

First Reading Dt 6:2-6

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.'

Responsorial Psalm

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

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

Second Reading Heb 7:23-28

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 for ever, can never lose his priesthood. It follows, then, that his power to save is utterly certain, since he is living for ever 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 for ever.

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!

Gospel Mk 12:28-34

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 any more.



St. John the Baptist

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The Parish has been entrusted to the Salesians of Don Bosco since 2000



St. Monica

31st Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year B - 30 & 31 October 2021

Dear Friends,

In the Gospel today, Jesus reminds us that the first and most important commandment is, "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."

These commandments are very difficult because they require of Christians a heroic love of others in imitation of Christ who for love of all gave up His life on the Cross for the salvation of the world. But we need not be discouraged because Jesus, and all the saints in heaven whom we honour on November 1st every year, show us that it is possible. May the Virgin Mary Mother of God pray to Jesus for us.

Father Pedro Arrupe was one of the great Jesuit Superior Generals of the past who said this: "Fall in love, stay in love, and it will decide everything. ... And nothing is more practical" Why does he say this? Why is it so practical? And then he says, "Because when we are in love, when we are in love, we know what our priorities are, we know each day how we will devote our time and our talents. And when we are in love we find time to nourish our relationships."

Father Lawrie Moate SDB - Celebration of 50 years.

Our most recent Parish Priest Father Lawrie is at present celebrating his fifty years as priest. He would like to invite you to join him in a prayer of thanksgiving for the privilege of sharing God's Word and Sacraments with you.

The Anniversary cards he sent to us are available on the table in the foyer. If you would like to send him a card Fr Lawrie's address is:
Salesian Residence
10 Bosco Street
Chadstone Victoria 3148

Mass Pew Survey

The Parish Pastoral Council is planning to hold a Parish Assembly on 27th February 2022. We want to use that opportunity to celebrate what the Parish is doing well and to identify possible growth areas. Because your opinion matters, the PPC is inviting you to complete a one-page anonymous pew survey which will be distributed at all Masses on the weekend of 6/7 November. It will take place after communion before the end of Mass. It should only take 5-10 minutes. Your thoughtful responses will assist us in preparations for the Assembly Day. Thank you for your support. Fr Guy

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**PARISH DIARY
October 2021****30 Saturday, Mass of the Virgin Mary**

- 9.00am Mass at St John's
- 6.00pm Mass at St John's
- 31 Sunday, 31st Sunday in Ordinary Time**
- 8.30am Mass at St Monica's
- 10.00am Mass at St John's

November 2021**1 Monday, All Saints Day**

- 9.00am Mass at St John's

2 Tuesday, All Souls' Day

- 7.00pm Mass at St John's

3 Wednesday St Martin de Porres

- 9.00am Mass at St John's

4 Thur. St Charles Borromeo

- 12.00 noon Mass at St John's

5 Friday

- 9.00am Mass at St John's

6 Saturday, Mass of the Virgin Mary

- 9.00am Mass at St John's

7 Sunday, 32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

- 6.00pm Mass at St John's

8.30am Mass at St Monica's

- 10.00am Mass at St John's

November - Month of the Holy Souls

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. We have the names of the people to be remembered written up on the Parish Book of Remembrance. In this way the whole congregation can 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 the name of the person or family in BLOCK LETTERS, and include the usual offering for each Mass. These Masses will be celebrated within the Parish, or by the Salesians in the Missions, as soon as possible after the intention is received.

Ministers of the Word

Rosters for 27 November to 26 February will be drawn up shortly. If you will be unavailable during this period would you please let me know by 31 October. Jo Elliott 0419 510 014

2022 Columban Art Calendar

These traditional and beautiful calendars will soon be available. If you would like one please write your name on the list on the table in the foyer. Cost will be \$9 Please pay when the calendars are delivered.

Talk by Robert Kreshl

Robert will share about his journey from powerlessness including poker machines, gambling and homelessness, to living a new life. Talk will be at St John's Church, on Tuesday 30th November at 7.00pm. For more information please contact Jo Elliott 0419 510 014

Discipleship Conference

Join us for an event not to be missed! Divine Renovation Australasia will host the 'Called to Discipleship Conference' featuring Fr James Mallon, Dr Ralph Martin and more! The conference will be held on Saturday 20 November, from 9am - 12.30pm (AEDT). Following the conference we invite you to join us for prayer ministry. Attendance is via registration which is free, however capacity is limited and it is filling up fast. We encourage you to book now to secure your spot. Register today <https://www.tfaforms.com/4929469>.

St John's Parish 50/50 Club

What is it? A parish fundraiser for necessary emergency repairs to church and grounds.

How does it work? We need 50 parishioners or friends to pay \$50, there is a raffle draw of 3 prizes: \$150, \$100 & \$50. The next raffle will be drawn in December 2021. We have 22 people who have joined. We need 28 people to complete the fundraiser.

Application to join may be made by contacting Sheila, the parish secretary, at the Parish Office 62726363 or by envelopes which are available on the table at the back of the church and can be put in the basket.

Christmas Raffle

Now it is time to start planning again. 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. Please contact Kay Grainger 6272 9024.

Bequests

Have you updated your will recently? If you are updating your will, you may wish to think about bequeathing part of it to St. John the Baptist Catholic Parish, Glenorchy.

Our Sick - Please remember in your prayers

Alida Beric, Eileen Sherrin, Don Ambler, Doreen Street, Fr Bob Curmi, Mary Dowd, Monique Matzner, Amy Matzner, Patricia Leamey, June Webb, Vince Mele, Barbara Campbell, Fr Peter Rankin, Judy Kingston, Paul Becker, Les Williams, Pauline Fitzallen, Krystyna Szukielojc, Bob Mochrie, Elizabeth Drake, Marian Whyman, Joanna Colli

Prayers for the Deceased

Please remember in your prayers our deceased parishioners, family and friends especially:

Bill Oakley, Gwen Lincoln, Betty Direen, Frances Direen, Craig Rickards, Peter Crane, Sr Carmel Hall, Minka Busch, Ron Nilsson, Stan Brach, Kerris Direen, Vic & Margaret Derrick, Michael Percy, Luigi Valdarchi, Cath Mc Carthy, Georgette Thomas, Luis Escobar, PK Varghese, Esterina D'Onofrio, Dino Di Benedetto

Eternal rest grant unto their souls O Lord and let perpetual light shine upon them, may they rest in peace. Amen.

Reminder for Covid-19 Safety

You must check in every time you come to St John's church or the Parish office. Everyone aged 16 years or older must check-in no matter how short their visit to church or parish office/meeting room. Please pray for all those sick with the Coronavirus and for those who have died from it.

**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.

**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 and 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

**DIVINE MERCY PRAYER
GROUP
at St. John's, Glenorchy**

- Every Friday at 3.00pm

COUNTERS' ROSTERS

This Week:	1 Nov
Mary Parisissons' Team	
Next Week :	8 Nov
Bridget Hayes' Team	

WEEKLY COLLECTION

Envelopes:	\$1041.00
Quest Tap and Go	\$ 0.00
Loose Plate:	\$ 777.50
Direct Deposit:	\$ 460.00
TOTAL:	\$2,278.50
Weekly Budget: \$ 2,500.00	
Difference: -	\$ 221.50



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