

LITURGY OF THE WORD  
Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe A  
First Reading

Ez 34:11-12. 15-17  
A reading from the prophet Ezekiel  
*You, my flock, I judge between sheep and sheep.*

The Lord says this: I am going to look after my flock myself and keep all of it in view. As a shepherd keeps all his flock in view when he stands up in the middle of his scattered sheep, so shall I keep my sheep in view. I shall rescue them from wherever they have been scattered during the mist and darkness. I myself will pasture my sheep, I myself will show them where to rest – it is the Lord who speaks. I shall look for the lost one, bring back the stray, bandage the wounded and make the weak strong. I shall watch over the fat and healthy. I shall be a true shepherd to them.

As for you, my sheep, the Lord says this: I will judge between sheep and sheep, between rams and he-goats.  
*The Word of the Lord*  
**R. Thanks be to God**

Responsorial Psalm  
Ps 22:1-3. 5-6. R. v.1

**R. The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.**  
1. The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want. Fresh and green are the pastures where he gives me repose.  
2. Near restful waters he leads me, to revive my drooping spirit. He guides me along the right path; he is true to his name.  
3. You have prepared a banquet for me in the sight of my foes. My head you have anointed with oil; my cup is overflowing.  
4. Surely goodness and kindness shall follow me all the days of my life. In the Lord's own house shall I dwell for ever and ever.  
**R. The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.**

Second Reading  
1 Cor 15:20-26. 28

A reading from the first letter of St Paul to the Corinthians  
*He will hand over the kingdom to God the Father, so that God may be all in all.*  
Christ has been raised from the dead, the first-fruits of all who have fallen

asleep. Death came through one man and in the same way the resurrection of the dead has come through one man. Just as all men die in Adam, so all men will be brought to life in Christ; but all of them in their proper order: Christ as the first-fruits and then, after the coming of Christ, those who belong to him. After that will come the end, when he hands over the kingdom to God the Father, having done away with every sovereignty, authority and power. For he must be king until he has put all his enemies under his feet and the last of the enemies to be destroyed is death. And when everything is subjected to him, then the Son himself will be subject in his turn to the One who subjected all things to him, so that God may be all in all.

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**R. Thanks be to God**

Gospel Acclamation  
Mk 11:9-10

Alleluia, alleluia!  
Blessings on him who comes in the name of the Lord! Blessings on the coming kingdom of our father David! Alleluia!

Gospel

Mt 25:31-46  
A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew  
*He will take his seat on his throne of glory, and he will separate men one from another.*  
Jesus said to his disciples: 'When the Son of Man comes in his glory, escorted by all the angels, then he will take his seat on his throne of glory. All the nations will be assembled before him and he will separate men one from another as the shepherd separates sheep from goats. He will place the sheep on his right hand and the goats on his left. Then the King will say to those on his right hand, "Come, you whom my Father has blessed, take for your heritage the kingdom prepared for you since the foundation of the world. For I was hungry and you gave me food; I was thirsty and you gave me drink; I was a stranger and you made me welcome; naked and you clothed me, sick and you visited me, in prison and you came to see me." Then the virtuous will say to him in reply, "Lord, when did we see you hungry and feed you; or thirsty and give you drink? When did we see you a stranger and make you welcome; naked and clothe you; sick or in prison and go to

see you?" And the King will answer, "I tell you solemnly, in so far as you did this to one of the least of these brothers of mine, you did it to me." Next he will say to those on his left hand, "Go away from me, with your curse upon you, to the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels. For I was hungry and you never gave me food; I was thirsty and you never gave me anything to drink; I was a stranger and you never made me welcome, naked and you never clothed me, sick and in prison and you never visited me." Then it will be their turn to ask, "Lord, when did we see you hungry or thirsty, a stranger or naked, sick or in prison, and did not come to your help?" Then he will answer, "I tell you solemnly, in so far as you neglected to do this to one of the least of these, you neglected to do it to me." And they will go away to eternal punishment, and the virtuous to eternal life.'

