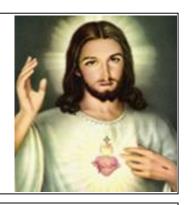


# Sacred Heart Parish Preston

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#### Parish Mass Schedule

#### Weekend Masses:

Saturday: 6:00pm Sunday: 9:00am (Italian), 10:30 am, 6:00 pm Weekday Masses: Monday to Friday: 9:10am

Healing Mass: 1st Friday of the month

at 1:30pm

Please note new day.

Next Healing Mass:

Friday 4 November

Devotional Practices:

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament: Every Thursday at 7:30pm for 1 hour

Holy Rosary: Thursday (English) after the

9:10am Mass Reconciliation:

30 minutes before Mass or by appointment

Baptisms & Weddings: By appointment only

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# 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time (year C) Sunday 23 October 2022 MISSION SUNDAY

Often in courtrooms a witness is asked to take an oath as follows, 'I swear that the evidence I shall give shall be the truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the truth'. This is a promise that the witness will disclose nothing but truth without any lies nor falsehoods. The celebration of the World Mission Sunday reminds us that the Church is missionary by nature, striving to give witness to the Truth, who is Jesus Christ. And St Paul encourages us to witness to Him to the ends of the earth by the power of the Holy Spirit (Acts 1:8). This is the theme the Holy Father Pope Francis has chosen for this year's prayer and reflection: 'You shall be my witnesses... to the ends of the earth'. How can we give authentic missionary witness?

In this Sunday's Gospel Jesus tells us a parable of a Pharisee and a Tax Collector who come to the temple for prayer. In his prayer, the Pharisee, no doubt a good and holy man in the sight of the people, presents God with a list of his personal achievements: I pray, I am just and faithful, I fast, I pay tithes. He also thanks God for he is far better than the tax collector. On the other hand, the Tax Collector, who is considered unclean and dishonest by many, approaches God with a great humility. His prayer is simple, 'God, be merciful to me a sinner'. He is conscious of his sinfulness and dependent on a forgiving God to show Him the way forward in his life. Concluding this Jesus said, "Everyone who exalts himself will be humbled, but the man who humbles himself will be exalted." Hence, humility, according to Jesus, is indispensable for all who wish to be at rights with God. Pope Francis teaches that 'humility is the only way that leads us to God. At the same time, specifically because it leads us to Him, humility leads us also to the essentials of life, to its truest meaning, to the most trustworthy reason for why life is truly worth living. Without humility we are 'cut off', we are cut off from understanding God and from understanding ourselves. Humility is needed to understand ourselves and each other, and all the more so to understand God. 'As missionary disciples we are not sent to communicate ourselves, to exhibit our persuasive qualities and abilities. Instead, we have the supreme honour of presenting Christ in words and deeds, proclaiming to everyone the Good News of His salvation with joy and boldness. 'A missionary disciple knows that evangelisation is not about gaining more members or about appearing powerful. Rather, it is about opening doors in order to experience and share the merciful and healing embrace of God the Father, which makes of us one family'.

There is an image of mission that helps us understand how true humility, far from discouraging us from witnessing, is in fact the driving force of all mission. The truth is that we are being transformed by Christ, for by knowing Him we begin to see ourselves, others and God with different eyes. We are called to give witness to the new life that Jesus gives us when we discover Him present and active in the midst of our daily lives; new life that transcends death. We know we are in need of His forgiveness, His compassion and His guiding hand. We embrace the strength of knowing we are loved by the Father, redeemed by the Son and empowered by the Spirit.

This gift of our Catholic faith is given to be shared. We cannot keep it to ourselves. We the Church must constantly keep pressing forward, beyond our own confines, in order to testify to all the love of Christ. As Vatican II instructs us, 'Above all the Church knows that her message is in harmony with the most secret desires of the human heart' (Gaudium et Spes, 21). We also realise, however, that mission without prayer is impossible. Pope

Francis strongly reminds us, 'Prayer plays a fundamental role in missionary life for it allows us to be refreshed and strengthened by the Spirit as the inexhaustible divine source of renewed energy and joy in sharing Christ's life with others.' (Message of His Holiness Pope Francis for World Mission Sunday 2022).



# **Sacred Heart Parish Prayer**

Loving God, we honour the heart of Jesus, your beloved Son. We remember how he opened his heart in love to all people. Open our own heart to receive the gifts that continue to flow so richly from the heart of Christ, who lives with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God for ever and ever. Amen.

