

LITURGY OF THE WORD  
Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary  
Time Year B

First Reading Dn 12:1-3

A reading from the prophet Daniel  
*When that time comes your own people will be spared.*

‘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.’

*The Word of the Lord*

**R. Thanks be to God**

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 15:5, 8-11. R.v.1

**(R.) 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.

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.

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

**(R.) Keep me safe, O God: you are my hope.**

Second Reading Heb 10:11-14, 18

A reading from the letter to the Hebrews

*By a single offering he has achieved the eternal perfection of those who are sanctified.*

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.

*The Word of the Lord*

**R. Thanks be to God**

Gospel Acclamation Lk 21:36

Alleluia, alleluia!

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

Alleluia!

Gospel Mk 13:24-32

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark

*He shall gather his elect from the four winds.*

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.’

*The Gospel of the Lord*

**R. Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ**

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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.

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Do not be afraid and do not be discouraged.

The Lord God Almighty Himself is with you now and forever.

- Karen Tripp

SAINTS OF THE WEEK

Monday 15th - St Albert the Great

Tuesday 16th - St Margaret of Scotland, St Gertrude



Wednesday 17th - St Elizabeth of Hungary

Thursday 18th - Dedication of the Basilicas of Saints Peter and Paul

Saturday 20th - Saturday Mass of the Virgin Mary



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2021  
WORLD DAY OF  
THE POOR  
SUNDAY  
NOVEMBER 14

Upcoming  
Events:

Church/Online:  
Cenacle Prayer  
Tues at 4.45pm

The Marian  
Movement  
of Priests

Adoration: Friday at  
5:30pm



Bench Ministry By Request

Craft Group every  
Thursday @ 10 am

Wrap with Love  
Gathering & Afternoon  
Tea Wed 24th Nov 1-3pm

Coffee Club  
Thursday 18h  
After Mass @ Corrigan's  
Cove

First Eucharist Mass  
Saturday 20th @ 5pm

Cuppa with Mary  
MacKillop Tuesday 23rd  
10am @ Phil  
Billington's house  
0428 593 191

PPC Meeting Wednesday  
24th @ 5pm Meeting  
Room

THIRTY THIRD WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME YEAR B

The Exit Door

As we reflect on the Readings and Gospel – Mark 13: 24 -32 today, we are faced with the challenging theme of the ‘end times’ or the coming of the Lord at the end of time - **the final exit door.**



As a pastoral carer at the Sacred Heart Hospice in Sydney, I was present and a witness to many people facing death. Such an experience raised my awareness and openness towards my own death. Yet it is one thing to think about death when it is not imminent and quite another when there is a diagnosis of a terminal illness; or when one feels debilitated by depression or witnesses the death of a family member.

Joyce Rupp, quoting Andrew Harvey, draws this reality into focus: ‘There is a moment when you realise that you are going to die in reality ... really day by day, hour by hour, moment by moment, **going into the darkness of the Love of God and really surrendering, a moment when you realise that, to do that, you will need Divine courage.**’ This reminds me, that what we do with the life we now have, determines our attitude and approach when we go through the exit door into the mysterious world beyond. **It begins with how we go through the ‘little doors’ and experience the ‘little deaths’ of daily living.** Such ‘small dyings’ helps us to open with hope that final door.

Opening the door to Hope

In speaking about the ‘end times’ Jesus offers Hope. In Daniel's time [first reading] the people were being persecuted and put to death for their beliefs; in Mark's time [Gospel] those who chose Jesus were being driven from the temple, persecuted and killed. Yet both Readings offer hope to the people, a spring time of a new creation on His final return, especially to those who chose to follow God's way.

In Eucharist today with hope we trust in God's eternal promises as we pray the responsorial psalm [Ps 15] ‘You will show me the path of life, the fullness of joy in your presence, at your right hand happiness for ever’ **We trust and place our hope in the process of the Lord's time not our own finite time, as we pray the entrance antiphon:** ‘The Lord Says: my plans for you are peace and not disaster; when you call to me, I will listen to you and I will bring you back to the place from which I exiled you.’