*The Gospel of the Lord*  
**R. Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ**

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Necessities of [Eternal] Life

The eternal destiny of every human being of a certain maturity is determined by decisions made in relation to food and drink for the famished, clothing and housing for those without decent clothing or shelter, visiting those in circumstances which cut them off from life-giving contact with others (the sick and prisoners). Those who provide such assistance, in the words of Pope Francis, touch the wounds of Christ! A Christian can be fully conscious of this, but for non Christians it is possible to do so without any of our awareness or belief. Christ is *completely* incognito to them: 'When did we ever see you hungry and feed you ...?'. We know the doctrine of the Real Presence in the poor and marginalised. Woe betide those of us who ignore this fact of faith. We are on the way to a Hellish state of existence. That is equally possible for those who do not share our faith, but who ignore the plight of the marginalised and continue in a self-absorbed way. We could pause for a moment to pray that we, and many billions of non-Christians, may hear the invitation: 'Come you blessed of my Father, inherit the Kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world.'

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WEEKLY MASS TIMES

**Tues 24:** 5.30 Mass  
**Wed 25:** 9am Mass  
**Thurs 26:** 9am Mass  
**Fri 27:** 9.15am Mass  
**Sat 28:** 9am Rosary/Mass  
9.30am Recon 6pm Mass  
**Sun 29:** 9am Mass 5pm Mass

ROSTERS 21/22 NOVEMBER

**Church Cleaning**  
Favetta/O'Neill (23-27)  
**Welcomers**  
6pm K Conway  
9am J McClelland  
5pm M deSmet  
**Commentator**  
6pm J Quigley  
9am M Lowe  
5pm J O'Sullivan  
**Readers:**  
6pm A Jackson  
9am C Lowe  
5pm Sr Marie McAlister  
**Eucharistic Ministers**  
6pm M Bridges  
9am A Skinner  
5pm D Gorzalka  
**Computer Screen**  
6pm T Jackson  
9am T Priest  
5pm M O'Neill

REGISTRARS

6pm G & M Weatherall  
9am B Basevi, G Norris  
5pm Volunteer please

ROSTERS 28/29 NOVEMBER

**Church Cleaning**  
D & L May (30/11-4/12)  
**Welcomers**  
6pm B Wilson  
9am C Connell  
5pm D Ebejer  
**Commentator**  
6pm M Bridges  
9am B Basevi  
5pm K O'Sullivan  
**Readers:**  
6pm P O'Kelly  
9am A Brown  
5pm S Ebejer  
**Eucharistic Ministers**  
6pm A Rogers  
9am L Stevens  
5pm L Favetta  
**Computer Screen**  
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9am B Basevi, G Norris  
5pm J McCarthy

SUNDAY OF CHRIST THE KING-A

LOOKING  
BACK  
AT  
YEAR  
A

The Church's liturgical calendar runs on three years cycle. Years A, B and C. This weekend marks the end of the Church's Liturgical Year "A". The year begun with Advent last December and now concludes with the celebration of the universal kingship of Christ.

It has been a challenging Liturgical year, marked with drought, the fires, the floods, and the COVID-19 global pandemic with the accompanying fatalities, besides, the confronting challenges in people's personal lives. The year witnessed economic depression on a global scale, job losses, the longest closure of churches, the suspension of Sunday obligation, the popularisation of virtual masses via YouTube and Zoom, spiritual communion, drive-thru confession, the use of facemasks, sign-in at venues, restrictions, isolation, lockdowns, border closures, quarantine, physical distancing, with hand sanitisers visibly taking the place of holy water font in churches. All of these has had enormous and ongoing effects on the way we live, engage, interact with our environments and celebrate liturgies. What a year!

