



# Sacred Heart Parish Preston



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### Safeguarding Officers:

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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 2 December

### 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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## Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe (year C)

### Sunday 20 November 2022

## Jesus Remember Me

In 1925, at a time when the world was reeling from the horrors of World War 1 and shocked by the brutality and destruction of the conflict between so-called civilised Christian nations, Pope Pius XI decided it was time to challenge rising hostile powers of the world by instituting the Feast of Christ, King of the Universe.

In a Western society where democratic rule is 'professed' if not actually practised, the notion of "kingship" may bring to mind images of wealth, elitism and remoteness from people. But the image set before us today is not of one arrayed in lavish royal robes, decked with a golden-gemmed crown and holding symbols of temporal kingship in his hands.

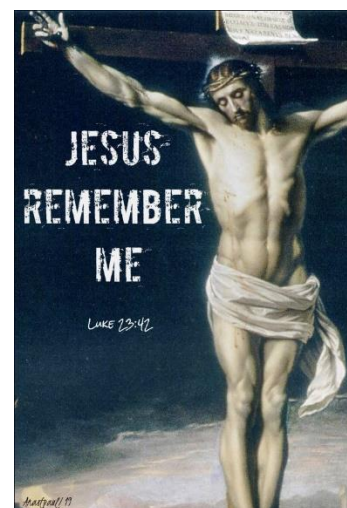
We gaze on one Human Being stripped of robes, physically and emotionally bullied, tortured and crucified between two others outside the walls of their Holy City. Yet in the midst of the bullying and abuse of soldiers, onlookers and one criminal by his side, Jesus' response is a refusal to retaliate. One dignified response, however, comes from another 'criminal' who perceives beyond his appearance to the depth of his innocence. This evokes in him compassion and the courage to challenge the cruelty and abuse towards Jesus going on around him. Addressing him by name he says: "Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom." His request reveals a renewed faith in Jesus as the human reflection of the goodness of God. And Jesus' response to him: 'I promise you, today you will be with me in paradise.'

The kingship of Jesus, then, is not like that of other kings or rulers. It's not about wealth, power, domination or control in this world. Against these His kingship is about truth, honesty and integrity. It is about generosity, service, self-sacrifice and justice it's about mercy and care for all people, but especially for those who are poor, broken-hearted, neglected or ignored. His is a kingdom grounded in one fundamental universal commandment: 'Love one another as I have loved you' and driven by the universal Love of God.

This is the kingdom of Christ our King as today's preface declares it: "a kingdom of truth and life, a kingdom of holiness and grace, a kingdom of justice, love and grace."

Today let us rededicate ourselves to acknowledging the reign of Christ Jesus and his Sacred Heart in every aspect of our lives. As we gaze upon the stark cross of the suffering One suspended over the sanctuary wall before us, let us pray with confidence,

### "Jesus remember Me!"



## 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.*

	<b>Saturday 6:00PM Mass - Readers</b>	<b>Saturday 6:00PM Mass - Ministers of Communion</b>
19-Nov-22	Celia Lemos Marlene Vergou	Mary Harb
26-Nov-22	Rohan Lemos Teresa Dang	Terry Murphy
03-Dec-22	Mary Harb Terry Murphy	Charlotte Bainy
	<b>Sunday 10:30AM Mass - Readers</b>	<b>Sunday 10:30AM Mass Ministers of Communion</b>
20-Nov-22	Hannah Lopez Marilene Fortuna	Tony Eley
27-Nov-22	Ivana Lo Bello Jessy Thambiraj	Eileen Stevens
04-Dec-22	Jessica Suppiah Ophelia Swai	Giovanna D' Intino
	<b>Sunday 6:00PM Mass - Readers</b>	<b>Sunday 6:00PM Mass Ministers of Communion</b>
20-Nov-22	Ma Kathleen Adlaon Tim Rankin	Damian Casamento
27-Nov-22	Carolina Constable Peter Constable	Damian Casamento
04-Dec-22	Marijana Jurjevic Michelle Totawatte	Robert Dullard



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

#### Those who have died recently:

#### We Commemorate:

*Raymond Harb  
Vincenzo Capobianco, Mario, Raffaele, & Graziano Caruso  
John, Alfonso, Dino & Natalina Bernardini,  
Isa, Mario, Orfeo & Rino Bergamin,  
Teresina & Valter De Stefani,  
Carlo, Duilio, Livio, Pasqua & Beppi Trentin  
and all deceased members of the Ottaviano Bertoncetto & Carlo Trentin families.*

*O Lord may perpetual light shine upon them.  
May they rest in peace. Amen.*



#### Last Week's Collection: 13/11/22

1st Collection for our Church: \$974  
2nd Collection for support of clergy: \$681  
Thank you for your kind generosity!



