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Sunday, 04 Nov 2018
Thirty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year B



Dear Parishioners and Visitors,

I am writing this from our sister-parish on Norfolk Island, in the South Pacific. As in so many villages and towns across Australia and New Zealand – indeed, across the whole world – there stands in Norfolk’s little capital, Kingston, a gleaming white monument to those who served in the First World War. Seventy - seven are named from this small island paradise, of whom thirteen are marked as ‘died on active service.’

It is a reminder of the vast, black tragedy of The Great War, in which so many millions were slaughtered and the world was so profoundly shaken that nothing would ever be the same again.

The loss of life was appalling, and left a gaping hole in lives of millions of spouses, parents, children, siblings – indeed of every community, including of course the Catholic community of Australia. Look around any of our parish churches built before or shortly after the Great War and you will often find stained glass windows and altar furnishings given in memory of a loved one who fell at Gallipoli, or in Palestine, or in the trenches of Flanders, or at sea, or even in the air in those fledgling days of flying machines. Few families were untouched by death, or unaffected by the physical wounds, and emotional ones too, carried by those who eventually came home.

Next Sunday is November 11th, the Centenary of the Armistice which brought the carnage to an end at the eleventh hour of the eleventh day of the eleventh month, 1918. It is important that we should mark this day in a special way.

The nation and the armed forces will have their solemn ceremonies of remembrance, in their own proper manner, next Sunday and we in Australia's mother church will remember the dead in our own proper manner, at the Altar, offering the Sacrifice of the Mass on the Lord's Day.

The music for the 10.30am Solemn Mass next Sunday has been especially chosen to mark Armistice Day. It will include elements of the Requiem of Fauré, and music by F. S. Kelly, a Sydney-born composer killed in the Battle of the Somme.

Near the end of the Solemn Mass, a wreath will be laid at the Memorial to Fallen Australian Soldiers in the Cathedral, and should you wish you might lay a wreath or flowers there before or after any of the Masses that day, and pray to God for their souls.

Let us remember the sacrifice of those who died, and let us be resolved to always look for the way to peace. Whenever there is war we are all, one way or another, its victims.

*Fr Don Richardson, Dean
(and Administrator of St Philip Howard's Parish, Norfolk Island)*



Liturgy...

First Reading Dt 6:2-6

A reading from the book of Deuteronomy

Hear Israel, you shall love the Lord your God with all your heart.

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 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.

Response: Thanks be to God!

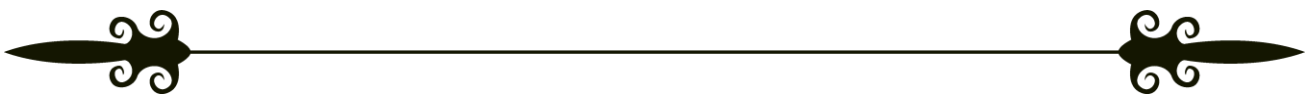


Responsorial Psalm Ps 17:2-4. 47. 51. R.v.2

(R.) I love you Lord, my strength.

1. 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. *(R)*

2. Long life to the Lord, my rock! Praised be to the God that saves me. He has given great victories to his king and shown love for his anointed. *(R)*



Liturgy...

Second Reading Heb 7:23-28

A reading from the letter to The Hebrews

This one, because he remains forever, has an eternal priesthood.

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, Christ, because he remains forever, can never lose his priesthood. It follows, then, that his power to save is utterly certain, since he is living forever 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 forever.

The word of the Lord.

Response: Thanks be to God!

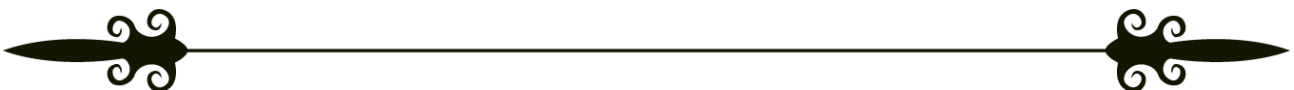


Gospel Acclamation Jn 14:23

Alleluia, alleluia!

All who love me will keep my words,
and my Father will love them and we will come to them.

Alleluia!



Liturgy...

Gospel Mk 12:28-34

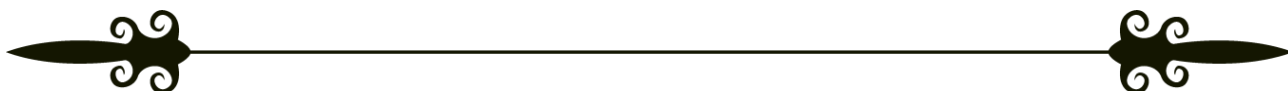
A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark

This is the first commandment, and the second is similar to it.