Jesus reminds us that our spiritual life and death are at stake in our relations with others. As St John of the Cross reminds us: ‘**On the last day we shall be judged by our love.**’

God bless,

Marie Weatherall



**Pope Francis  
Monthly Prayer  
Intentions  
November**

**People Who Suffer from  
Depression**

We pray that people who suffer from depression or burn-out will find support and a light that opens them up to life.

**WEEKLY MASS TIMES**

**Tues 16th:** 5.30pm Liturgy  
**Wed 17th:** 9am Liturgy  
**Thurs 18th:** 9.00 am Liturgy  
**Fri 19th:** 9.15 am Liturgy  
**Sat 20th:** 9am Mass/Rosary  
9.30am Reconciliation  
5pm First Eucharist Mass.  
**Sunday 21st:** 9am Mass  
5pm Family & Youth Mass / Children's Liturgy

**ROSTERS**

**13/14 November**  
**Church Cleaning**  
Favetta/O'Neill/Nugent (15-19)  
**Commentator**  
6pm Sr Marie  
9am A Skinner  
5pm S Ebejer  
**Readers:**  
6pm J Mackay  
9am A Brown  
5pm A Horsfall  
**Eucharistic Ministers**  
6pm C Brownlie  
9am A Scicluna  
5pm B Maynard  
**Computer Screen**  
6pm T Jackson  
9am T Priest  
5pm M O'Neill  
**REGISTRARS**  
6pm P O'Kelly  
9am B Basevi/G Norris  
5pm M deSmet  
**20/21 November**  
**Church Cleaning**  
M deSmet, J Maher & N Spaven (22-26)  
**Commentator**  
**5pm First Eucharist**  
9am B Basevi  
5pm N Beatty  
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9am L Stevens  
5pm B Maynard  
**Computer Screen**  
**5pm First Eucharist**  
9am D May  
5pm M O'Neill  
**REGISTRARS**  
**5pm G & M Weatherall**  
9am B Basevi/M Lowe  
5pm M Devine

**PARISH DAILY LIVESTREAM MASS**

**Sunday 9am Mass:**  
[https://www.facebook.com/StBernardBatemansbaychurch/live\\_videos/](https://www.facebook.com/StBernardBatemansbaychurch/live_videos/)  
**Tuesday to Saturday:**  
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89462634718?pwd=UGhwWFhlWkZUQWZ0bmhRMUZYUpxZz09>



**The Salvation Army will be holding its Christmas luncheon on Christmas Day @ 12 midday. Helpers are**

**needed from 10am. If you can help please contact Angela Horsfall on 0449 103 603**

**Advent Reflection Group**

will take place after the Wednesday Masses beginning Wed November 24 for 4 weeks.  
Theme: 'New Life in Christ' will be facilitated by Sr. Marie and Marie Weatherall. Advent Resource Booklet supplied. All Welcome.

**Future of Catholicism in Australia.**

With the 1st session of the Plenary Council concluded, we ask what can Australian Catholics hope, pray for, and do in the lead-up to the 2nd Plenary Council assembly in July next year? This 3rd Convocation will be via Zoom on Thurs 18 November (7.30pm AEDT). Ellen Fanning (ABC, The Drum) will lead an online discussion with expert panellists.

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**Wrap with Love**  
**Gathering and afternoon Tea**  
**on Wednesday November 24th 1-3 pm**  
**All enquiries please phone Jenny on 0414 664 077**

**PIETY SHOP**

**The Piety shop has cards and gifts for first Holy Communion.**

**Youth Ministry 2022**

Do you want to be employed on a year of formation and mission? Become a Youth Minister in 2022 in the St Bernard's community! For more information visit;  
[cgyouth.org.au/youth-ministers](http://cgyouth.org.au/youth-ministers) or email: [youth@cgy.org.au](mailto:youth@cgy.org.au)



**2021 Advent Program**

Parishes and individuals can now register their interest for the family-themed *Walking Together* Advent program produced by the local Archdiocese at: [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@cgy.org.au](mailto:lara.kirk@cgy.org.au) 0429 192 869

**NOVEMBER CEMETERY**



**ROSARY**

The rosary will be prayed every Sunday of the month at 12 midday  
**come rain or sunshine.**  
**Bring umbrellas and a chair**

**SUNDAY 14/11-** Broulee Memorial Gardens  
**SUNDAY 21/11-** Mogo Cemetery, Jeramadra  
**SUNDAY 28/11 -** Nelligen Cemetery

**From Monday November 1st, you are invited to write the names of loved ones who have died since last November on the cards provided. You are invited to place them on the November Prayer Focus at the front of the Lectern.**

**We will pray together throughout the month with rosary at the cemeteries each Sunday and other**

**2021 Clergy Retreat**  
Fr Martins and Mark will be away to attend the annual Clergy Retreat from Monday 15th November to Friday 19th.

