



**33RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY
TIME YEAR C**

13 November 2022

LITURGY AND BULLETIN

OPENING PRAYER

Father of all that is good,
keep us faithful in serving you,
for to serve you is our lasting joy.
Amen.

FIRST READING: A reading from the prophet Malachi

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.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM:

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

1. 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.)

2. 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.)

3. 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: A reading from the second letter of St Paul to the Thessalonians

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: not to let anyone have any food if he refused 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.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

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

Alleluia!

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 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.'



**FOR YOU WHO FEAR MY NAME,
THERE WILL ARISE THE SUN OF JUSTICE
WITH ITS HEALING RAYS**

Malachi 3:20

Reflection on the Gospel of Luke 21:5-19 by Dianne Bergant CSA

The Day of the Lord was believed to be the time when God would come in majesty and power to set all things right. We must remember that the descriptions in today's readings are metaphoric or symbolic in nature. As with all metaphors or symbols, we miss something of their profound meaning if we merely understand them literally. It is not helpful to relate elements of the description with particular aspects of the contemporary world. Belief in the Day of the Lord is a way of testifying to our faith in the righteousness of God.

Although the narrative readings for today concentrate on the disruptions that will accompany the coming of God, they also contain hints of the salvation that will finally arrive. Malachi speaks of the sun of justice that comes with healing rays; Luke promises that the faithful disciples will escape without a hair of their heads being destroyed. Just as the descriptions of the upheavals should not be understood literally, neither should these descriptions. It may be that the faithful followers of Jesus will suffer terrible agonies. The point here is that even in the midst of their pain, they will be protected. The healing rays of justice and the rescue of the lives of the upright are references to salvation. God does not come at the end to condemn, but to save. Furthermore, the suffering that precedes the end is intended for purification and refinement, not punishment. Christians are exhorted to live in this endtime with patient endurance of difficulties.

PRAYER OF THE FAITHFUL

For Pope Francis and all religious leaders, that they will be prophets of hope for the whole of creation. (Pause) Let us pray to the Lord.

For the untold millions engulfed in the chaos of war and the climate crisis, that they will find the refuge, safety and support that is their right. (Pause) Let us pray to the Lord.

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 all who struggle to find the bare necessities of daily life, that today's World Day of the Poor will help bring them a fair share in the world's resources. (Pause) Let us pray to the Lord.

For the unemployed, those in insecure work, and all whose working conditions are unsafe or unfair, that sound economic policies will address their plight. (Pause) Let us pray.

For all who are afflicted with serious mental illness, that they will gain access to the professional care they need. (Pause) Let us pray to the Lord.

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), and for Paulina Ball, whose anniversary of death occurs around this time, those in our Book of Remembrance and those we remember especially in the month of November, that they will be blessed with eternal peace. (Pause) Let us pray to the Lord.

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CONCLUDING PRAYER

Father,
may we grow in love as we imitate Jesus,
who is Lord for ever and ever.
Amen.

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

Next weekend Mass time: 6pm in the church.

Weekday Mass: No Tuesday Mass on 15th November as Mick is on retreat.

Meditation: Thursdays at 10.30am in the Presbytery.

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

Parish Gathering to discuss the proposed redevelopment of the Presbytery 22nd November immediately following the 10am Mass.

Dear Parishioners,

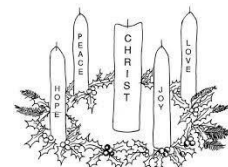
Book of Remembrance: names and offerings now being taken for our November Book of Remembrance. Offerings and names received are sent on to assist priests in poor or remote parishes in Australia, as well as being included in our Masses.

Parish Meeting to discuss the proposed redevelopment of the Presbytery will take place on Tuesday 22nd 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.

Ecumenical Advent Breakfast for Braidwood women

St Bede's warmly invites all women to an Advent prayer Breakfast on Saturday 3rd December 2022 8-10am in 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 28th November (no refunds possible due to purchasing costs)



Year of Walking Together Events

Re-opening and Blessing Mass for Sts. Peter and Paul's Old Cathedral in Goulburn commencing at 11am on Wednesday 30th November.

Readings for Mass: 1st: Mal. 3:19-20. 2nd: 2 Thess. 3:7-12. Gospel: Luke 21:5-19.

Readings for next week: Christ the King: 1st: 2 Sam. 5:1-3. 2nd: Col. 1:12-20. G: Luke 23:35-43.

Ministry Rosters for our Masses

Date	Acolyte	Welcomer	Readers		
12 Nov		Cathy F	Wendy H/Germaine		
19 Nov	Felix	Geraldine	Wendy M-B/Ann		
26 Nov		Helen P	Michael/Cathy F		
3 Dec	Felix	Cathy F	Bobbie/Tommy		
Ministries of service:		11 Nov	18 Nov	25 Nov	2 Dec
Altar Decorating:		Cathy F	Margaret	Joy	Helen P
Cleaning:		Helen P & Sarah		Bunny & Ella	

Counters: 1st Sunday: Pauline & Bobbie.
3rd Sunday:

2nd: Sunday: Wendy H
4th: Phil Owen

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

Take care of each other,
Helen Hart

Brian's Birthday Dinner





Brian would like to thank everyone for their good wishes, beautiful gifts and for attending his birthday dinner. He also thanked Mandy, who brought him gifts and cake from Krawarree on Tuesday.

Germaine presented the gift of an aran jumper to Brian with these words:

Brian When we were thinking of a suitable gift, a WestsTigers jersey was suggested.

However, we wished to give you an item that would hold even greater significance.. yes, a jumper. Not just any jumper.... But an authentic Aran jumper.

The Aran jumper must be handknitted, believed to have been **symbolic of nature, the sea, and the fishing families who lived on the Aran Islands.**

And there are 8 patterns based on Irish Tradition where each stitch represents a different meaning and symbolizes something of importance.

Brian....your jersey was meant to be....

The Irish have a long held belief that the pattern chooses the wearer.

A note accompanied this jumper which read:

The wearer of the Honeycomb Stitch is a reminder to us all of the hardworking, industrious bee and promises sweet, sweet reward for its honest labour.

Remember, the pattern chooses the wearer.

I was genuinely intrigued.

Many of you may know this, that In Christian tradition, the bee, is the emblem of Christ.

Br Brian, if God had a footy jersey, then this is it.

You're an exemplary player.

It may have taken 90 years to get to you... but here it is.

Brian...and this is the best part.....we all want to be on your team!