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 anymore.

The Gospel of the Lord

Response: Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ



Weekend Mass	Saturday Vigil: 6.00pm Sunday: 7.00am, 9.00am, 10.30am (Solemn High Mass); 12.15pm Latin Mass in the extraordinary form; 6.00pm Mass
Weekday Mass	Monday to Friday: 6.45am, 1.10pm & 5.30pm Saturday: 9.00am & 12noon Public Holidays: 9am (or as advertised)
Reconciliation	Monday-Friday: 12noon - 1.00pm & 5.00pm - 5.25pm Saturday: 11.30am - 11.55am, 4.30-5.30pm
Vespers (Evening Prayer)	Monday to Thursday: 5.00pm Saturday: 5.30pm Sunday: 5.00pm (with Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament)

****COELIACS:** Special Provision is made for Coeliacs at the Cathedral. Those who are gluten intolerant may receive communion either from the Chalice or with a gluten low host. Application should be made to the Sacristan before Mass.

CATHEDRAL CLERGY <i>Archbishop Anthony Fisher OP</i> <i>Father Donald Richardson, Dean</i> <i>Father Brendan Purcell</i> <i>Father Emmanuel Yoon Jae Seo</i> <i>Father Pierluigi Passoni</i>	CATHEDRAL STAFF <i>Chris Backhouse – Cathedral Sacristan</i> <i>Thomas Wilson – Director of Music</i> <i>Helen Morassut – General Manager,</i> <i>St Mary’s Cathedral Precinct</i>
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**TAKE OUT A 12 MONTH SUBSCRIPTION TO THE NEW LOOK
CATHOLIC WEEKLY & GO INTO THE DRAW
TO WIN AN IPAD. SEE THE PAPER FOR DETAILS**

ELECTRONIC COLLECTION PLATES

The option to make an offering via credit card is available at this mass.



Please note: you can continue to donate with cash
or pass the plate on.



IMPORTANT SAFEGUARDING MESSAGE



The Safeguarding and Ministerial Integrity Office, in conjunction with the Parish Support and Development team, has identified that the following ministries NOW require a Working with Children Check:

- **Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion** (COMMUNION MINISTERS)
- **Minister of the Word** (READERS)
- **Mass Counters and Collectors**

If you are a volunteer for one of these ministries and have not yet applied for a Working with Children Check then you will need to do so. When you receive your Working with Children Check Number it will need to be given to Cathedral House Office (02 9220 0400) along with your date of birth, so that it can be verified accordingly to regulations.

For more details please go to: www.kidsguardian.nsw.gov.au/check

We thank you for your assistance and support.

CATHEDRAL NOTICES

FULL TUITION SCHOLARSHIPS TO ST MARY'S CATHEDRAL COLLEGE. Boys currently in year 2 are invited to audition as members of the prestigious St. Mary's Cathedral Choir to begin in 2019. All students receive full-tuition scholarships to St Mary's Cathedral College when placed as Cathedral Choristers. Please contact our Music Administrator to arrange an audition or for more information visit music@stmaryscathedral.org.au or by visiting <https://cathedralchoir.sydney/about/choristers/>.

FREE SUNDAY TOUR OF ST MARY'S CATHEDRAL: Our tour guides would love to take you through the history of the Mother Church for Australian Catholics with a **free tour every Sunday after the 10:30am Solemn Choral Mass.** Please look out for the tour guide next to the organ console after Mass. All are welcome!

WORLD YOUTH DAY PANAMA 2019. The Catholic Archdiocese of Sydney invites young adults to pre-register for the WYD2019 Panama via Washington DC pilgrimage, which will be led by His Grace, Archbishop Anthony Fisher OP. **Pilgrims wishing to accept the offer of a subsidy need to pre-register by depositing a minimum, non-refundable deposit of \$1,000.** The deposit will confirm your place on the pilgrimage. The Archdiocese will then add \$1,000 to your account. The Indicative cost of the pilgrimage is \$8,686. For pilgrims considering the optional Mexico

extension, the indicative total cost is \$9,786. Note that should the pilgrimage not go ahead as planned, all deposits shall be returned in full. For more information and deposit details please contact abel.gaspi@sydneycatholic.org.

THE BISHOP'S BLEND: Bishop Richard Umbers is hosting the sixth edition of a series of breakfast events for young professionals, titled *The Bishop's Blend*, on **Thursday, 15 November 2018 at 7.00am.** The purpose of these events is to bring young Catholic professionals together for a quarterly breakfast, and for them to hear from a well-versed professional in a chosen field how they personally live their faith in the workplace. It will also be an opportunity for those who attend to network with other young Catholic professionals.

