



Sacred Heart of Jesus Cathedral

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SUNDAY, 8TH NOVEMBER 2020 32ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, YEAR A

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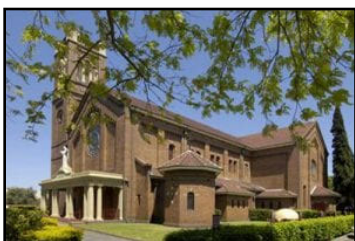
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Sacred Heart Cathedral sits on the traditional country of the Awabakal and Worimi peoples.

We acknowledge their cultural heritage, beliefs and their continuing relationship with the land, pay respect to their Elders past, present and future, and commit ourselves to working together for reconciliation and justice.



*If Jesus came for you
tonight,
would you be ready?*

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CATHEDRAL DIARY...(for the week ahead)

32nd Week in Ordinary Time

Monday—9 November

Feast of the Dedication of the Lateran Basilica

8:15am Mass

Tuesday—10 November

Memorial of St Leo the Great

8:15am Mass

Wednesday—11 November

Memorial of St Martin of Tours

8:15am Mass

Thursday—12 November

Memorial of St Josaphat

8:15am Mass

Friday—13 November

11am Exposition (until 12pm)

11am Reconciliation

12:05pm Mass

Saturday—14 November

10:30am Reconciliation

5:30pm Vigil Mass

Sunday—15 November

33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:30am Mass

Live streamed via the Cathedral's YouTube channel

11:30am Polish Mass

5:00pm Mass

LIVE-STREAMING NOTICE

The 9.30am Mass from Sacred Heart Cathedral is live-streamed (and recorded) each week. The camera is located under the choir loft and faces towards the sanctuary, though it can be directed to various parts of the Cathedral if needed.

Parishioners should be aware that they may be filmed during the celebration of the 9.30am Mass. This filming will mostly capture their image from behind. We cannot guarantee, however, that their faces will not be featured on the live-stream or recording, particularly the case during the Communion Procession. The live-stream will make use of multiple camera angles to minimise the identification of individuals as much as possible, but this will not eliminate the possibility of being filmed.

Parishioners with concerns about being filmed or recorded should speak with the Cathedral's Rector in the first instance.

PARISH NOTICES

PRAYING THE SUNDAY GOSPEL: Parishioners in the City Pastoral Region are invited to connect and pray with each other from your own home. God speaks to us through the words of the Gospel and then through artist's images of the Gospel message. Each Wednesday 5-5.45pm. You and your friends are welcome to join via the internet:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86560170676>

BOOKCLUB

We continue our 'Zoom' book club meetings. At 6pm on Sunday 6 December, we will share our thoughts on the book, *The Survivors*, by Jane Harper.

If you would like to participate in book club meetings, please send an email to the Regional Office, newcparish@mn.catholic.org.au

MISSION TO SEAFARERS: Christmas is fast approaching! Over the next 6 weeks, we'll be asking for donations of specific items to include in Christmas packs for seafarers.

To start with, we're collecting: 1,000 packs of razors, 1,000 bottles of shampoo, 1,000 bottles of conditioners.

Christmas is usually a difficult time for seafarers and this year seafarers are going to feel the separation from their families even more acutely.

Last year, with your help, we managed to supply 850 packs to seafarers far from home. However, this year, we hope to reach 1,000 seafarers.

RED WEDNESDAY: On Wednesday 25 November, the Pontifical Foundation *Aid to the Church in Need* is asking Catholics around the world to commemorate Red Wednesday and pray in solidarity with those who are persecuted and suffer unjustly for their faith. The Cathedral floodlight will turn red for the week. Find out more at www.redwednesday.org.

ADVENT GROUPS: In the day-to-day reality of our lives, especially during the busyness of end-of-year activities, it is easy for us to lose sight of what we are truly preparing for during Advent and celebrating at Christmas—the Incarnation. The magnitude of this event was not lost on the shepherds and the Magi who came to adore the Child who is truly Emmanuel: God-with-us.

If you would like to be part of an Advent Group please contact the Regional Office on 49791101 and we will arrange for you to be allocated to a group.

COVID-19-RELATED INFORMATION

Maximum Number of Persons in Cathedral

Under the current Public Health Order, the limit on the number of persons who can be present in a church is now calculated as the lesser of allowing 4 square metres per person within the building, or 300 persons.

