

# CHRIST THE KING, Year C

20TH NOVEMBER 2022

A KINGDOM OF JUSTICE, LOVE AND PEACE

“I promise you, today you will be with me in paradise” (Luke 23:43)

## MASS TIMETABLE

### St Francis Xavier Cathedral, Wollongong

Monday	Mass: 7am
Tuesday	Mass: 7am
Wednesday	Mass: 7am Confessions: 11:30am Mass: 12.10pm
Thursday	Mass: 7am
Friday	Mass: 7am Adoration: 11:30am Confessions: 11:30am Mass: 12.10pm
Saturday	Confessions: 11am—12pm
Sunday	Mass: 7am, 10.30am & 5pm

### St Brigid's, Gwynneville

Thursday	Mass: 9.30am
Saturday Vigil	Mass: 5.30pm
Sunday	Mass: 9am

### St John Vianney Co-Cathedral, Fairy Meadow

Tuesday	Mass: 9.30am
Thursday	Mass: 9.30am (Italian)
Sunday	Mass: 8.30am Mass: 10am (Italian) Mass: 4.30pm (Vietnamese)

### Mater Dolorosa, Balgownie

Sunday	Mass: 10am
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## LUMEN CHRISTI CATHOLIC PARISH

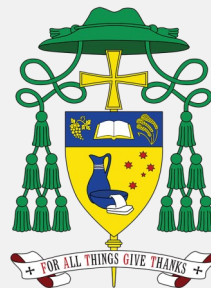
### MAY THEY REST IN GOD'S PEACE ...

Deceased members of our parish, Rosario Mazzola, Donato Di Bono, Marika La Riva, Anne Doveton, Rita Penzo, Mounir Germanos, Jocelyn Germanos, Tommaso Dimise, Johnny Giovanni Dimise, Disably Trust, Dieter Loemker, Peter Murray.

### MAY GOD BLESS

### OUR SICK PARISHIONERS ...

Bishop Peter Ingham, John Parkinson, Mick Davies, Isobel Joseph, Gerard Gray, Clare Johnson, Ross Abbott, Jan Coulson, Noel & Therese Rouse, Nikiesha Thorton, Tony Moriarty, Veronica Bowman, Angela Mosley, Angela Sirc, Maria Do, Dianne Hukins, Sue McAlary, Margaret Gray, Christine Bulters, Matthew Johnson, Suzy May Gellel, Lordna Omiping, Dr Madeleine Cincotta, Elenka Egan, Dr John Frey, Johnny Dimise, Francisco Santos, Ada Raynor, Denise Mastro, Jadon Kalp, Amanda Dennis, Tara Conklin, Jamie Chitwood, Karl Llorin, Sue Freestone, Ardell Sharpe, Joseph Scalia, Lilia Pelino, Don Alanis, Jacquie Brady, Brian Brennan, Bill Keirse, Pat Carr, Bruce Creenaune, Catherine Cox, Frances McMahon, Joan O'Dowd, Margaret Bartley, Jan Newman.



### PARISH OFFICE

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### CONTACT US

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### PARISH STAFF

**Most Reverend Brian G Mascord**,  
Diocesan Bishop & Parish Priest  
**Very Reverend Bernard L Gordon**,  
Vicar General & Administrator  
**Reverend James Arblaster**,  
Deacon  
**Kevin Galea**,  
General Manager  
**Cathy Zamroz**,  
Pastoral Associate  
**Leanne Burlin**,  
Parish Secretary  
**Patricia Di Leva**,  
Administration Assistant

### HOSPITAL CHAPLAIN

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### PASTORAL & FINANCE COUNCILS

**Lisa de Paiva**, Chair of the Pastoral Council  
**Gabi Tobin**, Chair of the Finance Council

### ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

We show our respect and acknowledge the Traditional Custodians of the Dharawal Country, Elders past, present, and emerging, and extend that respect to all other Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander People.

