

First Reading 2 Sm 5:1-3

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.

Second Reading Col 1:12-20

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, Sovereignties, 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

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.'



St. John the Baptist

ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST CATHOLIC PARISH

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St. Monica

19-20 November 2022, Christ the King - Year C

Dear friends,

Today we celebrate the Feast of Christ the King. Fr Ted Cooper, one of our past Australian Salesians, wrote this lovely reflection.

"When we were confirmed by the Bishop, or a priest who represented the Bishop, we were anointed with oil. This is a very old custom that we inherited from the Jewish people. For many hundreds of years, they had one king and that king was God. Later because they wanted to copy their neighbours, they wanted a king they could see, a king with a palace, soldiers etc... God agreed with the idea.

But when they came to crown their king they still wanted it known that he was just a representative of God, that God was still their real king and this man was a figure, a human representation of God. To get the idea across they came up with the idea of anointing him with oil.

They used a special oil which was very heavily perfumed, and the perfume represented the presence of God – God was everywhere and the strong perfume penetrated to all parts of the palace. The king was God's presence visible to all about him and in his kingdom.

But the king had a special role. He was not just there to have a good time and have everybody wait on him. The king was to really look after his people, just like a shepherd looks after his sheep. He had to work hard to see that everyone, the poor and the sick, the weak and the powerful were all looked after.

Jesus was a real king. He showed what God was really like – his love, his care, his mercy, his forgiveness.

For us the Church is the visible presence of God among us. The Church takes the place of the king. Its role is to continue to show God's love, mercy, care and forgiveness to all those it serves in our world today."

May we lead all people to accept Christ the King who is the image of the unseen God. May the Virgin Mary Mother of God pray to Jesus for all people of good will. (Fr Guy)

Recently deceased:

Please pray for those who have died recently especially for Joe Benson and Frank Rogers who died last Sunday. Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord and let perpetual light shine upon them. May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed through the mercy of God rest in peace.

Funeral Mass for Joe Benson - 12.00pm (noon) Thursday, 24th November at St John's. All welcome.

The Lord is coming:

This first Sunday of Advent (27 November) reminds that Christmas is just around the corner. We all have our hopes and aspirations for Christmas. These four weeks of Advent are our annual season of waiting in hope for Christ. This season of Advent waiting reminds us that everything is not quite right with our world. Our world is somewhat broken and needs fixing. The world is broken because it does not pay attention to Christ or put Jesus first. The only way to fix our broken world is to mend and repair it with Christ. Christ is the solution to our broken world. (Fr Tommy Lane)

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PARISH DIARY	
November 2022	
19 Saturday, Mass of the Virgin Mary	
● 9.00am Mass at St John's	
● 6.00pm Vigil Mass-St John's	
20 Sun., Christ the King	
● 8.30am Mass-St Monica's	
● 10.00am Mass-St John's	
21 Monday, Presentation of the Virgin Mary	
● 9.00am Mass-St John's	
22 Tuesday, St Cecilia, virgin, martyr	
● 9.00am Mass-St John's	
23 Wed., St Clement I, pope, martyr	
● 9.00am Mass-St John's	
24 Thurs., Sts Andrew Dun g-Lac, & companions priest	
● 12noon Funeral Mass for Joe Benson at St John's	
25 Friday, St Catherine of Alexandria, virgin, martyr	
● 9.00am Mass-St John's	
26 Saturday, Mass of the Virgin Mary	
● 9.00am Mass at St John's	
● 6.00pm Vigil Mass-St John's	
27 Sunday, 1st Sunday of Advent - Year A	
● 8.30am Mass-St Monica's	
● 10.00am Mass-St John's	

Meli Melo Christmas Concert
Meli Melo are presenting their Christmas concert at St John's on Saturday 3rd. December at 2.00pm. All funds go to support the Don Bosco Technical School in Biratnager, Nepal. Monies raised earlier this year from the sale of chocolates and High Tea boxes totalling \$1500 has been forwarded to the Salesian Missions Office recently for transfer to the Biratnagar school.

Parish Pastoral Council – Nominations for New Members
The PPC is seeking nominations from within the Parish community to fill several new vacancies on the Council, as well as to fill vacancies of current members who have completed their term of office. This is an important Parish pastoral ministry and we are seeking a diverse range of members to represent the various groups of parishioners from both St John's and St Monica's. Please nominate yourself or someone else to Fr Guy by the end of November. For more information: Contact Fr Guy or the PPC Chair, Mrs Elaine Doran – elainedoran17@gmail.com

Cathedral Re-opening
The Archbishop will celebrate the Feast of the Immaculate Conception on December 8 as the occasion for the blessing and dedication of the new altar for the Cathedral after extensive renovations. St Mary's Cathedral is the mother church of the Archdiocese and so this event is a very significant one for all Catholics in Tasmania. The Archbishop cordially invites members of the Catholic community in Tasmania to attend this Mass at which the blessing and dedication will take place, at 7:00pm on Thursday, 8 December, at St Mary's Cathedral.

