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OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST

KING *of the* UNIVERSE

The Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe marks Christianity not as one religion among others but as the one, true religion. Jesus Christ, God made man, reigns as King of the Universe—as king of all faiths, of all peoples, of all nations, and of all ages.

Before our Lord ascended the throne of the Cross, Pontius Pilate asked Him, “So you are a king?” Jesus answered, “You say that I am a king. For this I was born, and for this I have come into the world, to bear witness to the truth. Every one who is of the truth hears my voice.”

Do we consider ourselves as truly subject to the words, the teachings, the person of Christ? Do we really believe that our King reigns from the Cross, that Cross that is at once the reality of the suffering of this world and at the same time the only answer to the suffering of this world. Have we enthroned Him in our hearts, our minds, our bodies and souls in a real way that affects how we live our lives? How many of us are willing to be the soldiers of the King, to fight the battle against the implications of Pilate’s question “what is truth” in a world that has denied truth?

We do not determine for ourselves what is right and what is wrong. We look to our Mother, the Church, who guides us just as she is guided by the Holy Spirit. We entrust ourselves to her care in confidence that she will lead us to the source of all truth and goodness, and so to the fulfillment of our humanity.

So we surrender our will to the will of God and abandon ourselves to His divine providence in the sure and certain hope of salvation.

But in a world which demands what is popular, are we prepared to do what is right?

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HOLY FAMILY CHURCH

Holy Mass

Tuesday, 9:15 a.m.

Wednesday, 6:00 p.m.

Thursday, 9:15 a.m.

Friday, 9:15 a.m.

Saturday, 9:15 a.m. and 4:30 p.m.

Sunday, 7:30 a.m., 8:30 a.m., 5:00 p.m.

Confessions

Wednesday, 6:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Holy Rosary Wednesday, 6:30 p.m.

Rosters

Altar Society

Readers

8:30 a.m.

5:00 p.m.

Counters

Bus Driver

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HOLY TRINITY CHURCH

Holy Mass

Tuesday, 6:30 p.m.

Wednesday, 8:15 a.m.

Thursday, 8:15 a.m.

Friday, 8:15 a.m.

Saturday, 8:15 a.m. and 6:00 p.m.

Sunday, 10:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m.

Confessions

Saturday, 10:00 a.m. to 10:30 a.m.

First Friday of the month, 6:15 p.m.

Holy Mass and Adoration

of the Blessed Sacrament

First Friday of the month, 7:00 p.m.

Traditional Latin Mass

First Thursday of the month, 6:00 p.m.

Ghanaian Chaplaincy Mass

Second and last Sunday of the month,
11:30 a.m.

Vietnamese Chaplaincy Mass

Sunday, 5:00 p.m.

Children's Liturgy

Sunday, 5:00 p.m.

Rosters

Church Cleaning Group 4: G. Pinto,
M. Asiedu, M. Moses, G. Dankwah,
S. Martin, M. Magpayo, C. Elegado,
J. Puni, J. Osei-Yamoah, A. Osei-
Yamoah, L. Tordilla, J. Fili, J. John,
A. Abosh, O. Ifeanyi, J. Raj, S. Joseph

Readers

Vigil Gerry Pinto, Rosette Chidiac

10:00 a.m. Mary Georges,

Tanya Martin, Jake Fili

Children's Liturgy

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK

Janelle Allan, John Anjoul, Marlene Ashton, John Augustus, Frank Azzopardi, Ann Blesson, Vincenzo Colosimo, Lucy Farrugia, Carmel Galea, Evangeline Grabato, John Graham, Thomas Hayek, Elizabeth Hicks, Peter Higgins, Ruth La Rosa, Kay King, Jacob Lee, Josephine Magro, Ester Matos, Sid Morgan, Scott Moulton, Tony Moussa, Ben Nursoo, Haydee Nursoo, Sarah-Joy O'Connor, Flory Pinto, Don Provest, Anna Saunig, Therese Smeal, Ricardo Tognini, Lorraine Vella, Sam Wardan.

St. Raphael the Archangel, pray for us.

