

26th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year C

25 SEPTEMBER 2022

PARISH VISION

We are called to reveal the Light of Christ to the world

MASS TIMETABLE RESUMES MONDAY 26 SEPTEMBER

St Francis Xavier Cathedral, Wollongong

Monday	Mass: 7am
Tuesday	Mass: 7am
Wednesday	Mass: 7am Confessions: 11:30am Mass: 12.10pm
Thursday	Mass: 7am
Friday, 09 Sep	Mass: 7am Adoration: 11:30am Confessions: 11:30am Mass: 12.10pm
Saturday	Confessions: 11am—12pm
Sunday	Mass: 7am, 10.30am & 5pm

St Brigid's, Gwynneville

Thursday	Mass: 9.30am
Saturday Vigil	Mass: 5.30pm
Sunday	Mass: 9am
St John Vianney Co-Cathedral, Fairy Meadow	
Tuesday	Mass: 9.30am
Thursday	Mass: 9.30am (Italian)
Sunday	Mass: 8.30am Mass: 10am (Italian) Mass: 4.30pm (Vietnamese)

Mater Dolorosa, Balgownie

Sunday	Mass: 10am
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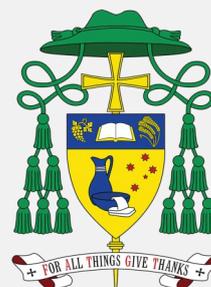
LUMEN CHRISTI CATHOLIC PARISH

MAY THEY REST IN GOD'S PEACE ...

Deceased members of our parish, Queen Elizabeth II, Bridget & Christopher Armitage, Michael De Battista, Patricia Bellinato, Marika La Riva, John McMahan, George Tadros, John Hubbard, Mary Margaret Cox, Bertilla Mazzaro and David Lear, Frank & Mary Gray.

MAY GOD BLESS OUR SICK PARISHIONERS ...

Bishop Peter Ingham, Isobel Joseph, Gerard Gray, Clare Johnson, Ross Abbott, Jan Coulson, Noel & Therese Rouse, Nikiesha Thorton, Tony Moriarty, Veronica Bowman, Angela Mosley, Angela Sirc, Mounir Germanos, Maria Do, Dianne Hukins, Sue McAlary, Margaret Gray, Christine Bulters, Matthew Johnson, Suzy May Gellel, Lordna Omiping, Dr Madeleine Cincotta, Elenka Egan, Dr John Frey, Johnny Dimise, Francisco Santos, Ada Raynor, Denise Mastro, Jadon Kalp, Amanda Dennis, Tara Conklin, Jamie Chitwood, Karl Llorin, Sue Freestone, Ardell Sharpe, Joseph Scalia, Lilia Pelino, Don Alanis, Jacquie Brady, Brian Brennan, Bill Keirse, Jessica Sparks, Pat Carr, Bruce Creenaune, Catherine Cox, Frances McMahon, Joan O'Dowd, Margaret Bartley, Jan Newnman.



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PASTORAL & FINANCE COUNCILS

Lisa de Paiva, Chair of the Pastoral Council
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ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

We show our respect and acknowledge the Traditional Custodians of the Dharawal Country, Elders past, present, and emerging, and extend that respect to all other Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander People.

