



**32<sup>nd</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY  
TIME YEAR C**

**6 November 2022**

**LITURGY AND BULLETIN**

### **OPENING PRAYER**

God of power and mercy,  
Give us freedom of spirit and health  
in mind and body to do your work on earth.  
Amen.

**FIRST READING:** A reading from the second book of Maccabees

There were seven brothers who were arrested with their mother. The king tried to force them to taste pig's flesh, which the Law forbids, by torturing them with whips and scourges. One of them, acting as spokesman for the others, said, 'What are you trying to find out from us? We are prepared to die rather than break the Law of our ancestors.'

With his last breath the second brother exclaimed, 'Inhuman fiend, you may discharge us from this present life, but the King of the world will raise us up, since it is for his laws that we die, to live again for ever.'

After him, they amused themselves with the third, who on being asked for his tongue promptly thrust it out and held out his hands, with these honourable words, 'It was heaven that gave me these limbs; for the sake of his laws I disdain them; from him I hope to receive them again.' The king and his attendants were astounded at the young man's courage and his utter indifference to suffering.

When this one was dead they subjected the fourth to the same savage torture. When he neared his end he cried, 'Ours is the better choice, to meet death at men's hands, yet relying on God's promise that we shall be raised up by him; whereas for you there can be no resurrection, no new life.'

### **RESPONSORIAL PSALM:**

**Response: Lord, when your glory appears,  
my joy will be full.**

1. Lord, hear a cause that is just,  
pay heed to my cry.

Turn your ear to my prayer:  
no deceit is on my lips. (R.)

2. I keep my feet firmly in your paths;  
there was no faltering in my steps.  
I am here and I call, you will hear me, O God.  
Turn your ear to me; hear my words. (R.)

3. Guard me as the apple of your eye.

Hide me in the shadow of your wings.  
As for me, in my justice I shall see your face  
and be filled, when I awake, with the sight of your glory. (R.)

**SECOND READING:** A reading from the second letter of St Paul to the Thessalonians

May our Lord Jesus Christ himself, and God our Father who has given us his love and, through his grace, such inexhaustible comfort and such sure hope, comfort you and strengthen you in everything good that you do or say.

Finally, brothers, pray for us; pray that the Lord's message may spread quickly, and be received with honour as it was among you; and pray that we may be preserved from the interference of bigoted and evil people, for faith is not given to everyone. But the Lord is faithful, and he will give you strength and guard you from the evil one, and we, in the Lord, have every confidence that you are doing and will go on doing all that we tell you. May the Lord turn your hearts towards the love of God and the fortitude of Christ.

### **Gospel Acclamation**

Alleluia, alleluia!

Jesus Christ is the firstborn of the dead;  
glory and kingship be his for ever and ever.

Alleluia!

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke 20:27-38

Some Sadducees – those who say that there is no resurrection – approached Jesus and they put this question to him, 'Master, we have it from Moses in writing, that if a man's married brother dies childless, the man must marry the widow to raise up children for his brother. Well, then, there were seven brothers. The first, having married a wife, died childless. The second and then the third married the widow. And the same with all seven, they died leaving no children. Finally the woman herself died. Now, at the resurrection, to which of them will she be wife since she had been married to all seven?'

Jesus replied, 'The children of this world take wives and husbands, but those who are judged worthy of a place in the other world and in the resurrection from the dead do not marry because they can no longer die, for they are the same as the angels, and being children of the resurrection they are sons of God. And Moses himself implies that the dead rise again, in the passage about the bush where he calls the Lord the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac and the God of Jacob. Now he is God, not of the dead, but of the living; for to him all men are in fact alive.'



### **REFLECTION on the Gospel of Luke 20:27-38 Fr Michael Tate**

#### ***Billy Elliott and the Resurrection***

Billy Elliott was a boy brought up in a strife-torn mining town in the north of England. He discovered a passion for dancing. At an interview at the Royal Ballet School which was going badly, he was asked: 'What do you feel when you're dancing?'

'I've got fire in my body.' And he got the scholarship because the panel realised that when Billy danced, he became 'fully alive': bodymindspirit fully integrated. When Billy danced, everything that Billy was, was dancing.

