

# OUR SUNDAY CELEBRATION

THIRTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME / A

5 NOVEMBER 2023

Addressing the people and his disciples Jesus said, 'The scribes and the Pharisees occupy the chair of Moses. You must therefore do what they tell you and listen to what they say; but do not be guided by what they do: since they do not practise what they preach. They tie up heavy burdens and lay them on men's shoulders, but will they lift a finger to move them? Not they! Everything they do is done to attract attention, like wearing broader phylacteries and longer tassels, like wanting to take the place of honour at banquets and the front seats in the synagogues, being greeted obsequiously in the market squares and having people call them Rabbi.

'You however, must not allow yourselves to be called Rabbi, since you have only one Master, and you are all brothers. You must call no one on earth your father, since you have only one Father, and he is in heaven. Nor must you allow yourselves to be called teachers, for you have only one Teacher, the Christ. The greatest among you must be your servant. Anyone who exalts himself will be humbled, and anyone who humbles himself will be exalted.'

**The Gospel of the Lord.**

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

## HOMILY

**PROFESSION OF FAITH APOSTLES' CREED**  
*Or the Nicene Creed may be said.*

**I believe in God, / the Father almighty, / Creator of heaven and earth, / and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, / who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, / born of the Virgin Mary, / suffered under Pontius Pilate, / was crucified, died and was buried; / he descended into hell; / on the third day he rose again from the dead; / he ascended into heaven, / and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty; / from there he will come to judge the living and the dead. / I believe in the Holy Spirit, / the holy catholic Church, / the communion of saints, / the forgiveness of sins, / the resurrection of the body, / and life everlasting. Amen.**

## PRAYER OF THE FAITHFUL

### LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

*After the priest raises the paten with the bread and prays, and then the chalice, we respond to each prayer:*

**R. Blessed be God for ever.**

P. Pray, brethren (brothers and sisters), that my sacrifice and yours may be acceptable to God, the almighty Father.

**R. 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.**

## PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

P. May these sacrificial offerings, O Lord, become for you a pure oblation, and for us a holy outpouring of your mercy. Through Christ our Lord.

**R. Amen.**

## THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

P. The Lord be with you.

**R. And with your spirit.**

P. Lift up your hearts.

**R. We lift them up to the Lord.**

P. Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**R. It is right and just.**

## PREFACE I-VIII OF THE SUNDAYS IN ORDINARY TIME

*After the Preface, we sing or say:*

**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.**

## THE MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION

P. The mystery of faith.

**All: Save us, Saviour of the world, for by your Cross and Resurrection you have set us free.**

## COMMUNION RITE

P. At the Saviour's command and formed by divine teaching, we dare to say:

**All: Our Father, who art in heaven ...**

P. Deliver us, Lord, we pray...

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

P. Lord Jesus Christ, who said...

**R. Amen.**

P. The peace of the Lord be with you always.

**R. And with your spirit.**

P. Let us offer each other the sign of peace.

*All exchange a sign of peace*

## LAMB OF GOD

**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.**

## INVITATION TO COMMUNION

P. Behold the Lamb of God, behold him who takes away the sins of the world. Blessed are those called to the supper of the Lamb.

**R. Lord, I am not worthy that you should enter under my roof, but only say the word and my soul shall be healed.**

**COMMUNION ANTIPHON** cf. Ps 15: 11

**You will show me the path of life, the fullness of joy in your presence, O Lord.**

## PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

P. May the working of your power, O Lord, increase in us, we pray,

so that, renewed by these heavenly

Sacraments, we may be prepared by your gift for receiving what they promise.

Through Christ our Lord.

**R. Amen**

## THE CONCLUDING RITES

P. The Lord be with you.

**R. And with your spirit.**

P. May almighty God bless you, the Father, and the Son, ✠ and the Holy Spirit.

**R. Amen.**

P. Go forth, the Mass is ended.

**R. Thanks be to God.**

## BREAKING OPEN THE WORD

### CALLED TO SERVE

Leadership has always been a risky business. With leadership comes prestige and the esteem of others and yet these can be dangerous and murky waters. Those involved in leadership often experience being caught in the tension between the respective privileges and responsibilities that accompany their position. Today's readings converge in their concern to reflect on the nature of authority and how it should be exercised.

At the time Malachi wrote, the people of Israel were in dire need of religious reform and the priests were called to account for their role in creating that situation. If the charge could be laid at the feet of the priests in Malachi's time that they did not care for the people, the same could not be said for Paul. While Paul was called to be an apostle, he was also most concerned to offer the gospel without charge. In the ancient world wandering teachers were usually sponsored financially. Paul avoided such ambiguous relationships by not accepting any help from a community till he had established it and was ready to move on to another.

