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THIRTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - YEAR B, 2 & 3 NOVEMBER 2024

REDEMPTORIST COMMUNITY

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Fr Joseph Xuan Hieu Nguyen, CSsR

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Fr Joselito Asis

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Fr Stephen Battal

MASS TIMES

- ♦ **Tues-Fri:** 9:00am
- ♦ **Saturday:** 6:00pm
7.30pm Vietnamese
- ♦ **Sunday:** 8:45am, 10:00am,
6:00pm
12:00pm Vietnamese

Other Masses

- 1st & 2nd Sun. Sudanese Mass 3pm
- 3rd Sun. Samoan Mass - 2.00pm
- 4th Sun. Filipino Mass - 3.00pm



**Anointing
Mass is
Friday the
8th of No-
vember 2024**

**@ 9am here at Holy Eucharist
Church. All are Welcome!**

YOUTH ADORATION & FELLOWSHIP

**Friday 8th November 2024 at
7pm here at Holy Eucharist
Church. Come join our last
gathering for 2024 and we will
resume by 7th March 2025.**

THE LIVING WORD

First Reading: Deuteronomy 6:2-6

*You shall love the Lord your God
with all your heart*

Moses said to the people: 'If you fear the Lord your God all the days of your life and if you keep all his laws and commandments which I lay on you, you will have a long life, you and your son and your grandson. Listen then, Israel, keep and observe what will make you prosper and give you great increase, as the Lord the God of your fathers has promised you, giving you a land where milk and honey flow. 'Listen, Israel: the Lord our God is the one Lord. You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your strength. Let these words I urge on you today be written on your heart.'

Responsorial Psalm Ps. 17(18):2-4,47,51

I love you, Lord, my strength.

I love you, Lord, my strength,
my rock, my fortress, my saviour.
My God is the rock where I take refuge;
my shield, my mighty help, my
stronghold.

The Lord is worthy of all praise,
when I call I am saved from my foes.

I love you, Lord, my strength.

Long life to the Lord, my rock!
Praised be the God who saves me,
He has given great victories to his king
and shown his love for his anointed.

I love you, Lord, my strength.

Second Reading: Hebrews 7:23-28

*Christ, because he remains for ever, can
never lose his priesthood*

There used to be a great number of
priests under the former covenant,
because death put an end to each
one of them; but this one, because

he remains for ever, can never lose
his priesthood. It follows, then,
that his power to save is utterly
certain, since he is living for ever
to intercede for all who come to
God through him. To suit us, the
ideal high priest would have to be
holy, innocent and uncontaminat-
ed, beyond the influence of sin-
ners, and raised up above the heav-
ens; one who would not need to
offer sacrifices every day, as the
other high priests do for their own
sins and then for those of the peo-
ple, because he has done this once
and for all by offering himself. The
Law appoints high priests who are
men subject to weakness; but the
promise on oath, which came after
the Law, appointed the Son who is
made perfect for ever.

Gospel Acclamation John 14:23

Alleluia, alleluia!

All who love me will keep my
words, and my Father will love
them, and we will come to them.

Alleluia!

Gospel Mark 12:28-34

'You are not far from the kingdom of God'

One of the scribes came up to Je-
sus and put a question to him,
'Which is the first of all the com-
mandments?' Jesus replied, 'This is
the first: Listen, Israel, the Lord
our God is the one Lord, and you
must love the Lord your God with
all your heart, with all your soul,
with all your mind and with all
your strength. The second is this:
You must love your neighbour as
yourself. There is no command-
ment greater than these.' The
scribe said to him, 'Well spoken,
Master; what you have said is true:
that he is one and there is no other.

To love him with all your heart, with all your understanding and strength, and to love your neighbour as yourself, this is far more important than any holocaust or sacrifice.’ Jesus, seeing how wisely he had spoken, said, ‘You are not far from the kingdom of God.’ And after that no one dared to question him any more.

GOSPEL REFLECTION

In today’s gospel reading we encounter a good scribe, while in next week’s we find some not so good scribes. This seems to fit the pattern of the Markan gospel. There are faithful disciples and not so faithful disciples. There are honest Jewish leaders like Joseph of Arimathea and not so honest leaders like those who try to entrap Jesus. There are principled Romans like the centurion who witnesses the death of Jesus and not so principled Romans like Pilate who condemns him to death.

