

ALL SAINTS - YEAR B

1st November 009

GOSPEL: Matthew 5: 1-12a

Today we gather to remember all those who have gone before us and who now rejoice in God's presence - holy men and women of every time and place.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

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

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!

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

Alleluia!

FEAST DAYS THIS WEEK

Monday 2nd November

All Souls

Wednesday 4th November

Charles Borromeo, Bishop

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

Happy are the pure of heart for they shall see God. Happy the peacemakers; they shall be called the sons of God. Happy are they who suffer persecution for justice' sake; the kingdom of heaven is theirs.

ALL SAINTS FEAST DAY

All Saints is the feast of the ordinary saints of the church, the huge number, impossible to count of every nation, race, tribe and language.

We stand on the shoulders of giants. Over the last two thousand years, countless men, women and children of many eras, places and cultures have spent their lives in the service of the Good News of Jesus Christ. These saints - these real people - have blazed a trail in living and proclaiming the Gospel.

What does it mean to be a saint?

Surprisingly, it is much more down-to-earth and obtainable than we might think. In the view of St Francis de Sales, sanctity - sainthood - is measured by our willingness and ability to embrace the state and stage of life in which we find ourselves. Sainthood - sanctity - holiness - is marked by the willingness to embrace God's will as it is manifested in the ups and downs of everyday life.

How are we being called to be a saint today?

PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL

In union with Mary, the Mother of God, and with all the angels and saints, let us offer our prayers and respond "hear us, O God".

We pray with the holy martyrs of God: Intercede for all who are enduring persecution for the sake of the Gospel.

Together we pray Hear us, O God.

We pray with the holy confessors of God: Intercede for catechists and teachers, theologians and Christian writers.

Together we pray Hear us, O God.

We pray with the holy apostles of God: Intercede for bishops and pastors, priests and deacons, leaders of church communities and missionaries.

Together we pray Hear us, O God.

We pray with the holy innocents of God: Intercede for all victims of sexual exploitation and loss of innocence.

Together we pray Hear us, O God.

We pray for those who are sick especially:

Patrick Larkin, Fr Bob Leaver, Andy & Marie Carter, Catherine Flannery, Kathy Horvat, Dawn Salmon, Tom Ryan, Audrey Willis, Kathy Dyball, Eileen Foley, Robert Driscoll, Russell Baude, Mat Talbot, Eileen Carroll, Lyle Jansen, Maureen Burke, Gary McLinden, Paul Trotman, Lillian Roberts, Norm & Joan McLaurin, Kevin Hynes, Vin Griffiths, Juanita Jervois, Norina Spinelli, Bishop Brennan, Nancy Gibson, John Hunt, Rob Deller, Mary McNamara, Ria Stumpe, James Williams, Monette Fealy, Annette Hoffman, Lionel Jansen, John McManus, Peter Cairns, Allan Dedrauth, Melva McDonald, Kristi Cassandra, Luke Heffernan, Rosel Free, Reece Valta, Yela Jankovic, Karl Grlica, Alvin Horn, Kate Cox, Patricia Hamill, Zoltan Tar, Catherine Mead, Will Carland, Maureen Fields, Patricia Barber, Ian Walters, Des O'Meara, Ben Harper, Bess Harris, Patricia Bourke, Effie Ray, Joseph Doran, Nicholas Hetherington, Sandra Varrasso and Marie Cook.

Together we pray Hear us, O God.

We pray for those who have died especially Raymond Hawkins, Michael Sandral, Daphne Sawyer, Ottilia Matassoni, Colin Schneider and Frank Bohan, Patricia O'Neil, and all our dear ones deceased.

Anniversaries:

May Kirley, Bert Scammell, Agnes Johnson, Jeffery Meehan, Alice O'Dowd and all those whose anniversaries occur now. And Also:

Dr Brian Twomey, Anna Kosidilo, Deceased Members of the Hunter Family, Lionel Kirley, Michael Kirley, Dorrie Ries, Pauline Rodrigues, Bill Livsey, Rose & Harry Livsey, Mary & Bill Kotthoff, Eileen, Gus, Kerry, Patrick, Bonnie & Patricia Roche, Noel, Peter & Jean Rothe, Philip Smith, Victor Bruce, Lil Munk, Frank Kelly, Henry Wynter, John Dallinger, Malcolm Nicholson, Sr Helen Shortall RSM, Sr Monica Esler, Brian Esler, Dan Moore, Alice Plunkett, Clare Flynn & the Flynn Family and all our dear ones deceased.

