



# St Patrick's Parish Gosford

The Communities of St Patrick's East Gosford,  
St Francis of Assisi Somersby & Holy Trinity Spencer  
Neighbourhoods of Grace, entrusted to the care of the Salvatorians.



## YEAR OF TRUST COMES TO A CLOSE

Today you will be with me in paradise!  
The Crucifixion of Jesus was unquestionably, the ultimate gift, freely given by Jesus.  
I wonder if we all trust in Jesus enough to let go of everything around us and know we will end up in heaven beside our Lord Jesus.  
Today's Gospel to me, gives us some understanding of Faith and Trust. We know we can trust in Jesus because of the sacrifice he made for us.

It is hard to imagine what the Apostles and other followers of Christ were going through as Jesus hung on the Cross. They had given up everything to follow Jesus, and now Jesus was being killed in front of them. He was brutally treated, leading up to his death and killed most horrifically by Crucifixion.

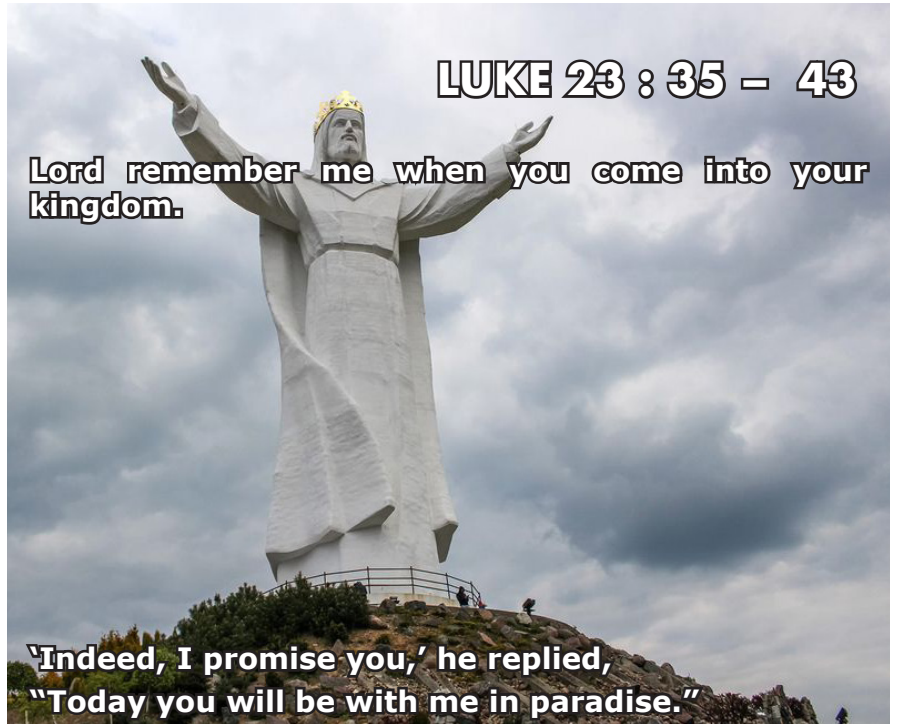
How do you recover after witnessing such brutality to a human into who you have put all your trust!

Was it divine intervention, was it because Jesus, on many occasions, told the Apostles to have faith, to trust in him and to not be afraid.

I believe it was because of the trust that Jesus engendered combined with the Faith in God that Jesus bestowed on them in the form of the Holy Spirit. Whatever it was, the Apostles and their successors have continued against seemingly insurmountable odds to grow the Church into what it is today.

This Church is undoubtedly based on Faith and trust in God.

There have been times where some leaders of the Church, some Priests and laypeople have acted inappropriately. But, the Faith in God that Christians have, will ultimately win through, so the Church will grow stronger



having learned from those previous mistakes.

Yes, it is time to have Faith, trust in God and move on to build Christianity throughout the world. Maybe the Apostles remembered.....

