

33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year C

13TH NOVEMBER 2022

WORLD DAY OF THE POOR

For your sakes Christ became poor (cf. 2 Cor 8:9)

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



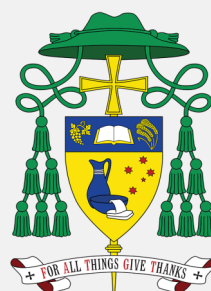
LUMEN CHRISTI CATHOLIC PARISH

MAY THEY REST IN GOD'S PEACE ...

Deceased members of our parish, Ron Mascord, Donato Di Bono, Marika La Riva, Anne Doveton, Rita Penzo, Mounir Germanos, Jocelyn Germanos.

MAY GOD BLESS OUR SICK PARISHIONERS ...

Bishop Peter Ingham, Mick Davies, Isobel Joseph, Gerard Gray, Clare Johnson, Ross Abbott, Jan Coulson, Noel & Therese Rouse, Nikiesha Thorton, Tony Moriarty, Veronica Bowman, Angela Mosley, Angela Sirc, 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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PASTORAL & FINANCE COUNCILS

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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: NOV—DECEMBER

Tue, 15 Nov: Pastoral Council Mtg, Rigney Room 5pm
Sat, 26 Nov: Messiah Concert, SFX 2pm
Sat 26/Sun 27 Nov: St Vincent de Paul, Christmas Appeal
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 5.30pm
Sat, 10 Dec: No Confessions due Ordination at SFX
Sat, 10 Dec: Ordination to Priesthood, Dn James Arblaster SJV, 10am followed by refreshments at Fraternity Club
Sun, 11 Dec: First Mass, Fr James Arblaster, SFX, 10.30am followed by Morning Tea at Xavier Centre
Tue, 13 Dec: Reconciliation, SJV after 9.30am Mass
Wed, 14 Dec: 2nd Rite Reconciliation, SFX 11am
Thu, 15 Dec: Reconciliation, SBG after 9.30am Mass
Sun, 18 Dec: Reconciliation, MDB after 10am Mass
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 for you at Home:** youtube.com/massforyouathome
- **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

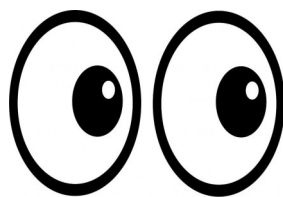
PRESBYTERY ACCOUNT

(For the Clergy)

BSB: 066 711 **Account:** 002286

Account Name: Lumen Christi Parish Presbytery

EYES OUT FOR GRAFFITI!



Last week someone left ugly black graffiti marks on the seat and pillars outside the Cathedral, on the Cathedral wall near the mosaic of St Francis Xavier, and on the Memorial stone for those who died in war.

Please, if you saw anyone doing this or if you see anyone performing such damaging and illegal acts do not engage him/her/etc., but do report the matter to the Parish office. Thank you for your help.

2022 MASS ATTENDANCE COUNT 12 NOVEMBER 2022 TO 27 NOVEMBER 2022

The diocese has asked for a Mass Count over the next three weeks, to commence this weekend 12 November 2022.

The Mass count will give the most complete count of people attending Mass across the Diocese. The Office of the Bishop will be undertaking a full analysis of the data and the results will be made available to the parish.

Key points for the diocesan Mass count:

- Age and Gender Count for one week which offers the following additional benefits:
- A sense of a parish community's overall life, e.g., to what extent is a community ageing and to what extent are youth numbers growing?
- A focused pastoral response and pastoral planning regarding the worshipping community.
- Understanding the impacts from the COVID-19 Pandemic.
- Richer information regarding population beyond what is offered by a head count.



Statistical analysis of Mass attendance in proportion to the Total Population and Catholic Population figures from the 2016 Australian Bureau of Statistics Census which are broken down by age and gender. If we do not gather age and gender breakdowns

for the Mass attendance numbers, meaningful comparisons with the ABS data is diminished.

Thank you for your support with this initiative.

Office of the Bishop

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

In our parish & around the diocese

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 The Book of the Deceased is available at all our churches or you can view it online: lumenchristi.org.au/NovemberMass

FAIRY MEADOW PRESBYTERY

In 2019 the parish entered into a agreement with the Office of the Bishop for the utilisation of the Fairy Meadow Presbytery for the National Evangelisation Team (NET). The net team has enriched the spiritual development of young people throughout our diocese, inviting them into a deeper relationship with Jesus and a greater participation in the life of the local Church community. After careful consideration and discussing this with the Parish Finance Council, the Fairy Meadow presbytery will be returned to the parish in the coming weeks, leaving the parish free to looking at a few options to generate income.

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.

26 NOV: HANDEL'S MESSIAH

The Illawarra Choral Society will raise the roof with this beautiful choral music 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 5.30pm**. Parishioners and visitors are welcome to attend. CWL branches will be selling raffle tickets from this weekend for \$2.00 each.

ST JOHN VIANNEY GARDEN

In 2023 we are working to make a memorial garden in the grounds at St John Vianney Co-Cathedral Fairy Meadow. The memorial garden will be created to remember our parishioners who are part of this worshipping community and those gone before us. If you would like to make a donation towards this project please contact the parish office. Details on how to make a donation will be available soon!

ST VINCENT DE PAUL CHRISTMAS APPEAL

The SVdP Christmas Appeal will take place in our parish on the First Sunday of Advent (26th/27th November). Envelopes will be available upon entry and at the doors of the church, with a leaving collection at the end of Mass. Thank you for support!