**CHANGE OF MASS TIMES**



Starting January 2022 Mass on Saturday will be held @ 5pm

**rituals.**

**YEAR OF ST JOSEPH 2021**

"There are many saints to whom God has given the power to assist us in the necessities of life, but the power given to St. Joseph is unlimited: It extends to all our needs, and all those who invoke him with confidence are sure to be heard."

*St Thomas Aquinas*



**DIACONATE ORDINATION**

**INVITATION**

**Eden Langlands**

**19th November 2021**

**Time: 5.00pm**

**Venue: St Christopher's**

**Cathedral Canberra**

**All are welcome**

**Please let the parish office know if you intend going on 44724153 or email as numbers are required.**



**LIVING FAITH IN THE EVERYDAY**



**WE REMEMBER 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 their families with your mercy and with the trust that their lost loved one is at peace in your loving arms. May they Rest in Peace.



**LEAVING COLLECTION**

There will be a Leaving Collection this weekend 13/14th November and next weekend 20/21st November for Mark's Farewell

**Death Anniversaries:** Brian Jose, Colin McGrath, Shirley Kier, Steven Thomas, Kenneth Torkington, Elizabeth Gallagher, Raymond Goodridge, Brendan Hill, Terence Buckley, Marie Shooks, Helen Price, George Unitt, Adalbert Planinsic  
**We pray for the recently deceased in the Parish Community:** Dr Bryan Chester, Waine Williamson, Pat Cooper, Theresa Humphrey, Linda Weatherall, John Mula, Eva Maria Easton, Allan Mitchell, Margaret Harris, Wayne O'Toole, George Fitzgerald, Gloria Gamble, Robyn Lynette Mundy, Lorna Gunn, Savannah Leane, Bill Guist, Kevin Allen, Evelyn Young, Isobel Evans, Michaeline Hatton

**Remembering the Sick:**

Fr Kevin Murphy, Allan Rogers, Pam Wilson, Eileen Hogg, Antony and Andrew, Lois White, Rita Condon, Ben Copland, Femia and Mark, Roberto Alivio, Vince Burns, John Dillon, James Lee, Trish Hamilton, Daniel Coffey, Jim Banks, Dennis Sheather, Mary Henderson, Diane Lanzon, Marion O'Grady, Victor Edith, Jan Simpson, Dawn Robinson, Allan Odium, Luke Ward, Andrew Morton, Ken Evendon, Judy Betts, Janet Thornberry, Anica Bautovic, Angela Mylott, Jeanette Clarke, and those in our local Nursing Homes and Hospital

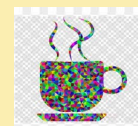
**Prayer For A Pandemic**

May we who are merely inconvenienced  
Remember those whose lives are at stake.  
May we who have no risk factors  
Remember those most vulnerable.  
May we who have the luxury of working from home  
Remember those who must choose Between preserving their health or making their rent.  
May we who have to cancel our trips  
Remember those that have no safe place to go.  
May we who are losing our margin money in the tumult of the economic market  
Remember those who have no margin at all.  
May we who settle in for a quarantine at home  
Remember those who have no home.  
As fear grips our country.  
Let us choose love.  
During this time when we cannot physically wrap our arms around each other,  
Let us yet find ways to be the loving embrace of God to our neighbours.  
Amen.

*Ursuline Sisters of Louisville  
Prayer: Historic Saint Paul Catholic Church*

**Coffee Club**

Thursdays after Mass.  
All are welcome @ Corrigan's Cove



COFFEE N CHAT

**PARISH FINANCIAL SUPPORT**

If you would like to join the Parish e-platform giving for both the Priest and the Church, the details are as follows: Acc. Name: St Bernard's Operating Account  
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