### **Thanksgiving Envelopes**

The next batch of thanksgiving envelopes are in the foyer ready for collection.  
Please commence using these envelopes on the weekend of 17 & 18 December 2022. Thank you for your continued support to our Parish.



## 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.



### † Solemnities / Feasts / Memorials of the Week †

*Monday 21 November The Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary*  
*Tuesday 22 November St Cecilia, Virgin Martyr*  
*Wednesday 23 November St Clement I, Pope, Martyr  
St Columbanus, Abbot and Missionary*  
*Thursday 24 November St Andrew Dũng-Lạc and his companions, Martyrs*  
*Friday 25 November St Catherine of Alexandria, Virgin, Martyr*



### † Welcome before Baptism †

*Dear Parents, as you prepare for your child's Baptism, the people of Sacred Heart rejoice that you have chosen to baptize your child and we pray that in the coming years you and your family will continue to know and grow in the love of God, that is everlasting.*

The Parish introduces to the Sacred Heart community  
**Reggie Tonini,**  
in preparation for his Baptism on 4 December.



### † Baptism Congratulations †

The community of Sacred Heart Parish congratulates  
**Reuben Considine**  
for his Baptism on 20 November.



### **Red Wednesday, 23 November 2022**

**You are invited to a Red Wednesday Prayer Vigil at St Patrick's Cathedral on 23 November, 7.30pm.** Joining many other cathedrals and churches around the world, St Patrick's will be floodlit in red on this night. **Red Wednesday** is an international initiative of *Aid to the Church in Need* (ACN). It is a day to stand up for faith and freedom; to gather and pray for the 200+ million Christians who are persecuted for their faith. Those who suffer and are persecuted for their faith. You can also visit [www.aidtochurch.org/RedWednesday](http://www.aidtochurch.org/RedWednesday) to learn more.



### **Sacrificial giving via QR code**

To support our parish, you can make a donation by scanning this QR code which is unique to Sacred Heart Church, Preston.

It will give you direct access to the CDF pay webpage by following a few easy steps.

The QR code is also displayed in the Church foyer.

Many thanks for your continued generosity and support to Sacred Heart parish.



## THOUGHTS FROM POPE FRANCIS



*Goodness is hidden, silent; it requires slow and continuous excavation. Because God's style is discreet. He does not impose himself. He is like the air we breathe - we don't see it but it allows us to live, and we realize it only when it's missing.*



## 2023 COLUMBAN ART CALENDAR

This year, if you wish to purchase a Columban calendar, you must do so by ordering and paying for it in advance.

**Calendars cost \$10 each.**

To Order, please place your money with your name, address and phone number in an envelope and place it in the "Letters" slot near the front door of the presbytery or give it to Father before Monday 28 November.

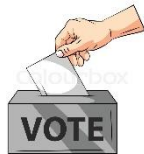
Please DO NOT use the letterbox along the fence as this is not secure. Thank you



## Letter from the Bishops of Victoria - State Election 2022

The Bishops of Victoria have written to the Catholic community in Victoria to provide an election guide designed to help Catholics consider and navigate key issues of significance, particularly those related to the common good. You are invited to read the guide and to prayerfully discern how your vote can contribute to the common good. The guide can be found at:

[www.melbournecatholic.org/stateelection2022](http://www.melbournecatholic.org/stateelection2022)



## Prayer for the election

Heavenly Father,

You are the source of goodness, justice and truth.

We thank you for the many freedoms we enjoy in Australia, including free and fair elections.

We entrust to you the State of Victoria and all who live within it.

We pray for the gift of wisdom ahead of the upcoming election.

Guide us in our deliberations, so we may seek to elect representatives who will work tirelessly to pursue the common good in all things.