### MAT 17: 3 - 7

"Suddenly Moses and Elijah appeared before them, talking with Jesus. Peter said to Jesus, "Lord, it is good for us to be here. If You wish, I will put up three shelters: one for You, one for Moses, and one for Elijah." While Peter was still speaking, a bright cloud enveloped them, and a voice from the cloud said, "This is My beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased. Listen to Him! When the disciples heard this, they fell facedown in terror. Then Jesus came over and touched them. "Get up," He said. "**Do not be afraid.**"

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### FR FRANCIS JORDAN SDS

**"Yes, indeed! Jesus took all pain from me, restored my health wonderfully! I grasp now what he is offering me: to choose sacrifice voluntarily!"**

*MM A Nun restored to life in Poems*



### POPE FRANCIS' NOVEMBER 2019 INTENTION

**Dialogue and Reconciliation in the Near East.**

That a spirit of dialogue, encounter, and reconciliation emerge in the Near East, where diverse religious communities share their lives together.

**A warm welcome to our parishioners and visitors who are celebrating the Eucharist with us this weekend at St Patrick's Parish.**

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## ST PATRICK'S PARISH GOSFORD

### PASTORAL CARE

**Fr Grzegorz [Greg] Skulski SDS**

Parish Priest

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Deacon:

### SALVATORIANS

### Society of the Divine Saviour

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### PARISH OFFICE

#### Secretary:

Colleen Kirk Mon - Thurs: 8:30am - 4:30pm

Friday: 8:30am - 1:00pm

Bursar: Darren Fitzgibbon

#### Sacramental Programme

Coordinator: Frances Mathey  
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### VOLUNTEER ROLES

#### Office Admin:

Denise Jay  
Judith Myers  
Maria Andrzejewska  
9:00am - 3:30pm

Friday:

#### AV Presentation:

Peter McLean  
Greg McBride  
Ron Begg  
John Malicki

#### Caretakers:

#### Gardeners:

Trevor Byrne  
Joyce Byrne  
Victor Camilleri  
Barbara McCarthy  
Ph: 4322 0250

#### Seniors' Ministry:

### SAFEGUARDING OFFICER

Hillary Pope

If you see any activities involving children or vulnerable adults that worries you, please call Hilary Pope, our Safeguarding Officer on

hilary.p1@optusnet.com.au

### School Principals

St Patrick's Primary: Mrs Cheryl Walsh 4325 1159

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St Edwards College: Mr Mark Bonnici 4321 6400

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### Christian Brothers' Community

Frederick Street, East Gosford

Br Peter Hester cfc [Community Leader]

Br Rod Shoebridge cfc

### MONDAY, NOV 25 - LECTIO DIVINA

In the Jordan Room after 9:00 am Mass.

Why not come into the Jordan Room after Mass this Monday and experience the spirituality of Lectio Divina?

## CHURCH OPEN DAILY 8:30AM - 4:30PM.

### STANDARD WEEKDAY MASSES

#### Gosford:

Monday: 9:00am Wednesday: 11:30am Friday: 12 noon  
Tuesday: 9:00am Thursday: 9:00am Saturday: 9:00am

### WEEKEND MASSES

#### Gosford:

Saturday Vigil: 5:00pm Sunday: 7:30am Children's Liturgy:  
9:00am During 9:00am Mass  
6:00pm Each Sunday of School Term.

Somersby, 30 Lutana Road: Saturday Vigil: 6:30pm

Spencer, Wiseman's Ferry Rd: 2nd Sunday Monthly: 4:00pm

### OTHER MASSES

Filipino Mass 2nd Korean Mass Monthly:  
Sunday Monthly: [Enq: Peter 0409-  
12 noon 508-123] 6:00pm

### ADORATION IN OUR CHURCH

Before the Blessed Sacrament

Mon: 8:30am - 9:00am Wed: 11:00am - 11:30am Fri: 12:30pm - 3:00pm  
Tues: 8:30am - 9:00am Thur: 8:30am - 9:00am Sat: 8:00am

### RECONCILIATION - 1ST RITE

#### Gosford:

Mon-Thur: during Adoration - see above.