# In our parish & around the diocese

## PARISH CALENDAR: NOV—DECEMBER

**Sat, 26 Nov:** Messiah Concert, SFX 2pm  
**Sat 26/Sun 27 Nov:** St Vincent de Paul, Christmas Appeal  
**Sun, 27 Nov:** First Sunday of Advent  
**Thu, 1 Dec:** Parish Dinner, Fraternity Club 6.30pm  
**Sat, 3 Dec:** Feast of St Francis Xavier  
**Sun, 4 Dec:** Hospitality Weekend  
**Fri, 9 Dec:** Christmas Carols, Good Samaritan School 5.30pm  
**Sat, 10 Dec:** No Confessions at SFX due to Ordination at SJV  
**Sat, 10 Dec:** Ordination to Priesthood, Dn James Arblaster, SJV, 10am followed by refreshments at Fraternity Club  
**Sun, 11 Dec:** First Mass, Fr James Arblaster, SFX, 10.30am followed by Morning Tea at Xavier Centre  
**Tue, 13 Dec:** Reconciliation, SJV after 9.30am Mass  
**Wed, 14 Dec:** 2nd Rite Reconciliation, SFX 11am  
**Thu, 15 Dec:** Reconciliation, SBG after 9.30am Mass  
**Sun, 18 Dec:** Reconciliation, MDB after 10am Mass  
**Sat, 24 Dec/Sun 25 Dec:** Christmas Masses (see page 3)  
**Fri, 30 Dec:** Feast of the Holy Family

## SACRAMENTS

- **Baptisms:** By appointment only (contact the parish office during office hours for details)
- **Marriages:** A preliminary appointment needs to be made at least 6 months prior to Wedding Date (**No Sunday weddings**)
- For Pastoral and Sacramental needs, please contact the parish office during office hours

## HELPFUL LINKS

- **Mass for you at Home:** [youtube.com/massforyouathome](https://youtube.com/massforyouathome)
- **Mass/Prayer Intentions:** [lumenchristi.org.au/intentions](https://lumenchristi.org.au/intentions)
- **Light a Votive Candle:** [lumenchristi.org.au/votive](https://lumenchristi.org.au/votive)
- **Census Form:** [lumenchristi.org.au/census](https://lumenchristi.org.au/census)
- **Online Donations:** [lumenchristi.org.au/donate](https://lumenchristi.org.au/donate)
- **Online Payments:** [lumenchristi.org.au/payment](https://lumenchristi.org.au/payment)
- **Join Planned Giving:** [lumenchristi.org.au/support](https://lumenchristi.org.au/support)
- **Columbarium:** [lumenchristi.org.au/columbarium](https://lumenchristi.org.au/columbarium)
- **Sacramental Programme:** [lumenchristi.org.au/sacramental](https://lumenchristi.org.au/sacramental)
- **Privacy Policy:** [privacy.lumenchristi.org.au](https://privacy.lumenchristi.org.au)
- **St Brigid's School:** [sbgdow.catholic.edu.au](https://sbgdow.catholic.edu.au)
- **Good Samaritan School:** [gsfmdow.catholic.edu.au](https://gsfmdow.catholic.edu.au)

## PARISH EFT BANK ACCOUNT DETAILS

### CHURCH ACCOUNT

(Donations & Planned Giving)

**BSB:** 066 711 **Account:** 008056

**Account Name:** Lumen Christi Parish

### PRESBYTERY ACCOUNT

(For the Clergy)

**BSB:** 066 711 **Account:** 002286

**Account Name:** Lumen Christi Parish Presbytery

## PARISH STAFF CHANGES

Cathy Zamroz was seconded to the parish in 2015 as a Pastoral Associate and was responsible for the parish sacramental programme, baptism classes, the R.C.I.A team, coordinator for Special Religious Education, and the coordination of various pastoral teams. Cathy will conclude her role as Pastoral Associate at the end of the year and will return to fulltime teaching with the Catholic Education Office.

