

CATHOLIC PARISH OF CHRIST THE KING

NORTH ROCKS



11th November 2018
*Thirty-Second Sunday in
 Ordinary Time*
 YEAR B



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Weddings: By Appointment
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Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament: Sat 9.30am
Rosary: Sat 8.30am
Children's Liturgy: 10am Mass-During Term
Playgroup: Fri 9.30 to 11.30 During School Term
 Parish Services
Sunday Masses:
 6.00pm Saturday
 8.00 am Sunday
 10.00 am Sunday
Weekday Masses:
 Tuesday 7.30 pm
 Wednesday 9.00 am
 Thursday 9.00 am
 Friday 9.15 am
 Saturday 9.00 am
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Gospel Reflection

The willingness to give all that one has is the central theme of today's readings. They offer us three models.

Jesus is the ultimate example of heroic generosity. He first offered himself as expiation for our sin. Now, as the eternal high priest, he stands before God as our mediator, pleading on our behalf, bringing salvation to those who eagerly await him.

It is interesting to note that the other two models of selfless giving are widows, individuals who are doubly disadvantaged by the patriarchal societies of which they are members. Their generosity is religiously inspired, and it comes from women who had the least material possessions to give. This kind of giving requires that we reach deep into ourselves and almost strip ourselves of our hold on life, and that we do this for religious reasons. The giving that is pictured in today's readings is nothing less than heroic generosity.

God will not be outdone in generosity. Sometimes we become the beneficiaries of obvious blessing, as was the case in the story of the woman of Zarephath who was granted a year's supply of flour and oil. At other times, we simply continue living life as usual, like the woman in the temple who was unaware of the commendation that Jesus had given her. The truly generous do not look for reward. They carry out their responsibilities and place the rest in God's hands.

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This Sunday 11/11/2018 we acknowledge the Centenary of the Armistice, ending the conflict of the First World War. We must also acknowledge its evolution into what we now know as Remembrance Day.

At 11 am on 11 November 1918 the guns on the Western Front fell silent after more than four years of continuous warfare. The allied armies had driven the invading forces back. In November the Germans called for an armistice- the suspension of fighting, in order to secure a peace settlement.

The 11th hour of the 11th day of the 11th month attained a special significance in the post-war years. It became universally associated with the remembrance of those who had died in the war. More than 330,000 Australians served overseas during the Great War. More than 60,000 of them had died.

Australians across the country are encouraged to mark the Centenary of the Armistice and observe one minute's silence at 11am in memory of those who died or suffered in the First World War and all wars and armed conflicts since.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK:

The next conferral of the anointing of the sick will be on **Sat 17th November 2018 at 9am PLEASE REMEMBER THOSE FOR**

WHOM PRAYERS HAVE BEEN REQUESTED:

THE SICK : Henry Iwanski, Nicole Capper, Afifi Elchaar, Dorothea Ellis , Sylvette Marsh, Doreen Ulbrick, Mary Magill, Tim Coakley, Delphine Ferreira and Stan Burgin.

RECENTLY DECEASED:

Mary Ellis and Lionel Sullivan

PLEASE REMEMBER ALL THE DECEASED:

On our Parish List for November and commemorative wall.

This week's Reading: Thirty-Second Sunday in Ord. Time: 1Kings 17:10-16; Hebrews 9: 24-28; Mark 12:38-44
Next week's Reading: Thirty-Third Sunday in Ord. Time: Daniel 12:1-3; Hebrews 10:11-14,18; Mark 13:24-32

Lectors and Parishioners please note that the full text can be found on the website www.universalis.com

11th November—thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

	Welcomer	Acolyte	Reader	Computer Operator	Eucharistic Minister	Musician
SATURDAY 10 November 6.00 pm	Ken Boys Roger Hook	Ron Ruskin	Rob Haddad Kerry Saad	Sitara Thaman	Peter Blyth Sue DeCourcy John Lacey Gillian Mobbs	Dorothea Price
SUNDAY 11 November 8.00 am	Christine Kinsella John Murphy	David Collins	Tony Hughes Bev Johnson		Ken Coorey Jui-May Lee Lorraine Murphy Rosemary Wickham	Pauline Zhao
SUNDAY 11 November 10.00 am	Graeme Gardner Michael Nasr	John Colman	Anne Gately Jennie Mater	Jamie Hoban	Diane Campbell Marea Mooney Leila Safy Natasha Todorov	Julia Hoban

MINISTRY TO THE SICK: David Collins, Ken Coorey, Lorraine Murphy, Rosemary Wickham

COUNTER GROUP 1– Ron Ruskin, Eric Olsen, Michael NG, Graeme Gardiner

ALTAR SOCIETY Group 4– Anna Hunt, Barbara Haddad

PIETY GROUP 1– Maria Bietola, Tony and Catherine Hughes, Mary Magill

CHURCH CLEANING Group 2– Frances Gallagher, Rosemaree Maroon, Paul Cook, Helena Rouman