In our parish & around the diocese

PARISH CALENDAR

- Mon, 26 Sep: Normal Liturgy schedule resumes
Tue, 27 Sep: Extraordinary Finance Council Mtg, 5.30pm
Sun, 2 Oct: Hospitality Weekend
Tue, 4 Oct: Feast of St Francis of Assisi, SFX 10am
Thu, 6 Oct: Parish Lunch, Fraternity Club Fairy Meadow 12pm
Sat/Sun, 8/9 Oct: Bishop's Annual Appeal
Tue, 25 Oct: Finance Council Mtg, Rigney Room 5.30pm
Thu, 3 Nov: Parish Lunch, Fraternity Club Fairy Meadow 12pm
Tue, 1 Nov: All Saints Mass SFX 7am & SJV 9.30am
Wed, 2 Nov: All Souls Mass SFX 7am & 12.10pm
Sun, 6 Nov: Hospitality Weekend
Fri, 25 Nov: Pastoral Council Mtg, Rigney Room 5.30pm
Sat, 26 Nov: Messiah Concert, SFX 2pm (Details coming soon)
Sun, 27 Nov: First Sunday of Advent
Thu, 1 Dec: Parish Dinner, Fraternity Club 6.30pm
Sat, 3 Dec: Feast of St Francis Xavier
Sun, 4 Dec: Hospitality Weekend
Fri, 9 Dec: Christmas Carols, Cathedral Grounds 6.30pm

SACRAMENTS

- **Baptisms:** By appointment only (contact the parish office during office hours for details)
- **Marriages:** A preliminary appointment needs to be made at least 6 months prior to Wedding Date (**No Sunday weddings**)
- For Pastoral and Sacramental needs, please contact the parish office during office hours

HELPFUL LINKS

- **Mass on Demand:** livestream.lumenchristi.org.au
- **Mass/Prayer Intentions:** lumenchristi.org.au/intentions
- **Light a Votive Candle:** lumenchristi.org.au/votive
- **Census Form:** lumenchristi.org.au/census
- **Online Donations:** lumenchristi.org.au/donate
- **Online Payments:** lumenchristi.org.au/payment
- **Join Planned Giving:** lumenchristi.org.au/support
- **Columbarium:** lumenchristi.org.au/columbarium
- **Sacramental Programme:** lumenchristi.org.au/sacramental
- **Privacy Policy:** privacy.lumenchristi.org.au
- **St Brigid's School:** sbgdow.catholic.edu.au
- **Good Samaritan School:** gsfmdow.catholic.edu.au

PARISH EFT BANK ACCOUNT DETAILS

CHURCH ACCOUNT

(Donations & Planned Giving)

BSB: 066 711 **Account:** 008056

Account Name: Lumen Christi Parish

PRESBYTERY ACCOUNT

(For the Clergy)

BSB: 066 711 **Account:** 002286

Account Name: Lumen Christi Parish Presbytery

WORLD REFUGEES & MIGRATION SUNDAY

'Building the future with migrants and refugees also means recognizing and valuing how much each of



them can contribute to the process of construction. I like to see this approach to migration reflected in a prophetic vision of Isaiah, which considers foreigners not invaders or destroyers, but willing labourers who rebuild the walls of the new Jerusalem, that Jerusalem whose gates are open to all peoples (cf. *Is* 60:10-11).

In Isaiah's prophecy, the arrival of foreigners is presented as a source of enrichment: "The abundance of the sea shall be brought to you, and the wealth of the nations shall come to you" (*Is* 60:5). Indeed, history teaches us that the contribution of migrants and refugees has been fundamental to the social and economic growth of our societies. This continues to be true in our own day. Their work, their youth, their enthusiasm and their willingness to sacrifice enrich the communities that receive them. Yet this contribution could be all the greater were it optimized and supported by carefully developed programs and initiatives. Enormous potential exists, ready to be harnessed, if only it is given a chance.

Dear brothers and sisters, and, in a special way, young people! If we want to cooperate with our heavenly Father in building the future, let us do so together with our brothers and sisters who are migrants and refugees. Let us build the future today! For the future begins today and it begins with each of us."

Prayer

Lord, make us bearers of hope,
so that where there is darkness,
your light may shine,
and where there is discouragement,
confidence in the future may be reborn.

Lord, make us instruments of your justice,
so that where there is exclusion, fraternity may flourish,
and where there is greed, a spirit of sharing may grow.

Lord, make us builders of your Kingdom,
together with migrants and refugees
and with all who dwell on the peripheries.

Lord, let us learn how beautiful it is to live together
as brothers and sisters. Amen.