When Jesus sets out to address the disciples and the people about the scribes and Pharisees it probably sounded fairly safe. Anyone can be comfortable when another person is being subjected to scrutiny and criticism! But the second half of the Gospel suddenly changes direction and disciples in every age are given some guiding principles. Firstly, leadership comes from God, secondly, we belong to one family and thirdly, leadership means service.

CHRISTOPHER MONAGHAN CP

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YOU HAVE ONLY ONE TEACHER. St Paul was a great religious leader. Like a mother, he nourished and watched over his people. He tried not to be a burden on them. He sought to preach God's message and not his own. He helped the people, whom he called his brothers and sisters, to look to Christ as their only Master and Teacher. Today we pray for religious leaders as they strive to express in their own lives the qualities of leadership embodied in Paul.

## INTRODUCTORY RITES

**ENTRANCE ANTIPHON** cf. Ps 37: 22-23

**Forsake me not, O Lord, my God; be not far from me!**

**Make haste and come to my help, O Lord, my strong salvation!**

## GREETING

P. In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

**R. Amen.**

P. The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

**R. And with your spirit.**

## PENITENTIAL ACT

P. Brethren (brothers and sisters), let us acknowledge our sins, and so prepare ourselves to celebrate the sacred mysteries.

**All: I confess to almighty God and to 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, (striking the breast) 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.**

P. May almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us our sins, and bring us to everlasting life.

**R. Amen.**

V. Lord, have mercy.

**R. Lord, have mercy.**

V. Christ, have mercy.

**R. Christ, have mercy.**

V. Lord, have mercy.

**R. Lord, have mercy.**

## GLORIA

**Glorry to God in the highest, / and on earth peace to people of good will. / 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 God the Father. / Amen.**

## COLLECT

P. Almighty and merciful God, by whose gift your faithful offer you right and praiseworthy service, grant, we pray, that we may hasten without stumbling to receive the things you have promised. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever.

**R. Amen.**

## LITURGY OF THE WORD

**FIRST READING** Mal 1: 14-2: 2, 8-10

A reading from the prophet Malachi  
*You have strayed from the way, you have caused many to stumble by your teaching.*

I am a great king, says the Lord of hosts, and my name is feared throughout the nations. And now, priests, this warning is for you. If you do not listen, if you do not find it in your heart to glorify my name, says the Lord of hosts, I will send the curse on you and curse your very blessing. You have strayed from the way; you have caused many to stumble by your teaching. You have destroyed the covenant of Levi, says the Lord of hosts. And so I in my turn have made you contemptible and vile in the eyes of the whole people in repayment for the way you have not kept to my paths but have shown partiality in your administration.

Have we not all one Father? Did not one God create us? Why, then, do we break faith with one another, profaning the covenant of our ancestors?

**The word of the Lord.**

**R. Thanks be to God.**

## RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps 130

**R. In you, Lord, I have found my peace.**

1. O Lord, my heart is not proud nor haughty my eyes.

I have not gone after things too great nor marvels beyond me. **R.**

2. Truly I have set my soul

in silence and peace.

A weaned child on its mother's breast, even so is my soul. **R.**

3. O Israel, hope in the Lord both now and for ever. **R.**

**SECOND READING** 1 Thess 2: 7-9, 13

A reading from the first letter of St Paul to the Thessalonians.

*We were eager to hand over to you not only the Good News but our lives as well.*

Like a mother feeding and looking after her own children, we felt so devoted and protective towards you, and had come to love you so much, that we were eager to hand over to you not only the Good News but our whole lives as well. Let me remind you, brothers, how hard we used to work, slaving night and day so as not to be a burden on any one of you while we were proclaiming God's Good News to you.

Another reason why we constantly thank God for you is that as soon as you heard the message that we brought you as God's message, you accepted it for what it really is, God's message and not some human thinking; and it is still a living power among you who believe it.

**The word of the Lord.**

**R. Thanks be to God.**

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION** Mt 23: 9, 10

**Alleluia, alleluia! / You have one Father, your Father in heaven; / you have one teacher: the Lord Jesus Christ. / Alleluia!**

## GOSPEL

Mt 23: 1-12

P. The Lord be with you.

**R. And with your spirit.**

P. A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew.

**R. Glory to you, O Lord.**

*They do not practise what they preach.*

Fr. Christopher Shorrocks, OFM Conv., Parish Priest  
Fr. Leonides Mateo, OFM Conv., Associate Priest  
Deacon N Tan

Dear Parishioners,

I returned from my holidays on Thursday and it is good to be back. As we enter the month of November let us remember all our deceased relatives and friends and pray that the Lord may grant them eternal rest. We also continue to pray for the children from our Parish who will celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation on Wednesday 15th and 22nd November.

