



Readings for
this week:

Ezekiel 34:11-12,15-17
1 Corinthians 15:20-26,28
Matthew 25:31-46



Readings for next
Sunday:

Isaiah 63:16-17, 64:1,3-8
1 Corinthians 1:3-9
Mark 13:33-37



Liturgical Jottings

The Liturgical Year II

As we recall this week as the end of the liturgical year, the Catechism of the Catholic Church puts another perspective on it. 'The Liturgical Year: Beginning with the Easter Triduum as its source of light, the new age of the Resurrection fills the whole liturgical year with its brilliance. Gradually, on either side of this source, the year is trans-figured by the liturgy. It really is a "year of the Lord's favour." The economy of salvation is at work within the framework of time, but since its fulfilment in the Passover of Jesus and the outpouring of the Holy Spirit, the culmination of history is anticipated "as a foretaste," and the kingdom of God enters into our time.' CCC1168

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Looking at the Gospel

The Last Judgement (Matt 25:31-46) is read in its entirety this Sunday, depicting Christ at his second (final) coming as King and Judge. The scene, being quite descriptive, has been the subject of many paintings, each artist giving their own interpretation. The most well known is a fresco by Michelangelo painted on the altar wall of the Sistine Chapel. 1536–1541. Other artists include Hieronymus Bosch, 1482, Fra Angelico 1425-30 and Wassily Kandinsky 1912. Christ is depicted as High Judge. Our earliest image of this parable is from the Basilica of Sant'Apollinare Nuovo at Ravenna Italy of the 6th century, in it Christ is depicted as a shepherd.

Shepherd-King has been an enduring title for both OT kings and Christ himself. The metaphor of shepherd is very rich in the gospels. The shepherd cares for his flock, knows each by name, feeds and protects them. Certainly Jesus kingdom is not of this world (John 18, Year B) and he welcomes the repentant sinner into his kingdom (Luke 23:42-43, Year C) We are invited to be inheritors of his Kingdom (Matt 25:35 and 5:3, 5:10) and kingdom of justice, love and peace (Today's Preface).

Quote of the Week

It is not by muscle, speed, or physical dexterity that great things are achieved, but by reflection, force of character, and right judgment. *Marcus Tullius Cicero*

Pope Francis' Encyclical on Fraternity and Friendship

As I was writing this letter, the Covid-19 pandemic unexpectedly erupted, exposing our false securities. Aside from the different ways that various countries responded to the crisis, their inability to work together became quite evident. For all our hyper-connectivity, we witnessed a fragmentation that made it more difficult to resolve problems that affect us all. Anyone who thinks that the only lesson to be learned was the need to improve what we were already doing, or to refine existing systems and regulations, is denying reality. It is my desire that, in this our time, by acknowledging the dignity of each human person, we can contribute to the rebirth of a universal aspiration to fraternity. (7&8)

On the Lighter Side

A man's car broke down. While he was peering under the bonnet a large ewe trotted up to the fence and said "Probably the ignition gone wrong," The man, startled, ran down the road, met the grazier and told him what had happened. "Was it a big ewe with a red ear tag?" asked the farmer. "Yes, I think so," said the man. "Oh, don't listen to her," said the farmer. "She doesn't know anything about cars."



	Those who are recently deceased and those who are grieving	Sr Anne Cooney FCJ
	For those whose anniversary occurs at this time	
	Our sick and their carers	Teresa Muto, Victoria Gale

Mass Timetable Week commencing 23rd November

At the time of going to press we are limited to 20 at Mass, hopefully on Sunday this will increase to 50.

Weekday Mass

Monday 23 rd November	No Mass
Tuesday 24 th November	No Mass
Wednesday 25 th November	9:15 am Mass
Thursday 26 th November	No Mass
Friday 27 th November	9:15 am Mass

No bookings required – but we are limited to only 20 people.

Weekend Mass

Saturday 27 th November	5:30 pm
Sunday 28 th November	9:30 am

Bookings are essential, if we are limited to 20 people. However if we are allowed 50 people, it will be on a first come first serve basis. If you have any questions - please call Mary on 0484 332 397

Special Masses to be Dedicated to Those Who Have Died

At Mass on November 28th and 29th we will pray for all those who have died especially those who have died during the past 12 months, and also our family and friends who have died.

Slips of paper will be available at the church entrance on which to write the names of the deceased.

These will then be put in a basket for the Offertory Procession.

Brigidine Community Clayton Closure

A number of religious/chapel items - chalices, tabernacle, sanctuary lamp, missal stand, lectern etc are available. Further information Contact: Anne Hill csb
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St Vincent de Paul – Christmas Tree

The Christmas Tree will be in the Church from next weekend.

Due to Covid-19, instead of presents, we ask that you purchase a voucher from a local business (to whatever value you wish) to be distributed to a child or family in our community who may be struggling this Christmas.

Please place the voucher in one of the envelopes on the tree by the end of 9:30 am Mass on Sunday 13th of December 2020.

Thank you for your ongoing support.

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