

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Luke 21:28

Alleluia, alleluia!

Lift up your heads and see; your redemption is near at hand.

Alleluia!

GOSPEL

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke (21:5-19)

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 so 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.'

Sunday Homily

Fr. Roy John Elavumkal SMM

Introduction: The central theme of today's readings is "The Day of the Lord" or the "Second Coming" of Jesus in glory, as Judge, at the end of the world. The readings warn us about the final days of the world, our own death, and the final judgment. **The theatre is on fire!** The Danish philosopher, Soren Kierkegaard, tells the parable of a theatre where a variety show is proceeding. Each act is more fantastic than the last, and each is applauded by the audience. Suddenly the manager appears on the stage, apologizing for the interruption. He announces at the top of his voice that the theatre is on fire, and begs his patrons to leave the theatre immediately, without causing a commotion. The spectators think that it is the most amusing turn of the evening, and cheer thunderously. The manager again feverishly implores them to leave the burning building, and he is again applauded vigorously. At last, he can do no more. The fire races through the whole building engulfing the fun-loving audience with it. And so, concludes Kierkegaard, will our age, I sometimes think, go down in fiery destruction to the applause of a crowded house of cheering spectators. Today's readings warn us about a similar fate if we are not well prepared when the 'Day of the Lord' dawns quite unexpectedly, marking the end of the world.

Scripture: Malachi, in the **first reading**, foretells this Day, which will bring healing and reward for the just and punishment in fire for the "proud and all evil doers." Although St. Paul expected that Jesus would return during his lifetime, he cautions the Thessalonians, in the **second reading**, against idleness in anticipating the end of the world. Paul advises the Thessalonians that the best preparation for welcoming Jesus in his "Second Coming" is to keep working and doing one's duties faithfully, as he did. **Today's Gospel passage** underlines the truth that the date of the end of the world is uncertain. Signs and portents will precede the end, and the Christians will be called upon to testify before kings and governors. The Good News is that those who persevere in faithfulness to the Lord will save their souls and enter God's eternal kingdom. Christ's Second Coming is something to celebrate because he is going to present all creation to his Heavenly Father. That is why we say at Mass, "We proclaim Your death, O Lord, and profess Your Resurrection, until You come again." Since Luke's community had experienced much persecution, today's Gospel would have given them a cheering reminder.

Application to Life: 1) We need to be prepared daily for death and judgment. The ideal way to accept Jesus' apocalyptic message is always to be ready to face our death. We must live holy lives of selfless love, mercy, compassion, and unconditional forgiveness, remembering the demands of justice in our day-to-day lives. We must also take time to rest and to pray in order to keep our hearts alive to God's presence with us and within us. Daily examination of our conscience at bedtime, asking God's pardon and forgiveness, also prepares us to face God at any time to give an account of our lives.

2) We need to attain permanence in a passing world by leading exemplary lives. Our homes, our Churches and even our own lives are temporary. All our structures are provisional. Our influence has no more claims to permanence than our buildings. Hence, our task is not to build monuments of any kind, but to be faithful to Christ. How our faithfulness is expressed each day is the most important thing. We are to persevere in our Faith, despite worldly temptations, attacks on religion, and moral values by the atheistic or agnostic media, threats of social isolation, and direct or indirect persecution because of our religious beliefs. Let us conclude this Church year by praying for the grace to endure trials patiently for they are essential to our affirmation of Jesus our Saviour.



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Parish Bulletin

*Your endurance will
win you your life.*



THE END
IS NOT SO SOON.

Members of the early Church expected the Lord to return in glory very soon. Some people even stopped working in the belief that the end was nigh.

St Paul, however, urged the members of the community to go on working, quietly earning their food. And in today's Gospel, Jesus stresses that the end is not so soon. We, his followers, will first have to persevere faithfully through many trials.

Liturgy of the Word

FIRST READING

Malachi 3:19-20

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.

PSALM 97:5-9

R: The Lord comes to rule the earth with justice.

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**

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**

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 Thessalonians 3:7-12

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: do not let anyone have any food if he refuses 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.