It doesn't seem that long before we will be celebrating the season of Advent and Christmas. And I am sure that you all agree that time just seems to fly by.

Let us continue to pray for one another and our parish.

Fr. Christopher Shorrocks, OFM Conv.



**Calendars for 2024** are available to purchase from the **piety store** after weekend Masses. Many other beautiful items including books, medals, Rosaries, Crucifixes, statues, greeting cards, etc. are also available from the parish office during the week. The calendars are only \$9 each. Come browse, without obligation, any time.

**Are you interested in learning more about what it means to be a Catholic? Or do you know someone who is? To join our current group, please contact us by clicking [here](#), or call the office on 9629-2595.**

**Immaculata Mission School 2024: FISHERS OF MEN**

Start the new year by going deeper into God's love with daily Mass, Adoration, the Rosary, praise, worship, fellowship and more!

Youth & Adults (14 years & up): 1-6 January 2024

Married couples & families: 7-10 January 2024

Guest Speakers: Dan & Stephanie Burke from the USA plus Fr Francesco Gavazzi

Where: NEGS (New England Girls' School), Armidale NSW  
For information and registration [click here](#) or visit: [www.immaculata.org.au/ims](http://www.immaculata.org.au/ims)

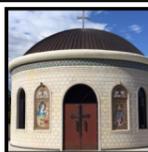
**Let's Pray for the Sick** Vince Bosco, Romeo Susi, Eugene, Maureen, Aureen, Helen, Frankie Fernandez, Pravani, Janice Larsen, Teodora Postaski, Michelle Nickols, Andrew Lack, Prylani, Franca Masciotra, Lynette Mary Crowley and Michael Sampedro and all those who are suffering illness in our community. Please write to us [here](#), to let us know the name of someone who is ill and we will include their names on our list for Prayer.

**FRANCISCAN SHRINE OF THE HOLY INNOCENTS**

Come visit and pray in quiet beauty. The Chapel is open every day from 6am - 6pm.

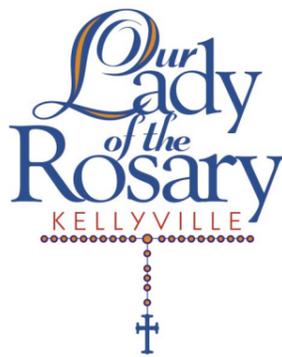
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**Throughout November** Masses in the Parish will be offered for deceased family and friends enrolled in our OLOR All Souls Novena. Please enroll your deceased family and friends by clicking [here](#). Or you may complete a purple envelope found in the Church or collect one from the parish office. The envelopes may be deposited in the Sunday collection with your other Sunday offerings or handed to the Priest or Acolyte after Mass. They may also be delivered to the parish office during the week. For the entire month of November, all the names of your deceased family and friends will remain on the Sanctuary.

**Please use the paper and pens available on the table in front of St. Anthony's statue, to include the names of your deceased loved ones.**

Place them in the purple envelopes with your donation, into the box.



**Young Adults** (ages 18-35) is this Friday, 3 November following the 7pm Mass in the Friary Courtyard! Gather with us for dinner and a roundtable discussion on purgatory.

**Youth Band** returns this Sunday, 5 November serving at the 6pm Mass! All youth and young adults are welcome to join them for practice from 4pm.

**Youth Group** (Years 7-12 & Year 6 students who have received Confirmation) is back this Sunday, 5 November following the 6pm Youth Mass until 8:45pm in the old hall! Email [youthgroupolor@gmail.com](mailto:youthgroupolor@gmail.com) to join our mailing list and follow @olorkellyvilleyouth on Facebook and Instagram!

**Street Feast:** Bishop Vincent and the Diocese of Parramatta are hosting a morning of service, fun, friendship and food for the most marginalised members of our community at St Patrick's Cathedral next **Saturday 11 November from 10:30am!** All OLOR parishioners are warmly invited to join our youth and young adults on the day as they respond to Pope Francis' call to build a more welcome and generous society for all people. For more information, email [here](#).