1st Friday of Month Prior to Mass 11:30am

Other Fridays After Mass 12:30pm

Saturday: 8:30am and 4:30pm.

Sunday: 7:00am and 5:30pm

#### St Francis of Assisi 30 Lutana Road, Somersby:

Saturday after Vigil: 7:30pm

### CHAPLET OF DIVINE MERCY

After weekday Masses to 3:00pm and to 1:00pm Fridays.

### ROSARIES

#### Weekday

Monday, Tuesday Thursday: 8:05am  
Wednesday: 10:35am  
Friday: 11:35am

#### Saturdays Monthly

8:05am: 1st - For Priests & Religious.  
8:05am 3rd Saturday - For Mothers & Abortion.  
8:05am 4th Saturday - For Persecuted Christians and their Persecutors.

### OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP NOVENA

Last Wednesday of each Month at 12 noon

### ADORATION AT BLESSED SACRAMENT CHAPEL

Located on Chapel Lane at the Admin Centre

Monday to Thursday: 8:30am - 3:30pm

Friday: 9:00am - 3:30pm

### GROUP MEETINGS

#### Bible Study Lectio Divina / Christian Unity / Christian DVD:

Mondays at 9:30am twice monthly,  
Wednesday at 10:00am in the Jordan Room.

Bible Study Monday Night 7:00pm in the Jordan Room.

RCIA: in Admin Centre 7:30pm Tuesdays.

Contact the Parish Office to register interest.

menALIVE: 7:30pm commencing with Mass  
1st Tuesday of Month

Cancer Prayers: 9:00am 4th Tuesday Monthly  
in Jordan Room

#### Grief & Loss, Prayer & Support:

1st Thursday Monthly 2pm in Jordan Room

Craft Group - Friday each week of School Term

9:30am - 12:00pm

Movie Night 4th Sat Night Monthly after 5:00pm Mass.

### SATURDAY MORNING COFFEE SHOP

After 9:00am Mass in the Jordan Room.

All proceeds to Charities



## IN YOUR PARISH OF ST PATRICK'S THIS WEEK

Sunday Nov 24 <b>CHRIST THE KING</b>	7:30am 9:00am 10:00am 11:00am 6:00pm 7:00pm	Mass Mass including 1st Communion. <b>3rd Sunday Morning Tea and Min Fete after Mass</b> 1st Communion Mass Youth Mass followed by Youth Group meeting in J/Room
Monday Nov 25	8:30am 9:00am 9:30am 7:00pm	Adoration. Mass. Lectio Divina prayer group in the Jordan Room Bible Study in Jordan Room.
Tuesday Nov 26	8:30am 9:00am 11:30am	Adoration. Mass. Memorial Mass at Point Clare Cemetery - all are welcome.
Wednesday Nov 27	11:00am 11:30am 12:00noon 7:30pm	Adoration. Mass. OLPH Novena Adult Education Evening in the Jordan Room
Thursday Nov 28	8:30am 9:00am	Adoration Mass.
Friday Nov 29	9:30am 12:00am 12:30pm	Craft Group in Jordan Room. Mass Adoration in St Patrick's from 12:30 to 3:00pm
Saturday Nov 30	8:30am 9:00am 10:15am 5:00pm 6:30pm	Adoration. Mass Choir Practise in Church. Vigil Mass Gosford including 1st Communions Vigil Mass Somersby
Sunday Dec 1 <b>1st Sunday of Advent</b>	7:30am 8:00am 9:00am 10:30am 6:00pm	Mass Youth Communioning for ACYF. Mass Plus Baptism Presentation Baptism Service Youth Mass followed by Youth Group meeting in J/Room

### KIDS CORNER PINT SIZED PADDIES

**NEXT EVENT IS FRIDAY, NOV 29.**  
In the School Hall 7:00 pm on 2nd and 4th Friday of each Month. Parents of Primary School Children contact Melissa Monaghan and book your youngsters in for a few hours of fun in a spiritual environment. Enquiries to Melissa 0434 251 481

### ST PATRICK'S PARISH YOUTH GROUP YOUTH GROUP MEETING

Tonight, November 24 after 6:00 pm Mass in the Jordan Room. Pizza, food, games, memes and more. Exploring the Catholic faith through talks, small groups, prayer and bible study, all as part of a stable community of young people. Good Music. Quality Banter.