Also, the year has been apocalyptic in nature with a deep sense of fear and waiting. The experiences were scary, yet we waited in hope for what follows. We seemed to be more conscious of the kingdom and the nearness of the end, than ever before especially, as the narratives pointed to the predictions in sacred scriptures and private revelations when "*the sheep will be separated from goats*" (Mt 25. 32b). We missed the things that we enjoyed and the opportunities that we often take for granted. We were reminded of our values, and the things that matter most in life. We were drawn to separating the temporal from the eternal as fear, uncertainty and anxiety mounted.

Thankfully, we have come through to the end. The common desire is to skip the year for being a horrible one. Yet, looking back on a year full of tears and fears, the resilience displayed by many shows the strength of hope and importantly for those who believe, the depth of faith in Jesus, the universal king. But first, what are the takeaways from this year? What were the values that sustained our hope? What were the essences, the things that matter most in life that kept our faith alive?

These questions call for reflection. For some people, the shared generosity and support of family, neighbours, friends and the community kept them grounded. Others were sustained in addition by their belief in the promised kingdom where Jesus is celebrated as king; a kingdom where the love of God and neighbour is the guiding principle. These combined elements of human solidarity in the spirit of love and faith are present throughout this year in the brave efforts of the first responders, the generous donations of money, mobile homes, clothes, food items, and the many prayers, the unforgettable takeaways of the year helping to sustain our hope and keeping our collective faith alive.

These bring to fulfilment the requirements of the kingdom as outlined by Jesus in Mathew's Gospel this weekend. *I was hungry you fed me, naked you clothed me...* (Mt 25. 31-46). As we deepen our end of liturgical year reflections, regardless of where we stand, let us continue to exercise the demands of the kingdom as enunciated by Christ the king.

Fr. Martins



## Pope Francis Monthly Prayer Intentions

### NOVEMBER

#### Artificial Intelligence

We pray that the progress of robotics and artificial intelligence may always serve humankind



### OUR LADY HELP OF CHRISTIANS

O Immaculate Mary, Help of Christians, Queen of heaven and earth, and tender Mother of humanity, at this time when a pandemic threatens all your children, we entrust to you our nation, Australia, and all who live in this country. We commit to your intercession all the members of our community, beginning with the weakest ones, from the unborn to the sick, the disabled and the elderly. We commit to you our families, our young and old, and all who are vulnerable, those who are quarantined or anxious.

We entrust to your Immaculate Heart those who have lost their livelihood or employment, our pastors and other essential service workers, and our leaders at this time. We implore your intercession especially for the protection of doctors and nurses and those who minister to the contagious sick in this crisis.

Reign over us, Mother of God, and teach us how to make the Heart of Jesus reign and triumph in us and around us, as it has reigned and triumphed in you!

### UPCOMING EVENTS

**Wrap With Love**—Wed 25th Nov 11am-1pm  
**Bible Study/Faith Formation**—Wed 9.30 am  
**Craft Group Xmas Lunch**—Thursday 26th 11.30 am  
**PPC Discernment Gathering**—Thurs 26th 5pm Meeting Room  
**Men Alive**—1st & 3rd Wed 8 am  
**Adoration**—Friday 5.30pm  
**Reconciliation**—Saturday 9.30 am  
**Singalong** Mondays 1pm in the Church + Zoom



### Remembering the Forgotten

During November we have remembered those we have loved who have died. We have prayed and lit candles.

These final two weeks let us hold in our hearts and prayers those who died alone, those who have no one to remember them, those families unable to mourn their lost loved ones due to separation, estrangement and suffering.

Let us light our candles for the Alone and Forgotten.

### Our Prayer

O God, you are the Keeper of the Book of Life, and no-one dies alone but all under your loving gaze. We hold in prayer and love those who have died alone; the refugees seeking a safe haven, the homeless seeking shelter, the hungry seeking nourishment and the desolate seeking love. Enfold your families with their mercy and with the trust that their lost loved one is at peace in your loving arms.

May they Rest in Peace.



### NOVEMBER CEMETERY VISIT/ROSARY

Every Sunday of the Month at 12 midday

22/11 Old Catholic Cemetery Bent St, Batemans Bay  
 29/11 Nelligen Cemetery  
 Rosary will be held rain or sunshine. Please bring umbrellas and a chair.