Together we pray Hear us, O God.

Gracious God, you have blessed us with models of holiness who show us the way of discipleship. Through their intercession bring all of your people together in peace and unity. We pray in Jesus' name.

AMEN

BAPTISMS

Last weekend we welcomed into God's Church the following newly baptised:

AMELIA POST

LACHLAN BURT

CAMERON OUDYN

ALEX FREEMANTLE

ANNABELLE DOHERTY

FOR YOUR DIARY

ALL SOULS DAY - Monday 2nd November

Mass times at St Patrick's Church are: 7.00am, 12.00noon and 6.00pm.

ALBURY PARISHES EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

Sacred Heart Church, North Albury - 6.00pm to 9.00pm Friday 6th November.

Will you not watch one hour with me?

ALL SOULS

Mass at Glenmorus Lawn Cemetery Chapel for the faithful departed on Monday at 5.15pm. Afterwards the blessing of the graves. All welcome.

HOLY HOUR, EXPOSITION WITH ROSARY AND BENEDICTION

Wednesday 4th November from 5.30-6.30pm in St Patrick's Church - prayer in reparation of sins against and a greater respect of all human life.

ST PATRICK'S YOUTH GROUP 12-18YRS

Will be held in the hall following the 10.30am Mass today. All youth 12-18 years welcome to come along.

YOUTH EXPO 2009 NOVEMBER 27, 28 & 29

Youth 13-30 are invited to Youth Expo 2009. You can find a registration form inside this month's Together Youth. Or register online at www.youthexpo.site90.com

BILLETING REQUIRED FOR YOUTH EXPO 2009

We are looking for billets to host youth for this year's Youth Expo. They will require accommodation for Friday and Saturday night. If you are able to billet 2 or more youth over the weekend November 27-28, please contact Miriam on 0438 484 000.

NATIONAL E-CONFERENCE - ST LUKE

The conference commences at 10.30am until 3.30pm on 4th November at Slattery Centre (in the church grounds) Olive Street Albury. The facilitator is Sr Marie McAllister. Contact Marie on mmcalister@sph.wagga.catholic.edu.au

A DAY OF HEALING

At St Augustine's Church, High Street, Wodonga on Saturday 21st November from 10.00am to 4.00pm. Presenters are Dr Paul and Bernadette O'Hanlon from Melbourne. The cost is a donation. BYO lunch to share. Tea and coffee provided. Contacts: Brigita 6059 2596 or Fran 6059 5126.

INVITATION

6 Hours of Reflection with Fr Jordan Perry on Saturday 14th November 2009 starting with Mass at St Patrick's Church Albury at 9.30am. Morning Tea in the Old Convent Rooms. BYO Lunch. Please take a flyer from the back of the church.

MASS WITH SACRAMENT OF ANOINTING THE SICK

At St Patrick's Church on Thursday 5th November at 10.30am. Confessions at 10.00am.

ST VINCENT DE PAUL

Christmas cards are now available at the church door. \$6.00 per pack of ten different cards. Columban Calendars will be available soon.

CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE

The Members of the Catholic Women's League would like to thank all who supported us by attending the films or by donation, and let you know some of the things we do:

- endeavour to uphold the dignity of Family Life, support Priests, lobby governments regarding right to life and decent moral standards.
- Organise and finance morning tea after Mass on Sundays, donate to the education of Priests at Vianney College.
- assist disadvantaged girls attending the academy of Mary Immaculate in Fitzroy and boys at Parade College Melbourne and youth groups in the Wagga Wagga Diocese.

- Organised St Patrick's Day concert - donations given to Real Choices (counselling for men and women).

The Annual Meeting will be held in the Supper Room on Monday 16th November at 3.00pm - All welcome.

WOMEN'S DAY OF SPIRITUALITY AND PRAYER

CACW Diocese of Wagga Wagga invites all women of the diocese to attend the annual day of Spirituality and Prayer in Wagga on Saturday 28th November 2009. The presenter is Eileen Glass and the theme is: The Female Ancestors of Jesus. Please see the notice board in the porch for more information and add your name to the attached list if you are interested in attending. Contact Margaret McDonald (02) 6041 5848 or mrgtmcd@tpg.com.au

A bus to Wagga at a reasonable cost is being organised. Please contact Margaret or indicate on the list if you are interested in travelling this way.

SNIPPET

For Jesus, good is good and evil is evil. Mercy does not change the connotations of sin but consumes it in a fire of love. (Benedict XVI)