



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

**14 November 2021**

**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 Daniel

'At that time Michael will stand up, the great prince who mounts guard over your people. There is going to be a time of great distress, unparalleled since nations first came into existence. When that time comes, your own people will be spared, all those whose names are found written in the Book. Of those who lie sleeping in the dust of the earth many will awake, some to everlasting life, some to shame and everlasting disgrace. The learned will shine as brightly as the vault of heaven, and those who have instructed many in virtue, as bright as stars for all eternity.'

### **RESPONSORIAL PSALM:**

**Response: Keep me safe, O God: you are my hope.**

**1. O Lord, it is you who are my portion and cup;  
it is you yourself who are my prize.  
I keep the Lord ever in my sight:  
since he is at my right hand, I shall stand firm. (R.)**

**2. And so my heart rejoices, my soul is glad;  
even my body shall rest in safety.  
For you will not leave my soul among the dead,  
nor let your beloved know decay. (R.)**

**3. You will show me the path of life,  
the fullness of joy in your presence,  
at your right hand happiness forever. (R.)**

### **SECOND READING:** A reading from the letter to the Hebrews

All the priests stand at their duties every day, offering over and over again the same sacrifices which are quite incapable of taking sins away. Christ, on the other hand, has offered one single sacrifice for sins, and then taken his place for ever, at the right hand of God, where he is now waiting until his enemies are made into a footstool for him. By virtue of that one single offering, he has achieved the eternal perfection of all whom he is sanctifying. When all sins have been forgiven, there can be no more sin offerings.

### **Gospel Acclamation**

Alleluia, alleluia!  
Be watchful, and pray constantly,  
that you may be worthy to stand before the Son of Man.  
Alleluia!

**GOSPEL:** A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark.

Jesus said to his disciples: 'In those days, after the time of distress, the sun will be darkened, the moon will lose its brightness, the stars will come falling from heaven and the powers in the heavens will be shaken. And then they will see the Son of Man coming in the clouds with great power and glory; then too he will send the angels to gather his chosen from the four winds, from the ends of the world to the ends of heaven.

'Take the fig tree as a parable: as soon as its twigs grow supple and its leaves come out, you know that summer is near. So with you, when you see these things happening: know that he is near, at the very gates. I tell you solemnly, before this generation has passed away all these things will have taken place. Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away. 'But as for that day or hour, nobody knows it, neither the angels of heaven, nor the Son; no one but the Father.'



### **REFLECTION by Dianne Bergant CSA**

Although this is not the last Sunday of the liturgical year, the major theme found in the readings is the end of time. The events that will usher in and will take place during this time are described in apocalyptic terms. The struggles of life will culminate in a massive cosmic confrontation between the forces of good and those of evil. This last battle will be universal in scope, just like the first primordial conflict between chaos and God.

In some way, all of today's readings state that good will finally prevail over evil. In the last days Michael, the angelic warrior of God, will rise up. In the epistle, Christ is pictured seated triumphantly at the right hand of God with his enemies under his foot, a sign of conquest. Finally, in the gospel, the Son of Man, the mysterious figure from apocalyptic literature, comes in the clouds with great power and glory. All of these images are apocalyptic; each of them is quite hopeful.

We read these stories at the close of the liturgical year, because we are coming to the conclusion of our yearly telling of the story of salvation. However, apocalyptic images are timely whenever we find ourselves in the throes of the battle with evil and it appears that we will succumb. These forms will remind us that good will be able to withstand evil. From this we will conclude that we need only trust in God.

### **PRAYER OF THE FAITHFUL**

We pray for world leaders, that they will press ahead with the changes necessary to bring global warming under control, using the Pope's seven year plan. (Pause) Lord, hear us.

We pray for the many who still live in poverty, that this World Day of the Poor (held today, the 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time) will highlight their right to a just share of the world's resources. (Pause) Lord, hear us.

We pray for children around the world, that they may celebrate this week's Universal Children's Day (20 November) in freedom, safety and peace. (Pause) Lord, hear us.

We pray for those who struggle with underemployment, that they will find their way to fuller and satisfying work. (Pause) Lord, hear us.

We pray for secondary and tertiary students, engaged in final exams: that their disrupted studies will not deny them the achievement they hope for. (Pause) Lord, hear us.