### MONDAY EVENING BIBLE STUDY GROUP

7:00pm in the Jordan Room, all are welcome.



CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE WILL BE KEPT SAFE BY ADULTS WHO TREAT THEM WITH CARE, RESPECT AND COMPASSION.

## PARISH NEWS AND NOTICES

### MASSES OF REMEMBRANCE:

Mass of Remembrance at Point Clare Cemetry. We will hold our anual special Mass of Remembrance at Pt Clare Cemetry at **11:30 am Tuesday, November 26** - with apologies to those who were disappointed that the catastrophic fire warnings caused the cancellation of last Tuesday's planned Mass.

### CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR FIRST COMMUNICANTS!

This weekend the following children will receive the Eucharist for the first time at the Somersby Vigil, and Gosford's 9 & 11 am Masses. Included in the list below are also the children who through family circumstances will make their 1st Communion during the 5 pm Vigil next Saturday, November 30.

We keep the children and their families in our prayers and thank our Sacramental Programme Coord, Frances Mathey, and her team of wonderful leaders for preparing the children for this special day.

Arango: Antonia  
Bridekirk: Finlay  
Burkinshaw: Charlotte  
Chadwick: Sienna  
Condon: Grace  
Ellwood: Finn  
Ferragamo: Gianah  
Ford: Matthew  
Forjan: Elvira  
Forjan: Daniela  
Furley: Freddie  
Furley: Holly  
Furley: Poppy  
Furley: Robbie

Gottardo: Felicity  
Gray: Max  
Hardie: Elijah  
Hardie: Violet  
Haynes: Jasper  
Hermann: Amelia  
Hodges: Isabella  
Hooper: Will  
Iwasaki: Cecilia  
Jarman: Lucas  
Jimenez: Max  
Johnson: Bryce  
Johnson: Jasmine  
Jones: Cohen

Kang: Stella  
Kautzner-Petley: Malia  
Koschel: Axel  
Lamb: Ebony  
Lee: Jesse  
Leete: Georgina  
Lewis: Scarlet  
Maher: Chloe  
Maloney: Lincoln  
McArdle: David  
McArdle: William  
McBride: Darragh  
Merillo: Angelo  
Mexon: Ashton  
Mueller: Mahalah  
Murray: Alannah  
O'Beirne: Lucas  
O'Dea: Iseult  
O'Malley: Isla

O'Malley: Lilyrose  
O'Shea: Nat  
Playle: Alexis  
Playle: Luke  
Reynell: Jack  
Riedl: Benjamin  
Sanfilippo: Joseph  
Schyvens: Ella  
Smith: Jemma Jade  
Stark: Cooper  
Stitt: Thomas  
Stocqueller: Adelaide  
Titheradge: Sachin  
Verolin: Soraya  
Vumbaca: Matteo  
White: Riley  
Yappas: Tiana  
Yappas: George

### VOLUNTEERS IN MINISTRY THANKSGIVING MASS & DINNER THIS TUESDAY NOVEMBER 26 FROM 7 PM

We thank all who will be attending this annual event, and take this opportunity to thank EVERYONE for their stewardship of the parish in 2019! We have more than 250 volunteers in our parish, and you should all be so proud of the service you provide to the Lord and your fellow parishioners.

### WE SAY 'THANKS' TO FR VOJTEK & FR PIOTR!

Our Salvatorian visitors left last Thursday, but not without making a lasting impression on our parish, and, they say, the parish also made on them. It was such a pleasure, and we hope that one day they will visit again. Fr Vojtek wished to express his sincere gratitude for the generosity of the parish in its financial support of his work in Poland with the Salvatorian Youth Missionary Movement.

## HAPPY BIRTHDAY ODETTE!

Congratulations to Odette Lillis who turned 90 on November 21 with a small celebration given by her daily Mass compadres! May God bless you Odette.