	Saturday 6:00PM Mass - Readers	Saturday 6:00PM Mass - Ministers of Communion
15-Oct-22	Rohan Lemos Marlene Vergou	Terry Murphy
22-Oct-22	Mary Harb Terry Murphy	Charlotte Bainy
29-Oct-22	Celia Lemos John Kmaid	Mary Harb
	Sunday 10:30AM Mass - Readers	Sunday 10:30AM Mass Ministers of Communion
16-Oct-22	Judeline Wadhwani Ophelia Swai	Tony Eley
23-Oct-22	Hannah Lopez Marilene Fortuna	George McBrien
30-Oct-22	Jessy Thambiraj Ivana Lo Bello	Eileen Stevens
	Sunday 6:00PM Mass - Readers	Sunday 6:00PM Mass Ministers of Communion
16-Oct-22	Carolina Constable Peter Constable	Damian Casamento
23-Oct-22	Marijana Jurjevic Rachel Vorlander	Robert Dullard
30-Oct-22	Carolina Constable Peter Constable	Damian Casamento



#### **Cleaning Roster:**

To all our Volunteers

Thank you for your hard work



#### WE PRAY FOR:

#### The elderly and the sick

Shu-Fen Wu, Peter Bourke,

Our parishioners, family members and friends, that they may be blessed with constant care, attention and respect.

#### Those who have died recently:

## We Commemorate:

Maria, Michele, and Giovanni De Salvo Giuseppe Pasalapa (16th Anniv.)

O Lord may perpetual light shine upon them.





† Solemnities / Feasts / Memorials of the Week

Monday 24 October Saint Anthony Mary Claret, Bishop

Friday 28 October

Saints Simon and Jude, Apostles

# Last Week's Collection: 16/10/22

1st Collection for our Church: \$1,110 2nd Collection for support of clergy: \$669 Thank you for your kind generosity!



## DATES TO REMEMBER

**Tuesday 1 November**: All Saints - extra Mass at 7:00pm **Wednesday 2 November**: All Souls - extra Mass at 7:00pm

Friday 4 November: Healing Mass - 1.30pm

#### ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF OUR TRADITIONAL CUSTODIANS

Sacred Heart Community Preston acknowledges the Wurundjeri People of the Kulin Nation, the traditional custodians of this Sacred land on which our Church stands

We acknowledge their unique wisdom and ability to care for Country and their deep spiritual connection to it.

We pay our respects to Elders past, present and emerging.



## 125th Anniversary of Consecration - St Patrick's Cathedral

As we celebrate our 175<sup>th</sup> Anniversary year as a diocese – we also mark a significant milestone for our Cathedral. Archbishop Comensoli warmly invites you to join him for Mass to celebrate the 125<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Consecration of St Patrick's – **Thursday 27 October 2022 at St Patrick's Cathedral, commencing at 1pm**. This is a beautiful opportunity to come together in the house of the Lord – built by the faithful and generous people from every part of our Archdiocese, and home for all.

Mass will be followed by the Launch of the **Catholic Precinct Walking Tour App**, *an initiative of the Mary Glowrey Museum*.



# **Remembering our Deceased Loved Ones**

Please find on the sanctuary the "All Souls Day" booklet. You are welcome to neatly write the names of deceased loved ones in this booklet. All names entered will be prayed for at the All Souls Day Mass.



"All children have the right to be respected, to feel safe and supported, and to a standard of living that supports their healthy development and well being." *UN Convention on the Rights of the Child.* Article 27

Children's Week is a time to celebrate and to nurture and love our children. Whether as a parent, grandparent or as a relative or friend, our children continue to surprise, amaze and bring immense joy to our lives.

#### A Prayer for Our Children

God, loving Father of all,

provide us with a listening heart that we see and hear the voice of each of our children.

Strengthen and guide all in our Catholic communities. Grant us the ability and time to listen carefully when children come to us seeking help.

May our institutions and families respect, listen and do what is required to help all children feel safe.

Help us to recognise the hurt felt by those wounded through the failure to be heard.

We stand in constant need of your healing and help. Let your grace and love fall gently upon our children giving them the inner strength, peace, and resilience to seek out assistance when required.

We ask you God, through Jesus your Son and Advocate for all children, to provide each of us with the wisdom to involve children in making institutions and communities safer. Amen

#### THOUGHTS FROM POPE FRANCIS



The habit of reviewing one's own life forms the outlook, sharpens it, enables it to notice the small miracles that the good Lord accomplishes for us every day.