That is what our Resurrection is all about. Our whole personality will be dancing with the radiance of Divine Fire coursing through our bodymindspirit. The Sadducees' small-minded sarcasm could not grasp that we will be bodies transfigured, translucent to divine light and energy.

We could take a moment to pray that, by the grace of God, our bodies will dance, enflamed by Divine Love.

### **PRAYER OF THE FAITHFUL**

For all who face discrimination, danger or death for their religious beliefs, that they will be fortified by the power of God. (Pause) Let us pray to the Lord.

For the participants in the 27th United Nations Climate Change conference taking place in Egypt (6-18 November), that they will make binding commitments to the actions needed to address the global climate emergency. (Pause) Let us pray to the Lord.

For all victims of war and brutal aggression, that this year's Remembrance Day will call the whole of humanity on the path of peace. (Pause) Let us pray to the Lord.

For farmers, rural businesses and regional communities devastated by the floods in eastern Australia, that they will unite in enduring support for one another. (Pause) Let us pray to the Lord

For the Catholic bishops of Australia, meeting in conference this week, that they will take decisive steps to implement the decrees of the Plenary Council. (Pause) Let us pray to the Lord.

For prison chaplains and volunteer visitors, that their pastoral care will bring prisoners comfort, healing and hope. (Pause) Let us pray to the Lord.

We pray for all who suffer in mind, body or spirit, especially Ann McDougall, Ross Lawless, Paul Fa'Oa, Rongo Tee Peeti, Helen Montgomery, Judy Nielson, Tony Riley, Val Biggers and all who need our prayers; that they will be cared for by loving family, friends and community. (Pause) Let us pray to the Lord.

For the recently deceased, Bob Haigh, Ray Bartley, Joseph Nocera (read Nochero), .....for those whose anniversary of death occurs around this time, and those we remember especially in the month of November, that they will be forever alive to God in Christ. (Pause) Let us pray to the Lord.

### **CONCLUDING PRAYER**

Lord, we thank you for the many blessings you give us.

Pour out your Spirit upon us and keep us single-minded in your service.

Amen.

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**PARISH OFFICE HOURS: Tuesdays: 9am – 3pm; Fridays: 9am – 12pm**

**Next weekend Mass time: 6pm in the church.**

**Weekday Mass:** Tuesdays at 10am in the church.

**Meditation:** Thursdays at 10.30am in the Presbytery.

**Social Justice Group: now Wednesdays. Next is 7 December** at 9.30am, at the Presbytery

**News from the pews:** If you have any news or photos to share, please email me. Sharing our news (happy and sometimes sad) is part of “Walking Together” as the Archbishop is asking.

Sadly, two more parishioners passed away in the last week: Ray Bartley and Bob Haigh. We send our prayers and sympathy to their families.

Radio Church Sundays 6pm, 88.9 FM.

**Dear Parishioners,**

**Book of Remembrance:** names and offerings now being taken for our November Book of Remembrance. Offerings and names received are sent on to assist priests in poor or remote parishes in Australia, as well as being included in our Masses.

**Parish Meeting** to discuss the proposed redevelopment of the Presbytery will take place on Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> November, immediately following the 10am Mass.

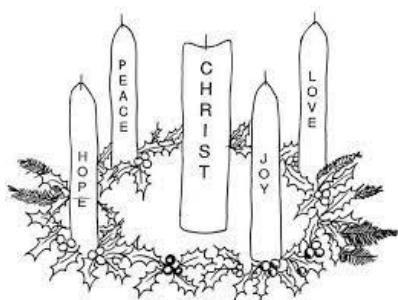
**Our Advent booklets** have arrived and will be handed out at Masses during November. If you cannot attend Mass, but would like a copy, please call in to the parish office or Br Brian to collect one.

“What do catholic women want from the Church? **The Archdiocesan Women’s Taskforce** is inviting all women to gather at 10 am on 12 November at Merici College to discuss the implementation of the Plenary Council’s decisions, especially decree Number 4: on Witnessing the Equal Dignity of Women and Men. The Taskforce serves the women of the Archdiocese through advocacy, formation and building community. It also advises the Archbishop on women’s opinions, needs and goals. All women are welcome, whether involved in the church or feeling more on the fringe. Rural women are especially encouraged to come with petrol subsidies and organised billets being offered. For further information and to register, please use [Catholic Women Taskforce \(cgwomen.com.au\)](http://CatholicWomenTaskforce.cgwomen.com.au) or call 0487388873.”

