



St Madeleine
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25th November 2018

Feast of Christ the King

Daniel 7:13-14

Revelations 1:5-8

John 18:33-37

“For this I was born, and for this I came into the world, to testify to the truth. Everyone who belongs to the truth listens to my voice.”

John 18: 33-37

Welcome to Jesus' place . . .



Every evening you and your family gather around the table in your kitchen for supper. The entree might be some epicurean delight from the pages of Bon Appétit – but more often than not it's Chinese takeout or pizza from Domino's. As everyone digs in, the table buzzes with talk of tomorrow's soccer game, a crabby teacher, the current fix-up project, the latest office crisis, and a new knock-knock joke. Here at the kitchen table, parent and child give and receive encouragement, consolation, forgiveness and love. Especially love. If there is one safe harbour on earth, one secure, sheltered place where you are always welcome no matter how badly you mess up, the kitchen table is it. Your kitchen – the place where Christ rules.

A storm devastates a town; a fire reduces a neighbourhood to burnt timber and ashes; an act of terrorism cuts a wide and bloody swath through a community. That's when they go to work: skilled medical professionals, tireless construction workers, patient and gifted counsellors, compassionate volunteers. These dedicated souls work around the clock to care for the hurt and injured, rescue those in danger, help the traumatized cope, and begin the hard work of rebuilding. By their very presence, these good people transform the debris and ashes into the kingdom of Jesus.



The tired old downtown building has seen better days but no better use. The city's churches have worked together to turn the brick structure into a community centre, a safe place where children can come to play basketball, receive tutoring, or just hang out after school. The well-stocked pantry provides for dozens of hungry families every week; a free clinic offers basic on-site medical care and referral services to the poor and uninsured. Its meeting rooms are always busy: the elderly have a place to go for companionship and immigrants are taught how to master the language of their new homeland. In this austere brick building, Jesus reigns.

The kingdom of Jesus is not found in the world's centres of power but within human hearts; it is built not by deals among the power elite but by compassionate hands; Christ reigns neither by influence nor wealth but by generosity and justice. A politician and influential figure like Pilate cannot grasp the “kingship” of Jesus – but we who have been baptised in the life, death and resurrection of Christ are called to build and maintain that kingdom in our own time and place. Christ's reign is realised only in our embracing a vision of humankind as a family made in the image of God, a vision of one another as brothers and sisters in Christ, a vision of the world centred in the spirit of hope and compassion taught by Christ.

(<http://connectionsmediaworks.com/newsletter.html>)

During this month of November, we offer our prayers and Masses for the eternal repose of the souls of our beloved departed, especially those mentioned in the Book of Life.



We welcome all the families of our Scripture Class students from our local state schools to this Sunday's Feast of Christ the King! We also welcome all the children who participate in our Sunday Children's Liturgy as they celebrate their Christmas party! We are happy you are here!

BISHOP'S CHRISTMAS APPEAL for Homeless Young Mothers in our Diocese (next weekend: 1/2 December)

CatholicCare's Houses to Homes is one of the vital services supported by our Diocese through Parramatta Catholic Foundation. Houses to Homes gives hope, help, compassion, care and shelter to disadvantaged, homeless young mums who have nowhere and nobody else to turn to. Every year, 30 to 50 mothers and mothers-to-be rely on Houses to Homes for safe shelter, food and the skills to build a better life.

This Christmas, we're counting on your faith, hope and charity to support homeless mothers and children in crisis. Your compassionate gifts and prayers will support the shelter, independent living and parenting skills programs that homeless mums desperately need.

Donations of \$2 or more are tax deductible.

BAPTISM PREPARATION:

The next **Baptism** preparation session will be on Saturday, **1st December** at **4:30-5:30pm** at the St Joseph Centre. To book, please call the parish office on 96542260. Thank you.



While Fr Vincent is on pilgrimage, we will be having Communion services at 9:15 on Tuesdays to Fridays. There will be no Masses at 9:15.

LAST WEEK'S COLLECTIONS:

1st Collection (for Diocese) = \$ 1169.75
2nd Collection (for Parish) **Envelopes** = \$ 1570
Loose = \$ 932.65
Credit cards/Direct Debit ave weekly = \$2107
TOTAL = \$ 4609.65 (target = \$5577)

If you donate to the parish and have recently changed your credit card, please phone the parish office on 96542260. **Thank you for your generosity!**



THE FIRST WALLS ARE UP!!!

