



HOLY EUCHARIST PARISH

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OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE YEAR B 23 & 24 NOVEMBER 2024

REDEMPTORIST COMMUNITY

Parish Priest & Mission Leader

Fr Vincent Long Pham, CSsR

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Fr Joseph Xuan Hieu Nguyen, CSsR

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Mary-Lucy Atonio PH: 9366 1310

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Fr Joselito Asis

South Sudanese Chaplain

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

SOCIAL OFFICE/(JP SERVICE)

Contact: Son Nguyen

Phone 9366 1310

Friday 10:00am-3:00pm.

FOODBANK open Fridays

10.30am until 2.00pm. More details call 03 9366 1310.

RCIA: Please contact Br. Anthony

Gatt on 0419 115 692 or call the

Parish Office for more details.

SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION

Preca Centre, 29 Rosslare Parade,

St Albans – Ph: 9356 0734

between 7pm-8pm

Email: stalbans@preca.org.au

PARISH FUNDRAISING – RAFFLE TICKETS UPDATE

A heartfelt thanks to everyone who has already purchased raffle tickets to support our Parish project. Your generosity is greatly appreciated!

However, we still have many tickets left to sell. Out of the 6,000 tickets printed, only 3,015 have been sold so far.

We kindly encourage everyone to buy tickets and share this opportunity with family and friends. Every ticket purchased brings us closer to achieving our goal and supporting the Parish project. Thank you for your continued support. May God bless you abundantly!

!! 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)

☎ 0415 599 413 (Vietnamese)

THE LIVING WORD

First Reading: Daniel 7:13-14

I saw, coming on the clouds of heaven, one like a son of man

I gazed into the visions of the night. And I saw, coming on the clouds of heaven, one like a son of man. He came to the one of great age and was led into his presence. On him was conferred sovereignty, glory and kingship, and men of all peoples, nations and languages became his servants. His sovereignty is an eternal sovereignty which shall never pass away, nor will his empire ever be destroyed.

Responsorial Psalm Ps. 92 (93):1-2,5

The Lord is king; he is robed in majesty.

The Lord is king, with majesty enrobed;
the Lord has robed himself with might,
he has girded himself with power.

The Lord is king; he is robed in majesty.

The world you made firm, not to be moved;
your throne has stood firm from of old.

From all eternity, O Lord, you are.

The Lord is king; he is robed in majesty.

Truly your decrees are to be trusted.

Holiness is fitting to your house, O Lord, until the end of time.

The Lord is king; he is robed in majesty.

Apocalypse 1:5-8

Jesus Christ has made us a line of kings and priests

Grace and peace to you from Jesus Christ, the faithful witness, the First-Born from the dead, the Ruler of the kings of the earth. He loves us and has washed away our sins with his blood, and made us a line of kings, priests to serve his God and Father; to him, then, be glory and power for ever and ever. Amen. It is he who is coming on the clouds; everyone will see him, even those who pierced him, and all the races of the earth will mourn over him. This is the truth. Amen. 'I am the Alpha and the Omega' says the Lord God, who is, who was, and who is to come, the Almighty.

Gospel Acclamation Mark 11:9. 10

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 John 18:33-37

Yes, I am a king

'Are you the king of the Jews?' Pilate asked. Jesus replied, 'Do you ask this of your own accord, or have others spoken to you about me?' Pilate answered, 'Am I a Jew? It is your own people and the chief priests who have handed you over to me: what have you done?' Jesus replied, 'Mine is not a kingdom of this world; if my kingdom were of this world, my men would have fought to prevent my being surrendered to the Jews. But my kingdom is not of this kind.' 'So you are a king then?' said Pilate. 'It is you who say it' answered Jesus. 'Yes, I am a king. I was born for this, I came into the world for this: to bear witness to the truth; and all who are on the side of truth listen to my voice.'

GOSPEL REFLECTION

The liturgical year always ends with the celebration of the Feast of Christ the King. The gospel reading for Year B is from John's gospel where the notion of God's kin-dom or reign or empire features only twice in contrast with its frequent appearance in the other gospels, especially Matthew. For readers in a Western society where democratic rule is valued and promoted, the whole notion of kingship or monarchy poses some difficulty. We need to put the exchange between Jesus and Pilate into the political context of Roman occupied Judaea of the first century.

Rome was the dominant global force at that time. It had the economic and military

strength to maintain its power over the whole Mediterranean world. When Jesus tells Pilate that his kingdom is not of this world, he is not pitting planet Earth or the cosmos over against a purely spiritual world. He is referring rather to the world and values of the Roman Empire and the destructive values that are sometimes espoused by his followers. Jesus' way of being in the world stands in stark contrast with the expansionist and frequently destructive ways of Roman rule.

