

31st Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year C

30 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	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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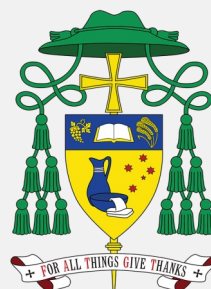
LUMEN CHRISTI CATHOLIC PARISH

MAY THEY REST IN GOD'S PEACE ...

Deceased members of our parish, Patrick McCormack, William (Bill) McCormack, Clare McCormack, Maureen Gray, Rita Penzo.

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, Pat Carr, Bruce Creenaune, Catherine Cox, Frances McMahon, Joan O'Dowd, Margaret Bartley, Jan Newman.



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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, 31 Oct: Bishop Brian Mascord, Priestly Ordination Anniversary (1992)
Tue, 1 Nov: All Saints Mass SFX 7am & SJV 9.30am
Wed, 2 Nov: All Souls Mass SFX 7am & 12.10pm
Thu, 3 Nov: Consoling Mass, MDB 10am
Thu, 3 Nov: Parish Lunch, Fraternity Club Fairy Meadow 12pm
Sun, 6 Nov: Hospitality Weekend
Sun, 13 Nov: Installation to the Ministry of Acolyte of Mr Joseph Nguyen, SFX 10.30am
Fri, 25 Nov: Pastoral Council Mtg, Rigney Room 5.30pm
Sat, 26 Nov: Messiah Concert, SFX 2pm
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, Good Samaritan School 6.30pm
Sat, 10 Dec: Ordination to Priesthood, Dn James Arblaster
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



HOLY WATER RETURNS

As you are aware Bishop Mascord has given permission for us to have Holy Water in the entrances to our churches, commencing this Sunday, 29/30 October (31st Sunday in Ordinary Time).

The sprinkling rite will take place at all Masses this weekend and the Holy Water will be blessed and Holy Water stoops will be filled at the entrances to the churches after the blessing.



30TH ANNIVERSARY OF ORDINATION TO THE PRIESTHOOD, 31 OCTOBER 2022

Congratulations Bishop Brian Mascord on the 30th anniversary of your Priestly Ordination on Monday 31st October 2022. We pray that God will continue to bless and strengthen you in your priestly and episcopal ministry. We wish you many more happy and healthy years ahead.

May God bless you always!

THANK YOU FROM BISHOP BRIAN

Bishop Brian Mascord recently wrote to Fr Bernard to convey a very special thank you to all those who were involved in the 2022 celebration of Confirmation at Lumen Christi Parish on 3 and 4 June. He expressed his thanks and acknowledged those from both the parish and school who were involved in the sacramental preparation program and he extended a special congratulations to the children who received Confirmation and assured their families of his continued prayers for them.

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

In our parish & around the diocese



BLESSING OF NEW VESTMENTS!

A very special thank you to all those who donated money for the purchase of new vestments for Mass in the churches of Lumen Christi. Fr Bernard will bless the new vestments at the 8:30am Mass for St John Vianney's Co-Cathedral Fairy Meadow. The new vestments for St Francis Xavier Cathedral Wollongong will be blessed at the 10:30am Mass on Sunday 6 November.

CLASS REUNION FOR ST PAULS COLLEGE

Past students from St Pauls College Bellambi (1975-78/80) are invited to a reunion on 11th November at the Wollongong City Tennis Club. Contact Anthony Dellapina 0401 040 135.

ANNUAL CONSOLING MASS



The Diocesan Catholic Women's League Mass of Consoling will be held at **Mater Dolorosa Balgownie on 3 November at 10am**, followed by light refreshments in the Meeting Room. In this Mass we pray for our loved ones who have died in tragic circumstances. Let your families and friends know of this moving event. ALL WELCOME! (Mass, prayers and readings of Our Lady of Sorrows)

26 NOV: HANDEL'S MESSIAH

The Illawarra Choral Society will raise the roof with this beautiful choral piece at **St Francis Xavier Cathedral, 2pm on Saturday 26th November**. For details on ticket purchases please visit Humanitix website.

Go to: <https://events.humanitix.com/handel-s-messiah>

1 DEC: LUMEN CHRISTI PARISH DINNER

You are warmly invited to our first Lumen Christi parish dinner, to be celebrated on **Thursday 1st December at 6.30pm** at the Fraternity Club, Fairy Meadow! **Tickets are \$55.00 Per Head**. To purchase your tickets please visit our parish website: 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 **Good Samaritan School Grounds on Friday 9th December 2022 at 6.30pm**. Parishioners and visitors 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.

We could pause for a moment to pray to become more conscious of the gaze of the Divine Seer. There could be 'over-the-top' consequences!

NOVEMBER MASSES

To have Mass offered for your deceased relatives, friends, and benefactors, please print their names clearly on an envelope. You can get envelopes at the church doors and parish office or visit our website at: lumenchristi.org.au/NovemberMass



INCARNATE ADVENT PROGRAM

Daily Advent and Christmas Reflections 2022 are now available on sale for **\$3.50 each**. Purchase online at www.lumenchristi.org.au/shop or at the parish office until stock runs out.

JOSEPH NGUYEN



On Sunday 13th November Mr Joseph Nguyen will be installed as an Acolyte by Bishop Brian Mascord in St Francis Xavier Cathedral at 10.30am. Joseph is currently preparing for his journey to the priesthood at the Seminary of the Good Shepherd, Homebush.