18th November—Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

	Welcomer	Acolyte	Reader	Computer Operator	Eucharistic Minister	Musician
SATURDAY 17 November 6.00 pm	Sam Bietola Paul Rankin	Lance Parker	Zeina Chacty Georgette Rissmiller	Veronica Chacty	Frank Lah Lilia Nuguid Nesli Nuguid Gerianne Sadaya	Isabelle Chacty
SUNDAY 18 November 8.00 am	John Colman John Murphy	Jose Jilesh	Tony Hughes Margaret Noonan	Jo-Anne Castaneda	Mario Azzopardi Christine Kinsella James Kinsella Jui-May Lee	Pauline Zhao
SUNDAY 18 November 10 am	Peter Elchaar Michael NG	David Collins	John DeCourcy Stephen Doyle		Diane Campbell Cate Joseph Lorraine Murphy Jenny Roddy	Darren So Wea Yeung

MINISTRY TO THE SICK: Mario Azzopardi, Jose Jilesh, Christine Kinsella, John Lacey.

COUNTER GROUP: 2– Keith Henson, John Colman, John Lenehan, George Isaacs.

ALTAR SOCIETY GROUP 5: Margaret Isaac, Barbara Haddad.

PIETY GROUP 2– Julie Hook, Sue Quigley, Jill Wulf.

CHURCH CLEANING Group 3– Clarry Barbera, Chris and Beverley Poole, Leo & Elizabeth Bautista, Ken Coorey.

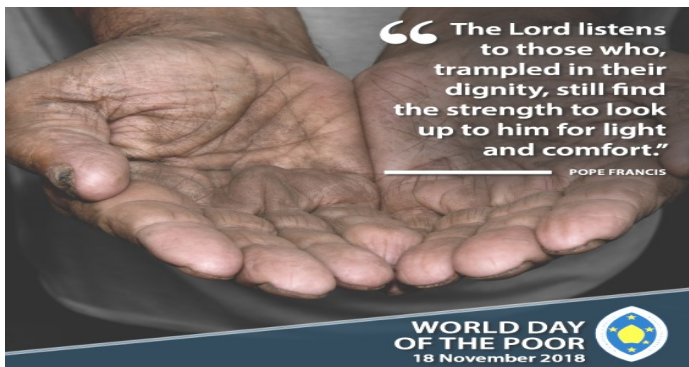
PARISH MEETING TO ORGANISE OUR PARISH FEAST DAY GATHERING WITH BISHOP VINCENT

Our parish feast day celebration takes place on Saturday, 24 November beginning at 6 PM with Mass presided by Bishop Vincent and afterwards we will celebrate and share food with him in the parish hall. All parishioners are invited to attend this event. A meeting will be held this Wednesday evening 14 November at 7:30 PM in the MacKillop Hall to finalise organisation for this event. If you could assist in any way on this significant occasion in the life of our parish, particularly regarding catering, could you please attend the meeting this Wednesday evening.

FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING

Reminder—The Finance committee meeting is planned for Thursday evening, 15th of November.

WORLD DAY OF THE POOR 18 NOVEMBER



The World Day of the Poor is a Roman Catholic observance, celebrated on the 33rd Sunday of Ordinary Time since 2017. It was established by Pope Francis in his Apostolic Letter, *Misericordia et Misera*, issued on 20 November 2016 to celebrate the end of the Extraordinary Jubilee of Mercy. "The poor evangelize us and help us each day to discover the beauty of the Gospel. Let us not squander this grace-filled opportunity. On this day, may all of us feel that we are in debt to the poor, because, in hands outstretched to one another, a salvific encounter can take place to strengthen our faith, inspire our charity and enable our hope to advance securely on our path towards the Lord who is to come."

Pope Francis.

GRIEF TO GRACE – HEALING THE WOUNDS OF ABUSE

This is a spiritual retreat for anyone who has suffered degradation or violation through physical, emotional, sexual or spiritual abuse. The retreat will be held May 26 – 31 2019. To request an application contact Anne by emailing info@griegtograceaus.org.au or phone 0478599241. For more information visit www.griegtograce.org

CATHOLIC FOUNDATION

Catholic Foundation Collection will take place on the first weekend of December

This year Bishop Vincent will be inviting our community to generously donate to Parramatta Catholic Foundation to help CatholicCare's Houses to Homes service care for vulnerable women who are pregnant and young mothers fleeing domestic violence, and dealing with homelessness and poverty.

Each year Houses to Homes helps over 100 disadvantaged and abused young mums or mothers-to-be in greater western Sydney to gain safety, shelter, parenting and life skills to build a better, more secure life for themselves and their children, and find independence, improved wellbeing and joy.

WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER: 16 - 18 NOV

Take the time to step back from everyday distractions and rediscover your relationship! 16 – 18 November at Mt Carmel Retreat Centre, Varroville, NSW. Book online at www.wwme.org.au - alternatively contact Adrian and Janet Sullivan: on 0490 774 419 or adrian.janet1@bigpond.com

SPRING FAIR RESULTS

Congratulations to all who were involved in contributing to the wonderful result of our Spring Fair fundraising efforts. After expenses were taken out, we finally raised a total of \$76,700. As per the agreed percentage breakup determined before the Fair, this means that the amount of \$34,515 each will go to the parish and school projects and 10% \$7,670 will be donated to the Jesuit Refugee Service, Arrupe Place, ministry to refugees. Many thanks to all for this wonderful team effort.

