

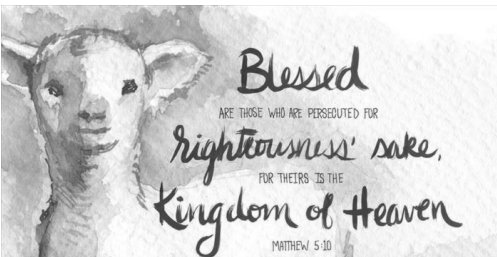
First Reading Rv 7:2-4. 9-14

I, John, saw another angel rising where the sun rises, carrying the seal of the living God; he called in a powerful voice to the four angels whose duty was to devastate land and sea, 'Wait before you do any damage on land or at sea or to the trees, until we have put the seal on the foreheads of the servants of our God.' Then I heard how many were sealed: a hundred and forty-four thousand, out of all the tribes of Israel. After that I saw a huge number, impossible to count, of people from every nation, race, tribe and language; they were standing in front of the throne and in front of the Lamb, dressed in white robes and holding palms in their hands. They shouted aloud, 'Victory to our God, who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb!' And all the angels who were standing in a circle round the throne, surrounding the elders and the four animals, prostrated themselves before the throne, and touched the ground with their foreheads, worshipping God with these words, 'Amen. Praise and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honour and power and strength to our God for ever and ever. Amen.' One of the elders then spoke, and asked me, 'Do you know who these people are, dressed in white robes, and where they have come from?' I answered him, 'You can tell me, my Lord.' Then he said, 'These are the people who have been through the great persecution, and they have washed their robes white again in the blood of the Lamb.'

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 23:1-6. R. see v.6

(R.) Lord, this is the people that longs to see your face.



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Second Reading 1 Jn 3:1-3

Think of the love that the Father has lavished on us, by letting us be called God's children; and that is what we are. Because the world refused to acknowledge him, therefore it does not acknowledge us. My dear people, we are already the children of God but what we are to be in the future has not yet been revealed; all we know is, that when it is revealed we shall be like him because we shall see him as he really is. Surely everyone who entertains this hope must purify himself, must try to be as pure as Christ.

Gospel Acclamation Mt 11:28

Alleluia, alleluia! Come to me, all you that labour and are burdened, and I will give you rest, says the Lord. Alleluia!

Gospel Mt 5:1-12

Seeing the crowds, Jesus went up the hill. There he sat down and was joined by his disciples. Then he began to speak. This is what he taught them: 'How happy are the poor in spirit: theirs is the kingdom of heaven. Happy the gentle: they shall have the earth for their heritage. Happy those who mourn: they shall be comforted. Happy those who hunger and thirst for what is right: they shall be satisfied. Happy the merciful: they shall have mercy shown them. Happy the pure in heart: they shall see God. Happy the peacemakers: they shall be called sons of God. Happy those who are persecuted in the cause of right: theirs is the kingdom of heaven. 'Happy are you when people abuse you and persecute you and speak all kinds of calumny against you on my account. Rejoice and be glad, for your reward will be great in heaven.'

ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST CATHOLIC PARISH



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St. Monica

Solemnity of All Saints - Year A - 31st October & 1st November 2020

Dear Friends,

In the Gospel reading today, Jesus teaches his followers a new way of living based on love. For him, those who are really blessed are those who put their trust in God.

When he speaks about "the poor in spirit" he is talking about those who put their trust in God. When he speaks about the "gentle" he is speaking about those who get their rights by being fair and respecting the rights of others. When he speaks about the "peacemakers" he is not referring to those who use war to get their way but to those who use goodness, love and forgiveness to bring peace. When Jesus speaks about those who are persecuted for the cause of right, he is speaking about those who put all their trust in God to defend them and their innocence.

On the Solemnity of All Saints we honour all saints for their heroic lives of virtue and we not only thank God for those saints who have been officially recognized by the Church, like St Joseph, St Peter or St Mary of the Cross Mackillop, but also all those who lived saintly lives in this world and are now with God. They may include parents, brothers, sisters, uncles and aunts and other friends. We long to imitate their holy lives and be in their company for ever. Therefore, today's feast of All Saints can help us, through their intercession, to live our lives with faith and trust in God. He is the source of all joy and peace. May the Virgin Mary Mother of God and Queen of all Saints, pray to Jesus for us. (Fr Guy)

A prayer after Holy Communion:

Lord Jesus, I believe that You are truly present within me in this Holy sacrament. I believe that You are surrounded by the angels and the saints in heaven. In this sacrament, heaven and earth are joined. I am now joined in a special way with the angels and saints. With the angels and saints I adore You as my God, I praise You for Your glory, I thank You for Your saving Death and Resurrection. I pray for all my family and friends. Bring us all to heaven, so that we may enjoy forever Your company with God the Father and God the Holy Spirit, and with our friends and all the saints. Jesus, thank You for the strength You give me through this Holy Communion to live in the way that You ask of me.