**Rosary Gem:**

**All people of goodwill can and must say the Rosary every day.**

*Servant of God Lucia Dos Santos*

**REGULAR PARISH MASS TIMES**

**Saturdays: 9:30am and 6pm Sunday Vigil**  
**Sundays: 7am, 9am, 11am and 6pm**  
**Mondays and Tuesdays: 6.45am and 7pm**  
**Wednesdays, Thursdays : 6.45am and 9.30am**  
**Fridays: 6.45am, 9.30am**  
(and 7pm on First Fridays of each month)

**CONFESSION TIMES**

10-10.30am on Saturdays and 7.30pm - 8pm on Mondays

Thank you for last week's donation to the parish of **\$2,816.30**. Online donations are accepted through the parish website [here](#) or scan the QR code to the right.



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**Epidemic of burnout among Catholic women** Catholic Self-Care Week: Free 5-day training with Catholic Coach **Monica Elias Nov 13-17** Learn the secret to taking better care of yourself so that you can do the work God has for you in the world. Join us at [here](http://tinyurl.com/catholicselfcare2023). ([tinyurl.com/catholicselfcare2023](http://tinyurl.com/catholicselfcare2023)) or Email [mjelias17@gmail.com](mailto:mjelias17@gmail.com) for queries.



**Save the date**  
**for our Christmas Carols on**  
**Saturday 9 December from 6.30pm**

**Come and join Joey Fimmano, our choirs and school children, singing Christmas Carols, dancing, etc.**

**Sausages will sizzle on the barbie. Drinks, ice-pops, fairy-floss, cakes, raffle tickets and more, will be on sale. Santa will arrive on time too.**

**Evening Mass will be at 5pm instead of the usual 6pm.**

**Join a Parish Family Group.** Anyone can join a Parish Family Group. It is a social ministry with the simple aim of bringing parishioners together. Brochures and application forms are at the back of the church.



**The parish office is closed on Mondays**

**Our Parish Weekly Devotions**

**Monday nights:** Divine Mercy devotions with Adoration and Confessions after Mass

**Tuesday mornings and evenings:** Novena to St. Anthony after both Masses

**Thursdays:** Adoration after 6.45am Mass until 9.30am Mass

**Saturdays:** Novena to Our Lady following 9.30am Mass with Confessions after Mass

**First Fridays:** Devotions after the First Friday Evening Mass

**Holy Rosary is recited before daily Masses**

**For Holy Communion to the Sick please call Br. Louis on 0422 028 647.**

**Invitation to all Filipinos**

Please join us on our **First Sunday Filipino Mass (ISM)** at Our Lady of the Rosary Parish, Kellyville, 3pm **5 November 2023 and 3 December 2023**

Fellowship follows after Holy Mass  
*Please bring a plate to share*

**For emergencies only, call 9629-2595 and select 4 to leave a message and a priest will return your call.**

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MASS & MINISTRIES: 4/5 NOV. 2023		
6pm Vigil	EM	Volunteer and Ponciana Pastorfid
7am	EM	Sandra Huber and Tracy Hoey
9am	EM	Rachel Calisura & Margaret S.
11am	EM	Princy Benny and Annette Tan
6pm	EM	Br Louis and Elvira Tandingan

MASS & MINISTRIES: 11/12 NOV. 2023		
6pm Vigil	EM	Ruth Hyland and Volunteer
7am	EM	Sandra Huber and Norma Evans
9am	EM	Rachel Calisura and Grace Trzcinski
11am	EM	Volunteers
6pm	EM	Br. Louis and Joseph Lumapas

**Franciscan Men**

**12th SUNDAY NOVEMBER**

**GOING**

with Tomasz Juszcak

**Topic:** What You're Made For: Manhood, Marvel, and Making it Count

**6.30PM ADORATION**  
FOLLOWED BY DINNER AND PRESENTATION

**All Men +18 Welcome**

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**MASS INTENTIONS: 4 - 11 NOV. 2023**

Sat. 4	9.30am	Holy Souls
	6pm	Richard Berry
Sun. 5	7am	Susana Cunanan, Maximo and Caridad Bables
	9am	Casimira D'Souza
	11am	Fernando Piotto
	6pm	Ronald Lewis and Lewis family
Mon 6	6.45am	Holy Souls
	7pm	Holy Souls
Tues. 7	6.45am	Holy Souls
	7pm	Holy Souls
Wed. 8	6.45am	Holy Souls
	9.30am	Holy Souls
Thurs. 9	6.45am	Holy Souls
	9.30am	Holy Souls
Fri. 10	6.45am	Holy Souls
	9.30am	Holy Souls
	7pm	Holy Souls
Sat. 11	9.30am	Holy Souls
	6pm	Errol Tim

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