In the Cathedral, that limit is **110 persons**.

The limit applies to all Masses and other liturgical celebrations, except funerals (limit is 100 persons).

Provision of Contact Details

The Public Health Order requires the collection of contact details for those who attend any liturgical celebration in a church (e.g. Mass, weddings, funerals, Baptisms, etc.).

If a 'discrete' group attends, e.g. a family, a husband and wife, people from the same household etc., only one (adult) member of the group is required to provide their contact details.

The contact details that are required are defined as a) name, b) phone number or email address, and c) the time of arrival.

A Contact Details Form will be provided at the door to permit the collection of these details. It is also possible to use your mobile phone with either the Service NSW QR Code or the third-party QR Code which are accessible via the posters at the doors.

General Requirements

The requirements regarding cleaning, observing physical distancing, refraining from communal singing, etc. remain in place for the time being, as does the requirement to refrain from physical acts of devotion that involve touching or kissing icons or statues.

We ask those who are particularly at risk – the elderly, those with compromised health, those who are sick – to refrain from returning to Mass for the sake of their own health. The dispensation from the obligation to attend Sunday Mass given by the Bishop remains in place in these circumstances.

Requirements for Attending Mass

There is presently no need to register in advance to attend Mass. If you wish to attend Mass, you are at liberty to do so, though capacity limits will need to be observed at all Masses.

Entrances to the Cathedral

During the continuing pandemic event, only one door will be used in the Cathedral. On weekdays, this will be the side door closest to the Diocesan offices; on the weekend, we will use the main doors.

CHANGES TO OUR PRAYERS AT MASS

From the First Sunday of Advent, 29 November 2020, the way we pray the Collect (the 'Opening Prayer') will change.

The current ending to the Collect usually reads:

Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,
who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the
Holy Spirit,
one God, for ever and ever.

The Congregation for Divine Worship and the Discipline of the Sacraments has indicated that the inclusion of the word 'one' before God in the last line of the conclusion is problematic.

The difficulty is not only in terms of translation from the Latin text, but also could be construed as poorly representing our understanding of the Trinity and the place of the Son within the Trinity. In addition, there is a danger the current ending may diminish the priestly mediation of Jesus, the Son.

In writing to the Episcopal Conferences, Cardinal Robert Sarah, the Prefect of the Congregation, points out that

It is clear from the Latin texts that the doxology emphasises the divinity of Our Lord, Jesus Christ, the Incarnate Son, who intercedes on our behalf, as the Second Person of the Blessed Trinity, to the Father and which prayer is made in the unity of the Holy Spirit. ... To transfer the Trinitarian relational element in unilate as meaning unus Deus is incorrect.

In the spirit of the maxim 'lex orandi, lex credenda' (roughly translated as 'what we pray is what we believe'), the Australian Bishops have approved a change to the conclusion of the various Collects found in the Roman Missal.

The new ending to the Collect will usually read:

Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,
who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the
Holy Spirit,
God, for ever and ever.

This change, while seemingly small, will sound strange at first, and presiders will struggle to change an ending that is all but ingrained. As we navigate the change, our task is to be gentle with each other, particularly when something does not sound right, or a mistake is made.

TODAY'S LITURGY

GATHERING CHANT

**Cantors: Let my prayer enter into your presence;
incline your ear to my supplication, O Lord**

A: O LORD and God of my salvation
I cry before you day and night
For my soul is filled with evils
My life is on the brink of the grave

B: I am reckoned as one in the tomb
I am like a warrior without strength
Like one roaming among the dead
Like the slain lying in their graves
Like those who remember no more
Cut off, as they are, from your hand.

A: You have laid me in the depths of the pit
In regions that are dark and deep
Your anger weighs down upon me
I am drowned beneath your waves
You have taken away my friends
To them you have made me hateful

ALL: Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit. As it was in the beginning is now and ever shall be, world without end Amen

GLORIA

***Glory to God in the highest,
and on earth peace to people of good will.***

We praise You. We bless You. We adore you.
We glorify You.

We give You thanks for Your great glory.
Lord God, heavenly King, O God almighty Father.

Lord Jesus Christ, Only-begotten Son.
Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father:
you take away the sins of the world,
have mercy on us.

