

## Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe Year C. 24th Nov 2019

**Entrance Ant :** How worthy is the Lamb who was slain, to receive power and divinity, and wisdom and strength and honour. To Him belong glory and power for ever and ever.

**First reading :** from the Book of 2 Samuel 5 : 1 - 3.

**Responsorial Psalm :** Let us go rejoicing to the house of the Lord.

**Second Reading :** from letter to Colossians 1 : 12 - 20.

**Gospel Acclamation :** 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 :** according to Luke 23 : 35 - 43.

**Communion Antiphon:** The Lord sits as King for ever. The Lord will bless His people with peace.

### Sydney Archdiocese News

#### Lights of Christmas

Celebrate the 10th Anniversary of the Lights of Christmas at St Mary's Cathedral with a special Opening Night Concert featuring Friar Alessandro, the Voice from Assisi, and internationally acclaimed Australian pianist Vivian Choi. A wonderful free community event starting Thurs, 5 Dec with the Opening Night Concert from 7.30pm. A Sydney tradition, the Lights run every night until Christmas featuring a range of choirs.

#### Men's Breakfast at Menai

All men are welcome to attend an invaluable experience of food, faith & fellowship on Sat 30 Nov from 8 am – 12 pm at Holy Family Parish, Menai. Schedule : 8:00 Adoration - 8:30 Mass offered by Bishop Umbers - 9:30 Cooked breakfast 10:00 Talk by Peter Holmes on the topic of Prophet, Priest & King, followed by small group discussion & Q&A. Cost \$10. Book at [www.trybooking.com/BFULH](http://www.trybooking.com/BFULH)

#### Annual Lourdes Day Mass 7th Dec

The Lourdes Day Mass of the Order of Malta will be celebrated by His Grace, Archbishop Fisher & the Chaplains of the Order on Sat 7 Dec at 10am in St Mary's Cathedral. This is a very special event in our calendar to offer Charism to the sick, elderly & frail. There will be a Blessing from the Archbishop & vials of Lourdes water will be distributed. A reserved area for those in wheelchairs or needing assistance is set aside with access to the Cathedral for wheelchairs from St. Mary's Rd. All welcome. Parking for the general congregation is in the Enacon Car Park adjacent, at the end of Cathedral St. For any enquiries please contact the Order at: [info@smom.org.au](mailto:info@smom.org.au); [macolmi@bigpond.net.au](mailto:macolmi@bigpond.net.au) or phone 9331 8477.

## St Christopher's Parish Holsworthy

*We are a community striving for growth, unity, equality,  
love and commitment*

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This feast celebrates the power and authority of Christ by creating a collage of images that capture one or more characteristics of Christ's kingship. Each image reinterprets the concept of king, investing it with new meaning. Gathered together they create a kind of litany that extols the kingship of Christ. Shepherd and commander call to mind the care and protection that Christ lavishes on those who place themselves under his care. King of Israel is a sign of universal rule. Image of the Invisible God acclaims the divine origin of Christ and of the rule that he exercises over all. First born of all Creation places Christ over the entire created world. Source of all Created Things acknowledges both the sovereignty of Christ and his importance as the model after which all things were fashioned. Head of the Body, the Church underscores the intimacy and interrelationship that exist between Christ and all those who are joined to him through faith and baptism. Firstborn of the Dead not only acclaims Christ's resurrection, but it also guarantees the resurrection of those who will follow him into death. Crucified King is clearly the image that reinterprets all other images. The entire liturgical year is brought to completion in the last words of the gospel: 'Today you will be with me in Paradise.' These are the words that we all long to hear, words that are empty when coming from one who has no authority, but charged with power when spoken by the one who is king over us all.

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## Parish News

### Parish Pastoral Council fundraising news

**Bunnings BBQ** - We have been allocated another Bunnings Airport Bankstown BBQ on 7th Dec19 from 8am – 4pm. As some of the Parish Council Members are not available on the day it would be appreciated if we could have some volunteers for the day, whether it be an hour, two or all day as we are expecting it to be busy given the proximity to Christmas. Thank you to all who have volunteered to help already, however, we are still in need of assistance in the afternoon between 12pm and 4pm. All funds raised go towards refurbishing our Church (eg. replacement of the current lighting system.) If you are able to assist in any way please register your details on the form near the piety stall or let Helen Carter know on 0418 403 842.

**Liturgy Committee** - Planning to form a Liturgy Committee to enhance our Eucharistic Celebrations is in the process of formation. There are 5 Ministry groups in the Parish that will be included: Acolytes, Choirs, Flowers, Rosters and those responsible for the Altar Linen. Fr Xiang would like to invite each group to nominate one or two parishioners from their group to a meeting in Dec. Date T.B.A. Parishioners not already involved who are also interested in becoming part of this Ministry are very welcome. The Liturgy Committee will be responsible for the planning of the Liturgical Year of the Parish, eg., preparation of the Church and liturgy including hymns for Advent, Lent, Easter & Christmas etc. Please contact Fr Xiang on 9825 1679 if you would like to be involved.

**New Microphones** - A request to all those using the microphones, please take care when removing and replacing them on the docking system as FOUR OF THE SIX microphone docks are damaged and are awaiting repair.

**Volunteers to operate laptop** - As Christmas and school holidays approach, volunteers to operate the laptop for our weekend Masses where there is no choir would be greatly appreciated, particularly now as we have new screens. The Order of the Mass will be downloaded onto the laptop and if you are interested please contact the Parish Office on 9825 1679. An information session will be provided.

### Catechists

We have recently been fortunate enough to celebrate a Mass at Hammondville and Wattle Grove Public Schools. It was a great experience for the children and we thank the staff at both schools for their co-operation. This is a new initiative which we hope to be able to continue next year. Special thanks to Fr Xiang for his support. Planning is already underway for next year to assure that all Catholic Scripture Classes have a Scripture Teacher at Hammondville, Wattle Grove and Holsworthy from Kindergarten to Year 6. Classes for next year commence in February on either a Tuesday or Wednesday depending on the school. Class Teaching Manuals are provided to prepare the lessons & Activity Books provided for the children. The classes are for half an hour.

If you would like to become part of this very rewarding Ministry please contact the Parish Office on 9825 1679.

**Individual / Personal Mass Intentions resume from 1st December.**

## Mass Times

### Weekends :

Saturday Vigil 5:30pm  
Sunday 8.00am, 9.30am

### Weekdays :

Tuesday - Friday 7:00am

**Adoration** : Friday 7:00pm

**Reconciliation** : Sat 4:30 pm.

### **Baptism, Marriage, Anointing of the Sick & Funerals**

By appointment. (No Baptisms on 3rd Sunday)



## **SAVE THE DATE**

ST. CHRISTOPHERS ANNUAL  
CAROLS BY CANDLELIGHT

Sunday 8th December  
From 5.00pm

### **Saints of the Week / Feasts**

Mon 25th Nov - St. Catherine of Alexandria

Sat 30th Nov - St. Andrew (Apostle)

**ADVENT BEGINS NEXT SUNDAY**

### **We Pray For The Sick**

Peter Wanchalerm Srirattana, Brian Cooney, Cyril Ferriere, Lise Ferriere, Anne Enriquez, Frank Ilankovan, Sofia Abener, Johny Price, Jeffery Crouche, Steven Aboud, Baby Sierra, Kerry Stark, Patricia Crowley, Robert Williams



### **Anniversaries**

All intentions included in the Book of Remembrance

### **Recently Deceased**

*Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord and let perpetual light shine upon them  
May they rest in peace. Amen.*