



Catholic Parish of St Mary Queen of Heaven Georges Hall

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Sunday Masses:
Saturday Vigil: 5pm
Sunday: 8 & 10am

Weekday Masses:
Tuesday: 6pm
Preceded by Rosary/Novena – 5.30pm

Wednesday - Friday: 9am
Preceded by Rosary -8.45am

Vietnamese Masses:
Sat. Vigil: 6.30pm
Sunday: 5.30pm



Reconciliation:
Saturday 4-4.30 pm
or by appointment

Our Lord Jesus Christ King of the Universe

20 November 2022

November - is the month of the Holy Souls,
a month in which we pray for our **faithful departed.**

Please use the **November Mass envelopes** which will be placed near the altar.



First Holy Communion

Congratulations to the children who will receive the Blessed Eucharist for the first time this weekend. We pray for their families that they will give them the best example in having reverence and appreciation for the Blessed Eucharist.



Catholic Mission - this weekend 19 & 20 November

The Catholic Mission raises money to assist the most vulnerable. This year monies raised will assist with essential work of the community and church in Ethiopia. Please be generous. **Donations over \$2 are 100% Tax deductible.**

Read the Catholic Weekly: <https://www.catholicweekly.com.au/>

COVID-19 is still around - Please **use sanitiser** when you enter our church.

Parish / Family BBQ

Thursday December 1, at 5pm. In the school yard.

We are inviting all parishioners of all ages to join us in getting together to connect with our school children and parents. Food will be provided. BYO drinks.

Enquiries: Bernie 0412 227 554

STAY AWAKE! Prepare for the Coming of Christ - Advent Companion 2022

The beautiful Season of Advent is approaching. Let us make the most of this precious time to gather in our parishes and communities to prepare for the coming of Jesus. This free Advent Companion contains Gospel readings for the Sundays of Advent and Christmas, and spiritual reflections. Designed for individual or group prayer, either in-person or online. The resource is available in the back of the church or download on the *Go Make Disciples* website at www.gomakedisciples.org.au.

Jesus believes a sinner has a future not just a past.
Are you able to forgive?

House of Welcome - Milk for Mates - Last Weekend

Thank you for your generosity in donating milk for our mates at the House of Welcome who support the refugee families in our area. This weekend is the last weekend to donate.

Thank you for your support.

Safeguarding our Children

Please let us all be always aware of the safety of our children.

If you notice something that may be harmful, please report it immediately.



Out of School Hours Care (OSHC)

Sydney Catholic Early Childhood Services operate an OSHC facility to provide before, afterschool and vacation care for our primary school children.

Interested? please **contact the OSHC on 0438 118 864** or Email:

veenita.chand@syd.catholic.edu.au

St Mary's Primary School - 9727 0000 Principal: Monica Palmer

Playgroup - Thursday during school term in the iCentre, meet at 8.45am out the front of the church near Our Lady's statue. Enquiries: natalie.goetz@syd.catholic.edu.au

+Please Remember in your prayers:

Sick: Paul Ahad, Patrick Carroll, Kate Cheney, Daniel Clarke, Warren Clarke, Azelia Donati, Eileen Ellery, Jennie Falvy, Kerry Gibbons, Kathleen Gibson, Christine Hughes, Barbara Kains, John Kolodziej, Rosemary Levack, Daniel Matesic, Phillip Nehme, Vic Ryan, Jenny Tankard, David Sanders, Mary Strambio, Tony Strambio, Cornelius Van Baardwyk, Margaret Ward, Ross Williamson

Recently Deceased: Hilda Freeburn, Ron Roberts, Margaaret Holmes, Queen Elizabeth II, Jozef Lukasiewicz, Joana Mira, Jack Bush

Anniversaries: Henry Goetz, Mario Larocca, Travis Rogers, Teresa Stevenson, Kathleen Kelly

Safeguarding our Parish - 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 Office at 93905810 or Email: safeguardingenquiries@sydneycatholic.org. The Archdiocese has a legal obligation to report crimes to the police. Our parish has a folder (with Safeguarding information including quarterly newsletters) in the church - parishioners are welcome to view. A link to the Archdiocese's Child Safeguarding Policy is available from the homepage of our parish website. Enquiries: Veronica via parishoffice.smgh@bigpond.com



Gospel Lk 23:35-43

Lord remember me when you come into your kingdom.