We pray for all those standing for election and their families. May all elected work diligently to build a more just society.

May our local community of Victoria be a place where peace and justice flourish, religious freedom is respected, and all people, -especially the most vulnerable are valued, respected and cared for.

And may we each renew our commitment do the same ourselves – following the example of Your Son, Jesus Christ, in all things.

Our Lady Help of Christians, pray for us.

Amen.



**Please take the bulletin home**

## Pastoral Letter from Archbishop Comensoli

On 15 November Archbishop Comensoli issued a letter to us entitled "**Welcome Home!**" in which it said:

*"Therefore, as from the 1st Sunday of Advent, 27 November 2022, the general dispensation from our Sunday and Holy Day obligations will be lifted. As always, the ordinary individual exemptions will remain in place (e.g. for reasons of ill health, family care of the vulnerable, etc.)."*



All parishioners are encouraged to return whenever physically possible, to attendance regularly at Sunday Mass.

Copies of this letter can be found in the church foyer or <https://melbournecatholic.org/news/welcome-home-a-pastoral-letter-from-archbishop-comensoli>



## Sacred Heart Giving Tree



Advent – begins next week and the Giving Tree will once again appear in the Church foyer.

We will be launching our parish/school Christmas appeal for families and individuals the St Vincent de Paul team have visited throughout the year.

This year once again we are asking for donations of Gift cards:

\* Cards of \$10 or more from Coles or Woolworths for individuals, couples or families to be able to purchase food or essential items to celebrate and share Christmas with family or friends.

\* Donations of a Kmart or other Gift Card are a second option for a parent or carer to be able to purchase a suitable gift for a child or other family member.

Of course you are welcome to choose both.

If attending Mass in person you are invited to:

\* Take a token from the tree, purchase a gift card or place cash in the envelope.

\* Return it to the church by the fourth Sunday of Advent or

\* Place a donation in an envelope labelled "Christmas gift appeal" with your contact details and either deliver your gift to the presbytery.

Alternatively contact Pauline O'Day 9484 2445 Or 0497 935 593 if you require us to collect your donation.

Thank you all for your remarkable ongoing care for our neighbours.



## Joke Corner

I took my 8-year-old daughter to the office on 'take your kid to work day'. But when we walked into the office she started to cry.

Concerned staff gathered around and I asked her what was wrong.

She said: "Daddy where are all the clowns you said you worked with"?



## ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

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.

## 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:*

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.

## 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

*2 Samuel 5:1-3*

All the tribes of Israel then 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.

The Word of the Lord

**All: Thanks be to God.**

## RESPONSORIAL PSALM

**Psalm 121(122):1-5**

**The Response Is:**

*Let us go rejoicing to the house of the  
Lord.*

I rejoiced when I heard them say:

'Let us go to God's house.'

And now our feet are standing  
within your gates, O Jerusalem.

*Let us go rejoicing to the house of the  
Lord.*

Jerusalem is built as a city  
strongly compact.

It is there that the tribes go up,  
the tribes of the Lord.

*Let us go rejoicing to the house of the  
Lord.*

For Israel's law it is,  
there to praise the Lord's name.

There were set the thrones of judgement  
of the house of David.

*Let us go rejoicing to the house of the  
Lord.*

## SECOND READING

*Colossians 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, Sovereignities,  
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,

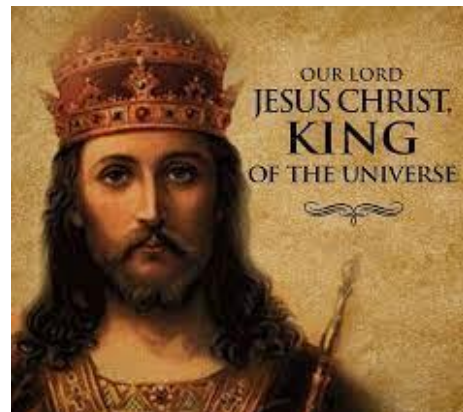
everything in heaven and everything on  
earth,

when he made peace

by his death on the cross.

The Word of the Lord

**All: Thanks be to God.**



*Please stand for the Gospel Acclamation.*

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

*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

*Luke 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 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.'

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

The Lord sits as King for ever.

The Lord will bless his people with  
peace.