Goodness and fitness for the “kin-dom” or “empire of God” are never guaranteed, according to the Markan schema, by status or position or call or ethnicity or gender or by any other contingency of existence. Everyone has choices. For a Jew, the first and best choice is to love the God of Israel with one’s whole being and then to love one’s neighbour as oneself. Jesus and his questioner are agreed on that. Jesus is presented in today’s gospel as a Jew who knows and observes the Law of Moses. He wins the respect of the scribe, a specialist in the Law, who has overheard him debating with the Sadducees.

Jesus recognises the sincerity of the scribe and takes seriously the question that this teacher of the Law puts to him, “Which commandment is the first of all?” He responds in the words of the “Shema Israel” from Deuteronomy 6, today’s first reading. Love of God comes first. It is a love that derives from gratitude for God’s liberating action in the lives of God’s people. Israel has known the unconditional love of God. Those who know anything about human behaviour would probably agree that the experience of unconditional love engenders an increased capacity for love. For the Jews, including those who throw in their lot with Jesus the Jewish Galilean, to love one’s neighbour is to keep the second commandment of Leviticus 19:18, “...you shall love your neighbor as yourself”.

In first-century Judaism, love of God was expressed in worship and in the prayers and rituals of daily life. Love of others likewise found expression in action, not only in care of family and close friends, but also in support of “the poor and the needy and the stranger.” To seek peace was also a feature of neighbourly love. To accept and follow such a program is to be, with the scribe, “not far from” God’s

kin-dom or empire. Contemporary sensibilities might lead us to include the other-than-human among the neighbours or “kin” we are called to love. If we learn to love the earth and all that inhabits it, the human community, the birds and the beasts, the plants and the soil, the sky and the sea, then these words of Jesus might truly find a home in our hearts: “You are not far from the kin-dom of God”.

By Sr. Veronica Lawson rsm

ENCYCLICAL LETTER

Dilexit Nos

of the Holy Father Francis on the Human and Divine Love of the Heart of Jesus Christ

[A summary]

Chapter 1: The Importance of the Heart

In the first chapter of the encyclical "Dilexit Nos," Pope Francis emphasizes the profound significance of the heart, particularly the heart of Jesus Christ, as a symbol of unwavering love that transcends superficiality in a consumer-driven society. The heart, seen as the centre of human existence in ancient thought, embodies authenticity and influences our thoughts and emotions, revealing our true intentions beneath societal facades.

The chapter underscores the need to reconnect with our hearts in a fast-paced world, as neglecting this inner core leads to disconnection from ourselves and others. By fostering authentic relationships and empathy, we can harmonize our fragmented identities and histories, ultimately seeking deeper truths about love and fulfilment.

Spiritual transformation begins in the heart, guiding believers in their relationship with God and emphasizing the centrality of the Sacred Heart in understanding history, salvation, and the call for mercy and unity in a troubled world.

Chapter 2: Actions and Words of Love

In Chapter Two of the encyclical "Dilexit Nos," Pope Francis explores the actions and words of love embodied in the heart of Christ, which serves as the foundation of the Gospel and invigorates our faith.

Jesus demonstrated his love through tangible actions, fostering a deep sense of belonging and intimacy rather than servitude. His compassionate encounters, such as with the Samaritan woman and the blind man, illustrate the personal nature of God's love.

In times of doubt or hurt, Jesus invites us to trust in him, welcoming sinners and offering mercy. His penetrating gaze and attention to individual struggles

highlight the significance of each person, while he acknowledges even the smallest acts of kindness.

Jesus learned compassion from Mary, who treasured her experiences, and he calls us to find peace in his heart amidst our burdens. His range of genuine emotions reveals his profound humanity and connection to our suffering, culminating in the crucifixion as the ultimate expression of love.

By reflecting on Christ's actions and words, we deepen our understanding of the mystery of the Sacred Heart.

Chapter 3: The Heart that has loved so greatly

In Chapter Three of "Dilexit Nos," Pope Francis discusses the significance of devotion to the heart of Christ, which embodies both divine and human love, representing the foundation of our relationship with Jesus.

This devotion invites us into a personal friendship with Christ, emphasizing that acts of love for his heart reflect our love for him.