(Pope Francis, Message for 108th World Day of Migrants and Refugees 2022)

For more information on bequests please visit: lumenchristi.org.au/bequest

In our parish & around the diocese



BISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL 8/9 OCTOBER 2022

"Our faith calls us to help one another through prayer and action. Offering dignified support and care for our retired and retiring clergy, who have always cared for us; and a sound and holistic formation of our young seminarians, our future priests, are my responsibilities as your Bishop.

I seek your prayers and practical support to help me ensure that I can do this. Your donation to this appeal is very much appreciated."

A leaving collection will be taken up after the Masses on 8/9 October to help support this diocesan appeal.

Find out more at www.dow.org.au/giving

+ Bishop Brian Mascord

LAUDATO SI' MEMORIAL GARDEN



You are warmly invited to the blessing of the **LAUDATO SI' GARDEN** - located at the front of the parish office to help everyone contemplate the beauty of creation and our responsibility to care for it as a gift from God — on the feast of Saint Francis of Assisi, Tuesday 4th October at 10am, followed by refreshments hosted by the Catholic Women's League.

LUMEN CHRISTI PARISH DINNER: 1 DEC 2022

You are warmly invited to our first Lumen Christi parish dinner, to be celebrated later this year on **Thursday 1st December at 6.30pm** at the Fraternity Club, Fairy Meadow, where we will celebrate together as one parish community!

Tickets are \$55.00 Per Head

Make a table of 10 or join a table of 10

SOMEONE WILL WIN THE LUCKY DOOR PRIZE OF \$500 CASH!

To purchase your tickets please visit our parish website.

Go to: www.lumenchristi.org.au/parishdinner

Tickets will be on sale after our Sunday Masses commencing 1st & 2nd October or contact the parish office.

Don't miss out!

For more information on our Columbarium please visit: lumenchristi.org.au/columbarium

This is my comfort when I am brought low.

REFLECTION by Fr Michael Tate

Insects, Heaven and Hell

The rich man ("Dives") is so totally self-absorbed in the self-indulgence of his wealth that he does not even notice poor Lazarus at his gate. He created such a huge chasm between himself and the poor that not one crumb of food or companionship could cross over to Lazarus.

This chasm, created by Dives, was fixed at the moment of his death so that not one part of the life of Paradise could cross over to him – not even a drop of water. Hell is not a punishment sent by God. It is simply the continuation of the Divide which some have chosen as that which defines who they are. Hell is of our own making. We could pause for a moment to check that we are making such choices that we become amongst those 'carried gently by the angels into Paradise'.

OCTOBER — MONTH OF THE ROSARY

October is the month of the Rosary. It is an opportunity for us to recommit ourselves to this most beautiful prayer by which we contemplate the saving life, death, and resurrection of Christ, our Saviour.

NOVEMBER MASSES

To have Mass offered for your deceased relatives, friends, and benefactors, please print their names clearly on an envelope so that it can be accurately written in the Book of the Deceased. Envelopes are available at the church doors and Lumen Christi Office, or visit: lumenchristi.org.au/NovemberMass

CHRISTMAS CAROLS AT LUMEN CHRISTI

Our parish and our parish schools of St Brigid's and Good Samaritan will be hosting Christmas Carols in the Cathedral Grounds on Friday 9th December 2022 at 6.30pm. Parishioners and visitors will need to register online for their attendance at www.lumenchristi.org.au/Christmas or contact the parish office.

Thank you to our parish schools who will lead us in joyously singing Christmas carols. Various food vans will be onsite for this wonderful event and our Wollongong and Fairy Meadow CWL branches will be selling raffle tickets prior to and at the event for \$2.00 each.

Prizes are: **1st Prize - \$500 cash**

2nd Prize - St George Dragons General Admission Family Pass and Merchandise Pack (6 games)

Valued at \$285

3rd Prize - Figtree Gourmet Kitchen Dinner Voucher
Valued at \$200

Plus 5 hampers to be won

Entrance Antiphon

Dn 3:31,29,30,43,42

All that you have done to us, O Lord,
you have done with true judgement,
for we have sinned against you
and not obeyed your commandments.
But give glory to your name
and deal with us according to the bounty of your mercy.

