



St Matthew's Catholic Parish



(Established 1831)

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Our Parish Mission Statement:

We believe and live out the mission of Jesus Christ as a community of worship and faith shared in service.

Parish Team:

Administrator: *Fr Clifford D'Souza MSFS*
Sacramental Coordinator: *Ms Cita Adams*
Parish Secretary: *Ms Judy Rigg*
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www.stmatthewswindsor.org.au
Office hours next week - 9.30am - 4.30pm
Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday.

Schools:

St Matthew's Primary Phone: 4560 2300
Principal: Mr Tim Vane-Tempest
Chisholm Catholic Primary Phone: 4573 3200
Principal: Mr Michael Mifsud
Bede Polding College Phone: 4560 2900
Principal: Mr Mark Compton

Masses:

Next Weekend:

Sat. Vigil 6.00pm
Sun. 7.30am, 9.00am and 5.00pm

Weekday Masses:

Tuesday to Thursday 9.00am
Wednesday All Saints Day
9am and 7pm

Adoration:

Tuesday 8.30am

Reconciliation:

Saturday 5pm - 5.45pm

Pilgrim Rosary (in hall):

Every Tuesday 7pm

Divine Mercy Prayer Group (in hall):

2nd and 4th Saturday monthly 10am

Baptisms:

1st, 2nd and 3rd Sundays monthly

Thirty First Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C

30th October 2022

Through nine or ten chapters of the gospel of Luke and over several months we have been following the journey of Jesus towards Jerusalem. In today's gospel, Jesus has drawn very near to Jerusalem – Jericho is just a short distance from Jerusalem – and Jesus is moving steadily closer to the Passion of his final days.



Zacchaeus is as keen as the rest of Jericho to see Jesus as he passes through the town. However, because he is so short he can't see past the crowd and because he is a despised tax collector, no one was going to make room for him to see. He goes to the extreme length of climbing a tree just to catch a glimpse of Jesus. Like other characters in the gospel, his determination to simply catch sight of Jesus is an indication of his readiness to accept the message of Jesus. Because of his evident willingness to welcome the message of Jesus into his life, Jesus prompts Zacchaeus to welcome Jesus into his home. The readiness of Jesus to enter into the house of someone regarded as a sinner causes great scandal among the onlookers. What's more, Jesus is prepared to eat with this man as well – a sign of complete acceptance. The welcome of Zacchaeus meets the welcome of God.

Jesus declares that salvation has come to Zacchaeus' house and that he is a son of Abraham – one of the faithful. His words are directed to the crowd, not Zacchaeus. They are so determined to draw lines between those who are acceptable and those who are not that they have failed to notice what Jesus has taught all along – that faith can flourish in all people and is not determined by their social status.

Greg Sunter www.liturgyhelp.com

REST IN THE LOVE OF YOUR GOD.

Consider some people with whom you have to regularly interact. Take time to imagine the complexity of their lives and, especially, the challenges to which they have to respond. As you enter into 'their shoes' consider how much this challenges your assumptions concerning their lives.

Sr Kym Harris osb www.prayasyoucan.com.au

PLEASE DO NOT ENTER THE CHURCH IF YOU:

- ARE EXPERIENCING COLD OR FLU-LIKE SYMPTOMS OR TEMPERATURE
- HAVE BEEN IN CONTACT WITH ANYONE THAT IS EITHER A SUSPECTED OR CONFIRMED CASE OF COVID-19
- FACE MASKS ARE STILL RECOMMENDED

ALL SOULS DAY

All Souls Day is next Wednesday, 2nd November. Masses will be held at 9am and 7pm. Please note that the school children will be attending the 9am Mass.





ENTRANCE ANTIPHON: 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: Wisdom 11 : 28 - 12 : 2
You have mercy on all things because you love everything that exists.

RESPONSE: I will praise your name for ever, my king and my God.

SECOND READING: 2 Thessalonians 1 : 11 - 2 : 2
The name of our Lord Jesus Christ will be glorified in you and you in him

ACCLAMATION: Alleluia! Alleluia! God loved the world so much, he gave us his only Son, that all who believe in him might have eternal life. Alleluia.

GOSPEL: Luke 19 1-10
The Son of Man came to seek and to find that which was lost.

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

PLEASE KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS:



Deceased:

Please pray for the recently deceased Vince Surace, Diana Pereira, Sandra Bezzina (Anniversary of Desmond Donoghue) as well as Antonio Surace, Paul and Anna Micallef, Charlie and Grace Vella, Felix and Maree Sammut, Chris, John and Maryanne Sultana.

Sick: Please pray for Valencia Warrell and the sick in our Parish.

NOVEMBER MASSES

November is the month of Holy Souls and the 'Book of Life' as well as envelopes, will be available in the foyer of the Church. During the whole of November, Masses will be offered for deceased family and friends.

BEREAVEMENT MASS

On Wednesday, 2nd November at 7pm we will be holding a special Bereavement Mass to remember family and friends who have gone before us. All parishioners are most welcome to this special Mass. As there will be a light supper in the hall after the Mass, all those who attend are asked to please bring a plate to share.



POSITION AVAILABLE AT THE PARISH OF RICHMOND

Parish Coordinator of Ministries (PCM)

14 hours per week, casual status. If you would like to work with a leadership team that makes a difference in our community then this position is right for you. Be accountable to the Parish Priest and be responsible for providing support for the parish clergy in their ministry. To obtain an application pack contact Richmond parish office 4578 1410 or email admin@parishofrichmond.org.au Applications close Friday 25th November 2022.

PLANNED GIVING ENVELOPES

The next set of planned giving envelopes are available for collection at the back of the Church. Please take your envelopes home with you after Mass.



PATRICIAN BROTHERS' BLACKTOWN 70 YEARS CELEBRATIONS

Patrician Brothers' College Blacktown is inviting past students, staff and their families back to the college for tours and a BBO to celebrate its 70th anniversary on Friday 11th November from 4pm to 8pm. To register, please visit <https://bit.ly/patsblacktown70yrs>. For more information, contact the school on (02) 8811 0300.

ROSTERS 5TH/6TH NOVEMBER, 2022		32ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME YEAR C		
Church Cleaning: T. Ripa and S. Mitchell.		Sacristy: I. Willingham and M. Hutchison.		
MASSES	6PM	7.30AM	9AM	5PM
Commentator	M. Said	S. Mackenzie	L. Buchanan	M. Claravall
Reader	M. Williams	J. Wein	I. Willingham	C. Chalker
			J. Micallef	
Acolyte/Adult Server	T. Jordan	J. Coco	T. McMahon	G. Claravall
Altar Servers	E. Rijke		E. El Hindy	C. Adam
			A. El Hindy	