

Thirty Second Sunday in Ordinary time - YB

11th November 2018

Entrance Ant: Let my prayer come into Your presence. Incline Your ear to my cry for help, O Lord.

First reading : from the first book of the Kings 9: 10 – 16.

Responsorial Psalm : Praise the Lord, my soul

Second Reading : from letter to the Hebrews 9: 24 - 28.

Gospel Acclamation : Alleluia, alleluia! Happy the poor in Spirit; the kingdom of Heaven is theirs! Alleluia!

Gospel : according to Mark 12: 38 - 44

Communion Antiphon: The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want. Fresh and green are the pastures where he gives me repose, near restful waters He leads me.

Sydney Archdiocese News

Women's advent retreat

On Saturday, 8th Dec 18, you are very welcome to attend the Women's Advent Retreat Day entitled "My spirit rejoices in God my saviour." The day will see many women gather on the Notre Dame Broadway campus for Mass, time for reflection and reconciliation, Holy Hour, at: www.trybooking.com/YRQW or call Roberta on 02 8204 4189.

A Choral Christmas Celebration Concert

On Friday 14 December, St Mary's Cathedral will celebrate with carols and an overwhelming feeling of Christmas joy for the annual, and much anticipated "A Choral Christmas Celebration concert." There will be two performances at 11am & 7pm with tickets starting from \$20. Visit www.cathedralchoir.sydney/acc for more information.

Pray for the Plenary Council

Across Australia, Catholics are gathering to pray, talk and listen to one another about our experiences of faith and the Church. Many parishes within the Archdiocese have commenced their journey towards the Plenary Council 2020, sharing and reflecting on the future of the Catholic church in Australia. Please continue to pray for the community of the Sydney Archdiocese that we will respond well to the call of the Holy Spirit, by engaging in the preparatory phase of the Plenary with open and humble hearts, listening to what the Spirit is saying to each one of us as we share our experiences of faith towards the preparation of the agenda of the Plenary Council.

The Plenary Council Prayer: <http://plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au/pray/>

Want to know more or on how to become involved, please contact 9390 5147 or email plenarycouncil@sydneycatholic.org

St Christopher's Parish Holsworthy

*We are a community striving for growth, unity, equality,
love and commitment*

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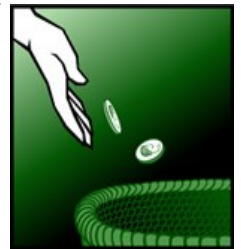
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The willingness to give all that one has is the central theme of today's readings. They offer us three models. Jesus is the ultimate example of heroic generosity. He first offered himself as expiation for our sin. Now, as the eternal high priest, he stands before God as our mediator, pleading on our behalf, bringing salvation to those who eagerly await him.

It is interesting to note that the other two models of selfless giving are widows, individuals who are doubly disadvantaged by the patriarchal societies of which they are members.

Their generosity is religiously inspired, and it comes from women who had the least material possessions to give. This kind of giving requires that we reach deep into ourselves and almost strip ourselves of our hold on life, and that we do this for religious reasons. The giving that is pictured in today's readings is nothing less than heroic generosity. God will not be outdone in generosity. Sometimes we become the beneficiaries of obvious blessing, as was the case in the story of the woman of Zarephath who was granted a year's supply of flour and oil. At other times, we simply continue living life as usual, like the woman in the temple who was unaware of the commendation that Jesus had given her. The truly generous do not look for reward. They carry out their responsibilities and place the rest in God's hands.

