20 November, Solemnity of Christ the King, Year C

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

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In our Prayers: Colleen Stout, Frances Vince, Jim Bonny, Barry Carroll, Neville Caldow, Ray Fairman, Kashaya Kuemmel,

For our Deceased: Muriel Thomson. All those we remember during this month of November

November 12—13 Ariah Park 6.00 p.m. Mass

Temora 10.00 a.m. Mass

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

Reflection

Bearing witness to the truth. With a wooden cross for a throne, at a place where thieves were crucified, the king of the Jews meted out a judgement to a common thief: 'this day you will be with me in paradise'. This king can still be found among the criminals and outcasts of our society, in the worst parts of our cities and towns. Worshipping him in the least of our brothers and sisters, we too will experience his compassionate judgement.

Liturgy of Remembering

Thank you for all you did in your preparation for and involvement on the day to make our Liturgy of Remembering meaningful for all present. May our good God bless you.

Roll up vour sleeves; make a difference overseas.

Do you require professional renewal, or are you seeking a retirement challenge? Communities abroad are asking for qualified and experienced Australians able to mentor their people in education, health, administration, trades, agriculture and more. Imagine yourself re-engaging your vocational passion in Africa, Asia or the Pacific. Since 1961 Palms Australia has been recruiting Australians able to offer mentoring that will allow overseas counterparts opportunities otherwise unattainable. Sharing your skills will strengthen the capacity of workers overseas to serve their communities for generations to come, long after you return home. Communities in American Samoa, Cambodia, Kiribati, Papua New Guinea, Samoa, Solomon Islands, Tanzania, Thailand, Timor-Leste, and Zambia are seeking to fill a variety of roles. Enquire about those roles via www.palms.org.au or by calling 02 9560 533 or 0422 472 567.

Catholic Mission Appeal – Thank You

Catholic Mission thanks all of the parishioners who contributed to its recent Mission Sunday Appeal. The funds raised will make a difference to the lives of children and adults in need in Ethiopia.

Night of the Witnesses

Will be held on 23rd November, 7pm at St Christopher's Cathedral. Aid to the Church in Need Australia invites you to a unique and inspirational event to be held in Australia for the first time. For the past 15 years, Cathedrals around the world have held this special event to honour our modern-day martyrs, as well as pray for the 220 million+ Christians worldwide still suffering persecution for their faith. It is a night of prayer, song and testimony that originates in France and is now held annually in capital cities including London, Washington DC, Special guest speakers will include Cardinal Joseph Coutts, and Madrid. Archbishop Emeritus of Karachi, Pakistan. "No one comes away from this night, unmoved" Benoit de Blanpre, National Director of ACN, France. We hope you will join us for this special event.

For more information visit: www.aidtochurch.org/notw.

Advent

With Advent starting next Sunday it would be appreciated if the drapes for Advent or purple drapes can be found and hung in readiness for the new liturgical year.

Reflection

"The title of this feast is superlative. The images we typically create for it are flush with symbols of royalty and high priesthood; greatness and grandeur are the order of the day. Nevertheless, the Gospel we hear today reflects none of that. Today's Gospel portrays an apparently impotent Christ: defeated in the eves of the world and dving in the sight of an impotent or uncaring God. If we ask which of these images, the royal or the shattered, better reflects Christ, we must choose the one from the Scriptures rather than the human imagination.

As we think about the Christian message, especially on a feast like today's, it's too easy to fall into a fairy tale mode and recall Christ the King as the ultimate happily-ever-after story. This flies in the face of the Scriptures. It strips Jesus' death of its depth and risks portraying his love as shallow as that of a prince enchanted by prettiness.

On the solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, the King of the Universe, let us remember the real Jesus: rejected and mocked, he was powerless to stop the violence. Let us remember that he reigned through active love even as he suffered and died. When God raised him, even though he still bore the marks of suffering, it was the love that continued to reign. Faith insists that love is the only power capable of overcoming evil. As living images of our God, it is that love and that alone that we are called to remember and make present again." Sr Mary McGlone csj

Leader: Linda **Roster November 27**

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