

The Covid-19 plan:

We are currently Level 1: with some additional Restrictions

Places of worship must be supervised by, and be clearly identified as, a COVID Marshal.

As of December 1, all public buildings have been provided a **QR Code**. This code is to be scanned using the MySAGov phone app or using the camera on your smart phone.

Arrangements listed below will be in force until further notice:

Our Parish is Committed to Health and Safety.

1. Please scan the **QR Code** located on the door or external wall of the church. If you do not have a smart phone, please complete the Contact Register upon entry.

2. Use the sanitizing gel provided at the Church entrance.

3. **As of August 12, seating restrictions are as follows 3 person per 4 square metres.**

4. **MASKS** are mandatory for shared indoor public places so **EVERYONE MUST** wear a Mask over the nose & mouth while inside the Church. The Celebrant is permitted to remove their mask while saying Mass.

5. Holy Communion is given only in the hand.

6. Everyone must take reasonable steps to maintain 1.5m physical distancing at all times. People from the same household may sit together. Please keep the social distancing requirement when processing for Holy Communion and when leaving the Church after Mass.

7. Please remember to wipe down the area where you have been sitting/kneeling in the pews and use the sanitizing gel provided on your way out.

8. Please follow the ENTRY and EXIT rules.

9. If you are unwell please consider the health of our community and stay home until you are better.

10. **As of September 9, Funerals & Weddings are now capped at 150 people** but must have an independent COVID Marshal if more than 50 people are in attendance. Your cooperation with these requirements is greatly appreciated.

Fr. Roy John Elavumkal SMM



Aid to the Church in Need
ACN AUSTRALIA

A message from Aid to the Church in Need Australia:

Would you consider becoming an ACN parish representative and volunteering to help ACN tell more Australians about the suffering Church? If you are interested in representing ACN in your local parish, please call 1800 101 201 or email cecilia@aidtochurch.org

Rosters for 6/7 November 2021 32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

| Time | Commentator / Reader |
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| 6:30 pm | Josh Page Fil Ciancio, Giulia Giuliani |
| 9:30am | Paul Halliwell Aloysius Achusiogu, Chinenye Achusiogu |

Childrens Liturgy: Nickie and Anne

Count Team No: 1 Paul Halliwell, Paul Roocke,
Denise Rutt, Danielle Roocke

Altar: Mon. 1 Nov to Sun 5 Dec
Dolores Arboit & Anita Caperna

All those who volunteered please arrive at least 15 minutes before the start time and report to the commentator for that mass

MASS FOR THE HOLY SOULS

If you wish to offer a Mass for the Holy Souls in November please use the Envelopes provided at the Church Doors.



PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

We pray for Grati Sierra, Fr Vimalraj, Fr. Jeevan's father, Gabriel Papanna and all the deceased relatives and friends of our Parishioners.

Eternal rest grant to them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them; present them to God the Most High.

Sick: We pray for the sick of our Parish and our relatives and friends who are also not well.



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31st Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year B/1

30th / 31st October 2021

Parish Priest
Fr Roy John Elavumkal SMM

Parish Secretary
Karen Taylor - Tue to Fri

WHS / Finance Officer
Karen Taylor - Monday

Police Checks Unit
Hiacinta Msomi - Monday

Sacristan
Weekdays: Michael Pierce
Sundays: Terence Yeow & Roger Worth

Mass Times
Sunday 9.30 am
Saturday Vigil Mass 6.30 pm
Tuesday to Friday 9.15 am

Confessions
Saturday 6.00 pm

Rosary
Tuesday to Friday 8.45am

Adoration of the Eucharist
Every Friday before Mass

Novena to St. Joseph
Every Wednesday after Mass

St. Joseph's Primary
Principal - Adrian Grbin
Phone: 8431 2834

Child Safety Contact & REC
Anne Dudzinski
Ph: 0418 847 804

Knights of the Southern Cross
Michael Boyle
Ph: 8337 3270

Parish Pastoral Council
Chairperson - Alan Tyson
Ph: 0412 389 875

St. Vincent de Paul
Ph: 8112 8700, 1300 729 202

Youth Representative
Nancy Ngure

Parish Office Hours
Monday to Friday 9 - 12
Ph: (08) 8431 6932

LOVE HEALS

This is the first commandment,
and the second is similar to it.