We pray for all who suffer in mind, body or spirit, including Clare Gowan, Helen Montgomery, Judy Nielson, Karen Sutor, Bob Haigh, Teonie McMahon, Jeremy Nelson, Helen Campbell-Davys, Ian Vardanega, John Shiels, Tony Riley, Rupert Ermet, Val Biggers and Celia Roach. (Pause) Lord, hear us.

We pray for the recently deceased, including Margaret Norsa, Martin Hennessy, Allan Stewart, Dan Costello . . . and for all our dearly departed: that they will enjoy happiness at God's right hand for ever. (Pause) Lord, hear us.

### **CONCLUDING PRAYER**

Father, may we grow in love for you and your faithful people  
in memory of our Lord 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: Vigil Saturday at 6pm in St Bede's School Hall.**

**Weekday Mass: No Tuesday Mass 16 November**

**Meditation: recommences Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> October in Presbytery at 10.30am**

**Social Justice Group: Tuesday 7 December at 10.30am, at the Presbytery**

**November markets: 27 November 2021**

**Dear Parishioners,**

**There won't be a Tuesday Mass next week as Father Mick will be on retreat.**

Father Mick won't be doing his piece for the bulletin until Fridays, from now on. It will make his news a week later for some parishioners.

**The church is closed to the public for the duration of the roof repairs. Mass is now held in the St Bede's school hall, Saturdays at 6pm. We have now moved to the 2sqm rule allowing a few more people to attend Mass. I would appreciate, if you intend to join us, your letting us know so that seating can be arranged accordingly. **All are welcome, regardless of vaccination status.** Masks are still mandatory and communion will be distributed as before. Phone 4842 2444; Helen 0430 169 849 or Brian 0408 687 915. The 2 collections will once again be taken up during Mass.**

**First Holy Communion** will be held on Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> November (Feast of Christ the King) at 10.30am. This Mass is for the children and their families only due to the covid restrictions.

**Our monthly markets return this month.** Let us all try and make them great, by donating items for our table.

**Our Christmas Mass** will be held Friday 24 Dec at 5.30pm in the church grounds as we don't anticipate the church will be finished.

**Does anyone know of a Bee Removal person in Braidwood?** It would be such a pity to have to destroy the bees that have taken up residence in one of the Presbytery chimneys but they have to go. I would like them to have a good home.

## **21 – November “Walking Together – Advent”**

Parishes and individuals can now register their interest for the family-themed *Walking Together* Advent program: [bit.ly/WalkingTogether\\_Advent](http://bit.ly/WalkingTogether_Advent)

The short videos and discussion questions will be available for download week by week starting Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> November to be used in small discussion groups.

Enquiries: [lara.kirk@cq.org.au](mailto:lara.kirk@cq.org.au) 0429 192 869

**We are also ordering copies of “New Life in Christ”** an Advent resource from Brisbane, as we have done previously. Please let Brian or I know if you would like a copy.

**Cbm (Christian Blind Mission)** are once again offering Meaningful Christmas Gifts through their catalogue. It is on the table at the back of the hall, along with order forms and an envelope with the reply paid address.

**Far East magazines** are also on the table for interested parishioners.

1<sup>st</sup> Collection: BSB: 062-786

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**Account Name: St Bedes Braidwood CPF**

Reference: BRAIDWOOD & SURNAME

For 2<sup>nd</sup> collection: BSB: 062-786

Account No: 00017755

Name: St Bedes Parish Braidwood.

Reference: name or giving number if you have one.

### **Readings for next week: Christ the King:**

1<sup>st</sup>: Daniel 7:13-14. 2<sup>nd</sup>: Apoc. 1:5-8. Gospel: John 18: 33-37.

### **Ministry Rosters for our Masses**

<b>Date</b>	<b>Acolyte</b>	<b>Welcomer</b>	<b>Readers</b>	<b>Music</b>
13 Nov	Geoff	Cathy F	Rod/Bobbie	Helen H
20 Nov	Felix	Geraldine	Wendy H/Germaine	Helen H
27 Nov	Les	Helen P	Wendy M-B/Ann	Helen H
4 Dec	Geoff	Cathy F	Michael/Cathy F	Helen H

Seems we have more rain coming,  
Helen Hart