## MENALIVE IN GOSFORD PARISH

The next meeting of menALIVE will commence with Mass at 7:00 pm on Tuesday, December 3 and we especially invite all men who are interested in coming along as we will have a speaker from the Catenians present. Catenians are an association of Catholic laymen who are committed to their Faith, their families, to those in need and each other. Their primary purpose is to establish a network of friends, which enhances their family life, strengthens their Faith and sustains them in difficult times.

## MINISTRY TO THE SENIORS' CHRISTMAS BUS TRIP

Wednesday December 11, departing at 9am from Victoria StreetCome, enjoy a trip to the Royal Motor Yacht Club at Toronto for lunch.

Morning tea provided. Lunch at your own cost.

\$15 only. Please RSVP to Barbara on 4322 0250 by Friday December 6.

## CLEANING OUR CHURCH IN PREPARATION FOR THE CELEBRATION OF CHRISTMAS!

Another date for your diaries. Tuesday, December 17 directly after morning Mass. Please come along, and we promise you a delightful morning tea when your chores are done!

## A BIG THANK YOU TO THOSE WHO HELPED MAKE OUR MINI FETE A SUCCESS!

The Salvatorian Collaborators would like to thank those donated to the fete via goods and bric-a-brac, home-made goodies, plants, books, or simply time and service. It was all so much appreciated and the money raised which goes to the Lay Salvatorians and will perhaps allow for a new arm of this group to be set up in one of the countries in the Oceania area.

## SR MARGARET SCULLY RSC

Thanks, those who have booked to see her on Saturday, November 30. Apologies to those who missed out and for the mix up with the advertised date of her November visit. Sister will see you again in the new year!

## LOST & FOUND

In the foyer this weekend you will find a basket with an assortment of glasses, sunglasses and miscellaneous objects and we invite you to find your missing item there before they are given away.



## CASHLESS TODAY?

Please remember we have our Donation Point device in the foyer which enables donations of \$5 or increments of \$5 which goes straight to our 2nd collection in support of the parish.

*"From what we get, we can make a living; what we give, however, makes a life."*

- Winstone Churchill

## WALK THE CAMINO!

Two Catholic Mission Pilgrimages 2020. Small group led by an experienced guide.

Sr Veronica Rosier OP (0451 387 906)

[www.catholicmission.org.au/camino2020](http://www.catholicmission.org.au/camino2020)

How is God calling us to be a Christ-centred Church?

As the Catholic Church in Australia prepares for the first gathering of the Plenary Council in October 2020, we are all invited to discern how we are being called to be a Christ-centred Church. To learn about the process of discernment, visit [www.plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au](http://www.plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au) or speak with your parish priest or local animator

## RELICS OF ST THERESE OF LISIEUX TOUR.

For the first time in 18 years, the relics of St Thérèse of Lisieux, one of the most popular saints of modern times, will visit Australia in 2020 on a four-month pilgrimage with her parents, saints Louis and Zélie Martin.

The relics will visit the following parishes in the Diocese of Broken Bay:

5 March: St Ives Parish

6 March: The Lakes Parish

7 March: Hornsby Cathedral

8 March: Gosford Parish

9 March: The Entrance Parish

Find out more about this significant event as Australia prepares for the Plenary Council by visiting:

<https://catholicmission.org.au/relics-of-saint-th%C3%A9r%C3%A8se-of-lisieux>

## LAUNCH OF FILIPINO CHRISTMAS NOVENA MASSES

You are all invited to the mass to be celebrated by Bishop Anthony Randazzo

on 14th December, Saturday at 7 pm at Our Lady of the Rosary Cathedral,

23 Yardley Avenue, Waitara.

This mass will launch the Nine-Day Christmas Novena Masses to be held

in Chatswood, Dee Why and Central Coast.

Light supper will be served at the Light of Christ Centre.

We also invite you to share your creative talents and join the Parol-Making Contest and Traditional Filipino Dessert-Making Competition.