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Mass Times

Sunday 9:30 am
Saturday Vigil Mass 6:30 pm
Tuesday to Friday 9:15 am

Confessions

Saturday 6:00 pm

Rosary

Tues to Fri 8:45am

Adoration of the Eucharist

Friday before Mass 8:30am

Novena to St. Joseph

Wednesday after Mass

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LOVE HEALS

Rosters for 19/20 November 2022 Our Lord Jesus Christ King of the Universe	
Time	Commentator / Readers
6:30pm	Fil Ciancio Michelle Page, Bronwyn Gleeson
9:30am	Alan Tyson Antonetta Bartley, Mikayla Bartley
Children's Liturgy	Evangeline and Suanne
Count team	Peggy Buckler Gareth West Doreen Ryan Wendy Rahaley
Altar	23rd October to 20th November Sarita Ingham and Bronwyn Gleeson
<i>All those who have volunteered please arrive at least 15 minutes before the start time and report to the commentator for that mass</i>	

SUNDAY COLLECTION SUMMARY	5/6 NOVEMBER
First Collection	\$ 579.80
Planned Giving (Envelopes & Electronic)	\$ 676.90
Open Plate	\$ 211.75
TOTAL	\$ 1,468.45



Pope Francis
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Holiness is not a process of struggles and renunciations. It is above all the experience of being loved by God, of freely receiving his love, his mercy.

8/Nov/2022



Please remember in your prayers

We pray for those listed and all the deceased relatives and friends of our Parishioners.

Recently Deceased:

Anniversary of death: Maria Bien

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 and housebound of our Parish and our relatives and friends who are unwell.

Special Intention:

MONTH OF NOVEMBER

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A **Requiem** or **Requiem Mass**, also known as **Mass for the dead** (*Latin: Missa pro defunctis*) or **Mass of the dead** (*Latin: Missa defunctorum*), is a **Mass** of the **Catholic Church** offered for the repose of the **soul** or souls of one or more deceased persons, using a particular form of the **Roman Missal**. It is usually celebrated in the context of a **funeral** (where in some countries it is often called a **Funeral Mass**

PRAYERS FOR THE DEAD

The Mass is the highest form of prayer in the Church, and the most effective prayer that could be said on behalf of those who have gone before us. In Masses for the dead, and especially funeral Masses, "the Church offers the Eucharistic sacrifice of Christ's Pasch for the dead so that, since all the members of Christ's Body are in communion with one another, what implores spiritual help for some, may bring comforting hope to others." ("General Instruction of the Roman Missal," 379)

AT THE GRAVESIDE

O God, by whose mercy the faithful departed find rest, send your holy Angel to watch over this grave. Through Christ our Lord. R. Amen.

PRAYING WITH THE DYING

As death approaches, the Church stays close to the one who is dying, to give comfort and support. The family should ask that Communion be brought to the dying (this is called "Viaticum, Latin for "food for the journey").

Members of the local church may wish to join the family in a vigil of prayer. After the person's death, the family is encouraged to continue praying, and to participate in the preparation of the vigil (wake) and funeral liturgies.

The following prayer may be recited with a dying person, alternating with times of silence. The Our Father, Hail Mary and Glory Be are also appropriate.

The dying person may also be signed on the forehead with the cross, as was done at baptism.

Holy Mary, pray for me.

St. Joseph, pray for me.

Jesus, Mary, and Joseph, assist me in my last agony.

IMMEDIATELY AFTER DEATH

The following prayer may be recited immediately after death and may be repeated in the hours that follow:

