note also that it is two-phased: the morning tea following the 9.30 am Mass, and the lunch at 12 noon at a venue to be announced by next Sunday. Thank you also to everyone making inquiries on how they can support the farewell. It is going to be a beautiful day for a beautiful servant of God; and for us all. After next Sunday we will begin to ask for the lunch attendance indications so as to have numbers for booking of the venue. Thanking you all for your anticipated support.

God bless you all. *Fr Francis*

PARISH CALENDAR.

Sat 25 Nov 10am-12pm: Cathedral Working Bee
Sat 2 Dec 1-4pm: Community Day
Sun 3 Dec 9.30am: St Thomas' primary school leading Mass. No Sunday Cuppa.
Sat & Sun 2-3 & 9-10 Dec: Leaving Collections for Fr Jithin
Mon 4 Dec 6.00pm: Parish Volunteers BBQ
Wed 6 Dec 6.00pm: Joint Finance Committee and Parish Pastoral Committee Meeting
Sun 17 Dec after 9.30am Mass: Farewell morning tea for Fr Jithin
Sat & Sun 17 & 18 Dec: St Vincent de Paul leaving Collection

KNOX PUBLIC LECTURE You're invited to the 2023 Knox Public Lecture, "Truth and Peace: Timeless Twins," Presented by Dr Susan Connelly RSJ on **Tuesday 28 November at 7:30pm via zoom.** To book go to: <https://www.trybooking.com/events/landing/1141646>
 This will mark the 60th anniversary of Pope John XXIII's landmark encyclical on international peace, Pacem in terris.

FAREWELL MORNING TEA we will be having a farewell morning tea for Fr Jithin, on **Sunday 17 December after 9.30am Mass.** We will also be holding leaving collections on **Sat & Sun 2-3 & 9-10 December** for Fr Jithin.

PARISH PRAYER.
*God our loving Father,
 we give you thanks and praise
 for our Cathedral Parish of Sale,
 for your people and your Creation.
 Nourish us by your daily
 Word and Eucharist.
 Enrich us in our faith, hope and love.
 Strengthen us with the spirit
 of your mercy and grace.
 Make us grateful for your gifts as we
 journey through our lives together.
 May we be a welcoming
 and serving community,
 always discerning and
 doing your will for one another.
 We make this prayer through
 Christ Our Lord. Amen*

PARISH END OF YEAR BBQ will be held in the Chapter House at **6pm on Monday 4 Dec.** All Parishioners are invited to attend. As per previous years sign up sheets have been placed in all Parish churches to indicate your attendance in the next couple of weeks. If you can help by bringing a salad or dessert there will be spaces on the signup sheets to indicate what you are bringing. Hope to see you all there!



A perfect opportunity to enrich your Advent journey: a series of virtual Advent talks by four Australian biblical scholars, Prof Mary Coloe PBVM, Dr Mary Reaburn NDS, Dr Chris Monaghan CP, Dr Janina Hiebel from Yarra Theological Union, a College of the University of Divinity. Each week this group of accomplished guides will work together to explore the readings for the week. **WHEN: Tuesdays – 28 November and 5, 12, 19 December 2023, TIME: 7.00pm – 8.00pm AEDT*, WHERE: Via Zoom meeting, COST: Free** For more information and registration please visit: <https://tinyurl.com/2pkez5pp>
LISTEN TO THE WORD This is a free online Advent Resource 2023 Listen to the Word from the Sydney Archdiocese <https://gomakedisciples.org.au/>

ADVENT REFLECTION GROUPS next Sunday is the First Sunday of Advent when we begin preparations for the Birth of Jesus at Christmas. If you have an advent reflection group and would like a resource we have copies available in the Parish Office. Pop in or call Clare on 5144 4100.

DAILY MASS BOOK if you would like to have your own daily Mass book for 2024 it can be ordered for you by the Parish Office. Please let Clare know **no later than Thursday 30 November if you would like to order a copy. Each copy is \$30.00.**

WORKING BEE will be held in the Cathedral from **10am to 12pm this Saturday 25 Nov.** Please bring your own supplies.

ST VINCENT DE PAUL GIVING TREE will be in the assembly area of the cathedral from **1 to 19 December.** Parishioners are invited to take tags from the tree and purchase these goods then return them to the box under the tree to be distributed to families. There will be a leaving collection at all masses on **17 & 18 December.** Please take your items and give generously to those who are less fortunate.

CHRISTMAS FLOWERS If you would like to donate money for Christmas Flowers please place the money in a clearly marked envelope and place on the collection plate. If you would prefer to give electronically please call the Parish Office on 5144 4100 for banking details.

31 CLUB REMINDER 27 Nov - 3 Dec. Please pray for vocations

SYNOD 2023 A letter from the participants in the assembly to the people of God was released on 25 October 2023 in Rome. The letter presents the experience of the first assembly of the Synod and hopes for the future as we move towards the second session in October next year. To read the letter visit <https://tinyurl.com/h4ex63wp>

THURSDAY 30 NOVEMBER there will be no 9.30am Mass as the Priests will be attending a Diocesan Reflection day.

SUNDAY 3 DECEMBER Our 9.30am Cathedral Mass will be led by St Thomas' Primary School. We would like to thank Anita Little and the school members. As we have a Parish morning tea coming up later in December there will be no Sunday Cuppa after this Mass.



BAPTISMS: By arrangement through the Parish Office phone 5144 4100.
ADORATION of the Blessed Sacrament, Friday before Mass 10.00am — 11.00am
 At St Rose of Lima, Rosedale on 1st Wednesday of each month 9.30am — 10.30am
RECONCILIATION: Cathedral: Friday 10.30-11am before Mass.
At Other times: Available on request
Stratford and Briagolong on Sunday or Rosedale on Saturday evening: Available on request.
MARRIAGES: Not less than six months notice please.