IN MEMORIAM

Rev. Fr. Renato Paras, Rev. Mr. Owen Rogers, Mary Alby, Lorenza Attwill, George Azzi, Miklina Azzopardi, Vic Azzopardi, Betty Borg, Kathleen Bradbery, Paul Bradbery, Charles Bugeja, Carmelo Galea, Maria Gambin, Maureen Gardiner, Joseph Gibrine, Joe Grech, Mary Grech, Sam Grech, Lam Hatran, Maria Kim Hoang, John Ibrahim, Laila Ibrahim, Nouhad Khoury, Betty McGrath, Giovanni Molinaro, Sam Moussa, Samantha Moussa, Des Miller, Neville O'Sullivan, Edward Pidgeon, Emmanuel Tabone, Phil Thompson, Francis Tran, Peter Doan Van Tran, Peter Tuu Van Tran, Bernadette Ulbrich, Joseph Vella, Miriam Welangoda, Dib Zaiter.

N.S.W. Government Public Health Restrictions

Public health restrictions imposed by the N.S.W. Government continue to be in place for churches. Under the current restrictions, churches are limited in capacity to one person per two square metres, social distancing of 1.5 metres between members of different households is required, **face masks must be worn indoors** (for those over 12 years old), congregational singing is not permitted, and hand sanitising and check-in is required for all attending.

How to Check-In

1. Download the Service NSW app
2. Select "Covid Safe Check-in"
3. Follow the prompts
4. Write "QR" for yourself and the number of dependents checked-in on the manual sign-in sheets (this is to demonstrate that we comply with capacity limits)

If you do not have the app, write your full name and telephone number on the manual sign-in sheets.

Please assist us with following these requirements to ensure the health and safety of all who attend Mass.

In order to allow as many people as possible to attend Mass, while restrictions are in place that limit the number of people allowed per two square metres, we will continue with the **temporary** Mass times of Saturdays at 4:30 p.m., Sundays at 7:30 a.m. and Sundays at 3:00 p.m.

The temporary confession times of Wednesdays at 6:30 p.m. at Holy Family Church and Saturdays at 10:00 a.m. at Holy Trinity Church will also continue whilst the temporary Mass times schedule is in place.

Campion College Summer Program

Registration for the Campion College Summer Program is now open! If you know a 16-20 year old with an interest in history, literature, philosophy and theology, encourage them to sign up for one of the immersive four-day programs in January 2022. Attendance is fully funded but spaces are limited! Find out more and register on the Campion College website: www.campion.edu.au/summer-program.



Volunteers Needed for Sunday, 5 December

On Sunday, 5 December at the 10:00 a.m. Mass at Holy Trinity Church, Sr. Theresa will celebrate her silver jubilee of religious profession. The Mass will be celebrated by Fr. Peter Williams and a number of visiting Priests.

Because of the number of guests attending this Mass, we need volunteers to assist at the doors of the church to help people check-in and to advise of the public health restrictions. We are looking for 5 people to help out for this Mass which will allow us to open all the doors and to provide easier access to the church.

If you can volunteer at the doors of the church for this Mass, please speak with Fr. Andrew or contact the parish office. Thank you.

Please Respectfully Assist with the Public Health Restrictions

Please be aware that the current public health restrictions are those imposed by the N.S.W. Government and are **not at the discretion nor are they choice of the parish**.

All organisations, including churches, across New South Wales are obligated to follow these restrictions and to ensure that all those entering their buildings follow these restrictions. Failure to follow these government restrictions mean that the parish can be fined up to \$55,000 and individuals can be fined up to \$11,000.

Three of our parishioners, Rosette Chidiac, Spiro Portelli and Claudette Takchi, have very generously volunteered their time each and every week at multiple Masses to assist you with these restrictions. They regularly volunteer at up to three Masses every weekend and have been doing this ever since the restrictions were imposed last year. Please show your gratitude to them for their incredible generosity and please respect them as they assist parishioners at the doors. Because of their generous service to us, we are able to open the churches. Without their help, we could not continue to offer Mass publicly.

Please respectfully assist them and the parish by checking-in at the doors of the church and wearing a face mask whilst inside the church.