### MEMORIAL MASSES OF THE WEEK

Wednesday 9am  
 Polly Hogan, Louis Aloisio

There will be the opportunity to offer memorial mass for our deceased loved ones this November. Kindly contact the Parish Office for further details.

This weekend at all Masses we invite you to write the names of those you have lost since last November, we will pray together throughout the month with rosary at the cemeteries each Sunday and other rituals.

Also memorial masses will be offered for our lost loved ones during this month of November.

### Lebanon Update:

Immediately following the Beirut explosion, ACN provided an initial emergency grant of \$400,00 AUD for food. ACN has just announced a further commitment of \$8 million for the repair and reconstruction of churches and convents. ACN thanks everyone who has already donated to their national appeal and welcomes any further support.

Visit [www.aidtochurch.org/Lebanon](http://www.aidtochurch.org/Lebanon) or call 1800 101 201.

### PARISH ADVENT PROGRAM 2020

The Parish Advent Program will commence in the Church meeting room on Wednesday 25th November and continue on the following three Wednesdays:

**2nd December, 9th December, 16th December.**

**Sessions:** Morning—9.30 am Evening 7.00pm

The program will be based on a booklet produced by the Wollongong Diocese called *Adore—Advent & Christmas Reflections*.

Co-ordinator: Joe Quigley (0404 357 744)



**Reaching beyond 2020**—People of all trades and professions are being requested by communities abroad seeking to build the capacity of their organisations and the skills of their people. Restrictions this year have made communities' needs acute, but your assistance will help to develop self-reliance and sustainable solutions to poverty. [Palms Australia](http://Palms Australia) will provide

you with thorough preparation to ensure your readiness as travel resumes, and support on assignment. See [www.palms.org.au](http://www.palms.org.au) and talk to Roger on 0431 995 058 email [palms@palms.org.au](mailto:palms@palms.org.au)

**CONCERNED CATHOLICS** Canberra-Goulburn warmly invite you to:

*The Pope's Revolution: The Implications of Laudato Si'*

ZOOM Public Forum Thursday 26 November 2020 – 5pm to 6:30pm

**Speakers:** Dr Paul Collins (Canberra: historian, broadcaster, writer) and Dr Patricia Hindmarsh (former Director of Tasmanian Catholic Education: justice, peace and ecology advocate) No need to register. For more in info and to connect to the Zoom meeting visit: [www.concernedcatholicscanberra.org/new-events](http://www.concernedcatholicscanberra.org/new-events) OR Mark on 0417 603 697



**Sunday 22nd**—St Cecilia Christ the King  
**Monday 23rd**—St Clement 1, St Columban, Blessed Miguel Agustin Pro  
**Tuesday 24th**—St Andrew Dung Lac  
**Wednesday 25th**—St Catherine of Alexandria

**WORKING BEE AT THE CONVENT MONDAY 23RD NOV 9AM -12 NOON**



Contact Sr Marie on 0429 383333

### PPC RENEWAL PROCESS

We are in the process of renewing the Parish Pastoral Council and the Parish Pastoral Plan. The following parishioners have been invited to participate in the discernment process leading to the renewal of the Parish Pastoral Council. These will collaborate with the incumbent Pastoral Councillors in developing a new Parish Pastoral Plan for 2021-2023. Please keep this process in your payers.

Mick Lowe, Nola Beatty, Miranda Vidovic, Tony DCosta, Judith Baroman, Pat Jobes, Peter O'Kelly, Maria Devine, Saskia Ebejer, Jenny Rzepa

### PARISH FINANCIAL SUPPORT

From 1<sup>st</sup> October 2020 there will only be one collection which will be deposited in the Parish Operating Account this will include existing Credit Card transactions, Direct Debits, collection box and Tap machine. The collection will then be apportioned with a percentage forwarded to the Archdiocese for the Central Presbytery Fund each month.