Details of these competitions are available at the back of the church.

For any queries, please contact:

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## FEAST OF CHRIST THE KING

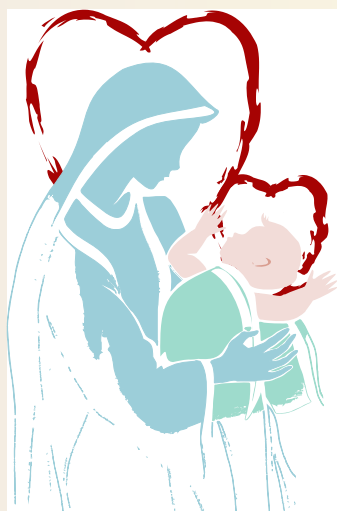
Pilgrim Walk - Sun 24 Nov @ 2.00pm.

Starting from Our Lady Star of the Sea, Terrigal to St Patrick's Church, East Gosford.

EACH INDIVIDUAL MUST TAKE RESPONSIBILITY FOR THEIR OWN WELLBEING AND SAFETY

Enquires: Parish Office: 43674610

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# ST PATRICK'S CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS MASS 24 DECEMBER

## 5:00 PM

NEW VENUE

ST   
PATRICK'S  
INFANTS SCHOOL

### MELBOURNE ST EAST GOSFORD

#### Mass followed by:

- Animals
- Dancing
- Birthday Cake for Jesus
- Plus other activities



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## OUR CHRISTMAS MASS TIMETABLE

As there will be a few changes this year, we thought it best to get in early so that you can be aware, and spread the word!

We are breaking with the tradition of Mass at St Edward's and trying to make this a very festive and memorable occasion for the children. More info coming soon.

### CHRISTMAS EVE AT ST PATRICK'S

5:00 pm Children's Outdoor Mass on the grounds of St Patrick's Primary School's Melbourne St Campus.

9:00 pm Youth Mass

12:00 - Midnight Mass

### CHRISTMAS EVE AT ST FRANCIS OF ASSISI, SOMERSBY

7:00 pm

### CHRISTMAS DAY AT ST PATRICK'S

7:30 am

9:00 am Masses

No evening Mass.

Please be aware of an email scam targeting parishioners in broken Bay.

Some people have been receiving emails that I impersonating broken Bay clergy and staff.

The emails asking people to contact them, then further ask for vouchers iTunes cards to be sent for sick friend.

Please do not respond to this request. Always check that the email is a valid address. The name will appear correct, but the address may be a Gmail account. If that is the case, it is most likely a scam.

*From the Office of Communications.*

## ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

### RV 5:12; 1:6

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

### 2 SM 5:1-3

**A reading from the second book of Samuel They anointed David king of Israel.**

All the tribes of Israel came to David at Hebron. 'Look' they said 'we are your own flesh and blood. In days past when Saul was our king, it was you who led Israel in all their exploits; and the Lord said to you, "You are the man who shall be shepherd of my people Israel, you shall be the leader of Israel.'" So all the elders of Israel came to the king at Hebron, and King David made a pact with them at Hebron in the presence of the Lord, and they anointed David king of Israel.

## RESPONSORIAL PSALM

### PS 121:1-5. R. SEE V.2

**(R.) Let us go rejoicing to the house of the Lord.**

I rejoiced when I heard them say: 'Let us go to God's house.' And now our feet are standing within your gates, O Jerusalem.

**(R.) Let us go rejoicing to the house of the Lord.**

Jerusalem is built as a city strongly compact.

It is there that the tribes go up, the tribes of the Lord.

**(R.) Let us go rejoicing to the house of the Lord.**

For Israel's law it is, there to praise the Lord's name.

There were set the thrones of judgement of the house of David.

**(R.) Let us go rejoicing to the house of the Lord.**

## SECOND READING

### COL 1:12-20

**A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Colossians**

He has taken us into the kingdom of his beloved Son.

We give thanks to the Father who has made it possible for you to join the saints and with them to inherit the light.