Entrance Antiphon Psalms 37:22-23

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

First Reading Deuteronomy 6: 2-6

Responsorial Psalm Psalms 17: 2-4, 47, 51. R. v. 2

R. I love you, Lord, my strength.

I Love you, Lord, my strength,
my rock, my fortress, my saviour.
My God is the rock where I take refuge;
my shield, my mighty help, my stronghold.
The Lord is worthy of all praise:
when I call I am saved from my foes. **R.**

Long life to the Lord, my rock!
Praised be God who saves me,
he has given great victories to his king
and shown his love for his anointed. **R.**

Second Reading Hebrews 7: 23-28

Gospel Acclamation John 14:23

Alleluia, alleluia!
All who love me will keep my words,
and my Father will love them, and we will come to them.
Alleluia!

Gospel Mark 12: 28-34

Communion Antiphon Psalms 15:11

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

ALL SAINTS DAY MONDAY 1ST NOVEMBER

Mass will be celebrated at 8.30am this Monday for the Solemnity of All Saints

PLEASE NOTE

Once you pick up a copy of the newsletter it needs to be taken home with you to ensure we adhere to COVID-19 protocols. Kindly **DO NOT** leave it behind after Mass has concluded.

The Kids' Bulletin

31st Sunday in Ordinary Time
October 31st, 2021

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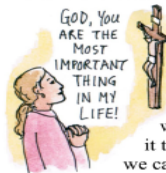
In today's Gospel reading, one of the scribes asks Jesus what the greatest commandment is. What does Jesus say?
Use every second letter to fill in the blanks to find out!

THE GREATEST COMMANDMENT

In today's Gospel reading, one of the scribes asked Jesus what was the most important commandment of God. Jesus told him that the most important rule was to love God with everything - our heart, our soul, our mind and all our strength. The next most important rule is to love others as much as we love ourselves.

God made us to love Him. We will never be really happy unless we do. But if we keep God first in our lives then everything else will happen the way God wants it to. If we love God first, then we can love others the way God asks.

What can you do to keep God first in your life? How about saying a prayer as soon as you wake up in the morning, and last thing before you go to bed at night?



SYNOD OF BISHOPS

Catholics across Australia are invited to participate in a period of local consultation for the next international Synod of Bishops, which has the theme:

"For a Synodal Church: Communion, Participation and Mission".

The People of God are invited to use a guided, prayerful reflection method to consider a series of questions and make submissions via an online portal. Those submissions will help the Bishops develop a national report to support the global process leading to an international gathering in 2023. Find out more at:

<http://www.catholic.org.au/synodalchurch>

Download at - thekidsbulletin.com



SAFEGUARDING OUR CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE

Did you know that the United Nations Convention has established 42 rights for children and young people and we as adults have a responsibility to protect these rights? These rights are known as articles, this is article number 12;

Children have the right to a voice, to be listened to and taken seriously.

Children and young people have much to share, yet in the busyness of our adult world, it can sometimes be hard to take the time to listen and value their voice. In our church community we can listen to children and young people by including them in worship, giving them opportunities to share their thoughts and letting them know that what they have to say matters. When children speak, it is important that we act upon what they are saying and take it just as seriously as the thoughts and opinions voiced by adults. Let us value the voices of children just as God values the voices of all who speak to him.

COMING EVENTS

OFS INFORMATION DAY

The Secular Franciscan Order from Newton & Lockleys Fraternities welcome all to an information day on the life of St Francis of Assisi, following the footsteps of Jesus Christ.

When:- Saturday November 6th 12 Noon – 2.00pm

Where:- St Francis Xavier's Cathedral Hall

Contact Diana on M: 0402 900 385

CHARIS SA - FAITH ON FIRE SEMINAR

Guest Speaker & Celebrant Fr. Selva Raj.

When:- Saturday November 6th 10.30am – 3.30pm

Where:- St Peter Claver Church, 8 Stuart Rd, Dulwich..

Coffee & Tea Provided. BYO lunch.

Contact-Ph 0407 060 715

REMEMBRANCE OF THE SHOAH

This is an important service for our Diocese and is organised in close consultation with the Jewish Community, ensuring our continuing relationship is built upon. You will be moved by the stories shared and the beautiful voices of the Jewish Communities Choir.

When:- Tuesday, November 9th at 7pm

Where:- St Francis Xavier's Cathedral

All are welcome to commemorate the events of the Shoah

For more information contact,

Archdiocesan

Events on Ph: 8210 8220 or via

Email at events@adelaide.catholic.org.au.