V. Eternal rest grant unto him (her), O Lord.

R. And let perpetual light shine upon him (her).

V. May he (she) rest in peace.

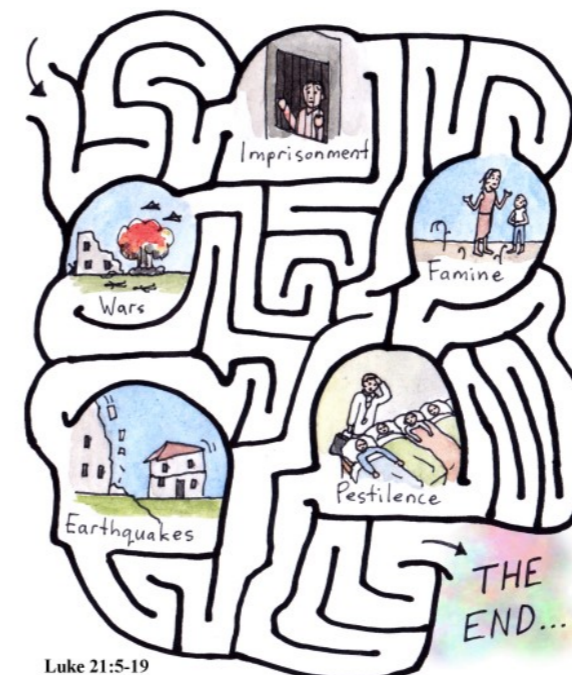
R. Amen.

V. May his (her) soul and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.

R. Amen.

The Kids' Bulletin

33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time
November 13th, 2022



Luke 21:5-19

In today's Gospel reading Jesus told the people some of the things that were going to happen before the end of the world. You'll find them as you go through the maze!

Parish Announcements



The month of November has traditionally been dedicated to the prayers of the deceased. Please collect the November envelope and write the names of your loved ones you wish me to pray for. A daily mass will be offered for them during the month of November.

Memorial Mass for Deceased Bishops, Clergy & Religious

Thursday, November 17 at 5.45pm in St Francis Xavier's Cathedral.

All are welcome to attend a Mass in honour of all deceased Bishops, Clergy and Religious in our Archdiocese. Mass will begin at 5.45pm and music will be led by the Gleeson College Choir.

Columban Art Calendar 2023

A limited number are available for purchase at \$10 each. They are located at the Northern, Main entrance by the stairs. Please put money in the attached envelope and then into the SVDP Poor Box at the stairs. Proceeds will also support Vinnies so your purchase will be helping 2 charities.

ST VINCENT DE PAUL Christmas Appeal

By helping the St Vincent de Paul Christmas Appeal, you will be helping in two ways. At a local level, our members and volunteers will be able to offer assistance directly to families and individuals. At a broader level, you will be contributing to the large and varied network of short and long term support services for people in SA who need special care. On each pew there is an envelope, fill it out and return it to the Poor Box or send in by post.

Donate online at www.vinnies.org.au or by phone at 131812. Donations of \$2 or more are tax deductible.

VINNIES Christmas Hampers

We invite parishioners to donate items for hampers to alleviate cost of living for those in dire need. Please leave your items in shopping bags at the main entrance. Details of suitable items are on posters at the side doors. The last date for contributions is Sunday 11 December.

Please do not donate: chocolate or other items that melt, out of date food, dented tins or broken packets or homemade food (Health & Safety rules)

Coffee/Tea After Sunday Mass - Nov 13th

It looks as though Summer is definitely on the way!

Join us for morning tea and coffee, with delicious cakes and a treat for the children.

COYYA - Sevenhill Pilgrimage for Young Adults Aged 18 - 35

8am-6pm Saturday November 26, 2022

Join COYYA and the Jesuits at the Sevenhill at Sevenhill Centre of Ignatian Spirituality for a pilgrimage to Sevenhill. The day will include a 2-hour (9km) pilgrimage walk followed by a retreat at Sevenhill, time for personal reflection and opportunities to meet other young adults. Lunch and wine tasting will also be included. Cost: \$40 which includes transport, retreat, lunch and wine tasting. Registrations due by Wednesday November 16 and can be bought here: www.trybooking.com/CDKPM

A remainder that a **Working With Children Check** is required for those over the age of 14 who undertake any of the following roles: Readers, Commentators, Count Team, Children's Liturgy, Choir, Flower Team, etc. Please see Hiacinta or Melissa in the office to complete the form required along with 100 points of identification.

If you are unsure of the date of expiry of your current WWCC do not hesitate in contact us. To comply with Archdiocese regulations, all volunteers need to sign a Code of Conduct, please take one copy from the entrance and please return it signed to the office.

Mask Mandates have been lifted by the State Government Although the mandates have been lifted, we highly recommend you continue to wear a mask while inside the Church.

Our Parish is committed to Health and Safety