Because that is what he has done: he has taken us out of the power of darkness and created a place for us in the kingdom of the Son that he loves, and in him, we gain our freedom, the forgiveness of our sins.

He is the image of the unseen God and the first-born of all creation, for in him were created all things in heaven and on earth: everything visible and everything invisible, Thrones, Dominations,

Sovereignities, Powers – all things were created through him and for him.

Before anything was created, he existed, and he holds all things in unity.

Now the Church is his body, he is its head.

As he is the Beginning, he was first to be born from the dead, so that he should be first in every way; because God wanted all perfection to be found in him and all things to be reconciled through him and for him, everything in heaven and everything on earth, when he made peace by his death on the cross.

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

### MK 11:9. 10

**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

### LK 23:35-43

**A reading from the holy Gospel according Luke.**

**Lord remember me when you come into your kingdom.**

The people stayed there before the cross watching Jesus. As for the leaders, they jeered at him. 'He saved others,' they said, 'let him save himself if he is the Christ of God, the Chosen One.' The soldiers mocked him too, and when they approached to offer him vinegar they said, 'If you are the king of the Jews, save yourself.' Above him there was an inscription: 'This is the King of the Jews.'

One of the criminals hanging there abused him. 'Are you not the Christ?' he said. 'Save yourself and us as well.' But the other spoke up and rebuked him. 'Have you no fear of God at all?' he said. 'You got the same sentence as he did, but in our case we deserved it: we are paying for what we did. But this man has done nothing wrong. Jesus,' he said, 'remember me when you come into your kingdom.' 'Indeed, I promise you,' he replied, 'today you will be with me in paradise.'

## COMMUNION ANTIPHON

### PS 28:10-11

The Lord sits as King for ever.

The Lord will bless his people with peace.

## REFLECTION BY DIANE BERGANT CSA

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.

© Dianne Bergant CSA

### THURSDAY 21

The presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary

### FRIDAY 22

St Cecilia virgin, martyr

## NEXT WEEKS READINGS

### SUNDAY DEC 1 1ST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

**1st Reading:**

Is 2: 1 – 5

**2nd Reading**

Rom 13: 11 – 14

**Gospel**

Mt 27: 37 – 44

### TUESDAY DEC 3

St Francis Xavier, priest

### SATURDAY DEC 7

St Ambrose, bishop, doctor

## INTERESTING TRIVIA

### DO NOT BE AFRAID

How many times are phrases like "fear not" and related ones like "be strong" or "do not be afraid", etc. repeated in the Bible?

The answer depends on the translation. It also depends on how you want to count the occurrences. If a sentence says, "be strong and courageous," do you count that as one time or as two? If it says, "be strong, Israel, be strong, my people," how many times do you count that?

I brought up Biblehub.com and typed these phrases into the search bar. The numbers represent how many verses contain the phrases.

fear not — 15

do not fear — 15

do not be afraid — 15

be not dismayed — 30

be strong — 2\*

take courage — 6

be courageous — 12



Your Roster – December 1, 1st Sunday of Advent Year [A-2]					
MASS	VIGIL 5:00	7:30am	9:00am	6:00pm	Somersby - 6:30
DATE	30.11.19	1.12.19	1.12.19	1.12.19	30.11.19
<b>Audio/Visual</b>	Robert Biviano	Glad Williams	Roy Kim	Required	Melissa Monaghan
<b>Acolytes</b>	Anna Jung Gerard Nicholls	Peter O'Neill John Ryan	Peter Cho Alan Dillon	Peter Forbes Patrick Nicholls	<b>Altar Society:</b> Vicki Muscat
<b>Lectors</b>	Bridget Sharp Jan Blanch	Josie McGuinness Gerard Price	Wendy Stringer Emily Rudd	Youth Anna Llige	Dakota Xuereb Marisa Xuereb
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<b>COUNTERS</b> November 25/11 David Slingsby Trudi Hiep November 2/12 Fiona Eaton Joyce Byrne	<b>ALTAR LINEN</b> P/up Dec 2. Hazel Walsh Ret'n Dec 6.	<b>ALTAR SOCIETY</b> Sat, Nov 29 Eunice Dal Busco Kerryl McGrath Mabel Kan Jo Pugh	<b>CHILDRENS LITURGY</b> Sunday Nov 24 Joanne Ford Katie Moss	<b>PARISH BUS</b> Dec 1 Driver: John Moriarty Helper Ros Moriarty	<b>HOSPITAL VISITATION</b> Dec 1 Christina Miller Barbara MCarthy