The heart serves as a unique symbol of salvation, fostering intimacy and emotional connection, and highlights the totality of Christ's humanity and divinity.

The chapter explores the interconnectedness of divine love, spiritual humanity, and sensible love, showing how these aspects unite in Christ's heart. It underscores the importance of worshiping Christ as a whole, in communion with the Father, facilitated by the Holy Spirit.

The heart of Christ, central to Christian spirituality, has been affirmed by past Popes as a source of grace and mercy, calling us to deepen our devotion through the Gospel and Eucharistic communion.

This devotion counters secularism and past spiritual rigorism, encouraging a joyful and profound relationship with God, rooted in the understanding of divine love and mercy as central to our faith.

Chapter 4: A Love that gives itself as Drink

In Chapter Four of "Dilexit Nos," Pope Francis explores the theme of divine love through the metaphor of thirst, emphasizing that God desires a deep, personal relationship with humanity.

Drawing on biblical imagery of thirst and water, he highlights how Christ's pierced side symbolizes a source of life-giving grace and renewal, fulfilling ancient prophecies.

Early Church Fathers recognized this wounded side as a wellspring of divine sustenance, inviting believers into a transformative encounter with Christ's love.

The chapter traces the evolution of devotion to the Sacred Heart, noting its significance in monastic traditions and its spread among various saints, including Saint Francis de Sales and Saint Margaret Mary Alacoque, who emphasized personal intimacy with Christ.

This devotion encourages a response to Christ's suffering through acts of consolation, fostering a communal mission of love and service.

Ultimately, Pope Francis calls for believers to engage deeply with Christ's love, transforming personal sorrow into compassion for others and reinforcing the Church's mission to glorify God through acts of kindness and solidarity.

To be continued in next week's bulletin

JOIN US FOR FUNDRAISING RAFFLE TICKETS II

!! Raffle Details:
Ticket Price: \$25

✓ **Exciting Prizes:**
✓ **Prize 5:** \$500 Gift Voucher

- ♦ **Prize 4:** \$1,000 Bunnings Voucher
- ♦ **Prize 3:** iPhone 16 Pro, valued at over \$1,799
- ♦ **Prize 2:** \$2,500 Flight Voucher
- ♦ **Prize 1:** Mazda CX3, valued at \$29,990

!! Drawing Date: Tickets will be drawn on Christmas Carol Night at the Parish, **7 PM on Friday, December 13, 2024.**

We encourage everyone to join us for a joyful evening of carols and community spirit. If you purchase tickets but cannot attend, the organizing committee will notify the winners that evening.

!! Ticket Sales:

- ♦ Tickets are available after Saturday and Sunday Masses starting the first week of October until December 13.
- ♦ You can also purchase tickets by calling:

☎ 0466 055 077 (English)

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Please help us spread the word and invite others to support this important project. Together, we can make a difference for Holy Eucharist.



BAPTISM – NOVEMBER

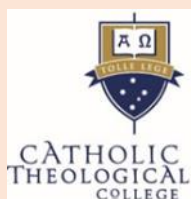
Congratulations to:

Arabella Eliana
Tiquia, Arys Jacob
Simporios, Hunter
Alexander Bonello,
Maria Tiffany
Nguyen, Michael



Andy Nguyen, Lucia Eleanor Le &
Phanxico Xavie Johnny Quang

who were baptized in the name of
the Father and of the Son and of
the Holy Spirit. You are welcome
to be a part of our community
faith.



2024 Knox Public Lecture

Thursday 7th November at 7.30
pm

*“Connecting with Hope, Reconnecting
with the Christian Vision of the Per-
son”*

Presented by Rev. Assoc. Prof.

Jamie Calder SJ MAPS

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ST VINCENT DEPAUL CHRISTMAS APPEAL

The Appeal will be on the **9 &
10 November 2024**. The St
Albans Conference members will
be attending every Mass on this
weekend to accept any donation
the Parish community will be
offering. Any donation given is
muchly appreciated.