NOVEMBER : THE MONTH OF THE HOLY SOULS

As we commence the month of November, we are encouraged to pray especially for the Holy Souls in Purgatory. May we pray constantly for our deceased loved ones and all the Holy Souls. They may need our prayers, good works and Masses offered for them to be freed from Purgatory. They will most certainly not forget us in our need and will pray always for our eternal salvation.



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PARISH DIARY	
October	
31 Saturday, Mass of the Virgin Mary	
•9.00am Mass at St John's	
•6.00pm Mass at St John's	
November	
1 Sunday, All Saints	
•8.30am Mass at St Monica's	
•10.00am Mass at St John's	
2 Monday, All Souls' Day	
•9.00am Mass at St John's	
•7.00pm Mass at St John's	
3 Tuesday, St Martin de Porres	
•9.00am Mass at St John's	
4 Wednesday, St Charles Borromeo, Bishop	
• 8.00am-8.50am Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament	
•9.00am Mass at St John's	
5 Thursday	
•9.00am-11.50am Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament at St John's	
•12.00pm Mass at St John's	
6 Friday	
•9.00am Mass at St John's	
7 Saturday, Mass of the Virgin Mary	
•9.00am Mass at St John's	
•6.00pm Mass at St John's	
8 Sunday, 32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time	
•8.30am Mass at St Monica's	
•10.00am Mass at St John's	

Salesian Appointments 2021

Fr William Matthews SDB, Provincial, has made the following appointments:

Fr Peter Rankin - Vice Provincial
Fr Damien Sladen - Assistant and Chaplain at Xavier College Gawler

Fr Bernie Graham - Rector, Glenorchy
Fr Abilio Gutterres - Assistant Glenorchy

These appointments will come into effect in January 2021. We congratulate Frs Peter Rankin and Damien Sladen on their new appointments and we will have the opportunity to farewell them before the end of this year. Thanks to Fr Peter and Fr Damien for their faithful service during their time here at Glenorchy.

November Masses

For many centuries it has been the practise of the faithful to pray and offer the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass for the eternal repose of their loved ones. As usual, we will have the names of the people to be remembered written up around the walls of the church. In this way the whole congregation can see the names and join in prayer for the faithful departed. Those who are in the Planned Giving Program have envelopes already. Additional envelopes are available in the foyer. Please write clearly your name and contact number on the front of the November Envelope. On the back of the November Envelope please write in BLOCK LETTERS the names of relatives and friends for whom you wish to offer Masses. These Masses will be celebrated by the Salesian Fathers here in Australia or overseas in the Missions.

Euthanasia

At the moment, the End of Life Choices (Voluntary Assisted Dying) Bill 2020 is being debated in Parliament. If this Bill is passed in the Legislative Council "it could well be debated and finalised by the Lower House by mid-December," (Mr Gaffney, Mercury, Tuesday 27 October 2020) Therefore, this Bill may become law, here in Tasmania, very soon. Please continue to write or contact the politicians to voice our deep concerns to protect vulnerable people from assisted suicide and pray every day, if you can, that the Holy Spirit will enlighten the minds and touch the hearts of the community, including politicians, to defeat this proposed Legislation which aims to legalise assisted suicide.

A Few Words about Fr Richard Ross

Fr Richard Ross has been a priest of the Archdiocese of Hobart for almost 23 years. Ten years ago, aged 42, Richard was diagnosed with stage four bowel cancer with multiple bowel and liver secondaries and a life expectancy of 3 - 6 months. He will reflect with us on the journey that has followed this diagnosis and what he has learned about life and faith. During this time many of the Catholic community prayed for him.

Columban Calendars

Your calendars are available for collection in the parish office during business hours on Weekdays except Wednesday's. Calendars are \$9 each.

St John the Baptist Catholic Parish: Glenorchy/Chigwell Covid-19 Safety Action Plan

The parish Covid-19 Action plan is in place to meet government regulations. A copy of this plan is available on the churches' noticeboards.

