



Westmead Catholic Community PARISH HEARTBEATS

Official Weekly Bulletin of Sacred Heart Parish, Westmead

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'The sacred heart of Jesus is an open heart...' St Teresa of Kolkata

Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

25 - 26 November 2023

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

REV 5:12, 1:6

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

EZEK 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.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps 22. R.v.1

**R. The Lord is my shepherd;
There is nothing I shall want.**

1. The Lord is my shepherd;
there is nothing I shall want.
Fresh and green are the pastures
where he gives me repose.
2. Near restful waters he leads me,
to revive my drooping spirit.
He guides me along the right path;
he is true to his name.
3. You have prepared a banquet for me
in the sight of my foes.
My head you have anointed with oil;
my cup is overflowing.
4. 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.

SECOND READING

1 COR 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.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Mk 11:9-10

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

GOSPEL

Mt 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.'

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

Ps 28:10-11

**The Lord sits as King for ever.
The Lord will bless his people with peace.**

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MASS TIMES

Parish Church:

Saturday: 6:00pm (Vigil)

Sunday: 8:00am & 9:30am

Mon, Tue, Wed, Fri, Sat: 9:00am

RECONCILIATION

Saturday: 5:00pm to 5:30pm

BAPTISMS

1st Sundays or by arrangement

MARRIAGES & FUNERALS

By arrangement with the Parish Priest

(min 6 months notice for weddings)

ANOINTING OF THE SICK

By arrangement with the Parish Priest

The Westmead Catholic Community acknowledges the Burrumattagal people of the Darug nation, traditional custodians of the land on which we gather, recognising elders past & present. We aim to be an inclusive faith community, welcoming people of all ages, races, creeds, genders, orientations, marital status & cultures.

PARISH DIARY DATES

25 / 26 November	Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe	Solemnity
26 November	Tamil Mass	5.30pm
28 November	First Reconciliation Liturgy/s	6.30pm & 7.30pm
30 November	St Andrew, apostle	Feast
2 / 3 December	First Week of Advent	

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CHRISTMAS MASS PROGRAM

Dawn Masses	December 16 - 24	5.30am
	(no 9am Mass during this period)	
Christmas Eve, Dec 24	Mass with Nativity	6pm
	Midnight Mass	12am
Christmas Day, Dec 25	Christmas Day Masses	8am & 9.30am
New Years Day, Jan 1	New Year's Day Mass	9am

St Vincent de Paul Society Appeal: Parish Christmas Tree

At Christmas the Parish Vincentian Conference anticipates a need for hampers for needy families & adults. The annual Christmas Tree appeal will commence the weekend of 2 / 3 December. Parishioners are asked to support the work of the Society by choosing a coupon and donating children's gifts, or non perishable, food and other grocery items to this appeal. Cards will be hung on the tree with a description of the person we wish to help, and parishioners are invited to take a card home, purchase a gift for the person or the listed product and return it to the tree during Advent. Collection, packaging and delivery of hampers will take place on the weekend of **16 / 17 December** - and all donations **must** be left under the tree **before** this date.



Bishop's Christmas Appeal 25 / 26 November

Your gift to the Parramatta Catholic Foundation will support our Catholic Care chaplaincy services, offering hope and comfort to those in hospitals, prisons, and difficult circumstances. Please give generously to the Bishop's Christmas Appeal via envelopes in the church or online at yourcatholicfoundation.org.au/appeal - specifying Westmead as your parish.



Due to staff leave the parish office will be closed on Thursday 30 November. For matters of importance email: office@sacredheartwestmead.com.au or phone: 9635 9262 to leave a message.



The Liturgical Ministry Formation Courses will recommence in February 2024; for anyone interested in serving in the Liturgical Ministries: Readers, Extraordinary Ministers of Communion, Communion to the Sick & Dying and Ministers at the Altar. Office for Worship - 0460 037 795; <https://officeforworship.org.au/>

At Sacred Heart Westmead, Baptism is celebrated on the first Sunday of the month at 11am. Please contact the parish office to book.



WEEK 1 ROSTERS—WEEKEND MASS

Please notify Fr Walter you are in attendance

EMoE - 2 / 3 December

6:00pm: O. Nagel
8:00am: J. Nealon
9:30am: F. Khouri

Readers - 2 / 3 December

6:00pm: A. Enriquez / B. Fernandes
8:00am: M. Schinella / A. Priya
9:30am: C. Esterado / C. Khouri

Junior Altar Servers - 2 / 3 December

6:00pm: C. Cristobal
8:00am: A. Dave
9:30am: G. Vicente / L. Vicente

Senior Altar Servers - 2 / 3 December

6:00pm: J. Nagel
8:00am: J. Chandran
9:30am: N. Emmanuel

If you are unable to attend your rostered date, please arrange a swap with another minister.

'In Memoriam': for the month of November

IN MEMORIAM



November is a special time to pray for the faithful departed. The Church encourages the offering of prayers or Masses. Envelopes are available in the church for all those wishing to offer Mass for deceased loved ones during November. All Mass intentions will be recorded in our 'In Memoriam' booklet present in the church.

Christ the King

The Church celebrates the Feast of Christ the King, also called the *Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe*, on the last Sunday of the Liturgical year. The Feast points to the end of time when the kingdom of Jesus will be established in all its fullness. It leads into Advent, when the Church anticipates Christ's second coming. Established by Pope Pius XI in 1925 aiming to bring about the following:

- That this annual celebration would assist the faithful to gain strength in their true King, Jesus Christ;
- That leaders and nations would recognise that they are bound to submit and give respect to Christ the King;
- That nations would see that the Church has the right to freedom, and immunity from the state. In these times when we are challenged in our faith and our ability to worship together, let us remember that Jesus Christ is Our King who reigns forever.
- That individuals should honour and recognise Jesus as their 'Sovereign King' and emulate his total gift of self, perfectly embodied on the Cross. In imitation of their King, individuals can help bring love and relief to those who suffer and help to proclaim the Good News.

SUNDAY'S READINGS: 3 DECEMBER

FIRST WEEK OF ADVENT

1ST READING: IS 63:16-17, 64:1, 3-8

2ND READING: 1 COR 1:3-9

GOSPEL: MK 13:33-37