They do this for the love of God and the Church and to offer their service voluntarily to parishioners.

Holy Family Church Readers

If you would like to be rostered as a reader for Holy Mass at Holy Family Church for the Sunday 8:30 a.m. Mass or the 5:00 p.m. Mass, please speak with Fr. Andrew or call the parish office.

First Collection and Second Collection Contributions

With the current public health restrictions we are unable to take up our usual collections during Mass. Because of this, we have placed two boxes by the doors of the church for the first collection and the second collection. Your support of these collections is greatly appreciated.

The money raised in the first collection supports some of the works of the diocese. The money raised in the second collection directly supports the works of the parish and helps us to meet our expenses and to continue to meet the costs and expenses of operating the parish.

Thank you, especially, to those who are a part of the planned giving programme and use their envelopes to contribute each week to the parish. Your regular contributions are a great support and help us to continue our works.

You can also financially support the parish by arranging a direct debit. If you would like to set up a regular contribution, or even a one-off contribution, let us know and we will be happy to assist you with this. Or, if you would like to be part of the planned giving programme, we will be pleased to arrange a set of envelopes for you for regular contributions which greatly assist the parish in planning the work we carry out.

Please consider becoming a regular supporter of the parish through the planned giving programme envelopes or by direct debit.

Your regular contributions help the parish to budget for the coming year and to plan our works, including our repairs and maintenance, care and support of our churches and other parish buildings and allow us to continue our care of the parish.

2022 Columban Art Calendars for Sale

The 2022 Columban Art Calendar is on sale for \$10 from the piety shop. The Columban Art Calendar is a major fundraiser for the Missionary Society of St. Columban—an order of priests who work with the poor and the exploited around the world.



The calendars are available for sale in the piety shop and the sale of these supports the work of the Columban Missionaries and of the parish.

Compulsory Child Protection Training for Volunteers

The Diocese of Parramatta has mandated that all volunteers in all roles in parishes must undertake child protection and vulnerable adult training.

Training is available online or in person. There are three compulsory modules and each takes from 60 to 90 minutes to complete.

If you have not submitted your details to the parish office, please speak with Fr. Andrew or call the parish office and we can assist you with this process.

N.S.W. Assisted Dying (Euthanasia) Bill

The Voluntary Assisted Dying Bill 2021 (N.S.W.) will begin to be debated in the New South Wales parliament in November.

The bishops of New South Wales are encouraging people to contact their local M.P. to express their concerns about the bill.

For more information on how to contact your M.P. visit www.no euthanasia.org.au.

November Mass Intentions for the Faithful Departed

As is the tradition of the Church, the month of November is dedicated to praying for the faithful departed. Throughout November Masses will be offered for the repose of their souls, beseeching the mercy of God that they may be forgiven their sins and receive eternal life in heaven with all the Angels and Saints.

If you would like to have your family and friends remembered in these Masses and their names written in the Book of Remembrance please fill in one of the envelopes by the doors of the church and leave this in the box provided.

MASS FOR THE HOLY SOULS
Please offer Mass for the Family,
Friends, Relatives and Benefactors of:

Name: _____

Address: _____

Amount \$ _____

"It is a holy and wholesome thought to pray for the dead,
that they may be freed from their sins."
11 Macchabees 46-48

November Masses

Those whose names are given will be remembered in the Masses said throughout November and will be included in the Book of Remembrance which is placed at St. Joseph's altar at Holy Family Church and at the Sacred Heart altar at Holy Trinity Church.

Pray for the repose of Holy Souls so that they may, in turn, pray for us.

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MASSES FOR THE DEAD

NOVEMBER MASSES

*To have the names of the faithful departed
of your family and your friends remembered at the altar
during Holy Masses said during the month of November,
complete one of the special November Masses envelopes
and leave this in the box by the doors of the church.*

*The names of those given will be written
in the Book of Remembrance
and placed at the altar of St. Joseph
at Holy Family Church
and in the chapel of the Missionary Sisters
of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Queen of the World
at Holy Trinity Church.*

During the month of November the Church asks the faithful to pray for the faithful departed—that the Holy Souls in Purgatory may be forgiven their sins and so borne to live forever with Our Lord and all the Angels and Saints.