MEMORIAL MASS FOR THOSE BEREAVED BY SUICIDE: 20 NOVEMBER

CatholicCare Western Sydney and Blue Mountains together with the Diocese of Parramatta invite those bereaved by suicide to a Mass to honour loved ones who have taken their lives. Mass will be celebrated by Fr Chris de Souza VG PP. St Oliver Plunkett Church, 35 Wigram Street, Harris Park. RSVP 16 November Ph: 02 8843 2530 or rita.chater@ccss.org.au

contact meredith.lemos@syd.catholic.edu.au

POSITIONS VACANT FOR 2019 – FAMILY EDUCATORS

Applications are invited for the position of **Family Educator** based in a number of Catholic primary schools in the Sydney Archdiocese. To see locations please go to sydcatholicsschools.nsw.edu.au/category/positions-vacant to see the application pack. Applications close October 22, 2018.



MEN ALIVE: GROWING GOOD MEN: 15-18 NOV

A weekend for fathers and teenage sons (13-15) at 'Lutanda', Yarramundi, 15 minutes south west of Richmond. An experientially-based program which encourages and enables fathers and sons to strengthen their relationship and to explore important issues of growing into manhood. www.trybooking.com/417468

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"KINGSMEN" 2018 has scheduled the last get together for Tuesday 6th NOVEMBER at Baulkham hills sports club from 7pm.

Come along and meet like minded fathers of our community and share a meal and drink to discuss the Father & Son retreat.

For more information please contact Peter or just come along on the night and bring a mate with you.

Looking forward to seeing you there

Peter Elchaar—Kingsmen - 0408 678 922

GOOD NEIGHBOURS. The Good Neighbour group meets again on Thursday 15th November from 10am-1pm in the Mary Mackillop hall. Join us for conversation, Bingo and Tai Chi. Enjoy a light lunch and generally relax with friends both new and old.

PLAYGROUP. Would you like to meet other parents (mums dad and grandparents too) with young children, give your children a social experience and you a break from your usual morning routine? Come and bring your little ones and you will get to enjoy a chat with others who are also taking a break, while your children get to enjoy playing with toys, playdough and paints. Where? Christ the King playgroup meets in Mary Mackillop hall every Friday from 10am to 11.30am. All you need to do is to bring a morning tea snack for your child.

CREDIT CARD AND DIRECT DEBIT

Please inform the Parish Office on 9871 8710 or send an email of any changes to your credit card number/expiry date or direct debit account.

Thank you for your ongoing support

EMAIL ADDRESS

If you have changed your email address or now have a email address, could you please notify the Parish Office as soon as possible. **Thank you**

ONLINE GIVING

Online donations may be made at any time from the comfort of your own home or any place with internet access. Please call the Parish Office for the BSB and Account number for the Parish or Catholic Foundation Appeal.

BEQUESTS

Many of us have a special connection to our parish, nurtured by years of faith-sharing, schooling, friendships and support.

A bequest to your parish, no matter how small, will help the faith community which has meant so much to you to continue its good works and its loving outreach. It is also a means by which you can plan a lasting gift for your parish which might not be possible in your lifetime. In receiving a bequest, a parish may be able to use the gift to attend to much needed maintenance and improvements to the church and other Parish property or put the gift towards building a new church or refurbishing their existing one. These kinds of gifts help the Parish free up other income to use toward pastoral care programs.

MISSION STATEMENT

Centred on the Gospel of Jesus,

Christ the King Church is a warm, welcoming community of faith.

We continue to strive to be open and to embrace diversity, as we love and grow in relationship to God and in service to one another.



All Youth in Years 6 to 8 are invited and are most welcome to join us this term on: **Friday, November**

16th 7:30 pm: We will be talking about ourselves, how sometimes overcoming our fear is by not listening to our self-doubt.

As ever, if you would like any more information, please contact Adam via email or mobile.

CHRISTIAN MEDITATION: 18 NOVEMBER

Meditation Introduction and Renewal Days for 2018 at **St Benedict's Monastery, 121 Arcadia Rd, Arcadia** on Sunday 18 November.

Arrival time at the monastery is from 10am for a 10:30am start. Conclusion is around 3pm. Mass is celebrated at 2pm. There will be presentations and periods of meditation with the opportunity of an introduction to Christian Meditation for newcomers. Bring your own picnic lunch. Tea and coffee provided. Registration is on the day. There is no set charge, a donation may be made for the monks. There may be accommodation available at the Monastery Guest House enquiries to Br Terry Cavanagh on 0438 282 318. Other enquiries to Ann Bergman - 9498 2625 or Ann Lomas 02 9456 4775 atlomas@bigpond.com

REFLECTION DAY FOR WOMEN - PREPARING OUR HEARTS FOR ADVENT: 24 NOVEMBER

As we approach the end of the year things seem to speed up around us. Don't get caught in it, take some time out for prayer and reflection. Cost \$25 BYO own lunch, tea & coffee provided. To register info@schoenstatt.org.au or Ph: 4773 8338