◇ If you have any questions about the construction, please feel free to ring Angelo Roia on 98991948, or email the construction committee: stmadsconstruction@gmail.com



The journey starts this week!
 All are invited to listen in and participate:
WEDNESDAYS, 7PM at the ST JOSEPH CENTRE
TALK 1: Image of God

We are thinking of organising another playgroup **for grandparents and parents** of pre-school kids. If you are interested in exploring this, please put your name and contact details on the sheet in the foyer and we will get in touch with you.

... It's a humbling experience to journey through this part of the world. You are all in my prayers - Fr Vince



PARISH PRAYER REQUESTS:

For healing of the sick

Maria, Tricia, Rob, Michael Foley, Trish Takahashi, Samuel Abella, Doris Mendoza Quiroz, Harper Grace, Margaret Collison, Margaret Gaudry, Anis Nicholas, Peter Balnaves, June, Dorothy Green, Pat D, Neil Rogers, Karen Bligh, Marlon Sabellano Alumios, Desmond Grogan, Louise, Vanessa, Ben Johnson, Cathy Voss, Mary Madden, John Donnelly, Louise Lambert, Charlie, Frank Tabone, John Lippman, Sarah Bilford Beattie, Giuseppe Grasso, Faye Willing, Annabelle, Patrick, Ben Eberand, Callum Goracz, Patrick Griffiths, Catherine Bourke, Christy Sherlock, Tina, Marie, Joe, and Charles Vencyel



Advent & Christmas

All are welcome to bring happiness and cheer to the residents of Carinya House (1A Mills Rd, Glenhaven) at our Christmas Communion Service and carols! on Wednesday, 28th November at 2:30 pm

You are welcome to join our Advent discussion groups: Wednesdays in the chapel after the 9:15 Mass OR Thursdays, Mountainview RV at 10am

IN OUR PIETY STALL!

*Majellan Christmas cards—\$7 per pack
*Calendars—\$9 each



*Saviour – Advent reflection books—\$4 each



OUR ANNUAL HEALING MASS & CHRISTMAS LUNCHEON



for retired parishioners will be held on 7th Dec, Friday at 12noon. For catering purposes, please RSVP to Jenny (96513330) or the Parish Office (96542260). We'd love to see you!

We will have our Hamper Mass on 9th December at 10am. Our hampers will go to the Jesuit Refugee Service, House of Welcome and Hawkesbury Helping Hands. Notes are available in the foyer listing down the items needed. Please take a bag from the foyer or bring your own. Thank you!

With the success of our Cake & Craft Fundraiser, we have decided to organise our CHRISTMAS CAKE & CRAFT SALE. This will be held on the weekend of 15/16 December.

Boxes will arrive next week for your baked goods. Everyone wanting to donate Christmas craft—ideal for presents or ornaments—can bring them in on the 15th of December.



SAVE THE DATE! 8th December, Saturday

Mass at 9am to celebrate the Feast of the Immaculate Conception



to be followed by an

Advent Reflection Session to conclude before 12noon.

Come to our Christmas Masses at our nearby nursing homes: Tuesday, 11th Dec, 10:30am—Arcare on Glenhaven Rd Thursday, 13th Dec, 10:15am—BUPA Dural

The Lights of Christmas Bus Trip



To St Marys Cathedral to see the choir at 7.30pm and afterwards the lights on St Marys Cathedral is on Wednesday 19th December 2018 We are meeting at the Australian Brewery on Annangrove Rd at 6.15pm I have booked tables from 5pm if anyone would like to eat there before we leave Price \$20 per Adult and \$15 per child.

I still have seats available on the bus. Please mark your envelope Bus trip your name and money in an envelope and place in the piety stall box provided in the church foyer by 2/12/18. For more information contact Sandra Tabone on 0413272400

CHRISTMAS AT THE SHRINE—8 DECEMBER; 8 Greyfriar Pl, Kellyville

Food stalls, live entertainment, Christmas Carols, raffle draw, Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, and procession to Our Lady of the Rosary parish church. Activities from 1pm—5:30pm.