## YOUR PRAYERS PLEASE

MASS INTENTIONS		
Date	Mass	Intention
Sat 23/11	9:00a Gosford 5:00p Gosford 6:30p Somersby	+ Anniversary CLARE CHAUFFEPIED Prayers for Cecilia on her birthday Recently Deceased NELSON FERNANDES NOVEMBER REMEMBRANCES
Sun 24/11	7:30a Gosford 9:00a Gosford 11:00a Gosford 6:00p Gosford	Birthday Blessings CECILIA NOVEMBER REMEMBRANCES PARISH INTENTIONS Recently Deceased ANN WILLIAMS
Mon 25/11	9:00a Gosford	NOVEMBER REMEMBRANCES
Tue 26/11	9:00a Gosford 11:30a Pt Clare 2:00p Orana 3.30pm Evergreen	+30th Anniversary: 6 JESUITS MURDERED IN EL SALVADOR NOVEMBER REMEMBRANCES FOR THE FARMERS & BUSH FIRE AFFECTED PEOPLE "THANK YOU" FROM EVA
Wed 27/11	11:30a Gosford	NOVEMBER REMEMBRANCES
Thu 28/11	9:00a Gosford	NOVEMBER REMEMBRANCES
Fri 29/11	12:00n Gosford	NOVEMBER REMEMBRANCES
Sat 30/11	9:00a Gosford 5:00p Gosford 6:30p Somersby	NOVEMBER REMEMBRANCES + Anniversary TONY LOWE PARISH INTENTIONS

Sun 1/12	7:30a Gosford 9:00a Gosford 6:00p Gosford	+Remembrance KEEVERS, KNIGHT & MERCHANT FAMILIES + Birthday Remembrance MARY EMMA MIDDLETON Recently Deceased TOM CAVES
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### PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SERIOUSLY ILL MEMBERS OF OUR COMMUNITY:

Ray Maher, Marie O'Donovan, Margaret Kings, Megan McGowan, Kellie Nevin, Charlie Sammut, Rachael Lees, Brian Graham, Arlene Peters, Kath Ryan, John Burg, Peter & Lena O'Donovan, Tina Learwood, Allan Francis, Brian Loo, Bev Meehan, Michael Graham, Glenn Mills, Frank McGuinness, Angela Cunningham, Simon Low, Christopher Graham, Frances Cannon, Margaret Gunnison, Sonia Cummings, Anna-Marie Rowan, Melita Waters, Judy Wennerbom, Helen Bligh, Scott McKinnon.

### RECENTLY DECEASED:

Tom Caves, Ann Williams, Nelson Fernandes, Sheila Eaton.

### ANNIVERSARIES:

Tony Lowe, Clare Chauffepied, Sydney Van Ross, Thelma Tate

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**16-24/dec chatswood 5:30 AM**  
 Christmas Novena Dawn Masses  
 Our Lady of Dolours Parish  
 94 Archer St, Chatswood

**15-23/dec dee why 7:30 PM**  
 Christmas Novena Masses  
 St Kevin's Church  
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**20, 22, 23 /dec wyong 7:00 PM**  
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Last Saturday every month, in the Jordan Room after 5:00 pm Vigil Mass. While at the Movie Enjoy a Pot Luck Dinner. Simply bring something of the quantity you would typically prepare for yourself, to share with all, for either the Main Meal, the dessert, or towards tea, coffee, hot chocolate after dinner while we watch the movie with biscuits or nibbles.

## NEXT MOVIE NIGHT - 30th November

Movie:- **The Last Straw** (Rated PG)



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