First Reading

Am 6:1. 4-7

A reading from the prophet Amos

*You who give yourself to licentiousness and revelry will
be exiled.*

The almighty Lord says this:

Woe to those ensconced so snugly in Zion
and to those who feel so safe on the mountain of Samaria.
Lying on ivory beds
and sprawling on their divans,
they dine on lambs from the flock,
and stall-fattened veal;
they bawl to the sound of the harp,
they invent new instruments of music like David,
they drink wine by the bowlful,
and use the finest oil for anointing themselves,
but about the ruin of Joseph they do not care at all.
That is why they will be the first to be exiled;
the sprawlers' revelry is over.

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 145:6-10. R. v.2

(R.) Praise the Lord, my soul!

1. It is the Lord who keeps faith for ever,
who is just to those who are oppressed.
It is he who gives bread to the hungry,
the Lord, who sets prisoners free. **(R.)**
2. It is the Lord who gives sight to the blind,
who raises up those who are bowed down.
It is the Lord who loves the just,
the Lord, who protects the stranger. **(R.)**
3. He upholds the widow and orphan
but thwarts the path of the wicked.
The Lord will reign for ever,
Zion's God, from age to age. **(R.)**

Second Reading

1 Tm 6:11-16

A reading from the first letter of St Paul to Timothy

Obey the commandments until the coming of the Lord.

As a man dedicated to God, you must aim to be saintly and religious, filled with faith and love, patient and gentle. Fight the good fight of the faith and win for yourself the eternal life to which you were called when you made your profession and spoke up for the truth in front of many witnesses. Now, before God the source of all life and before Jesus Christ, who spoke up as a witness for the truth in front of Pontius Pilate, I put to you

the duty of doing all that you have been told, with no faults or failures, until the Appearing of our Lord Jesus Christ,
who at the due time will be revealed
by God, the blessed and only Ruler of all,
the King of kings and the Lord of lords,
who alone is immortal,
whose home is in inaccessible light,
whom no man has seen and no man is able to see:
to him be honour and everlasting power. Amen.

Gospel Acclamation

2 Cor 8:9

Alleluia, alleluia!

Jesus Christ was rich but he became poor,
to make you rich out of his poverty.

Alleluia!

Gospel

Lk 16:19-31

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke

*During your life good things came your way just as bad
things came the way of Lazarus. Now he is being com-
forted while you are in agony.*

Jesus said to the Pharisees: 'There was a rich man who used to dress in purple and fine linen and feast magnificently every day. And at his gate there lay a poor man called Lazarus, covered with sores, who longed to fill himself with the scraps that fell from the rich man's table. Dogs even came and licked his sores. Now the poor man died and was carried away by angels to the bosom of Abraham. The rich man also died and was buried. 'In his torment in Hades he looked up and saw Abraham a long way off with Lazarus in his bosom. So he cried out, "Father Abraham, pity me and send Lazarus to dip the tip of his finger in water and cool my tongue, for I am in agony in these flames." "My son," Abraham replied "remember that during your life good things come your way, just as bad things came the way of Lazarus. Now he is being comforted here while you are in agony. But that is not all: between us and you a great gulf has been fixed, to stop anyone, if he wanted to, crossing from our side to yours, and to stop any crossing from your side to ours." 'The rich man replied, "Father, I beg you then to send Lazarus to my father's house, since I have five brothers, to give them warning, so that they do not come to this place of torment too." "They have Moses and the prophets," said Abraham "let them listen to them." "Ah no, father Abraham," said the rich man "but if someone comes to them from the dead, they will repent." Then Abraham said to him, "If they will not listen either to Moses or to the prophets, they will not be convinced even if someone should rise from the dead."

Communion Antiphon

Cf. Ps 118:49-50

Remember your word to your servant, O Lord,
by which you have given me hope.

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