If you would like to join the Parish e-platform giving, the details are as follows:

**Acc. Name: St Bernard's Operating Account BSB: 062-786**

**Bank Acc:000012939 Ref: Family Name**

**Please note: For banking at any bank but not the Commonwealth Bank**

If you currently have a direct debit to the Central Presbytery Fund a suggestion is that it be cancelled and combined into the St Bernard's Operating Account in order to facilitate the continuity of funds. Please contact Anne Jackson in the Parish Office on a Friday from 10am-2pm if you need any further information.

### Remembering the Sick:

John Dillon, Trish Hamilton, Daniel Coffey, Vince Burns, Jim Banks, Dennis Sheather, James Lee, Mary Henderson, George Fitzgerald, Diane Lanzon, Marion O'Grady, Victor Edith, Jan Simpson, Dawn Robinson, Margaret Harris, Bill Giust, Allan Odium, Luke Ward, Rosemary Cooley, Andrew Morton, Ken Evendon, Janet Thornberry, Judy Betts, Anica Bautovic, Angela Mylott, Jeanette Clarke, and those in our local Nursing Homes and Hospital

### Death Anniversaries:

Olga Drinan, Kevin Rourke, Alice Stewart, Gregory Chatfield, Ann Smith, John Bradley, Vincenzo Biondo, Donald Walker, Ray Goodridge, Brian Jose

*We pray for the recently deceased in the Parish*

**Community:** Shirley Keir, Steven Thomas, Maureen Kinross, Nora Trompp, Ken Bow, Peter Varkulevicius, Ian McAdam, Jan Schor, Pio Liberale, Amelia Davis, Glenda Gallagher, Ivy Rootsey, Evert Ordelman, Regina Mass, Kathleen Brown, Mato Katic, Hilda Muldoon, Barbara Simpson, Anacorita Villanueva Senci, Philip Lewis, P. Bernasconi

## Parish Coffee Club

You are invited for coffee and chat Thursdays after Mass.

VENUE: Corrigan's Cove

### Eurobodalla Tea & Talk Sessions 11am—2 pm

\*Nelligen Foreshore - Tues 24th November

### RED CROSS

**Bushfire financial assistance**

**Grants:** New **additional support grant** is available for people facing financial hardship. This grant is open to people with a low income (who are receiving government financial assistance such as a pensioner, disability or health care card). Applications for this grant close on **27 November 2020**. <https://www.redcross.org.au/get-help/emergencies/recovering-from-emergencies/grants>

### Bring some Joy to a family at Christmas

St Vincent de Paul Christmas Appeal, due to Covid-19, will be different this year. **From Nov 29 -Dec 14** we are asking for gifts of money to help us purchase food and gifts vouchers for those who need assistance at Christmas. You can place your donation in the SVDP box placed near the Christmas Tree in the foyer of the Church. Note: we are unable to accept food or toy donations this year. **Thank you for your support.**

<p>Batemans Bay, Moruya &amp; Narooma</p> <p><b>District Funerals</b></p> <p>Mark Hewson JP Funeral Director Phone 02 4472 8886</p> <p>Moruya 02 4474 3555 Narooma 02 4476 3888</p>	<p><b>INDUSTRIAL REPLACEMENTS</b></p> <p>1 Sharon Road, Batemans Bay</p> <p>Buy fuel any time</p> <p>EFFIOS VISA AMEX MASTERCARD</p>
<p><b>OCEAN BREEZE TAKEAWAY</b></p> <p>Fish &amp; Chips, Burgers, Sandwiches &amp; Coffee</p> <p><b>100% BEEF BURGER</b></p> <p>248 Beach Road Batemans Bay NSW 2536</p> <p>02 4472 1802</p>	<p><b>ST BERNARDS PRIMARY SCHOOL</b></p> <p><b>ENROLLING NOW</b></p> <p><b>Ph 4472 4446</b></p> <p>Member of the Eurobodalla K-12 Catholic Schools' Community</p>

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