EMBRACE, YOUNG ADULTS GROUP. Embrace is St Mary's group for young people of 18-35 yrs old from all cultures and backgrounds. We meet **every Sunday at St Mary's Cathedral House, adjacent to the Cathedral, after the 6.00pm Mass.** Our activities and youth projects are designed to support spiritual development and encourage active practice of our faith. For **04 Nov** Embrace will reflect on *Striving for Holiness*. All are welcome please call/text Embrace Coordinator on **0404 008 870** or write to embrace@stmaryscathedral.org.au

CATHEDRAL ORGAN RECITAL SERIES. St Mary's Cathedral Director of Music, Thomas Wilson, is holding an organ recital on **07 November 2018 at 7.00pm.** Admission is free with a

retiring collection. Link to details:

<https://www.stmaryscathedral.org.au/event/thomas-wilson-organ-concert/>

A CHORAL CHRISTMAS

CELEBRATION. On **Friday, 14 December** St Mary's Cathedral will celebrate this special time of year with carols and an overwhelming feeling of Christmas joy for the annual, and much anticipated *A Choral Christmas Celebration concert*. There will be two performances at **11am & 7pm** with tickets starting at \$20. Visit www.cathedralchoir.sydney/accc for more information.

PLENARY COUNCIL. Why not be involved? The 2020 Plenary Council is a gathering of the Church in Australia to make decisions for the future. Your voice is important. You are invited to contribute to the Plenary Council agenda, by sharing your experience of faith and of the Church. To be involved, visit <http://plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au/> Become an Ambassador, facilitating listening and dialogue groups in your parish. If you want to know more, please speak with your Parish Priest, contact **9390 5100** or email: plenarycouncil@sydneycatholic.org.

COME AND HEAR ABOUT BELL-RINGING! Organised by the **FRIENDS OF ST MARY'S CATHEDRAL**. All are welcome. **Captain of the bell-tower**, Murray-Luke Peard will be talking to the Friends about the practice of bell-ringing, and particularly about the 'Ringing Remembers' initiative taking place this year which hopes to recruit 1,400 new ringers to commemorate the 1,400 British bell-ringers who died in the Great War. **Thursday, 08 November at 6.30 pm** in the Br Hoffman Hall. Talk followed by questions, wine and cheese. **\$10 members, \$15 non-members**. Please visit www.cathedralfriends.org.au to purchase tickets.

FRIENDS OF THE CATHEDRAL'S TRIVIA NIGHT! Supper will be served during the wide-ranging quiz on Saturday, **24 November at 6.00pm**, in the Br Hoffman Hall. Come with a team of up to eight people, or join

a team on the night. BYO drinks and knowledge! Tickets **\$25 members, \$30 non-members, including supper**.

Please visit www.cathedralfriends.org.au to purchase tickets.

FAMILY SPIRIT (by CatholicCare Sydney and Marist180). Could you provide short-term help for long-term memories? As a new agency combining the strengths of Marist180 and CatholicCare Sydney, Family Spirit urgently need compassionate people to provide short-term foster care. To learn more, come to our information night: **Tuesday, 13 November 2018** from 5.30-8pm, CatholicCare 2C West St (cnr Thomas St) Lewisham NSW 2049. Call **CCareline on 13 18 19** to secure your place.

MASS FOR PREGNANT MOTHERS: Are you expecting a baby or know someone who is? You are warmly invited to attend the annual Mass for Pregnant Mothers to be celebrated by Most Rev Richard Umbers, Auxiliary Bishop of Sydney, at St Mary's Cathedral on Sunday, **18 November at 10:30am**. **RSVP** and enquiries can be directed to LMFEvents@sydneycatholic.org or call **9307 8401**.

ROME PILGRIMAGE - 16 to 23 May 2019. To celebrate our Cathedral's 150 years it would be a great opportunity to join Fr Don Richardson, Dean of St Mary's Cathedral on a unique tour of Rome. Get your free pilgrimage kit today by ringing Rome Pilgrimages on **1800 753 959** or Email: pilgrimages@sydneycatholic.org.

SYDNEY CATHOLIC MEN'S MINISTRY NETWORKING MEETING. Calling all Men! Come and find out more about men's ministry in Sydney archdiocese. Find out how you can start or join a local men's group in your area with support from us. Hosted by Bishop Richard Umbers, hear from Tristan Ross, former lieutenant in the army and Ben Galea from Young Men of God will facilitate a discussion group. Friday night **November 23**, 6.30pm Mass, 7.30pm Dinner, 8.30pm Presentations. . Register: www.trybooking.com/431767.