

27th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year C

02 OCTOBER 2022

PARISH VISION

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

MASS TIMETABLE

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



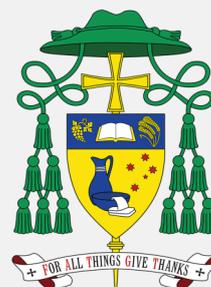
LUMEN CHRISTI CATHOLIC PARISH

MAY THEY REST IN GOD'S PEACE ...

Deceased members of our parish, Bridget & Christopher Armitage, Marika La Riva, John McMahon, Maria Trinh, John the Baptist Hung Tran.

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 Newman.



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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

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
Mon, 31 Oct: +BM Priestly Ordination Anniversary (1992)
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
Sat 24 Dec/Sun 25 Dec: Christmas Masses

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

OCTOBER 7, OUR LADY OF THE ROSARY

As a Gospel prayer, centered on the mystery of the redemptive Incarnation, the Rosary is therefore a prayer with a clearly Christological orientation. Its most characteristic element, in fact, the litany-like succession of Hail Mary's, becomes in itself an unceasing praise of Christ, who is the ultimate object both of the angel's announcement and of the greeting of the mother of John the Baptist: "Blessed is the fruit of your womb" (Lk. 1:42).



We would go further and say that the succession of Hail Mary's constitutes the warp on which is woven the contemplation of the mysteries. The Jesus that each Hail Mary recalls is the same Jesus whom the succession of the mysteries proposes to us—now as the Son of God, now as the Son of the Virgin—at His birth in a stable at Bethlehem, at His presentation by His Mother in the Temple, as a youth full of zeal for His Father's affairs, as the Redeemer in agony in the garden, scourged and crowned with thorns, carrying the cross and dying on Calvary, risen from the dead and ascended to the glory of the Father to send forth the gift of the Spirit.

As is well known, at one time there was a custom, still preserved in certain places, of adding to the name of Jesus in each Hail Mary reference to the mystery being contemplated. And this was done precisely in order to help contemplation and to make the mind and the voice act in unison."

(Pope St Paul VI, On Devotion to the Blessed Virgin Mary, February, 1974, n.46)

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.

"Lord, make me an instrument of your peace. Where there is hatred, let me sow love; where there is injury, pardon, where there is doubt, faith." (Peace Prayer of St Francis)

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

In our parish & around the diocese



BISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL NEXT WEEKEND — 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.”

To find out more, view the special appeal video and to make a secure on-line donation, please visit www.dow.org.au/giving, or call (02) 4222 2446 to make a donation over the phone.

+ Bishop Brian Mascord

INCARNATE ADVENT PROGRAM 2022



We are now taking orders for Incarnate—Daily Advent and Christmas Reflections 2022.

Books are on sale for **\$3.50 each** to be purchased online at www.lumenchristi.org.au/shop then click on the books tab!

Incarnate is a 86-page pocket-size book containing short spiritually rich, yet accessible, daily reflections from the beginning of Advent (27 November 2022) through to the Baptism of the Lord (9 January 2023).

Incarnate also features beautiful religious artworks from the Masters such as Caravaggio, Santafede, Murillo, Poussin, Fra Angelico and Brueghel The Elder with enlightening “Artwork Spotlight” reflections written by the popular Monsignor Graham Schmitzer.

MONTHLY PARISH LUNCHEON



Come to our Parish luncheon held on Thursday 6th October, 12pm at the Fraternity Club Fairy Meadow. Please come along!

PUBLIC HOLIDAY LABOUR DAY

Mass will be offered on Labour Day Public Holiday Monday 2nd October at the usual time of 7am at St Francis Xavier Cathedral, Wollongong. The office will be closed.

We might take a moment to pause to get our perception of human beings correct so that our response may prepare us for the free gift of heavenly life.

ST VINCENT DE PAUL PERSONAL PACKS

On the weekends of October 15th/16th we are asking for donations of items such as bars of soap, deodorant (male and female) shampoo/conditioner, lip balm, sunscreen, moisturiser, sanitary products, toothpaste, tooth brushes, mouth wash, hand sanitizer, large lock seal bags. These items will be bundled for distribution by the Vinnies van. A basket will be available at the main door of each church for donations.