According to the Apostolic Letter "Ministeria Quaedam" by Pope Paul VI, being an acolyte has many responsibilities: serving at the altar during Mass, assisting Priests and Deacons in carrying out their ministry, distributing Holy Communion to the faithful within the liturgy, as well as delivering Communion to the sick and exposing the Blessed Sacrament for adoration.

When instituted into the ministry of Acolyte, Joseph's formation and discernment will continue as he is drawn more closely to the Lord, so that he may love and serve the people of God.

Let us continue to support Joseph as he prepares for the service of God's people as an ordained minister.

Parishioners and Visitors are very welcome to attend this important ceremony of blessing for Joseph.

CATHEDRAL CARPARK RETAINING WALL

Over the next few weeks work will commence on the repair to the Cathedral carpark retaining wall. The brick wall has been patched up over the years and recently an incident occurred severely loosening the brickwork.



Please be mindful of any carpark diversions during this time.

We apologise for any inconvenience.

Remember safety first makes for a happy place

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

Entrance Antiphon

Cf. Ps 37:22-23

Forsake me not, O Lord, my God;
be not far from me!
Make haste and come to my help,
O Lord, my strong salvation!

First Reading

Wis 11:22 – 12:2

A reading from the book of Wisdom

*You have mercy on all things because you love every-
thing that exists.*

In your sight, Lord, the whole world is like a grain of dust that
tips the scales,
like a drop of morning dew falling on the ground.
Yet you are merciful to all, because you can do all things
and overlook men's sins so that they can repent.
Yes, you love all that exists, you hold nothing of what you have
made in abhorrence,
for had you hated anything, you would not have formed it.
And how, had you not willed it, could a thing persist,
how be conserved if not called forth by you?
You spare all things because all things are yours, Lord, lover of
life,
you whose imperishable spirit is in all.
Little by little, therefore, you correct those who offend,
you admonish and remind them of how they have sinned,
so that they may abstain from evil and trust in you, Lord.

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 144:1-2. 8-11. 13-14. R. see v.1

(R.) I will praise your name for ever, my king and my God.

1. I will give you glory, O God my King,
I will bless your name for ever.
I will bless you day after day
and praise your name for ever. *(R.)*
2. The Lord is kind and full of compassion,
slow to anger, abounding in love.
How good is the Lord to all,
compassionate to all his creatures. *(R.)*
3. All your creatures shall thank you, O Lord,
and your friends shall repeat their blessing.
They shall speak of the glory of your reign
and declare your might, O God. *(R.)*
4. The Lord is faithful in all his words
and loving in all his deeds.
The Lord supports all who fall
and raises all who are bowed down. *(R.)*

Second Reading

2 Thes 1:11 – 2:2

A reading from the second letter of St Paul to the Thessalonians

*The name of our Lord Jesus Christ will be glorified in
you and you in him.*

We pray continually that our God will make you worthy of his
call, and by his power fulfil all your desires for goodness and
complete all that you have been doing through faith; because in
this way the name of our Lord Jesus Christ will be glorified in
you and you in him, by the grace of our God and the Lord Jesus
Christ.

To turn now, brothers, to the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ
and how we shall all be gathered round him: please do not get
excited too soon or alarmed by any prediction or rumour or any
letter claiming to come from us, implying that the Day of the
Lord has already arrived.

Gospel Acclamation

Jn 3:16

Alleluia, alleluia!

God loved the world so much, he gave us his only Son,
that all who believe in him might have eternal life.

Alleluia!

Gospel

Lk 19:1-10

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke

*The Son of Man came to seek and to find that which
was lost.*

Jesus entered Jericho and was going through the town when a
man whose name was Zacchaeus made his appearance; he was
one of the senior tax collectors and a wealthy man. He was anx-
ious to see what kind of man Jesus was, but he was too short
and could not see him for the crowd; so he ran ahead and
climbed a sycamore tree to catch a glimpse of Jesus who was to
pass that way. When Jesus reached the spot he looked up and
spoke to him: 'Zacchaeus, come down. Hurry, because I must
stay at your house today.' And he hurried down and welcomed
him joyfully. They all complained when they saw what was hap-
pening. 'He has gone to stay at a sinner's house' they said. But
Zacchaeus stood his ground and said to the Lord, 'Look, sir, I am
going to give half my property to the poor, and if I have cheated
anybody I will pay him back four times the amount.' And Jesus
said to him, 'Today salvation has come to this house, because
this man too is a son of Abraham; for the Son of Man has come
to seek out and save what was lost.'

Communion Antiphon

Cf. Ps 15:11

You will show me the path of life,
the fullness of joy in your presence, O Lord.

REFLECTION by Fr Michael Tate

Over the Top

Zacchaeus was an over-the-top character, not only figuratively
but, in this incident, quite literally up in a sycamore tree. He
thought he was keeping an eye out for Jesus, but Jesus was
keeping an eye out for his sort of character!

'Zacchaeus' means 'clean'. But his fellow Jews regarded him as
a filthy collaborator with the Romans. However, Jesus looked up
and saw Zacchaeus in a double perspective, not only as he was
but as he could become if only he responded to the grace on
offer. He did, and the response was truly 'over the top'!

We come to Mass to catch a glimpse of Jesus in the scriptures
and sacrament. But, we find that our Risen Lord is constantly
gazing at us. He is the Divine Seer who sees us as we are, but
also as we are capable of becoming.

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