# **SACRED HEART OF JESUS - NEWSLETTER**

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**CHURCH CLOSURE**

**Although there is no congregational Mass the church will be open for private prayer on Tuesday, Thursday and Sunday from 12 noon to 1pm. Thank you again to our stewards, who are making every effort to ensure the church is COVID safe.**

Sunday 22nd November Mass 11am Deceased relatives & friends of Warren/Robertson family

12-1pm Church open for private prayer

Monday 23rd November No Mass

Tuesday 24th November Mass 11am Thanksgiving Judith Heyes

12 – 1pm Church open for private prayer

Wednesday 25th November Mass 11am Ackley Fernandes (2nd birthday) Jevita Gois

Thursday 26th November Mass 11am Safe arrival of Ruben

12 – 1pm Church open for private prayer

Friday 27th November Mass 11am Deceased members of the Kavanagh family

Saturday 28th November Mass 11am Fr Eugene O’Sullivan RIP (Founder of the parish)

Sunday 29th November Mass 11am Trixi & Ernest RIP

**FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT** 12-1pm Church open for private prayer

**PARISH NEWS**

**PLANNING AHEAD**

Please watch the newsletter and website for any update of when the church can open for congregational Mass. Until then, please join me for Mass and in Spiritual Communion. My prayers are offered up to you all. God Bless you until we can meet again for public worship.

**CHRISTMAS RAFFLE**

*You asked and we listened*! Details of this years Christmas raffle will be announced next week. Tickets are on the way.

**FOOD BANK** *“From parishioners, for parishioners”*

If you wish to support this project and help those who are struggling financially in the parish, you can donate non-perishable goods to the office door Monday, Wednesday and Friday 9am-1pm. Or leave them in the porch when the church is open during personal prayer time. Details of distribution to follow.

**MASS INTENTIONS**

If you would like a Mass said for the repose of the soul of a loved one or the wellbeing of family or friends, please contact the Parish Office.

**CAR PARK**

Thanks to the generosity of Parishioners the Car Park is well advanced with the surface done and the wooden gates nearing completion. The next project is the iron gate at the front of the entrance to stop the new surface being damaged and providing security to the Church and car park. Your continuous financial support to complete this project would be much appreciated.

# **Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe – Year A**

### Entrance Antiphon.

How worthy is the Lamb who was slain, to receive power and divinity, and wisdom and strength and honour. To him belong glory and power for ever and ever.

**In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.**

**C.** The Lord be with you

**All. And with your Spirit**

**All: I confess to almighty God**

**And you my brothers and sisters,**

**That I have greatly sinned,**

**In my thoughts and in my words,**

**In what I have done and in what I have failed to do,**

**through my fault, through my fault,**

**through my most grievous fault;**

**therefore, I ask blessed Mary ever-virgin,**

**all the Angels and Saints,**

**and you my brothers and sisters,**

**to pray for me to the Lord our God.**

**C:** Lord, have mercy. **All:** **Lord, have mercy.**

**C:** Christ have mercy**. All:** **Christ have mercy.**

**C:** Lord, have mercy. **All:** **Lord, have mercy.**

**All: Glory to God in the highest**

**And on earth peace to people of goodwill.**

**We praise you,**

**We bless you,**

**We adore you; we glorify you; we give you thanks for your great glory,**

**Lord God, heavenly King,**

**O God, almighty Father.**

**Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son,**

**Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the father,**

**You take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us;**

**You take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer;**

**You are seated at the right hand of the Father,**

**Have mercy on us.**

**For you alone are the Holy One,**

**You alone are the Lord,**

**You alone are the Most High**

**Jesus Christ,**

**With the Holy Spirit,**

**In the glory of the Father.**

**Amen**

**C:** Let us pray.

**First Reading Ezekiel 34:11-12, 15-17**

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

**Responsorial Psalm: Ps 22. R.v.1**

**Response: The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.**

The Lord is my shepherd;

there is nothing I shall want.

Fresh and green are the pastures

where he gives me repose. **R#**

Near restful waters he leads me,

to revive my drooping spirit.

He guides me along the right path;

he is true to his name. **R#**

You have prepared a banquet for me

in the sight of my foes.

My head you have anointed with oil;

my cup is overflowing. **R#**

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#**

**Second Reading 1 Corinthians 15:20-26, 28**

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.

The word of the Lord.

**Alleluia, alleluia!**

Blessings on him who comes in the name of the Lord!

Blessings on the coming kingdom of our father David!

**Alleluia!**

**PRIEST:** The Lord be with you

**All: And with your Spirit.**

**PRIEST:** A reading from the Holy Gospel according to ….

**All: Glory to you, O Lord.**

**Gospel Matthew 25:31-46**

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.’

**PRIEST:** The Gospel of the Lord

**All: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible. I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages. God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father; through him all things were made. For us men and for our salvation he came down from heaven, (all bow) and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary and became man .For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate, he suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and his kingdom will have no end. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

**Liturgy of the Eucharist:**

C: Pray, brethren….

**All: May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands**

**for the praise and glory of his name**

**for our good and the good of all his holy Church.**

**C**: The Lord be with you **All:** **and with your Spirit**

**C**: Lift up your hearts. **All: We lift them up to the Lord.**

**C:** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. **All: it is right and just.**

**All: Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God of hosts**

**Heaven and earth are full of your glory**

**Hosanna in the highest.**

**Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.**

**Hosanna in the highest.**

**Lord’s Prayer: Our** **Father**…

**C:** ……. And the coming of our Saviour, Jesus Christ.

**All:** **For the kingdom the power and the glory are yours now and for ever.**

**All: Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, grant us peace.**

**C:** Behold the Lamb of God…….

**All: Lord, I am not worthy**

**that you should enter under my roof,**

**but only say the word**

**and my soul shall be healed.**

***(Before the Celebrant receives Communion, he will elevate the Host and* then elevate the *Chalice. Holy Communion then follows the Concluding Rites.)***

**C: THE BODY OF CHRIST. All: AMEN**

**C: THE BLOOD OF CHRIST. All: AMEN**

**C: Let us Pray……….**

**C:** The Lord be with you

**All: And with your Spirit.**

C:May Almighty God bless you,

The Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit.

**All: Amen**

**PRIEST:** Go in peace, glorifying the Lord by your life.

**All: Thanks be to God.**