You take away the sins of the world,
receive our prayer.

You are seated at the right hand of the Father,
have mercy on us.

For you alone are the holy one. You alone are the Lord. You alone, are the most high Jesus Christ.
With the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father.

LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING: Wisdom 6: 12-16

Wisdom is found by those who look for it.

We pause for silent reflection.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: Psalm 62: 2-8

MY SOUL IS THIRSTING Michael Joncas
My soul is thirsting, my soul is thirsting

O God, you are my God whom I seek
O God, you are my God whom I seek
For you my flesh pines, my soul thirsts
like the earth, parched, lifeless, without water

Thus have I gazed toward you in your holy place
To see your power and your glory
Your kindness is a greater good than life itself
My lips will glorify you

Thus will I bless you while I live
Lifting up my hands I will call upon your name
As with a banquet shall my soul be satisfied
With exultant lips my mouth shall praise you

For you have been my help, you have been my help
In the shadow of your wings I shout for joy
My soul clings fast to you;
your right hand holds me firm
In the shadow of your wings I sing for joy

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SECOND READING: 1 Thessalonians 4: 13-18

Those who died as Christians, God will bring to life with Jesus.

We pause for silent reflection.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Be watchful and ready:

you know not when the Son of Man is coming.

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

GOSPEL: Matthew 25: 1-13

Look, the bridegroom comes. Go out to meet him.



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I believe in one God,
the Father almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all things visible and invisible.

I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ,
the Only Begotten Son of God,
born of the Father before all ages.
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father;
through him all things were made.

For us men and for our salvation he came down
from heaven, and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of
the Virgin Mary, and became man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate,
he suffered death and was buried,
and rose again on the third day in accordance with
the Scriptures.

He ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory
to judge the living and the dead
and his kingdom will have no end.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son is adored and
glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.

I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church.
I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins
and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

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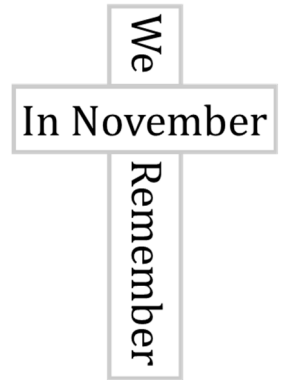
I believe in God,
the Father Almighty,
Creator of Heaven and earth;
and in Jesus Christ, His only Son Our Lord,
Who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried.
He descended into Hell;
on the third day He rose again from the dead;
He ascended into Heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of God, the Father
almighty; from there He shall come to judge the living
and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Catholic Church,
the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the
resurrection of the body and life everlasting.

LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

PREPARATION OF GIFTS

**You are invited to bring forward
a remembrance card to place in
the bowl.** (If you placed a card
last week, you're welcome to
place another one, should you
choose to do so.)



I KNOW THAT MY REDEEMER LIVES Scott Soper

MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION

Save us, Saviour of the world, for by your Cross and
Resurrection you have set us free.

*Holy, Holy, Holy, Memorial Acclamation, Great Amen, Fraction Rite from Mass of
St. Francis. Music: Paul Taylor. Reprinted under One License A#625242*

COMMUNION HYMN:

I AM THE BREAD OF LIFE

Michael Mangan

RECESSIONAL HYMN:

CITY OF GOD

Dan Schutte S.J.

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LIVING THE GOSPEL

Living in hope

*A feature of Christian faith is an approach
to life that views the future with hope. In
our world today many people look to the
future with distrust and even fear. As
Christians, we look forward with hope.
When change occurs, some allow that
change to happen to them whilst others
engage in the change process and
approach it with hope and expectation.
Today's gospel reminds us to be ready for
what the future holds; to look with hope
towards what lies ahead, but to ensure
that we've prepared ourselves properly.
The future can only be viewed with
expectant hope if we've done the proper
preparation!*

NOVEMBER MEMORIAL MASSES



In the Church Community, November is a time when we take the opportunity to pray in a special way for those who have died. During this COVID year it is necessary to make some adjustments to the usual way we commemorate the death of our loved ones. Due to social distancing it is necessary to restrict numbers; so your acceptance via the RSVP attached to your invitation is essential. If you have not received your invitation as yet please contact the Parish Office.

St Benedict's Parish invites you and members of your family to attend the Special Masses and Liturgy.

