



ST EDWARD'S CATHOLIC PARISH

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31ST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (B)

31 OCTOBER 2021

Entrance Antiphon | Cf. Ps 37: 22-23

Forsake me not, O Lord, my God;
be not far from me!
Make haste and come to my help,
O Lord, my strong salvation!

First Reading | Deuteronomy 6:2-6

A reading from the Book of Deuteronomy.

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.'

The Word of the Lord. *Thanks be to God.*

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

Response: 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.

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.

Second Reading | Hebrews 7:23-28

A reading from the Letter to the Hebrews.

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 uncontaminated, beyond the influence of sinners, and raised up above the heavens; 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 people, 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.

The Word of the Lord. *Thanks be to God.*

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

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark.

One of the scribes came up to Jesus and put a question to him, 'Which is the first of all the commandments?' 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 commandment 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.

The Gospel of the Lord. *Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.*

Communion Antiphon | Cf. Ps 15: 11

You will show me the path of life,
the fullness of joy in your presence, O Lord.

PARTS OF THE MASS

Gloria

Glory to God in the highest,
and on earth peace to people of good will.
We praise you, we bless you,
we adore you, we glorify you,
we give you thanks for your great glory,
Lord God, heavenly King,
O God, almighty Father.
Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son,
Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,
you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us;
you take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer;
you are seated at the right hand of the Father,
have mercy on us.
For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord,
you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ,
with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father.
Amen.

Credo | The Nicene Creed

I believe in one God, the Father almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all things visible and invisible.

I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ,
the Only Begotten Son of God,
born of the Father before all ages.
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father;
through him all things were made.
For us men and for our salvation he came down from
heaven,

*At the words that follow, up to and including
'and became man', all bow.*

and by the Holy Spirit
was incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and became man.
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate,
he suffered death and was buried,
and rose again on the third day
in accordance with the Scriptures.
He ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory
to judge the living and the dead
and his kingdom will have no end.
I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son
is adored and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.
I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church.
I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins
and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Orate fratres

Pray, brethren (brothers and sisters),
that my sacrifice and yours...

The people will stand and reply:

May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands
for the praise and glory of his name,
for our good and the good of all his holy Church.

Sanctus

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of hosts.
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.

Mysterium fidei

We proclaim your Death, O Lord,
and profess your Resurrection
until you come again.

Libera nos

Deliver us, Lord, we pray, from every evil,
graciously grant peace in our days...

The people conclude the prayer, acclaiming:

For the kingdom, the power
and the glory are yours now and for ever.

Agnus Dei

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world,
have mercy on us. (2x)
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world,
grant us peace.

After the Lamb of God, the people kneel.

Ecce Agnus Dei

Behold the Lamb of God,
behold him who takes away the sins of the world.
Blessed are those called to the supper of the Lamb.

And together with the people, the priest adds:

Lord, I am not worthy that you should enter under my
roof, but only say the word and my soul shall be healed.



Prayer for the Year of St Joseph



*Hail, Guardian of the Redeemer,
Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary.
To you God entrusted his only Son;
in you Mary placed her trust;
with you Christ became man.*

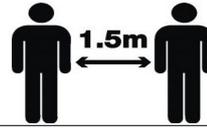
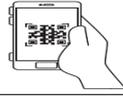
*Blessed Joseph, to us too,
show yourself a father
and guide us in the path of life.
Obtain for us grace,
mercy and courage,
and defend us from every evil.
Amen.*

Wear facemask

Check-in via QR Code or manually

Physical Distancing

Use Hand Sanitiser



For the health and safety of all concerned, parishioners are encouraged to comply with all relevant Public Health Orders.

NEWS / ANNOUNCEMENTS

Jubilee Calendar

We are now taking orders for the St Edwards Jubilee Calendar. Please add your name to the sign up sheet in the foyer if you would like to purchase a copy.

2021 Confirmation Mass

Group 1 Saturday 13/11, 03.00pm | Group 2 Sunday 14/11, 11.00am

All Souls' Day Services

Tuesday	02/11	07.00am	Church (Mass)
Tuesday	02/11	10.00am	Lincoln Grove Cemetery Chapel (Mass)
Tuesday	02/11	05.00pm	Tamworth Council Cemetery (Old) Catholic Section (Blessing of Graves)

Heart of Peace

Bishop Kennedy has announced a new diocesan initiative named Heart of Peace (HOPE). The purpose of HOPE is to assist the Bishop in providing support to those for whom there are no other safety nets and who require assistance in accessing any services that they are eligible to receive. A committee is being established under the guidance of Fr. Paul Aguilar who will be the Chair of this committee.