The term "world" is used in two different senses in John's gospel. It is used both literally and metaphorically. On the one hand, it is the world that came into being through the Word (1:10), the beautiful cosmos or world that "God so loved" (3:16). On the other hand, it is a "world" that rejected the light (1:10-11), a sinful world in need of the saving power of God (3:17).

Jesus, as king, does not claim the sort of overbearing political, military or economic power that Pilate exercises on behalf of the Roman emperor. His authority has nothing to do with power over or domination of others. It is grounded in truth (1:17) or, in other words, in the revelation of God. Jesus is "the way, the truth and the life" (14:6) and his mission is to testify to the truth. The path to freedom and life lies in acceptance of the truth (8:32): "If you continue in my word, you...will know the truth, and the truth will make you free." Truth is not a given: it must be sought in prayerful dialogue, in listening to earth's distress and, above all, in openness to the Spirit of God.

To celebrate this feast, then, is to move in the direction of peaceful solutions to the conflicts in our world and away from the paths of violence, domination and imperial expansionism. It is to seek the truth in dialogue and to respond to the plight of those who suffer the pain of hunger, of persecution and of loss. It is to rule as God rules and not as Rome ruled. It is to look again at how we inhabit our world and to change our ways for the sake of truth and life, the present and future life of our beleaguered planet.

By Sr. Veronica Lawson rsm

YOUTH

STOP AND LIVE

(Poem for Young people by Frederick Douglas Harper)

Stop and think,

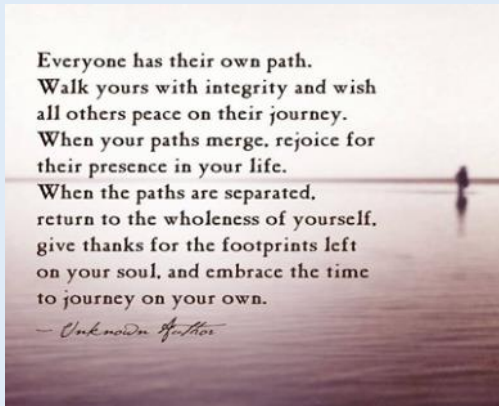
Stop and feel,

Stop and talk about

Life and yourself;

Stop and live now;
Don't lose the capacity
To express and feel;
Don't lose the ability
To think and reveal;
Don't lose the remains of
Your humanness;
Don't lose your precious self.

FOOD FOR THOUGHT



Source: <https://au.pinterest.com/pin/279926933075958940/>

HOW TO TRUST GOD?

(Continuation from last week)

Now that you know what it means to trust God, how can you do that in your everyday life?

If you trust someone, you feel comfortable being honest with them about anything. God is much more reliable than even your most trustworthy friend. When things feel difficult, He doesn't ask you to keep those feelings to yourself.

When you trust, you go to God and His word when life is hard. You also act on obedience (doing what God says in His Word) and trust that He will ultimately take care of the rest. In trust, you do not look for security in other things; you look to God to hold you securely in difficult circumstances. You won't do this perfectly, but God is kind and patient with you while you learn to trust Him.

Here are seven practical ways to trust God in your everyday life:

1. Seek Truth in Scripture

The Bible records ways God has responded in difficult times in the past. It reminds you that He is trustworthy whatever your circumstances. Many people in Scripture even reference other parts of Scripture to encourage themselves and those around them.

You need a strong foundation of Scripture to stand on, especially when you feel uncertain. The Bible is God's unfailing, unchanging Word. You can cling to its truth when life throws you a curveball.

(To be continued next week...)

Source: <https://www.cru.org/us/en/train-and-grow/spiritual-growth/trust-god.html>

WORLD DAY OF THE POOR: POPE FRANCIS ORGANISED LUNCH WITH 1300 POOR PEOPLE



Pope Francis during his lunch with the poor, World Day of the Poor, November 2023 (VATICAN MEDIA Divisione Foto)

Source Image: <https://www.vaticannews.va/en/pope/news/2024-11/pope-francis-will-have-lunch-with-over-1000-poor-people.html>

Since 2017, Pope Francis has marked the World Day of the Poor with a tradition of sharing lunch with some of Rome's poor. Typically observed on the third Sunday of November, this year's celebration took place on November 17, 2024.

In his message, Pope Francis highlighted how war-driven "bad politics" perpetuates poverty and creates innocent victims. He called for prayers with and for the poor, commending volunteers who tirelessly serve the most vulnerable in their communities as tangible signs of God's compassion.