Saturday 7 November

Sacred Heart Cathedral, Hamilton 5:30pm

Saturday 14 November

Sacred Heart Cathedral, Hamilton 5:30pm

Saturday 28 November

Sacred Heart Cathedral, Hamilton
Liturgy at the Columbarium 6:30pm

We look forward to sharing this commemoration with you and your family.

Should you wish to have your loved one remembered during this time of commemoration, envelopes are available in your church for you to note your requests.

UPCOMING FORMATION OPPORTUNITIES

11 November

Relationships Matter: Robyn Donnelly, an experienced facilitator and coordinator of Marriage & Relationship Education programs shares with participants the research around "I to We"

18 November

Mark: The Strangest Gospel: presented by Nicholas King SJ. Free Online Event.

25 November

Q&A with Father Anthony Coloma: Father Anthony Coloma answers some difficult questions about moral choices, sin and forgiveness.

aMeN caMiNo! You are invited to be a pilgrim. Expressions of Interest due by 30 November.

For details and to register your participation visit: www.mn.catholic.org.au/church-mission/catholic-life/adult-faith-formation

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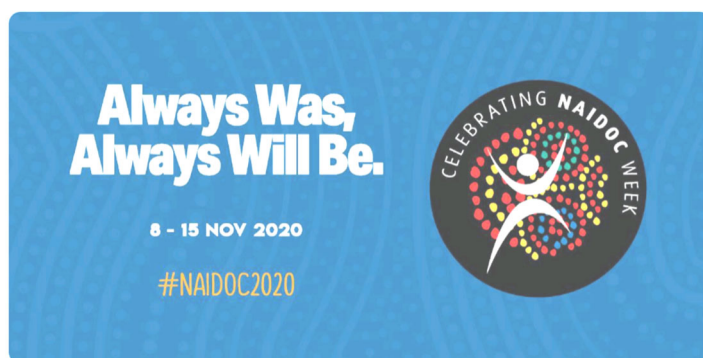
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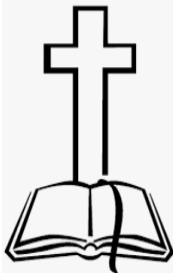
To help navigate the sites many features, handy "How to" videos, with step-by-step instruction to many frequently asked questions (FAQ's) are provided at the click of a mouse. There is also a Book Club which all are welcome to join.

Link to DoMN Library:

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For all enquires or help please phone 0409 033 449 or email domnlibrary@mn.catholic.org.au





NEXT WEEK'S READINGS

33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time
Proverbs 31:10-13, 19-20, 30-31
1 Thessalonians 5:1-6
Matthew 25:14-30

Weekday and Sunday readings can be found at www.usccb.org

CHRISTMAS @ SACRED HEART

The Celebration of the Nativity of the Lord (Christmas) is one of the highlights of the Christian year, and for very good reason.

Our celebrations in 2020, however, will look significantly different to what they have the past because of the continuing presence of COVID-19 in our community. This presence requires the observing of a number of restrictions in the way we celebrate Christmas in the Cathedral, largely concerning the number of persons who will be able to attend, and the regrettable absence of the singing together of well known carols (at least according to the rules in place when this edition goes to print).

The schedule of Christmas Masses in the Cathedral for 2020 will be:

Christmas Eve	5pm *
	7pm
	10pm (<i>Polish</i>)
Christmas Day	Midnight *
	7.30am
	9.30am *
	11.30am (<i>Polish</i>)

The Masses marked with an * will be live-streamed so that those unable to attend can join the worshipping assembly in a virtual fashion.

And now, the bad news.

Because of the restrictions on the number of persons who can be in the Cathedral, each of the Christmas Masses (apart from the two Polish language Masses) will need to be 'ticketed', i.e. you will need to register in advance in order to attend.

We regret the need to do this, but believe it is the only way to manage the situation efficiently and with some equity.

Registration will be via the Eventbrite website as this permits both the addition of extra spaces if public health orders change, and will also permit the easier collection of contact details of those attending.

Registration for Christmas Masses will open tomorrow 9 November at 9am via the Eventbrite website (www.eventbrite.com.au) and entering the event number 127681140729 into the search function. For those without internet access, please contact Fr Andrew or the Office who will assist you.