Cathy has been an integral part of our parish staff for the past 7 years and I personally thank Cathy for her generous and dedicated work. Cathy will be missed by all in the parish office and we wish her the very best for the future. Cathy's last day will be Friday 25th November.

Patricia Di Leva will now coordinate the administrative requirements for SRE with support from Patricia Calabro. Thank you Patricia and Patricia for taking up this work.

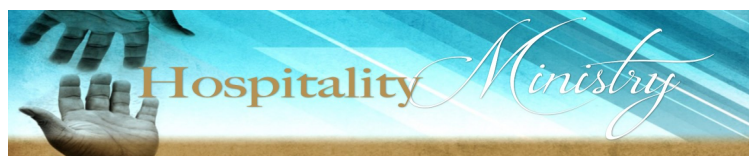
Fr Bernard Gordon

## SACRAMENTAL PROGRAMME CHANGES

Our parish sacramental programme is currently being reviewed. Parents and caregivers will need to enrol their child into the programme for Reconciliation, Holy Communion and Confirmation for 2023. We are currently updating the enrolment process and you will be able to register your child soon. Check: [lumenchristi.org.au/sacramental](https://lumenchristi.org.au/sacramental)

## LITURGY OF THE WORD WITH COMMUNION

We are looking for a team of parishioners from our four worshipping communities who are interested in being part of a team to offer a Liturgy of the Word with Holy Communion in the absence of a priest. If you would like to be part of this team, please leave your details with Leanne or Trish at the parish office.



## THANK YOU TO OUR HOSPITALITY TEAMS

Our deepest gratitude to those who serve on the hospitality teams in our four communities of faith and worship. The mission of the hospitality ministry is to provide a welcoming environment of love, acceptance, comfort, support, care, and unity for parishioners and visitors in order to enhance their worship experience, encourage fellowship, and help build a community.

Our final hospitality morning tea for 2022 will be **Sunday 4th December** and will resume on Sunday 5th February 2023.

For more information on bequests please visit: [lumenchristi.org.au/bequest](https://lumenchristi.org.au/bequest)

# In our parish & around the diocese

## ADVENT RECONCILIATION TIMETABLE

Advent, a time of preparation for the joy of Christmas, is a wonderful time to celebrate the reconciling and healing grace our Lord offers us in the Sacrament of Reconciliation.

**St John Vianney Co-Cathedral, Fairy Meadow**  
Tuesday 13th December 2022, after 9.30am Mass

**St Francis Xavier Cathedral, Wollongong**  
**Second Rite of Reconciliation**  
Wednesday 14th December 2022, 11am to 12pm

**St Brigid's Church, Gwynneville**  
Thursday 16th December 2022, after 9.30am Mass

**Mater Dolorosa Church, Balgownie**  
Sunday 18th December 2022, after 10am Mass

## CHRISTMAS TIMETABLE

### Christmas Eve, Saturday 24th December

Gwynneville: Mass 5.30pm  
Fairy Meadow: Mass 6pm  
Wollongong: Mass 7pm & Midnight

### Christmas Day, Sunday 25th December

Wollongong: Mass 7am, 10.30am & 5pm  
Gwynneville: Mass 9am  
Fairy Meadow Mass 8.30am  
Balgownie: Mass 10am

### Monday 26th December, St Stephen

Wollongong: Mass 7am

### Tuesday 27th December

Wollongong: Mass 7am

### Wednesday 28th December

Wollongong: Mass 7am, Rec 11.30am, Mass 12.10pm

### Thursday 29th December

Wollongong: 7am

### Friday 30th December, The Holy Family

Wollongong: Mass 7am, Rec 11.30am, Mass 12.10pm

### Saturday 31st December

Gwynneville: Mass 5.30pm

### Sunday 1st January 2023, Mary Mother of God

Wollongong: Mass 7am, 10.30am & 5pm  
Gwynneville: Mass 9am  
Fairy Meadow Mass 8.30am  
Balgownie: Mass 10am

Normal Mass times resume from Monday 2nd January 2023

Go to: [lumenchristi.org.au/masstimes](http://lumenchristi.org.au/masstimes) for details

We could pause for a moment to pray: 'Jesus, remember me, know me by heart, for when you do I will be in Paradise.'