Carols on the Hill - 17 December 2022
Supported by the City of Hobart, Carols on the Hill is a free, traditional outdoor carols event designed for families to share the joyful spirit of Christmas. Staged at Guilford Young College oval (Hobart Campus), this cosy venue is perfect for a family picnic. There will be food vans on-site and activities for children. A single general admission ticket must be reserved for each & every attendee (adults & children). Tickets can be reserved at Eventbrite.com.au and searching 'Carols on the Hill 2022'

Christmas Eve Mass 6:00pm, Saturday, 24th December
Dear Parents, We are asking young children to participate in the Nativity Tableau on Christmas Eve at the Family Mass. All children welcome! We will have a rehearsal on Sunday 11th December and Sunday 18th December after the 10:00 Mass. It should not take too long. We will find costumes for your child to wear and show the children where we want them to stand during the reading of the Gospel. On Christmas Eve, 24th December, we ask that you be there about 5.15pm so we can dress the children before the 5.30pm carol singing and the beginning of Mass. With thanks, Mary and Jo (0448 259 747)

Summary of Liturgy Meeting 8 November 2022
1) Preparations for Advent and Christmas are progressing well.
2) Carol booklet approved. A number of additional carols have been added increasing our repertoire. To be used at Masses 17 December to 9 January.
3) Additional spaces for wheelie walkers/strollers to be made available.
4) Advice has been sought from Diocesan Office re changes to COVID protocols. Awaiting reply

Columban Art Calendars 2023
These traditional and beautiful calendars will soon be available. If you would like one please write your name on the list. Cost will be \$9. Please pay when the calendars are delivered.

Parish Christmas Raffle
Parish Christmas Raffle \$2.00 PER TICKET. Surprise prizes to be won. The Raffle will be drawn on 18th December 2022. Please help in making it a big success by purchasing your tickets and selling a book to friends. Thank you

Parish Christmas Luncheon
The Parish Christmas Luncheon will be held on Friday 9th December at Riverfront Restaurant. If you would like to come please write your name on the list at the back of the church. Kay Grainger 6272 9024.

Legion of Mary
Parishioners are invited to attend the Annual Legion of Mary Reunion, to be held Saturday, 2pm, November 26, 2022 at St. Pauls Church, Paice St. Bridgewater. A plate to share for afternoon tea would be appreciated

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. We have 42 people who have joined. We need 8 people to complete the fundraiser. You may join 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.

Please remember in your prayers our sick
Don Ambler, Fr Bob Curmi, Vince Mele, Barbara Campbell, Elizabeth Drake, Marian Whyman, Marj Direen, Zofia Dzierbicki, David Smith, Mary Hinds, Fr Martin Aye Ngwe, Fr Brian Nichols, Vicki Mackay, Sr Frances McShane, Alan Hinds

Prayers for the Deceased
Frances Direen, Peter Crane, Sr Carmel Hall, Kerris Direen, Michael Percy, Doreen Street, Fr Peter Rankin, Gavin Direen, Gloria Valenzuela, Linda Gonzales, Patricia Leamey, Pauline Fitzallen, Lucy Williams, Derek Cate, Alan Tabe, Alvin Walker, Ruby Markham, Judy Kingston, Antonio Palmese, Mary Dowd, June Webb, Adelina Valentin, Cecile Valenzuela, Bob Mochrie, Jan Leslie, Nicola Lattanzio, Vinze Pinzone, Dorothy Shearing, Danny DAbate, Alida Beric, Mirella Delpero, Philip Percy, Norma Russell, Frank Demarte, Fr Lawrie Moate, Lina Giana, Josephine Reynolds, Antonio La Polla, Nancy Ryan, Stephanie Nyirambangutse, Joe Benson, Frank Rogers

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 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 - 11.50am 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:	21 Nov
Robertta Puckett	
Next Week :	28 Nov
Chris Foale	

WEEKLY COLLECTION	
Envelopes:	\$531.80
Quest Tap & Go:	\$210.00
Loose Plate:	\$603.50
Direct Deposit:	\$470.00
TOTAL:	\$1,815.30
Weekly Budget: \$2500.00	
Difference:	-\$684.70