We are giving our regular parishioners first option on registering. The event will not be placed on the Cathedral website, or our various social media outlets until the beginning of December.

In terms of registration, there are a few requests that I would make.

1. Please do not register to attend more than one Mass, as this will take up spaces that others might access. Please be considerate of your brothers and sisters.
2. Please do not register for more people than have confirmed will be attending as this too will take up spaces that others might access.
3. If you register, and subsequently determine that you are unable to attend, please let Fr Andrew know so that the space can be offered to another person.
4. Please do not assume that you can simply turn up on the evening and be admitted—only those with valid registrations will be permitted to enter the Cathedral. To do otherwise is simply unjust to those who have registered in advance.

One of the advantages of using the Eventbrite website to manage registrations for our Christmas Masses is that it is easier to increase the number of spaces available should public health orders change to permit this.

The other advantage is that the Eventbrite website allows for the creation of a 'waitlist' for each of the Masses so that if a space becomes available those seeking to attend a particular Mass can be contacted automatically.

I realise that the additional requirements necessary to attend Christmas Masses this year is burdensome, and I truly wish we had another option. We don't, however, and so I ask for your patience and cooperation as we seek to celebrate the Incarnation of Jesus Christ.

Fr Andrew

PRAYER REQUESTS

RECENTLY DECEASED: Filomeno Matano, Margaret (Yvonne) Perkins.

ANNIVERSARIES: Ron Mascord

SICK: Kate Newsome, Baby Archer, Robert Berwick, Rohan Campbell, Connie Jennings, Fin Conn, Fergus Conn, Elkie Conn, Salve Stuart, Les Wilson, Metua Teritati, Carlo Rossi, Allan Galbraith

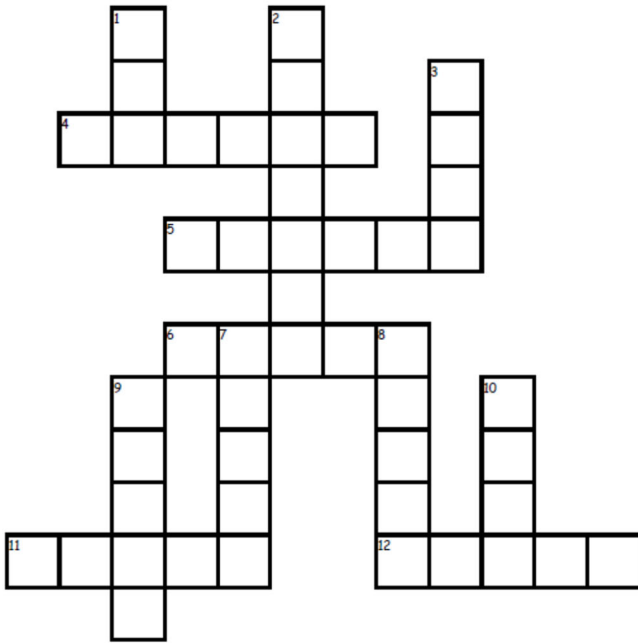
SPECIAL PRAYER INTENTIONS: Jean Heggs

Names may be placed here by contacting the Regional Office. Please refer to the Policy Document on the Regional website—visit www.newcastlecatholic.org.au/downloads

CROSSWORD

Wisdom shines brightly for those who seek her

Wis 6:12-16
Ps 63:1, 2-3, 6-7, R. v.2b
1 Thes 4:13-18
Mt 25:1-13



Across

- 4: white and fluffy things that appear in the sky
- 5: lifted up
- 6: a heavenly being
- 11: the opposite of back
- 12: you do this when you get tired

Down

- 1: the liquid that was needed for the lamps
- 2: when people get married they have one of these
- 3: Jesus _____ and was raised to life
- 7: the time when the sky is dark
- 8: the ten girls used these to see in the dark
- 9: a bride's husband-to-be
- 10: to have wisdom

SENIOR WORDSEARCH

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L M G E T R O K I S Y K E Q U W G
Z X N B W V P S U P E S I W H K Z
U N I G O I E K L Y O I K C N O L
B H D Y U N C Q Z H C U S F K V Q
G F D M O A R T G B Q H G L L A X
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Try to find these words:

- angel
- clouds
- died
- front
- groom
- lamps
- night
- oil
- raised
- sleep
- wedding
- wise