ADVENT RECONCILIATION TIMETABLE

Advent, a time of preparation for the joy of Christmas, is a wonderful time to celebrate the reconciling and healing grace our Lord offers us in the Sacrament of Reconciliation.

St John Vianney Co-Cathedral, Fairy Meadow

Tuesday 13th December 2022, after 9.30am Mass

St Francis Xavier Cathedral, Wollongong

Second Rite of Reconciliation

Wednesday 14th December 2022, 11am to 12pm

St Brigid's Church, Gwynneville

Thursday 16th December 2022, after 9.30am Mass

Mater Dolorosa Church, Balgownie

Sunday 18th December 2022, after 10am Mass

ETERNAL PEACE GROTTO

The columbarium on the southern side of the historic St Francis Xavier Cathedral is a prayerful space to lay the remains of our loved ones. Limited are niches available! Please contact Trish Di Leva at the parish office on 4211 0500 or email: wollongong@dow.org.au to make an appointment.

MASS FOR YOU AT HOME (MFYAH)

Our Lumen Christi Parish livestream will cease this weekend. Parishioners are invited to tune into Mass for You at Home (MFYAH) on Network Ten (6am) or Foxtel's Aurora Channel 173 (10am). The same Mass is then also available to watch on demand on Network Ten's streaming platform 10play.com.au and the Diocesan MFYAH website massforyou.com.au and YouTube channel youtube.com/massforyouathome



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

Entrance Antiphon

Jer 29:11,12,14

The Lord said: I think thoughts of peace and not of affliction.
You will call upon me, and I will answer you,
and I will lead back your captives from every place.

First Reading

Mal 3:19-20

A reading from the prophet Malachi

The sun of righteousness will shine on you.

The day is coming now, burning like a furnace; and all the arrogant and the evil-doers will be like stubble. The day that is coming is going to burn them up, says the Lord of hosts, leaving them neither root nor stalk. But for you who fear my name, the sun of righteousness will shine out with healing in its rays.

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 97:5-9. R. see v.9

(R.) The Lord comes to rule the earth with justice.

1. Sing psalms to the Lord with the harp
with the sound of music.
With trumpets and the sound of the horn
acclaim the King, the Lord. *(R.)*
2. Let the sea and all within it, thunder;
the world, and all its peoples.
Let the rivers clap their hands
and the hills ring out their joy
at the presence of the Lord. *(R.)*
3. For the Lord comes,
he comes to rule the earth.
He will rule the world with justice
and the peoples with fairness. *(R.)*

Second Reading

2 Thes 3:7-12

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

Do not give anyone food who refuses to work.

You know how you are supposed to imitate us: now we were not idle when we were with you, nor did we ever have our meals at anyone's table without paying for them; no, we worked night and day, slaving and straining, so as not to be a burden on any of you. This was not because we had no right to be, but in order to make ourselves an example for you to follow. We gave you a rule when we were with you: not to let anyone have any food if he refused to do any work. Now we hear that there are some of you who are living in idleness, doing no work themselves but interfering with everyone else's. In the Lord Jesus Christ, we order and call on people of this kind to go on quietly working and earning the food that they eat.

Gospel Acclamation

Lk 21:28

Alleluia, alleluia!
Lift up your heads and see;
your redemption is near at hand.
Alleluia!

Gospel

Lk 21:5-19

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke

Your endurance will win you your life.

When some were talking about the Temple, remarking how it was adorned with fine stonework and votive offerings, Jesus said, 'All these things you are staring at now – the time will come when not a single stone will be left on another: everything will be destroyed.' And they put to him this question: 'Master,' they said, 'when will this happen, then, and what sign will there be that this is about to take place?'

'Take care not to be deceived,' he said, 'because many will come using my name and saying, "I am he" and, "The time is near at hand." Refuse to join them. And when you hear of wars and revolutions, do not be frightened, for this is something that must happen but the end is not soon.' Then he said to them, 'Nation will fight against nation, and kingdom against kingdom. There will be great earthquakes and plagues and famines here and there; there will be fearful sights and great signs from heaven. 'But before all this happens, men will seize you and persecute you; they will hand you over to the synagogues and to imprisonment, and bring you before kings and governors because of my name – and that will be your opportunity to bear witness. Keep this carefully in mind: you are not to prepare your defence, because I myself shall give you an eloquence and a wisdom that none of your opponents will be able to resist or contradict. You will be betrayed even by parents and brothers, relations and friends; and some of you will be put to death. You will be hated by all men on account of my name, but not a hair of your head will be lost. Your endurance will win you your lives.'

Communion Antiphon

Ps 72:28

To be near God is my happiness,
to place my hope in God the Lord.

REFLECTION by Fr Michael Tate

The Sun of Righteousness

Our prayer can tell us a lot about the image of God we really have – holding a parking spot for us, or stopping rain on the second day of the Australian Open. But, if you were in Syria, your prayerful image of God would be as a Liberator from warfare, of a Saviour from Crimes against Humanity, of a Strengthened in time of torture and impending death.

In today's Gospel, Jesus promises his persecuted followers of every age, 'Your endurance will win your lives'. As Malachi prophesied: 'the sun of righteousness will shine out with healing in its rays'.

It is our faith that, out of the darkness of the tomb, the Son of righteousness did rise with healing in His rays, bathing the world with that light which makes the world habitable for human beings.

We could take a moment to pray for contemporary persecuted Christians that their faithful endurance will win their lives.

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