Of this Pope Francis has said that “Church tradition has always urged prayer for the dead, in particular by offering the celebration of the Eucharist for them: It is the best spiritual help that we can give to their souls, particularly to the most abandoned ones.”

Pope Benedict XVI said that “praying for the dead is a noble practice that implies belief in the resurrection of the dead... We intend our prayers of suffrage... to be united with this prayer of the Lord which is priestly *par excellence*. Christ substantiated his entreaty to the Father with the gift of himself on the Cross; let us offer our prayers in union with the Eucharistic Sacrifice, which is the real and actual representation of that unique and saving self-emptying.”

The Holy Mass is the highest form of prayer of the Church, because it is the prayer of Christ Himself—the Son of God to the Father by the power of the Holy Spirit. There can be no greater prayer than this to be said for those who are suffering in purgatory, and no greater hope of salvation than offering this prayer.

We pray for those who have died because they can no longer pray for themselves. While in this life we can pray for ourselves and perform penances as acts of contrition for our sins. But at our death, we are no longer able to do this and so we rely solely on the love and the mercy of those who remain in this world and of the Saints in heaven to pray for us and our eternal souls.

In each Mass the Priest prays for the dead, asking the Lord to remember His servants “who have gone before us with the sign of faith and rest in the sleep of peace” and asking that they may be granted “a place of refreshment, light, and peace.” This November, remember those who have died and pray for them, so that, they, when we depart from this world, will remember and pray for us.



The 2022 Columban Art Calendar is on sale now at the piety shop for \$10.

The Columban Art Calendar is an iconic Catholic Calendar,
well-known for its traditional religious paintings and liturgical information.
2022 marks the 100th edition.

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of the Missionary Society of St. Columban,
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The Readings

Introit (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

The Prophet Daniel (7:13-14)

I gazed into the visions of the night.
And I saw, coming on the clouds of heaven,
one like a son of man.
He came to the one of great age
and was led into his presence.
On him was conferred sovereignty,
glory and kingship,
and men of all peoples,
nations and languages became his servants.
His sovereignty is an eternal sovereignty
which shall never pass away,
nor will his empire be destroyed.

Responsorial Psalm (Ps. 92:1-2, 5. R. v. 1)

R. The Lord is king;
he is robed in majesty.

The Lord is king, with majesty enrobed;
the Lord has robed himself with might,
he has girded himself with power. R.

The world you made firm, not to be moved;
your throne has stood firm from of old.
From all eternity, O Lord, you are. R.

Truly your decrees are to be trusted.
Holiness is fitting to your house,
O Lord, until the end of time. R.

Second Reading

The Book of the Apocalypse (1:5-8)

Jesus Christ is the faithful witness, the First-born from the dead, the Ruler of the kings of the earth. He loves us and has washed away our sins with his blood, and made us a line of kings, priests to serve his God and Father; to him, then, be glory and power for ever and ever. Amen. It is he who is coming on the clouds; everyone will see him, even those who pierced him, and all the races of the earth will mourn over him. This is the truth. Amen. 'I am the Alpha and the Omega' says the Lord God, who is, who was, and who is to come, the Almighty.

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 of John (18:33-37)

'Are you the king of the Jews?' Pilate asked. Jesus replied, 'Do you ask this of your own accord, or have others spoken to you about me?' Pilate answered, 'Am I a Jew? It is your own people and the chief priests who have handed you over to me: what have you done?' Jesus replied, 'Mine is not a kingdom of this world; if my kingdom were of this world, my men would have fought to prevent my being surrendered to the Jews. But my kingdom is not of this kind.' 'So you are a king then?' said Pilate. 'It is you who say it' answered Jesus. 'Yes, I am a king. I was born for this, I came into the world for this: to bear witness to the truth; and all who are on the side of truth listen to my voice.'

Communio (Ps 28:10-11)

The Lord sits as King for ever.
The Lord will bless his people with peace.