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Parish Collections : 04/11/2018 - First: \$1,087.90 Second: \$1,544.90

Parish News

Fete / Fundraising

The Bingo Family Fun Day is on next Sunday 18th Nov starting about 11.00am. Cards for the Bingo will be on sale after weekend Masses. The cost is 1 card for \$10 and 3 cards for \$20. The cards can be used for the whole day and a raffle ticket is also attached to the card. Great prizes are on offer. There is a BBQ with sausages on a roll for \$2.50 or steak rolls for \$3.00. Soft drinks and water are \$1.50. There will also be a stall for Philippino food, showbags and a 'nik-nak' stall with a variety of products and activities for the kids. Tea, coffee and cake will also be available. We thank those who have donated some very generous prizes. Volunteers are very welcome and donations of cake on the day will be greatly appreciated. We look forward to sharing another great day with the community. For further information contact Helen Carter on 0418 403 842

Parish Council

Thank you to those who have expressed an interest in becoming members of the Parish Council. Applications will close on 18th Nov and those who have expressed an interest will be notified in early December. There are sheets at the rear of the Church for parishioners to leave their name and contact details. For any further information please contact David in the Parish office on 9825 1679.

Charitable Works Fund Appeal

Thankyou to everyone who have contributed to the CWF. Your tax free donations will go a long way to help those less fortunate than ourselves.

November Mass Offerings and the Book of remembrance

There are no individual Mass intentions in November. Each weekend in Nov, the book of remembrance containing the names of our dearly departed will be brought to the altar during the Offertory. Any new intentions this month will be included in all Masses and added to the Book of Remembrance for next year.

Mens Night

The next gathering of the St. Josephs Mens group is on Sat 17th at 6:00pm in the Presbytery of St. Josephs Church. Men of St Christophers are welcome. For information contact David Moore 0412 405 792

Carols by Candlelight

Parishioners are invited to Carols by Candlelight in the grounds of the Liverpool Catholic Club on Sunday 2nd Dec. Program starts at 6.45pm, carols 7.30pm. There will be a Nativity scene and a pen with nursery animals. A Fireworks display will conclude the evening. All welcome. Free admission.

Parish Ministry Vacancies

Our Parish community would not be viable without the valuable support of its members. We are very grateful for all who have and continue to respond the various needs of Parish life. In recent months, a number of positions have become vacant and we are in urgent need of volunteers.

At present we are looking for: counters for Mass offerings on a Sunday after Mass and Eucharistic Ministers to deliver the Blessed Sacrament to Catholics at Hammondcare. If you can spare some time to assist with the Pastoral needs of our community, please make contact with the Parish Office.

Mass Times / Intentions

Saturday 10th Nov 5 : 30 pm.....
Sunday 11th Nov 8 : 00 am.....
Sunday 11th Nov 9 : 30 am
Monday 12th Nov 9 : 15 am.....
Tuesday 13th Nov 9 : 15 am.....
Wednesday 14th Nov 9 : 15 am
Wednesday 14th Nov 7 : 00 pm (TLM).....
Thursday 15th Nov 9 : 15 am.....
Friday 16th Nov 9 : 15 am.....
Saturday 17th Nov 11: 00 am (TLM).....

Reconciliation : Saturdays : 4:15 pm.

Baptisms : Second & Third Sunday of the month after 9:30am Mass.

Baptism & Preparation meetings by appointment only. stchris@tpg.com.au

Syro - Malabar Liturgies:

Sunday Mass 11.30 am (Every third Sunday in the School Hall)

The Samoan Community celebrates Mass in the Church on the 3rd Sunday of the Month at 11.30am.

Adoration / Benediction - 7: 00 pm first Friday of the month (Samoan)

Adoration / Holy Hour - Thursday evening 7:30pm (in English) except Thursday before first Friday of Month.

Novena - Our Lady of Perpetual Help -1st Wed of month 7:00pm. No Mass.

No Morning Mass on 1st Tuesday of Month

Traditional Latin Mass - Sat 11:00am and each 2nd, 3rd, 4th (&5th) Wednesday of the Month 7pm.

Saints of the Week / Feasts

Monday 12th - St. Josaphat

Thursday 15th -St Albert the Great

Friday 16th - St. Margaret of Scotland, St. Gertrude

We Pray For The Sick : Peter Wanchalerm Srirattana, Brian Cooney, Cyril Ferriere, Lise Ferriere, Anne Enriquez, Barbara Becroft, Frank Ilankovan, Steven Aboud,



Recently deceased: Jeff Voges

*Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord and let perpetual light shine upon them
May they rest in peace. Amen.*