† † † <u>Liturgical Ministers Roster</u> Attention all Liturgical Ministers

The current Liturgical Ministers roster will conclude on the weekend of 29 & 30 October. Emails have been sent to all Readers and Ministers of Communion. If you haven't done so already, please read the email of 17/10/2022 and respond at your earliest convenience. (please check your junk emails). Thank you



St Vincent de Paul Society volunteers are committed to providing people with access to the resources and support they need to overcome personal hardship.

#### Toiletry and cleaning product drive.

In response to the growing numbers of requests from individuals and families for help to cover basic day to day essentials, our St Vincent de Paul Conference is conducting an appeal for donations of toiletries and cleaning products on the weekend of 29th/30th October. A collection trolley will be available in the Church foyer for items to be placed.

On behalf of our struggling neighbours, thank you Sacred Heart for your ongoing generosity and support.

For information about becoming a member our Preston Conference please contact Stephen Costello President on 0432 405 417.

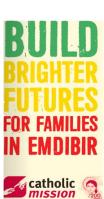
If you or a neighbour requires vital assistance, please phone our welfare Assistance line on Free Call 1800 305 330. This service is free and confidential.



# INFORMATION SESSIONS FOR World Youth Day 2023

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Upcoming World Youth Day Information Sessions in October. A life-changing trip to Lisbon, Portugal: Join 500 other young Catholics from around Melbourne on an epic journey to World Youth Day in 2023. Find out more at <a href="https://udisciple.melbournecatholic.org/wyd">https://udisciple.melbournecatholic.org/wyd</a>



This weekend, 22 & 23 October, Catholic Mission will share the continued vision of Fr Habte and how, through the Goat Rearing Centre, many other families living in poverty are able to access agricultural training and employment that they would otherwise be unable to

As shared by Fr Habte, when established, the Centre will not only provide nutritious milk but job creation and agricultural training for farmers and community members.

Please give generously this weekend to help continue this program by using the appeal envelopes in the Church foyer or going online at catholicmission.org.au

Your gift will also help many other similar Churchrun mission programs around the world.

Freecall: 1800 257 296 catholicmission.org.au/families

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#### LAUDATO SI': ON CARE FOR OUR COMMON HOME

# Laudato Si' Chaplet





The Laudato Si' Chaplet is a simple prayer technique to pray with creation inspired by St. Francis' Canticle of the Creatures. It is recommended to pray the Chaplet outdoors and with a Rosary at hand.

Pray the verses from the Canticle of the Creatures that praise God through the 4 elements and all creatures 10 times each (following the Rosary beads). Namely:

**Praised be You, my Lord, through all Your Creatures** x10 *Glory Be and/or Laudato Si' refrain* 

**Praised be You, my Lord, through Brother Air.** x10 Glory Be and/or Laudato Si' refrain

**Praised be You, my Lord, through Sister Water.** x10 Glory Be and/or Laudato Si' refrain

**Praised be You, my Lord, through Brother Fire.** x10 Glory Be and/or Laudato Si' refrain

**Praised be You, my Lord, through Sister Mother Earth.** x10 *Glory Be and/or Laudato Si' refrain* 

Let us pray that the work of Pope Francis in raising awareness of the environmental suffering of creation may bear much fruit and lead us all to care for the Earth and all creation. Amen

# Sacred Heart Young Adult Group Youth Choir

All young adults who are musicians and those who enjoy singing are welcome to join the Youth Choir at the Sunday 10:30am Masses on the 1st, 3rd and 5th Sundays of the month For more information contact Priscilla on 0415 061 781



#### PUBLIC CONVERSATION HOSTED BY ARCHBISHOP COMENSOLI

You are invited to attend a public conversation hosted by Archbishop Peter Comensoli, featuring internationally renowned speaker and author Mary Eberstadt discussing the topic: The future of humanity passes by way of the family. The conversation will be held on Tuesday 25 October, 12.30-2pm at the Catholic Leadership Centre in East Melbourne. Tickets are free; however, bookings are essential with a light lunch provided. Tickets can be booked via: www.trybooking.com/CDKKN or 9926 5612.



#### Joke Corner

A husband who has six children begins to call his wife "mother of six" rather than by her first name.

The wife, amused at first, chuckles. But after a few years, she grows tired of it.

"Mother of six," he would say, "what's for dinner tonight and please get me a beer!"

The wife becomes more and more frustrated. Finally, while attending a party together, the husband jokingly shouts out, "Mother of six, I think it's time to go home!" She immediately shouts back, "I'll be right with you, father of four!"