PARISH TEAM

Parish Priest: Rev Vincent Savarimuthu

Parish Secretary: Lisa Echevarria

Sacramental Coordinator Sally Coppini

St Madeleine's Primary School Phone: 9654 6751

Principal: Mrs Jeanette Black

Marian College

Phone: 9654 6700

Principal: Mrs Jayne Campbell

PARISH SERVICES

Weekend Masses:

Saturday 5.30pm

(Eucharistic Adoration at 4:45) Sunday 8:00am, 10:00 am, 5.30pm

Children's Liturgy

10am Mass during School terms

Weekday Masses

9:15 - Tuesdays to Fridays

Playgroup—Tue 9:00am

at St Joseph Centre during school terms

Prayer Group: Wednesdays after the 9.15 am Mass

Reconciliation: Saturday 5.00pm

Baptisms: Every 4th Sunday at 11:20, or during 10am Masses

Weddings: By appointment

THE CATHOLIC WEEKLY

THE CHURCH. ALL OF IT.

Issues of The Catholic Weekly are available in the foyer for \$2 each.

- ◇ Mum's the word
- ◇ Awards honour Women's supporters
- ◇ Monica Doumit: The fight for freedom. Faith based schools under fire
- ◇ A fabulous life.
- ◇ Mons Kerry Bayada
- ◇ Movie review: *Instant Family*
- ◇ Fire on the court

Shouldn't we gratefully accept both good and bad as coming from the hand of God, for both are inclined to our advantage if we know how to profit from them.

—St Madeleine Sophie

PARISH VOLUNTEER COORDINATORS

Welcomers Coordinator: Amira Campo

Music Coordinator: Alexandra Mifsud

Junior Ministers Coordinator: Maree McNeil

Children's Liturgy Coordinator: Deb Rankin

Baptism Preparation: Angelique Easton

RCIA Coordinator: Steve Fry

Playgroup Coordinator: Grainne Barker

SRE Coordinator: Maureen Jones

Friendship Group: Jenny Puleo

Ministry to the Nursing Homes Coordinator:

Peter Balnaves/Suzanne Kingston-Hunt

Adult Faith Formation: Careyanne Moylan

Property Maintenance Manager: Angelo Roia

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THIS WEEKEND		5:30pm Sat	8:00am	10:00am	5:30pm
	WELCOMERS		Carmel & Mike O'Connell	Amira & John Campo	Helen Ross
	ACOLYTE	John Puleo	Darren McNeil	Neil John	Jhun Javier
	READERS	Colleen Dunlop Trish Keating	Catherine Diekman Gerry McArdle	Amira Campo Careyanne Moylan	Trish Maidens Patrick Tuttle
	EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS	Trish Keating	Frances Sanders Eileen Sherlock	Ann & Mark Lee	Gael Carpani Bev Hermens
	JUN MINISTERS	Brosnan Leahy	Patrick McNeil	Lorena Campo	Clarissa Vumbaca James Barker
	MUSICIANS	Bev & Pat	Joan & David	Bobby & Doug	Youth Group
	COUNTERS	(27 Nov) Paul Vella and Belle Craig		CHILDREN'S LITURGY	Marie Coddington
FLOWERS	Peter & Pina Tallaridi, arr'd by Joy & Carmel		ALTAR LINEN	Sonali Arnold	
1/2 DEC	WELCOMERS	John Cice	Margaret Thornton	Phyllis Hannah	Rick & Lesley Gangemi
	ACOLYTE	Peter Balnaves	Steve Fry	Joe Touma	Sam Ursino
	READERS	Geoff and Jacinta Mifsud	Pat Lynch Gerry McArdle	Jacqui Nisbet	Jan Schroder Gael Carpani
	EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS	Pat Waters Dianne Millington	Deb & Paul Copperfield	Marian Piper CareyAnne Moylan	Tereza Barisic
	JUN MINISTERS	Kerstin Grima Emilie Mifsud	Olivia Easton	Christian Maait	Tiago Gregory Elizabeth Cauchi
	MUSICIANS	Lisa J	Joan & David	Bobby, Mark, & Matt	Youth Group
	COUNTERS	(4 Dec) Frank & Ivanka Valencic, Kay & Archie Brooks		CHILDREN'S LITURGY	Deb Rankin
	FLOWERS	Teresa Capaldi, arr'd by Lesley & Ann		ALTAR LINEN	Vicky Hooper