



# 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*  
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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 Friday 9.00am

#### 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

#### Marriages:

By appointment

*Our Lord Jesus Christ, King Of The Universe Year C  
20th November 2022*

### CHRIST'S KINGDOM OF LOVE, JUSTICE AND PEACE

Nowadays Kings are a dying breed. However, many leaders claim to be and act like kings. While earthly kings ruled from palaces, Christ the king reigns from the cross. His kingdom is not a place, but a people who give their hearts lovingly to him by shaping their lives according to his will. Jesus the king gave his life for his people. His death on the cross is our signpost to be followed on the road to peace and happiness in this life and much more in the next. Jesus helps us to make sense of our lives and opens the vision for a new world.



The feast of Christ the king invites us to live our lives according to his commandments to love God and one another. In all we do, we seek to grow more like Christ, for he becomes our king when we give him our allegiance. In practice, we often withhold that loyalty. To recognize Christ as the king of our lives may mean a change of heart, like the good thief on the cross beside Jesus. It means to have a more honest approach in our way of living. Selfishness, hatred, and injustice must give way to Christ-like attitudes if we are to follow his message.

The Kingship of Christ is made real by allowing God to do his work in us and through us. It is a life-long process involving a daily invitation to conversion. He calls us, who are his subjects, to take his side in the struggle of furthering the growth of his kingdom.

Peace in God's mission. Fr. Clifford msfs

### MONDAY CLUB SOCIAL

The next lunch will be a Christmas lunch held on Monday, 5th December in the Parish Hall. Cost is \$15- per person which covers morning tea and lunch. If you wish to take part in the Kris Kringle giving, please bring a gift to the value of \$10-. For catering purposes, please contact Celine if you would like to attend.



### 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



**ENTRANCE ANTIPHON:** 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 forever and ever.

**FIRST READING:** 2 Samuel 5 : 1-3  
*They anointed David King of Israel.*

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

**SECOND READING:** Colossians 1 : 12-20  
*He has taken us into the kingdom of his beloved Son.*

**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:** Luke 23 : 35-42  
*Lord remember me when you come into your kingdom.*

**COMMUNION ANTIPHON:** The Lord sits as King forever. The Lord will bless his people with peace.



**PLEASE KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS:**

**Deceased:**

Please pray for the recently deceased as well as the Anniversaries of George Arce, Rudolf Zuber, Mick and Ben Gough and Jason Vella.

**Sick:** Please pray for Valencia Warrell, Carmello Vella and Melissa Randal.

**MASS AND PRAYERS FOR DECEASED CLERGY**

Bishop Vincent will celebrate a Mass for the Deceased Clergy of the Diocese at St Bernadette's Church, 367 Old Northern Road, Castle Hill on Friday, 25th November at 10.30am, which will be followed by prayers at the priests' section of Castle Hill Cemetery, Gilbert Road, Castle Hill. You are warmly invited to attend these celebrations.

**BISHOP'S CHRISTMAS APPEAL for Catholic Care's Assistance with Care and Housing Service**

No one should be homeless or without support. Your Christmas gift will enable Catholic Care to give homeless people practical and emotional support, and a safe place to call home. Please stretch out your hand to the poor and give generously via the Bishop's Christmas Appeal envelopes. An envelope is attached to this bulletin for you to complete and return next weekend.



**LEGION OF MARY CHRISTMAS PARTY**

All of our Active, Auxiliary and Future junior members are invited to come and join us in celebrating this year as soldiers of Mother Mary. It will be held in the Parish Hall at 6pm on Friday 9th December. Please bring a plate to share. RSVP by phone or text to Nicole by no later than the 1st December with number of adults and children attending.



**WESTERN DEANERY YOUNG ADULTS MASS AND CONFESSION**

All young adults from 18 to 35 years are invited for this event on Friday 25th November 7:00pm at St Joseph's Parish, Kingswood (12 Richmond Road, Kingswood NSW 2747).

**ADVENT 2022 – PREPARING FOR CHRISTMAS WITH BRUCE DOWNES THE CATHOLIC GUY**

You are invited to Prepare for Christmas this Advent (starting November 27th) with a new Daily Devotional series. Each day, you will receive a short inspirational video from Bruce Downes, known as The Catholic Guy, full of inspiration, real-life stories and practical ways to become all that God has created you to be! Register now or for more information go to <https://BruceDownes.org/Advent>



ROSTERS 26TH/27TH NOVEMBER, 2022		FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT YEAR A		
Church Cleaning: C. Teuma and T. May.		Sacristy: I. Willingham and M. Hutchison.		
MASSSES	6PM	7.30AM	9AM	5PM
Commentator	M. Grosvenor	C. Attard	I. Willingham	S. Naylor
Reader	K. Apap	S. Mackenzie	J. Micallef	A. Pennings
				S. Tyler
Acolyte/Adult Server	J. Dimech	J. Coco	T. McMahon	G. Claravall
Altar Servers	D. Spiteri		A. El Hindy	C. Adam
	I. Spiteri		E. El Hindy	