CHURCH CLEANING

Week starting 6th November
2024 Group 8 - Samoan
Community - Jonas & Lia

READERS/COMMENTATOR/ COORDINATOR/EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

Tues 9:00 AM, 05-11-24

Reader Xuan Duong
Eucharistic Min. Monica Lomen

Wed 9:00 AM, 06-11-24

Reader Salve Nidea
Eucharistic Min. Salve Nidea

Thurs 9:00 AM, 07-11-24

Reader: HEP School
Eucharistic HEP School

Fri 9:00 AM, 01-11-24

Reader Salve Nidea
Eucharistic Min. Catherine Bartolo

Sat 6.00 PM, 09-11-24

Lit. Coordinator: Charlie Pace
Commentator: Anthony Naidu
Readers: Wendy Forbes-Perera
Agatha Saliba

Eucharistic Min. Carmen Camilleri
Miriam Vella & Reno Attard

Sun 8.45 AM, 10-11-24

Lit. Coordinator Monica Lomen
Commentator: Mini Eddy
Readers: Wilma Marmur
Helen Maddela

Eucharistic Min. Shirley Krizmanic
Salve Nidea & Monica Lomen

Sun 10:00AM, 10-11-24

Lit. Coordinator: Rita Martin
Commentator: Christine Pedroso
Readers: St Francis Choir
Eucharistic Min. Christine Pedroso
Rita Martin & Susan Hallorina

Sun 6.00PM, 10-11-24

Lit. Coordinator Xuan Duong
Commentator Larnie Mendoza
Readers: Lani Laririt
Eucharistic Min. Rod Lalunio
Lani Laririt & Larnie Mendoza

CHOIR GROUPS

Saturday 9th November 2024

♦ 6.00pm – Samoan Choir

Sunday 10th November 2024

♦ 8.45am - Charlie Schembri

♦ 10.00am - St Francois Choir

♦ 6.00pm - Singles for Christ Choir

LET US PRAY FOR

The Sick

Fr. Peter Carrucan, Marlene Ferdi-
nand, Pam Norris, Pauline Storace,
Toni Antonowicz, Anna, Maria Kim,
Yulette Tanner, Stella Sandle, Frank,
Doris Carabott.

Death Anniversaries

Joseph & Carmen Bajona, David &
Adrian Camilleri, Joseph, Rita Micallef-
Grimaud, Alfonse Cauchi, Bajona
Family, Micallef-Grimaud Family, Jan &
Jovan Vala, Elizabet & Jan Danicek,
Maria Lojdova, Stefan Kolek, Maria
Nguyen Thi Hanh, Gioankim Tran Van
Ton, Maria Nguyen Thi Dao, Giuse Vu
Tuan, Stefania Gill(1st Anniv.), Joseph
Formosa, Grazio(Horace) Camilleri,
Maria Nguyen Thi Dao, Hoang Family
(Fanxico, Maria, Maria & Teresa) &
Nguyen Family(Joseph, Anna & Maria),
Nazareno & Josephine Spiteri, Antonio
Mifsud, Philip Gauci, Joseph, Frank &
John Xerri, Cornelio Maddela, Joseph
& Franc Xiberras, Reno Cauchi, Maria
Khong Kim Duyen, Giuse Nguyen Ba
Ky, Mac-co Ngo Van Thinh, Lucia
Huynh Thi Kim Hue, Phero Ngo Minh
Truong, Maria Huynh Thi Thanh Kieu,
Phero Le Nghia, Matta Le Thi Linh,
Phero Le Quang Tuan, Theresa Ngu-
yen Ngoc Giang Thu, Dominico Le
Ngoc Son, Maria Tran Thi Huong,
Mary Camilleri, Richard & Connie Cur-
mi, Iro & Jessie Vella, Angela Chircop,
Peter Disco, Wayne Camilleri, Bartolo
family, Brincat & Galea family, Maria
Vu Thi Yeu Thuong, Duong Family,
Do Family, Vincent Duong Kham Su,
Michael Alphonsus Schiller, Mollie Rice
(Marie), Raymond Abela and All Souls

SAFETY FOR ALL

Holy Eucharist Parish is com-
mitted to the safety, wellbeing
and dignity of all children, young
people and vulnerable adults.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

*Holy Eucharist parish respectfully
acknowledges the Wurundjeri people
as the traditional custodians of the
land on which we reside and worship.*

VOCATION VIEW

We remember the countless multi-
tude of men and women who are
now in heaven. We continue to be
inspired by the qualities they re-
vealed in their lives: a concern for
justice, gentleness, purity of heart,
mercy and courage.

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