The people stayed there before the cross watching Jesus. As for the leaders, they jeered at him. 'He saved others,' they said, 'let him save himself if he is the Christ of God, the Chosen One.' The soldiers mocked him too, and when they approached to offer him vinegar they said, 'If you are the king of the Jews, save yourself.' Above him there was an inscription: 'This is the King of the Jews.'

One of the criminals hanging there abused him. 'Are you not the Christ?' he said. 'Save yourself and us as well.' But the other spoke up and rebuked him. 'Have you no fear of God at all?' he said. 'You got the same sentence as he did, but in our case we deserved it: we are paying for what we did. But this man has done nothing wrong. Jesus,' he said, 'remember me when you come into your kingdom.' 'Indeed, I promise you,' he replied, 'today you will be with me in paradise.'

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Reflection by Fr Michael Tate

If you memorise a tune or your 'times tables', you are said to 'know it by heart'. The sort of person who will always remember me is someone who 'knows me by heart'.

Here, a tortured criminal starts his plea: 'Jesus . . .'. This is one of only two instances where Jesus is addressed by his name which means 'The Lord saves'. The good thief went on: 'remember me when you come into Your Kingdom'. Jesus 'knows him by heart' and promises that He will remember him in Paradise.

This is an exercise of sovereignty which befits 'Christ the King'. This is all the Kingly power which you or I will ever need, but to confidently invoke it we need to position ourselves alongside Jesus, like the 'good thief'. We do this by our practical concern for the poor and by coming to Mass which re-members the Body of Christ.

We could pause for a moment to pray: 'Jesus, remember me, know me by heart, for when you do I will be in Paradise.'

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The Living Word

Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe, Year C 20 November 2022

First Reading 2 Sm 5:1-3

They anointed David king of Israel.

All the tribes of Israel came to David at Hebron. 'Look' they said 'we are your own flesh and blood. In days past when Saul was our king, it was you who led Israel in all their exploits; and the Lord said to you, "You are the man who shall be shepherd of my people Israel, you shall be the leader of Israel."' So all the elders of Israel came to the king at Hebron, and King David made a pact with them at Hebron in the presence of the Lord, and they anointed David king of Israel.

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 121:1-5. R. see v.2

(R.) Let us go rejoicing to the house of the Lord.

1. I rejoiced when I heard them say: 'Let us go to God's house.' And now our feet are standing within your gates, O Jerusalem. (R.)
2. Jerusalem is built as a city strongly compact. It is there that the tribes go up, the tribes of the Lord. (R.)
3. For Israel's law it is, there to praise the Lord's name. There were set the thrones of judgement of the house of David. (R.)

Second Reading Col 1:12-20

He has taken us into the kingdom of his beloved Son.

We give thanks to the Father who has made it possible for you to join the saints and with them to inherit the light.

Because that is what he has done: he has taken us out of the power of darkness and created a place for us in the kingdom of the Son that he loves, and in him, we gain our freedom, the forgiveness of our sins.

He is the image of the unseen God and the first-born of all creation, for in him were created all things in heaven and on earth: everything visible and everything invisible, Thrones, Dominations, Sovereignties, Powers – all things were created through him and for him.

Before anything was created, he existed, and he holds all things in unity.

Now the Church is his body, he is its head.

As he is the Beginning, he was first to be born from the dead, so that he should be first in every way; because God wanted all perfection to be found in him and all things to be reconciled through him and for him, everything in heaven and everything on earth, when he made peace by his death on the cross.

Gospel Acclamation Mk 11:9. 10

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!