All Souls' Day, November Masses & Plenary Indulgence

Join us in the great prayer of the Mass, 2nd November, All Souls' Day. Do not forget this day, do not forget the Holy Souls in Purgatory. Please use the November Masses envelope found at the foyer. The names of your dear departed that are submitted are placed in the book on the sanctuary for all the days of November, and will share in the following: *A Mass offered for them on 2nd November and *A remembrance in all Masses offered in our Church during November.

Every year on these eight days the Church grants a plenary indulgence that can be applied only to the souls in purgatory. The faithful can receive this indulgence each of the eight days to apply to a particular soul — a parent, spouse, relative, friend, or anyone even unknown. On each day from Nov. 1-8 a person seeking the plenary indulgence for a soul must: (1) devoutly visit a cemetery and at least mentally pray for the dead; (2) on All Souls' Day devoutly visit a church or an oratory and recite an Our Father, Hail Mary, the Creed devoutly reciting the prayer, "Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace. Amen."

Requirements for obtaining a plenary indulgence:

- Do the work while in a state of grace,
- Receive Sacramental confession within 20 days of the work (several plenary indulgences may be earned per reception),
- Receive Eucharistic communion (one plenary indulgence may be earned per reception),
- Pray for the pope's intentions (Our Father and Hail Mary, or other appropriate prayer, is sufficient),
- Have no attachment to sin (even venial) – i.e., it is sufficient that the Christian makes an act of the will to love God and despise sin.

NB. The Apostolic Penitentiary through a decree dated 27/10/2021, due to the continuing state of the pandemic, confirms and extends the Plenary Indulgences for the deceased faithful will be for the entire month of November 2021. With the decree for pandemic conditions, those who cannot leave home, such as the sick and the elderly, can still obtain an indulgence by reciting prayers for the deceased before an image of Jesus or the Virgin Mary. They must also spiritually unite themselves to other Catholics, be completely detached from sin, and have the intention of fulfilling the ordinary conditions as soon as possible. The Vatican's decree offered examples of prayers that homebound Catholics can pray for the dead, including lauds or vespers of the Office for the Dead, the rosary, the Chaplet of the Divine Mercy, other prayers for deceased among their family or friends, or performing a work of mercy by offering their pain and discomfort to God.

Act of Spiritual Communion

My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.

Mass & Sacraments

Mass this Week (1-7 November)

Monday (<i>All Saints' Day</i>)	7.00am
Tuesday (<i>All Souls' Day</i>)	see NEWS section
Wednesday to Friday	9.30am
1st Friday Eucharistic Ador.	10am-12nn
Saturday	9.00am
	5.30pm
Sunday	9.00am
	5.30pm

BAPTISM

by appointment

ANOINTING OF THE SICK

by appointment

CONFESSIONS

Saturday
04.45 - 05.15pm

Sunday
08.15am - 08.45am
04.45 - 05.15pm

Our History, Our Story | 1981-1991

Bishop Austin Crapp, bishop of Aitape in New Guinea, was a Tamworth man, a life-long friend of Father Frank. Bishop Crapp invited Father Frank to the opening of his new Church. This took days to accomplish by air to Brisbane, then to Cairns, Port Moresby where Bishop Crapp met him. They flew to Aitape in a small plane over mountain ranges, quite an adventure! Father Frank enjoyed seeing Bishop Austin's headquarters and meeting his people.

As Father Frank was sole priest in South, he often requested help from Bishop Kennedy after his retirement to Nazareth House in 1991. The Bishop drove out to Gowrie once a month for Sunday Mass and the morning tea and talk that followed. While well enough, Bishop Kennedy assisted where he could in local parishes and was still very much a 'people' person. He died at Nazareth House in September 2003, aged 88, and was buried in the grounds of Armidale Cathedral.

Bishop Kennedy's successor as Bishop of Armidale in 1991 was Bishop Kevin Manning, who had been a seminarian at the same time as several priests in the Diocese.