COLLECTIONS LAST WEEKEND:
Planned Giving: \$734.00
Presbytery: \$1,104.40
Credit Cards \$30.00
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Cathedral EFTpos: \$220.00
 With thanks from a grateful parish.


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Mass Timetable this week
Our Lord JESUS CHRIST, KING of the UNIVERSE
25 - 26 November 2023

Day/Date	Time	Place
Saturday 25 November	9.30am	Cathedral
	11.00am	Loch Sport
	5.30pm	Cathedral
	5.30pm	Rosedale
Sunday 26 November	9.30am	Cathedral
	9.30am	Briagolong
	5.30pm	Cathedral
WEEKDAYS		
Monday 27 November	NO	MASS
Tuesday 28 November	9.30am	Cathedral
Wednesday 29 November	9.30am	Cathedral
Thursday 30 November	NO	MASS
Friday 1 December		
Exposition & Reconciliation Mass	10.00am 11.00am	Cathedral Cathedral
WEEKEND		
Saturday 2 December	9.30am 5.30pm 5.30pm	Cathedral Cathedral Rosedale
Sunday 3 December <i>St Thomas' school led Mass</i>	9.30am	Stratford
	9.30am	Cathedral
	9.30am	Cathedral
	5.30pm	Cathedral



Activity tubs & books: available in the Youth Corner for all children attending mass.

Youth Mass: The next youth mass will be held on the 3rd Saturday in **February 2024**.

Children's Liturgy: Running every Sunday on school term during **9:30am Mass** (If you would like to volunteer please contact Parish Office, A WWCC & Parish Code of Conduct required)

Family Fun & Faith Day: 2 December 1-4pm. If you are interested in volunteering or would like to hold a stall or family workshop please contact Shari on 0430 932 220.

Date & Time	Sat 25 Nov 5.30pm	Sun 26 Nov 9.30am	Sun 26 Nov 5.30pm
Welcomer	Theo Smolenaars	Dalia Ellison	Claire Everard
Commentator	Brenda Burditt	Nick Hall	Veronica Stewart
Reader	Christine & Larissa	Andreena Jolly	Lyn Althaus
Eucharist	Rosemary Webster	Sue Harvey	Len Althaus
Counters	Theo & Sandra Smolenaars		

Date & Time	Sat 2 Dec 5.30pm	Sun 3 Dec 9.30am	Sun 3 Dec 5.30pm
Welcomer	John Dykun	St Thomas' school	Mary Chiller
Commentator	Emma Morrison	St Thomas' school	Adam Collins
Reader	Liz Tabuteau	St Thomas' school	Lyn Althaus
Eucharist	Brenda Burditt	Anna Allen	Jennifer Fitzgerald
Counters	Len & Lyn Althaus		

MASS INTENTIONS:
Sat 25 Nov 11am Loch Sport: Tom Wathen (RD)

PLEASE PRAY FOR:
 We offer prayers for those who have died **Tom Wathen, Peter Hendriks,** and those whose anniversaries occur about this time **Fr Patrick Sterling, Fr William Tierney, Archbishop Patrick O'Donnell.** We pray for those who are sick Jim Durrant, Emma O'Hare, Moira Petrie, Hurbert Somasiri, Andrew Lyon, Jim Clottin, Nimal and Vajira, Dushyanthi, Helen O'Kane, Michael McGrath, Troy Barney, Bill Harkin and Maureen O'Kane. **We pray in thanks for all who care for the sick.**



THE INSPIRE TRIBE INVITES YOU TO
ST MARY'S CATHEDRAL
COMMUNITY DAY
2ND DEC 2023
1-4PM

Get ready for a day of bonding, making memories, and enjoying a wide range of fun-filled activities, facepainting, youth market stall and a raffle

Contact Shari Balog (Youth Ministry co-ordinator) 0430 932 220 for more details.





Creative Workshops Toys, Games & Sports Live Entertainment



NEW TO THE PARISH? CHANGED ADDRESS IN THE LAST YEAR? NEED PLANNED GIVING ENVELOPES OR TO UPDATE THE PARISH RECORDS?
 Please let us know we'd like to meet you!

NAME:

ADDRESS:

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Please tick: If you would like to join the Planned Giving Program

If you would like to join a Family Group

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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.**

FIRST READING:

A reading from the prophet Ezekiel 34:11-12.15-17

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. **All: Thanks be to God**

RESPONSORIAL PSALM:

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

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

Fresh and green are the pastures
where he gives me repose. **(R.)**

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.)**

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.)**

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:

A reading from the first letter of St Paul to the Corinthians 15:20-26.28

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. **All: Thanks be to God**

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!**

GOSPEL:

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew 25:31-46

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 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.

All: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ

COMMUNION ANTIPHON:

The Lord sits as King for ever.

The Lord will bless his people with peace.



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Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament: Cathedral

Every Friday 10 - 11am

RECONCILIATION: Cathedral

Friday 10.30 - 11am

READINGS NEXT WEEK:

First Sunday of Advent, Year B

1st Reading: **Isaiah 63:16-17; 64:1, 3-8**

2nd Reading: **1 Corinthians 1:3-9**

Gospel: **Mark 13:33-37**

WEEKEND MASS TIMETABLE

Saturday: Loch Sport - 11.00am (2nd & 4th Saturday of the Month)

Saturday: Cathedral - 5.30pm

Saturday: Rosedale - 5.30pm

Sunday: Cathedral - 9:30am and 5.30pm

Sunday: Stratford - 9.30am (1st, 3rd & 5th Sunday of the Month)

Sunday: Briagolong - 9.30am (2nd & 4th Sunday of the Month)

Please check the bulletin each week for weekday Mass times.