

Our Lord JESUS CHRIST, KING of the UNIVERSE

25th November 2018

Entrance Ant: 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.

First reading : from the prophet Daniel 7: 13 – 14.

Responsorial Psalm : The Lord is King; He is robed in majesty.

Second Reading : from the book of the Apocalypse 1: 5 - 8.

Gospel Acclamation : Alleluia, alleluia! Blessed is He who inherits the kingdom of David our Father, blessed is He who comes In the name of the Lord. Alleluia!

Gospel : according to John 18: 33 - 37

Communion Antiphon: The Lord sits as King forever. The Lord will bless His people with peace.

Sydney Archdiocese News

Lights of Christmas 5th December

Come and celebrate with Bishop Richard Umbers and Gary Pinto the end of the Year of Youth and the Launch of the Lights of Christmas. Join us on the 5th of December for: 5:30PM Mass celebrated by Bishop Richard Umbers 6:30PM Concert on the Cathedral steps featuring Gary Pinto. 7:30PM Lights of Christmas celebration followed by official opening with Archbishop Anthony Fisher OP and NSW premier Gladys Berejiklian.

Volunteering with CatholicCare

Wellbeing callers. Interested in volunteering to help seniors? Based at our Liverpool office, we need callers to phone people waiting for government funded home care to check on their wellbeing.

Interested in volunteering to help children?

Based at our Lewisham office, we need people to help at playgroups for young vulnerable mothers and their babies.

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 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 that we will respond well to the call of the Holy Spirit, by engaging in the preparatory phase 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 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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Each one of the readings depicts the enthronement of Christ who is revealed as the messiah-king. Until his trial, Jesus himself refused to be identified as king. The royal messianic expectations that prevailed during his lifetime were predominantly political. If he assumed them, his followers might have instigated a rebellion against the Roman occupiers. When finally he did acknowledge his royal identity, he insisted that his rule was not like that of other kings. Enthroned in heaven, Christ is revealed as the faithful witness to all that God has done and will continue to do. As first-born from the dead, his resurrection is the promise of our own resurrection. The dominion that he received from God is universal and exclusive and it will last forever. When he comes again on the last day, he will be revealed in all his glory. Christ's kingdom is a kingdom of truth and life, of holiness and grace, of justice and love and peace. We need not stand at a distance from him, afraid to approach because of our human vulnerability. He is the one who loved us so much that he handed himself over to suffering and death so that we might live. He has already brought us to birth in this kingdom through Baptism and he has taught us how to live in it. Today we look to that time when his glory will be revealed, when we will all be gathered into the embrace of God, there to sing praise to that glory forever.

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Parish Collections : 11/11/2018 - First: \$1,116.30 Second: \$1,607.65

Parish News

Bingo Day

A big thankyou to everyone who supported and attended the Bingo day last weekend. The feedback was very positive and the fundraising result will be posted shortly

Parish Pastoral Council

Thankyou to those who have expressed an interest in joining the Parish Council. Notifications will be made in due course.

Liturgy Changes

There will be no Adoration this Thursday

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.

St Vincent De Paul Society

Regrettably we will not be distributing Christmas hampers and gifts this year. We have come to this decision due to: 1) Having few members whose age/physical condition make the task difficult without the significant help we receive from volunteers; 2) Rules introduced requiring any volunteer to have a Police Criminal History Check plus a 'Working with Children' clearance' check. Our Conference sought an exemption from these requirements, for this once only occasion, from our Central Office but it was not given. Thank you to our parishioners and Primary School for your past generosity and support.

Rest in Peace

We regret to inform parishioners that Varghese Alukka, the father or Fr. Thomas has passed away. Please remember them in your prayers

Know your Faith?

Those who intend to take communion are to abstain for one hour beforehand from all food and drink except water and medicine. This rule does not apply to the elderly, the sick and those who care for them, or to priests celebrating Mass more than once on a given day. It is most strongly recommended that the faithful receive Holy Communion in the course of a Eucharistic celebration. *CCL918-919*

Feast of the Immaculate Conception

St Joseph's Moorebank will be celebrating the Feast of the Immaculate Conception on Saturday 8th Dec. The evening will begin with Reconciliation at 7pm followed by a Rosary at 7:30pm and a healing Mass with Fr. John Iacono at 8.00pm. All are welcome. N.B. This is a special celebration in honour of Our Lady Parishioners are still required to attend one of the scheduled Sunday Masses.



Mass Times / Intentions

Saturday	24th Nov	5 : 30 pm	
Sunday	25th Nov	8 : 00 am	
Sunday	25th Nov	9 : 30 am	
Monday	26th Nov	9 : 15 am.....	
Tuesday	27th Nov	9 : 15 am.....	All Mass Intentions in the month of November are for our Dearly Departed
Wednesday	28th Nov	9 : 15 am	
Wednesday	28th Nov	7 : 00 pm (TLM).....	
Thursday	29th Nov	9 : 15 am.....	
Friday	30th Nov	9 : 15 am.....	
Saturday	1st Dec	11: 00 am (TLM).....	Valentine Varmadevan (RIP)

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

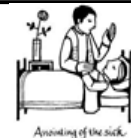
Traditional Latin Mass - Sat 11:00am and each 2nd, 3rd, 4th (&5th) Wednesday of the Month 7pm.

Saints of the Week / Feasts

Friday 30th - St. Andrew Apostle

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 for next year.

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



Recently Deceased : Varghese Alukka

Anniversaries ; T.M. Scaria, James Mascunne, Clem Noiette, Gabriel do Pao,

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