Rescinding of Decree in Response to Covid-19 Virus

"In the light of changes in government regulations in response to the COVID -19 virus, especially the decision of open borders to most states from October 26, I now rescind the decree for the cancellation of public Masses and the dispensation from the obligation to attend Mass on Sundays and Holy Days of Obligation which came into effect on 19 March 2020. In accord with canon 1247 the faithful of the archdiocese of Hobart are obliged to assist at Mass on Sundays and other holy days of obligation. The rescinding of the decree and dispensation shall take effect on 26 October (Archbishop Julian Porteous)

St John's Parish Fundraiser Trade Table & Christmas Raffle

Our St John's fundraising events were put on hold due to the Covid-19 Virus. Now it is time to start planning again. I am appealing for donations for **our trade table at 11:00am on Sunday, 15th November** suitable items preloved gift packs, perfume, jewellery, bric a brac, plants etc. Our major fundraiser for the year will be our Christmas Raffle. If anyone feels they would like to donate a prize it would be greatly appreciated. Contact Kay Grainger 6272 9024.

Funeral Booklet

A standard funeral booklet has been developed and is filed on the parish computer. This can be personalised to an individual. It is offered as a service to families of parishioners preparing for the funeral of a relative.

Ministers of the Word

New rosters for Advent to Lent (28 November - 14 February) will be drawn up shortly. If you know you will be unavailable during this time could you let me know before Monday 9 November, please? Jo 0419 520 014

Footy Points Margin Lucky Dip Draw

Leone Burston has claimed the Preliminary Final (6 points) and Virginia Zito one of the runners up in the Grand Final (32 points) but no claim yet for the Grand Final (31 points) or the other runner up (30 points) Other rounds still to be claimed are Round 1 (52 points), Round 3 (24 points), Round 6 (32 points), Round 8 (12 points) and Round 16 (45 points). Cut off date for making a claim is Monday 16 November. All unsold tickets for the unclaimed winning rounds will be put in a pot for a **\$2 lucky dip to be sold and drawn after the Vigil Mass, Saturday 14 November.** Jo 0419 510 014

Our Sick - Please remember in your prayers

Maila Beekmeijer, Lani Baron, Alida Beric, Eileen Sherrin, Don Ambler, Doreen Street, Fr Bob Curmi, Frances Direen, Tom Carty, Robert Campbell, Mary Dowd, Monique Matzner, Amy Matzner, Patricia Leamey, Gerard Carty & June Webb.

Prayers for the Deceased

Please remember in your prayers our deceased parishioners, family and friends especially: Raelene Di Martino, Judy Pigden, Peter Drake, Ken Young, Frank Hesman, Richard Challis, Sheila Darby, Gina Passarelli, Nell Smith, Sr. Maura McAvoy O.P, Khiet (Van) Tran, Graziano Ceron, Robert Bridges, Minka Busch Stan Brach, Anne Hansch, Bret Cowan, Gertrude Margaret Joseph, Ian Irvine, Fr Frank Gibson, Jackson, Jovana & Silvestro Drea Fr Liam Floyd and Nina Salter. **Eternal rest grant unto their souls O Lord and let perpetual light shine upon them, may they rest in peace. Amen.**

WEEKEND MASSES St John's, Glenorchy	
• 6.00pm	Saturday
• 10.00am	Sunday
St. Monica's, Chigwell	
• 8.30am	Sunday
WEEKDAY MASSES St. John's, Glenorchy	
• 9.00am	Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday, Saturday
• 12.00pm	Thursday
ROSARY At St. John's, Glenorchy	
• 8.30am	every Wednesday
• 8.40am	every Saturday
RECONCILIATION At St. John's, Glenorchy	
• 9.30am-10.00am & 5.15pm-5.45pm	Saturday
EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT At St. John's, Glenorchy	
• 8.00am - 8.50am	Wednesday
• 9:00am - 11.50pm	Thursday
LEGION OF MARY at St. John's, Glenorchy	
• 6.45 pm	Every Tuesday
ST. JOSEPH'S PRAYER GROUP at St. John's, Glenorchy	
• 1st Wednesday of the month	at 9.30am

COUNTERS' ROSTERS	
This Week:	2 Nov
Mary Parsissons' Team	
Next Week :	9 Nov
Linda Mondigo's Team	

WEEKLY COLLECTION	
Envelopes:	\$1,008.50
Loose Plate:	\$481.25
Direct Deposit:	\$320.00
TOTAL:	\$1,809.75
Weekly Budget:	\$ 2,500.00
Difference:	-\$690.25