*(Faith of Our Fathers, Living Still...
Recounted and written by Kitty Thomas)*

Collections 17/10/2021

Planned Giving	\$ 592.00
First Collection	\$ 596.05
Catholic Mission	\$ 645.20

Order of Visiting a Cemetery

*This order may be used by a priest, deacon, or a lay minister.
On those occasions when this service is used by a family,
one of the family members takes the minister's parts.*

+ In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

LITANY

Lord, have mercy *Lord, have mercy.*
Christ, have mercy *Christ, have mercy.*
Lord, have mercy *Lord, have mercy.*

Holy Mary, Mother of God, *pray for them.*
St Joseph, *pray for them.*
St Michael, *pray for them.*
St John the Baptist, *pray for them.*
St Peter and St Paul, *pray for them.*
St Andrew, *pray for them.*
St Stephen, *pray for them.*
St Philomena, *pray for them.*
St Ann, *pray for them.*
St Pius X, *pray for them.*
St Padre Pio, *pray for them.*
St. Teresa of Avila, *pray for them.*
St. John Bosco, *pray for them.*
St. Maria Faustina Kowalska, *pray for them.*
St. Catherine of Genoa, *pray for them.*
St. Lidwina of Schiedam, *pray for them.*
St Francis Xavier, *pray for them.*
St Edward the Confessor, *pray for them.*
St Mary of the Cross, *pray for them.*
Bl. Anne Catherine Emmerich, *pray for them.*
All holy men and women, *pray for them.*

Christ, pardon all their faults: *Lord, hear our prayer.*
Christ, remember
the good they have done: *Lord, hear our prayer.*
Christ, receive them
into eternal life: *Lord, hear our prayer.*
Christ, comfort all
those who mourn: *Lord, hear our prayer.*

Lord, have mercy *Lord, have mercy.*
Christ, have mercy *Christ, have mercy.*
Lord, have mercy *Lord, have mercy.*

With Christ there is mercy and fullness of redemption; let us pray as Jesus taught us:

All: Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name...

Let us pray... Almighty God and Father, by the mystery of the cross, you have made us strong; by the sacrament of the resurrection you have sealed us as your own. Look kindly upon your servants, now freed from the bonds of mortality, and count them among your saints in heaven. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

A Prayer for the Forgotten Dead

O merciful God, take pity on those souls who have no particular friends and intercessors to recommend them to Thee, who, either through the negligence of those who are alive, or through length of time are forgotten by their friends and by all. Spare them, O Lord, and remember Thine own mercy, when others forget to appeal to it. Let not the souls which Thou hast created be parted from thee, their Creator.

May the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.

Annual Clergy Retreat

Sunday 21/11/2021 to Friday 26/11/2021
No Sunday Evening Mass (21/11)

In your charity, please pray for

our sick

Fr John Willis	Shelly Howlett	John Green
Frances Cartwright	Barry Winning	Sally Shrago
Eduardo Morales	Julien Ryan	Chris Fardy
Harryson Rits	Angela Allan	Narelle Albans
Petrina (Fardy) Keys	Peachy Family	Joan de Souza

health & safety of

Anthony Shwe Hla Paw Ginavis Naw Pha Day

our deceased

+ Elizabeth Dambiec + Hedwig Schurawtz
+ Murray Thorn + Ray Gaffney
+ Hilario Parrenas

Roman Martyrology

1/11 All Saints' Day
2/11 All Souls' Day
3/11 St Martin de Porres, *religious*
4/11 St Charles Borromeo, *bishop*
5/11 St Zachary, *father of blessed John the Baptist*
6/11 St Felix, *martyr*

Omnnes sancti mártýres, oráte pro nobis

Prayer for the Dead

O Lord Jesus Christ, King of Glory, deliver the souls of all the faithful departed from the pains of hell and from the deep pit: Deliver them from the lion's mouth, that hell may not swallow them up, and may they not fall into darkness.

May Your holy standard-bearer St. Michael the Archangel lead them into the holy light of Your Presence for all eternity.

In your mercy the faithful departed find rest, please send Your holy angel to watch over this grave, through Christ our Lord. Amen.

For the blessing of a gravestone or tomb (with holy water)

O God, by whose mercy the faithful departed find rest, bless this gravestone with which we mark the resting place of (name) May he/she have everlasting life and rejoice in you with your saints for ever. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord.
And let perpetual light shine upon them.

May they rest in peace.
Amen.

May their souls and the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.
Amen.