This year's theme, inspired by Sirach 21:5, "The prayer of the poor rises to God," underscores the privileged place of the poor in God's heart and His impatience for justice in their suffering. The World Day of the Poor challenges the Church to step beyond its walls and engage with poverty in its many forms—a mission Pope Francis exemplifies through this meaningful tradition.

Source: <https://www.vaticannews.va/en/pope/news/2024-11/pope-francis-will-have-lunch-with-over-1000-poor-people.html>

Put together by Fr. Robin Lomangkook CSsR



APPRECIATION NOTE FROM ST VINCENT DE PAUL.

For our Christmas Appeal in the Weekend 9th & 10th November 2024 our Conference Collected **\$5,261.75.**

Thank you to all the Priests and Holy Eucharist Parish Community for your Help on the Weekend and generous contribution in supporting us. Very grateful and appreciate your kindness always. From the St Albans Conference.

CHRISTMAS EVE CHILDREN'S ROLE PLAY 6PM 24/12/24

Registration of Children at the foyer every **Sunday after 845am and after 10am Masses** with Preca Youth.

Rehearsals dates as follows:

- ♦ **7th December @ 10:00am Preca Centre 29 Rosslare pde, St Albans**
- ♦ **14th December @12:30pm at Holy Eucharist Church.**
- ♦ **21st December @ 10am at Holy Eucharist Church.**

Enquiring:

Br Tony on 0419115692

or

Ms Phung on 0434728620

CHURCH CLEANING

Week starting 27th November 2024 Group 11
Vietnamese Women's League
- Theresa Dinh Thi Ngoan

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

We kindly asking for volunteers to join the cleaning team. If you wish to assist the parish in this way, please contact the Parish office or see Lily Disco for more details.

READERS/COMMENTATOR/ COORDINATOR/EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS

Tues 9:00 AM, 26-11-24

Reader Xuan Duong
Eucharistic Min. Monica Lomen

Wed 9:00 AM, 27-11-24

Reader Carmen Camilleri
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Thurs 9:00 AM, 28-11-24

Reader: Shirley Krizmanic
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Fri 9:00 AM, 29-11-24

Reader Helen Maddela
Eucharistic Min. Catherine Bartolo

Sat 6.00 PM, 30-11-24

Lit. Coordinator: Reno Attard

Commentator: Miriam Vella

Readers: Jinky Monteros
Joh Cablao

Eucharistic Min. Anthony Naidu.

Violeta Montoro & Reno Attard

Sun 8.45 AM, 01-12-24

Lit. Coordinator Monica Lomen

Commentator: Susan Fatai

Readers: Mini Eddy
Salve Nidea

Eucharistic Min. Wilma Marmur
Shirley Krizmanic & Monica Lomen

Sun 10:00AM, 01-12-24

Lit. Coordinator: Taoete Afano

Commentator: Christina Afano

Readers: Samoan Choir
Samoan Choir

Eucharistic Min. Br. Tony Gatt

Faati Ierome & Taoete Afano

Sun 6.00PM, 01-12-24

Lit. Coordinator Xuan Duong

Commentator Larnie Mendoza

Readers: Lani Laririt
Rod Lalunio

Eucharistic Min. Rod Lalunio

Xuan Duong & Lani Laririt

CHOIR GROUPS

Saturday 30th November 2024

♦ 6.00pm – Fernandez Choir

Sunday 1st December 2024

♦ 8.45am - Charlie Schembri

♦ 10.00am - Samoan Choir

♦ 6.00pm - Exxemos Choir

LET US PRAY FOR

The Sick

Fr. Peter Carrucan, Marlene Ferdinand, Pam Norris, Pauline Storace, Toni Antonowicz, Anna, Maria Kim,

Yulette Tanner, Stella Sandle, Frank, Doris Carabott.

Recently Passed

Emmanuel Hili

Death Anniversaries

Ivica John Ramljak, Aquilina Family, Carmen, Joseph, Raymond Victor, Praxedes & Michael Angelo Leopando, Anton Benic, Ivan Fratric Snr., Ivan Fratric Jrn., 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 Nguyen Ngoc Giang Thu, Dominico Le Ngoc Son, Maria Tran Thi Huong, Mary Camilleri, Richard & Connie Curmi, 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 committed 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

Christ is King ... the faithful Witness. He loved us ... and made us a line of priests, prophets and kings to serve God His Father. Who are we to be called forth as the priests of tomorrow - prayerful men - leaders, ready to preach the Word of God.

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