ADVENT RETREAT

Preparing with Mary for the birth of Jesus.

Speaker Fr Patrice Ndemasi cp.

When:- Saturday, November 13th at 11.30am - 3.30pm

Where:- Our Lady of the Sacred Heart Church

420 Seaview Road Henley Beach.

Please bring your own food. Tea/coffee provided. COVID

19 protocols to be observed Enquiries and bookings by

11th November phone Pauline Cotton 0403002240 Co-

ordinator Living Waters Prayer Group Cost is by donation

All welcome Thank you.

JOURNEY - A Celebration of South Australian's Italian Migrants

The event will be held during the Adelaide Italian Festival week and will honour Italian immigrants and their contributions to the life and vitality in South Australia.

When:- Saturday, November 13th at 4pm

Where:- St Francis Xavier's Cathedral

In this Mass, we reflect on the significance of our Italian migrants with a focus on the 20th Century Patroness

Saint Frances Xavier Cabrini – protector to all immigrants.

For more information contact, Archdiocesan Events on

P: 8210 8220 or via E: events@adelaide.catholic.org.au.

DIOCESAN YOUTH ASSEMBLY

Ages 16-30

The 2021 Diocesan Youth Assembly will take place on World Youth Day

When:- Sunday, November 21st 2021

Where:- Nazareth Catholic College, Findon Campus.

The Youth Assembly is an opportunity for young people

ages 16-30 to participate in the ongoing dialogue and

discernment of the Diocesan Assembly and the Plenary

Council. Young People's voices are important to the

development of our local faith community. Food, music,

speakers, and discussion. More information is available

on www.cathoyouthadelaide.org.au or by contacting Peter

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| Sunday Collection 24 th October 2021 | |
| First Collection | \$ 601.45 |
| Second Collection | |
| Envelopes | \$ 655.00 |
| Open Plate | \$ 330.35 |
| Electronic Giving | \$ 450.00 |
| Parish Account Total | \$ 1,435.35 |



BIRTHDAY CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to all who have celebrated a Birthday this month.



LET US CELEBRATE: ALL SAINTS DAY & ALL SOULS DAY

(1st & 2nd NOVEMBER 2021)

Introduction: November 1 is marked annually in the Catholic liturgical calendar as a day to remember and venerate saints from around the world and throughout history– not only those known and canonised, but all unknown as well. In the 4th century, All Saints' Day traditions served to honour the great number of individuals martyred for their faith during the persecutions in the late Roman Empire. It was during the 8th century that Pope Gregory III declared that all saints be remembered on November 1. All Saints' Day is an opportune time to consider the example saints offer us today and to reflect on how we can imitate their holiness. As Pope Benedict XVI remarked in 2011, All Saints' Day calls us "to see the Church... as Christ wanted it, that is, as the communion of saints". All Souls' Day follows All Saints' Day on November 2, when Catholics remember, pray and offer Mass for the souls in Purgatory, that they may be purified and attain the Beatific Vision.

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The feast and its objectives: All baptised Christians who have died and are now with God in glory are considered saints. All Saints Day is intended to honour the memory of countless unknown and uncanonised saints who have no feast days. Today we thank God for giving ordinary men and women a share in His holiness and Heavenly glory as a reward for their Faith. This feast is observed to teach us to honour the saints, both by imitating their lives and by seeking their intercession for us before Christ, the only mediator between God and man (1 Tm 2:5). The Church reminds us today that God's call for holiness is universal, that all of us are called to live in His love and to make His love real in the lives of those around us. Holiness is related to the word wholesomeness. We grow in holiness when we live wholesome lives of integrity truth, justice, charity, mercy, and compassion, sharing our blessings with others.

Reasons why we honour the saints: 1- The saints put their trust in Christ and lived heroic lives of Faith. St. Paul asks us to serve and honour such noble souls. In his Epistles to the Corinthians, to Philip, and to Timothy, he advises Christians to welcome, serve, and honour those who have put their trust in Jesus. The saints enjoy Heavenly bliss as a reward for their Faith in Jesus. Hence, they deserve our veneration of them. 2- The saints are our role models. They teach us by their lives that Christ's holy life of love, mercy, and unconditional forgiveness can be lived, with God's grace, by ordinary people from all walks of life and at all times. 3- **The saints are our Heavenly mediators who intercede for us before Jesus, the only mediator between God and us.** (Jas 5:16-18, Ex 32:13, Jer 15:1, Rv 8:3-4,). 4- **The saints are the instruments that God uses to work miracles at present,** just as He used the staff of Moses (Ex), the bones of the prophet Elisha (2Kgs 13:21), the towel of Paul (Acts 19:12), and the shadow of Peter (Acts 5:15) to work miracles.