## ST VINCENT DE PAUL CHRISTMAS APPEAL

The Christmas Appeal will take place in our parish on the First Sunday of Advent (26th/27th November). Envelopes will be available upon entry and at the doors of the church, with a leaving collection at the end of Mass. Thank you for support!

## REPAIR WORK

Work will commence on the retaining wall adjacent to the Cathedral on Monday 21 November and will continue for two weeks. Please be careful when driving and parking in the Cathedral grounds.

## MASS FOR YOU AT HOME (MFYAH)

Our Lumen Christi Parish livestream will cease this weekend. Parishioners are invited to tune into Mass for You at Home (MFYAH) on Network Ten (6am) or Foxtel's Aurora Channel 173 (10am). The same Mass is also available to watch on demand on Network Ten's streaming platform [10play.com.au](http://10play.com.au) and the Diocesan MFYAH website [massforyou.com.au](http://massforyou.com.au) and YouTube channel [youtube.com/massforyouathome](http://youtube.com/massforyouathome)

## 26 NOV: HANDEL'S MESSIAH

The Illawarra Choral Society will raise the roof with this beautiful choral music at **St Francis Xavier Cathedral, 2pm on Saturday 26th November**. For details on ticket purchases please visit Humanitix website.

Go to: <https://events.humanitix.com/handel-s-messiah>

## 1 DEC: LUMEN CHRISTI PARISH DINNER

You are warmly invited to our first Lumen Christi parish dinner, to be celebrated on **Thursday 1st December at 6.30pm** at the Fraternity Club, Fairy Meadow! Tickets are **\$55.00 Per Head**. To purchase your tickets please visit our parish website: [www.lumenchristi.org.au/parishdinner](http://www.lumenchristi.org.au/parishdinner)

**BOOKINGS CLOSE MONDAY 21ST NOVEMBER 2022**

## 9 DEC : LUMEN CHRISTI CHRISTMAS CAROLS

Our parish and our parish schools of St Brigid's and Good Samaritan will be hosting Christmas Carols in the **Good Samaritan School Grounds on Friday 9th December 2022 at 5.30pm**. Parishioners and visitors are very welcome to attend. CWL branches will be selling raffle tickets after Mass this weekend for \$2.00 each.

For more information on our Columbarium please visit: [lumenchristi.org.au/columbarium](http://lumenchristi.org.au/columbarium)

### 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.

1. 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.)
2. Jerusalem is built as a city  
strongly compact.  
It is there that the tribes go up,  
the tribes of the Lord. (R.)
3. 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.)

### 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 to 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.'

*The Creed is said.*

### Communion Antiphon

Ps 28:10-11

The Lord sits as King for ever.

The Lord will bless his people with peace.

### REFLECTION by Fr Michael Tate

#### The Power of Remembering

If you memorise a tune or your 'times tables', you are said to 'know it by heart'. The sort of person who will always remember me is someone who 'knows me by heart'.

Here, a tortured criminal starts his plea: 'Jesus . . .'. This is one of only two instances where Jesus is addressed by his name which means 'The Lord saves'. The good thief went on: 'remember me when you come into Your Kingdom'. Jesus 'knows him by heart' and promises that He will re-member him in Paradise.

This is an exercise of sovereignty which befits 'Christ the King'. This is all the Kingly power which you or I will ever need, but to confidently invoke it we need to position ourselves alongside Jesus, like the 'good thief'. We do this by our practical concern for the poor and by coming to Mass which re-members the Body of Christ.

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