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. You can get envelopes at the church doors and Lumen Christi Office, or visit:

lumenchristi.org.au/NovemberMass

1 DEC: LUMEN CHRISTI PARISH DINNER

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.** To purchase your tickets please visit our parish website our after Mass this weekend. Go to: www.lumenchristi.org.au/parishdinner

9 DEC : LUMEN CHRISTI CHRISTMAS CAROLS

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. CWL branches will be selling raffle tickets prior to and at the event for \$2.00 each.



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

Entrance Antiphon

Cf. Est 4:17

Within your will, O Lord, all things are established,
and there is none that can resist your will.
For you have made all things, the heaven and the earth,
and all that is held within the circle of heaven;
you are the Lord of all.

First Reading

Hab 1:2-3; 2:2-4

A reading from the prophet Habakkuk

The just will live by faithfulness.

How long, Lord, am I to cry for help
while you will not listen;
to cry 'Oppression!' in your ear
and you will not save?
Why do you set injustice before me,
why do you look on where there is tyranny?
Outrage and violence, this is all I see,
all is contention, and discord flourishes.
Then the Lord answered and said,
 'Write the vision down,
 inscribe it on tablets
 to be easily read,
 since this vision is for its own time only:
 eager for its own fulfilment, it does not deceive;
 if it comes slowly, wait,
 for come it will, without fail.
 See how he flags, he whose soul is not at rights,
 but the upright man will live by his faithfulness.'

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 94:1-2, 6-9. R. v.8

- (R.) If today you hear his voice,
 harden not your hearts.
1. Come, ring out our joy to the Lord;
 hail the rock who saves us.
 Let us come before him, giving thanks,
 with songs let us hail the Lord. (R.)
 2. Come in; let us bow and bend low;
 let us kneel before the God who made us
 for he is our God and we
 the people who belong to his pasture,
 the flock that is led by his hand. (R.)
 3. O that today you would listen to his voice!
 'Harden not your hearts as at Meribah,
 as on that day at Massah in the desert
 when your fathers put me to the test;
 when they tried me, though they saw my work.' (R.)

Second Reading

2 Tm 1:6-8, 13-14

A reading from the second letter of St Paul to Timothy

Never be ashamed of witnessing the Lord.

I am reminding you to fan into a flame the gift that God gave you
when I laid my hands on you. God's gift was not a spirit of timid-
ity, but the Spirit of power, and love, and self-control. So you are
never to be ashamed of witnessing to the Lord, or ashamed of

me for being his prisoner; but with me, bear the hardships for
the sake of the Good News, relying on the power of God.

Keep as your pattern the sound teaching you have heard from
me, in the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus. You have been
trusted to look after something precious; guard it with the help
of the Holy Spirit who lives in us.

Gospel Acclamation

1 Pt 1:25

Alleluia, alleluia!

The word of the Lord stands for ever;
it is the word given to you, the Good News.
Alleluia!

Gospel

Lk 17:5-10

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke

If you had faith!

The apostles said to the Lord, 'Increase our faith.' The Lord re-
plied, 'Were your faith the size of a mustard seed you could say
to this mulberry tree, "Be uprooted and planted in the sea", and
it would obey you.

'Which of you, with a servant ploughing or minding sheep,
would say to him when he returned from the fields, "Come and
have your meal immediately"? Would he not be more likely to
say, "Get my supper laid; make yourself tidy and wait on me
while I eat and drink. You can eat and drink yourself after-
wards"? Must he be grateful to the servant for doing what he
was told? So with you: when you have done all you have been
told to do, say, "We are merely servants: we have done no more
than our duty."'

Communion Antiphon

Lam 3:25

The Lord is good to those who hope in him,
to the soul that seeks him.

REFLECTION by Fr Michael Tate

Breast Feeding into Heaven

The loving gaze of a mother towards her newborn simply gives
rise to the obligation to feed the baby. There is no special re-
ward for doing her motherly duty. This is how Jesus sees 'good
works'. If we perceive our relationships with people correctly,
then so-called 'good works' are no more than our duty and don't
deserve special congratulatory access to Heaven.

If we saw human beings as 'formed from the dust of the earth, . .
. a manifestation of God in the world, a sign of his presence, a
trace of his glory' (St John Paul II, *Evangelium Vitae* 34.2), then
that perception leads to certain ways of relating which are oblig-
ing. Like the servant in the story, we will have done no more
than our duty.

Nevertheless, doing that sort of duty you and I are becoming the
sort of creature who can love unreservedly. We are being read-
ied to receive the free gift of heavenly life.

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