**Men’s Cursillo Retreat Weekend:** A Cursillo retreat weekend offers you the opportunity for formation through talks, meditations, discussion and prayer, led by an experienced local volunteer team. A three-day retreat starts on the evening of Thu 24 Nov in a relaxed retreat setting. Contact Alfred (0412 268 044, [readyssetgo@live.com.au](mailto:readyssetgo@live.com.au)). <https://bit.ly/cursillo22>



## Ecumenical Advent Breakfast for Braidwood women



St Bede's warmly invites all women to an Advent prayer Breakfast.

On: Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> December 2022

From: 8-10am

Place: St Bede's school hall, Park lane.



Cost: \$10 in a marked envelope with your name to James' coffee window

RSVP with money for catering purposes, by the 28<sup>th</sup> November (no refunds possible due to purchasing costs)

### Year of Walking Together Events

- 1. Archbishop's Day of Teaching - Saturday 12 November 2022** at St Peter Chanel's Church, Weston St, Yarralumla, ACT from 8:30am - 4:00pm. Everyone is welcome and it's free! Talks, Testimonies, Worship, Healing prayer ministry! Holy Mass at midday. Free Sausage Sizzle lunch! To register: <https://www.trybooking.com/CDFEF>. Or call/text Maida 0423 658 326
- 2. Re-opening and Blessing Mass for Sts. Peter and Paul's Old Cathedral in Goulburn** commencing at 11am on Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> November.

**Readings for Mass:** 1<sup>st</sup>: 2 Macc. 7:1-2,9-14. 2<sup>nd</sup>: 2 Thess. 2:16-3:5. Gospel: Luke 20:27-38.

**Readings for next week:** 1<sup>st</sup>: Mal. 3:19-20. 2<sup>nd</sup>: 2 Thess. 3:7-12. Gospel: Luke 21:5-19.

### Ministry Rosters for our Masses

| Date   | Acolyte | Welcomer  | Readers          |
|--------|---------|-----------|------------------|
| 5 Nov  | Felix   | Helen P   | Bobbie/Tommy     |
| 12 Nov |         | Cathy F   | Wendy H/Germaine |
| 19 Nov | Felix   | Geraldine | Wendy M-B/Ann    |
| 26 Nov |         | Helen P   | Michael/Cathy F  |

| Ministries of service: | 4 Nov   | 11 Nov          | 18 Nov   | 25 Nov       |
|------------------------|---------|-----------------|----------|--------------|
| Altar Decorating:      | Helen P | Cathy F         | Margaret | Joy          |
| Cleaning:              |         | Helen P & Sarah |          | Bunny & Ella |

Counters: 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday: Pauline & Bobbie. 2<sup>nd</sup>: Sunday: Wendy H  
3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday: 4<sup>th</sup>: Phil Owen

Please advise if you are unable to fulfil your roster, so alternative arrangements may be made.

**Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> November is Prison Sunday**, a day on which we are asked to remember those in prison, and those who minister to them (Father Peter Day among them)

*As Pope Francis noted on 6 November 2016, "...when violence is met with forgiveness, even the hearts of those who have done wrong can be conquered by the love that triumphs over every form of evil. In this way, among the victims and among those who wronged them, God raises up true witnesses and workers of mercy."*

### Prayer for those in Prison Ministry

God of all life, Your son called us to be compassionate, just as You are compassionate.

And so we pray:

For our generous Earth,  
Who, even when mistreated, continues to nourish and sustain us.  
May we grow in mutual care.

For our suffering peoples,  
Who, even when facing injustices, teach us resilience and hope.  
May we grow in mutual care.

For each one of us,  
Who, in times of vulnerability, draws on divine love and strength.  
May we grow in mutual care.

For our prison ministries,  
Which, in times of change, find new ways of reaching out and in.  
May we grow in mutual care.

And may we be blessed and inspired as we hear these words anew:  
“For you had compassion for those who were in prison.”

In the name of Jesus, gentle and humble of heart, Amen.

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Take care of each other,  
Helen Hart

