1 November, All Saints Day

TEMORA MISSION AREA

Our Lady Help of Christians Parish Ardlethan/Sacred Heart Ariah Park

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For our Deceased: Stephanie Franklin, (Sr Mary's grand niece, killed in car accident in Darwin), Iney Lynch, Our deceased family members, parishioners, those who have died from war, violence and the coronavirus

Ariah Park 6.00 p.m. Sat Mass November 7-8

Mass Barmedman 8.00 a.m. Temora 10.00 a.m. Sunday

Ardlethan **9.00 a.m.** Barellan 10.00 a.m. Liturgy

Reflection

A Countless Multitude. On this feast of All Saints we remember the countless multitude of men, women and children in heaven. We continue to be inspired by the qualities they revealed in their lives: humility, a concern for justice, gentleness, purity of heart, mercy and courage. We take comfort in knowing that from their home in heaven they intercede for us still.

HSC Students

We continue to hold in prayer the children who are involved in the HSC exams. God we ask that they especially feel your closeness during the HSC exams.

Give them calm hearts and quiet confidence

in the knowledge that you hold them in the palm of your hand.

Bless them with keen understanding and retentive memory.

Give them the ability to grasp things correctly,

be exact in their explanations

and an ability to express themselves clearly.

Point out the beginning, direct their progress

and help them in the completion of each of their responses.

Holy Spirit send them your gifts of wisdom and knowledge. We ask this through Christ our Lord, Amen



Ritual of Remembering

At our Liturgy next Sunday we will have a ritual of remembering our loved ones who have died, especially those who have died this year. Family members have been invited to join us for this liturgy.

All Saints Day and All Souls Day

Every year the Church recalls the example, All Saints Day witness, and prayer of the holy women and men who have been identified by the Church as Saints. These saints are more than just role models; they are family members with whom we continue to



share relation, in a bond of prayer, called the Communion of Saints. Every year when we celebrate this day, the Gospel we proclaim recalls for us Jesus' teaching about happiness, the Beatitudes. We quickly note in this reading that none of those Jesus names as "blessed" or "happy" are expected . . . the poor in spirit, the meek, the persecuted. Jesus' blueprint for happiness reflects little of what the world might call happiness

Today and tomorrow the Church celebrates these two much loved feasts, All Saints Day and All Souls Day. We are reminded of all those who have gone before us and are now our inspiration and our faith heritage. We remember very especially those we have loved deeply, who have been an integral part of our lives and who now live on in our heart's memories, in our stories, and are still held within our very essence. We remember them with love and gratitude and pray for them, entrusting them to the mercy and compassion of God. Richard Rohr writes, "On these "thin days," as the ancient Celts called them, All Saints Day and All Souls Day, we are invited to be aware of deep time in a very convincing way—that is, past, present, and future time all in one time. On these pivotal days we are reminded that our ancestors are still in us and work with us and through us."

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen

The Memorial Book is in the fover for you to add the names of those for whom we will pray during the month of November.

"When we grieve the loss of those we love, our faith reassures us that we remain connected. Held together in the love of our gracious God. And so our prayers go with them as they journey home to the One whose love embraces us all. Remember, those who died go no further from us than God, and God is very near." Anonymous

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