#### **Entrance Antiphon**

Let the hearts that seek the Lord rejoice; turn to the Lord and his strength; constantly seek his face.

#### PENITENTIAL ACT

I confess to almighty God and to you, my brothers and sisters, that I have greatly sinned, in my thoughts and in my words, in what I have done and in what I have failed to do,

And, striking their breast, they say:

And, striking their breast, they say: through my fault, through my fault, through my most grievous fault; therefore I ask blessed Mary ever-Virgin, all the Angels and Saints, and you, my brothers and sisters, to pray for me to the Lord our God.

#### THE GLORIA

Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to people of good will. We praise you, we bless you, we adore you, we glorify you, we give you thanks for your great glory, Lord God, heavenly King, O God, almighty Father.

Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son, Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,

you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us; you take away the sins of the world,

receive our prayer; you are seated at the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us.

For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

### FIRST READING

Ecclesiasticus 35:12-14, 16-19

The Lord is a judge

who is no respecter of personages.

He shows no respect of personages to the detriment of a poor man,

he listens to the plea of the injured party. He does not ignore the orphan's supplication,

nor the widow's as she pours out her story.

The man who with his whole heart serves God will be accepted,

his petitions will carry to the clouds. The humble man's prayer pierces the clouds,

until it arrives he is inconsolable, And the Lord will not be slow, nor will he be dilatory on their behalf.

The Word of the Lord **All: Thanks be to God.** 

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Psalm 33(34):2-3,17-19,23

#### The Response is:

The Lord hears the cry of the poor.

I will bless the Lord at all times, his praise always on my lips; in the Lord my soul shall make its boast. The humble shall hear and be glad.

The Lord hears the cry of the poor.

The Lord turns his face against the wicked

to destroy their remembrance from the earth.

The just call and the Lord hears and rescues them in all their distress.

#### The Lord hears the cry of the poor.

The Lord is close to the broken-hearted; those whose spirit is crushed he will save. The Lord ransoms the souls of his servants.

Those who hide in him shall not be condemned.

# The Lord hears the cry of the poor. SECOND READING

2 Timothy 4:6-8,16-18

My life is already being poured away as a libation, and the time has come for me to be gone. I have fought the good fight to the end; I have run the race to the finish; I have kept the faith; all there is to come now is the crown of righteousness reserved for me, which the Lord, the righteous judge, will give to me on that Day; and not only to me but to all those who have longed for his Appearing.

The first time I had to present my defence, there was not a single witness to support me. Every one of them deserted me – may they not be held accountable for it. But the Lord stood by me and gave me power, so that through me the whole message might be proclaimed for all the pagans to hear; and so I was rescued from the lion's mouth. The Lord will rescue me from all evil attempts on me, and bring me safely to his heavenly kingdom. To him be glory for ever and ever. Amen.

The Word of the Lord **All: Thanks be to God.** 

Please stand for the Gospel Acclamation.

#### **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

2 Cor 5:19

#### Alleluia, alleluia!

God was in Christ, to reconcile the world to himself:

and the Good News of reconciliation he has entrusted to us.

Alleluia!

#### **GOSPEL**

Luke 18:9-14

Jesus spoke the following parable to some people who prided themselves on being virtuous and despised everyone else: 'Two men went up to the Temple to pray, one a Pharisee, the other a tax collector. The Pharisee stood there and said this prayer to himself, "I thank you, God, that I am not grasping, unjust, adulterous like the rest of mankind, and particularly that I am not like this tax collector here. I fast twice a week; I pay tithes on all I get." The tax collector stood some distance away, not daring even to raise his eyes to heaven; but he beat his breast and said, "God, be merciful to me, a sinner." This man, I tell you, went home again at rights with God; the other did not. For everyone who exalts himself will be humbled, but the man who humbles himself will be exalted.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

All: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

#### PROFESSION OF FAITH

APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God. / the Father almighty. / Creator of heaven and earth, / and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our lord, / who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, / born of the Virgin Mary, / suffered under Pontius Pilate, / was crucified, died and was buried; / he descended into hell; / on the third day he rose again from the dead; / he ascended into heaven, / and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty: / from there he will come to judge the living and the dead. / I believe in the Holy Spirit, / the holy catholic Church, / the communion of saints, / the forgiveness of sins, / the resurrection of the body, / and life everlasting. Amen.

#### **Communion Antiphon**

We will ring out our joy at your saving help and exult in the name of our God.