Message for life: 1) We need to accept the challenge to become saints. Jesus exhorts us: "*Be made perfect as your Heavenly Father is Perfect*" (Mt 5:48). St. Augustine asked: "If she and he can become saints, why can't I?" 2) **We can take the short cuts practiced by the three Teresa's:** i) **St. Teresa of Avila:** Recharge your spiritual batteries every day by prayer, namely, listening to God and talking to Him. ii) **St. Therese of Lisieux:** Convert every action into prayer by offering it to God for His glory and for the salvation of souls and by doing God's will to the best of one's ability. iii) **St. Teresa of Calcutta (Mother Teresa):** Do ordinary things with great love.

November 2: All Souls' Day, specially set apart that we may remember and pray for our dear ones who have gone for their eternal reward and who are currently in a state of ongoing purification.

Ancient belief: 1) People of all religions have believed in the immortality of the soul, and have prayed for the dead. 2) The Jews, for example, believed that there was a place of temporary bondage, from which the souls of the dead would receive their final release. The Jewish catechism *Talmud*, states that prayers for the dead will help to bring greater rewards and blessings to them. Orthodox Jews retain prayer for the souls of the departed, today. They recite a prayer known as the *Mourner's Kaddish* for eleven months after the death of a loved one, so that he/she may be purified. 3) Jesus and the apostles shared this belief and passed it on to the early Church. "*Remember us who have gone before you, in your prayers,*" is a petition often found inscribed on the walls of the Roman catacombs (*Lumen Gentium*-50). 4) The liturgies of the Mass in various rites dating from the early centuries of the Church include "Prayers for the Dead." 5) The early Fathers of the Church encouraged this practice. Tertullian (A.D. 160-240) wrote about the anniversary Masses for the dead, advising widows to pray for their husbands. St. Augustine remarked that he used to pray for his deceased mother, remembering her request: "*When I die, bury me anywhere you like, but remember to pray for me at the altar*" (St Augustine of Hippo, *Confessions*, Book 11, Chapter 13 Sections 35-37). 6) The synods of Nicaea, Florence and Trent encouraged the offering of prayers for the dead, citing Scriptural evidence to prove there is a place or state of purification for those who die with venial sins on their souls. 7) Theological reason: According to Rv 21:27, "*nothing unclean shall enter heaven.*" Holy Scripture (Prv 24:16) also teaches that even "*the just sin seven times a day.*" Since it would be contrary to the mercy of God to punish such souls with venial sins in Hell, they are seen as entering a place or state of purification, called *Purgatory*, which combines God's justice with His mercy. This teaching is also contained in the doctrine of the *Communion of Saints*.

Biblical evidence: 1) II Mc 12:46 is the main Biblical text incorporating the Jewish belief in the necessity of prayer and sacrifice for the dead. The passage (II Mc 12:39-46) describes how Judas, the military commander, "*took up a collection from all his men, totalling about four pounds of silver and sent it to Jerusalem to provide for a sin offering*" (II Mc 12: 43). The narrator continues, "*If he had not believed that the dead would be raised, it would have been foolish and useless to pray for them.*" 2) St. Paul seems to have shared this traditional Jewish belief. At the death of his supporter Onesiphorus, he prayed: "*May the Lord grant him mercy on that Day*" (II Tm 1:18). Mt 12:32, I Cor, 3:15, Zec 13:19, Sir 7:33.

The Church's teaching: The Church's official teaching on Purgatory is plain and simple. There is a place or state of purification called *Purgatory*, where souls undergoing purification can be helped by the prayers of the faithful (Council of Trent). Some modern theologians suggest that the fire of Purgatory is an intense, transforming encounter with Jesus Christ and His fire of love. They also speak of Purgatory as an "instant" purification immediately after death, varying in intensity from soul to soul, depending on the state of each individual.

How do we help the holy souls? The *Catechism of the Catholic Church* (CCC #1032) recommends prayer for the dead in conjunction with the offering of the Eucharistic Sacrifice. It also encourages "*almsgiving, indulgences, and works of penance undertaken on behalf of the dead.*" Let us not forget to pray for our dear departed, have Masses offered for them, visit their graves, and make daily sacrifices for them.

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