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## This Week's Mass Schedule

29/11/2023 Wednesday 8:00am

30/11/2023 Thursday 12:00pm

01/12/2023 Friday 8:30am Maryborough Community Aged Care 1:00pm

02/12/2023 Saturday 6:00pm

03/12/2023 Sunday

Maryborough 8:00am Tiaro

#### 1st RITE OF RECONCILIATION **EVERY SATURDAY 5 - 5.30pm**

- November Memorial Mass: 12pm Thursday 30th November
- •RCIA Program Introduction: 5pm Thursday 7th December.



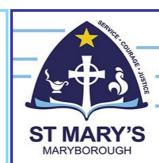
#### **READINGS**

Christ The King - Last Sunday in in Ordinary Time - Year A (p.496 in St Pauls Missal)

- 1st- Ezekiel 34:11-12, 15-17
- Psalm 22 Resp. hymns page
- 2nd -1 Corinthians 15:20-26, 28
- Gospel Accl. hymns page
- Gospel Matthew 25:31-46

#### Next weekend: 1st Sunday of Advent - Year B (p.502)

- •1st Isaiah 63:16-17; 64:1,3-8
- **Psalm** 79
- 2nd 1 Corinthians 1:3-9
- Gospel Mark 13:33-37



## Newsletter 26<sup>TH</sup> November 2023 34<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME- YEAR A

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

#### **Jesus the Servant-King**

Today the Holy Mother Church celebrates the Solemnity of Jesus Christ as the Universal King, the last Sunday of the liturgical year A. Pope Pius XI instituted this Feast in 1925, calling on humanity to submit once more to the authority of Christ who came to serve and not to be served. With our common knowledge of kingship, every king has a throne, symbolizing his power and authority. From where he administers justice, conducts diplomatic relations, receives petitions, and issues his commands. The throne reminds the people that the king is not just another citizen; he is the supreme authority. The throne is the symbol of this unique royal identity.

Hence, our Lord Jesus Christ, as the eternal King of the universe has a throne too, but his throne differs radically from those of the kings of this world. While the kings of the world rule from thrones of great power and influence, our Jesus' throne is a lowly one where he lies down in weakness; in a position of surrender to those who nailed him to a cross.

The cross is rough, plain wood; its only decoration is the blood of the king who gave up his life for the salvation of his people. The rulers of the world slaughter animals of choice to entertain their guests but Jesus gives his own body as food and his own blood as drink. The kings and gueens of the world, when they are about to die, divide their kingdoms amongst their relatives and cronies; but Jesus, having no estates to share, offers himself as a ransom for our sin - as a memorial: "Do this in memory of me!" he says, and then gives away his own mother to his followers.

In the kingdoms of the world, everything is done to exclude strangers, to keep them "offshore", and the rulers say to them: "Go back to where you came from". But in the Kingdom of Christ, everything is done to welcome strangers, even many servants of the kingdom shed their blood to facilitate the inclusion of "outsiders", and the King says to them: "In my Father's house are many mansions" (John 14:2) – there is room for everyone. This is the distinctive character of our Lord Jesus Christ, the universal King, whom we celebrate today.

In the Gospel of Matthew today we see how the kingship of Christ attained its accomplishment not on a throne, but on a cross. His mission to bring salivation to all people made him to choose not to save himself on the cross, but to reward everyone according to their deeds.

Finally, dear brothers and sisters, Jesus, by sharing in our suffering, allows us to share in his kingship, to join him on his throne, if only we unite our sufferings to his, if only we place our crosses on his altar of mercy and love. Let us therefore ask the servant-king Jesus Christ to grant us the humility to follow the path of love and service for the least of our sisters and brothers in need.

## Peace be with vou!

Fr Lucius

## The Rite of Commissioning and recommitment:

The Rite of Commissioning and recommitment of all new and existing Communion Ministers and Readers will be during the Mass on Saturday 2nd December 6pm vigil Mass and on Sunday 3rd December 8am Mass.



Interested Parishioners are requested to contact Fr. Lucius or Parish Office.

#### **NOVEMBER MEMORIAL MASS**

There will be a Memorial Mass on Thursday 30th November 12pm at St. Mary's.

This is specifically for November Mass offerings. All names given through the November Mass Offerings will be added to the list in the Church. The envelopes are available at the main Church entrances.

RCIA - Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults: The RCIA is best described as a journey of faith that passes through a number of different phases and focuses on conversion of heart and mind to Christ. It is a gradual journey tailored to the needs of the individual. The RCIA introduction meeting: Thursday 7th December at 5pm.

**Christmas Week Mass Time** 

- Saturday 23rd December Mass: 6pm St. Mary's.
- Sunday 24th December
   Mass: 8am St. Mary's.
   Mass: 10am Sacred Heart, Tiaro.

Christmas Mass Times <u>Carols</u>: 6pm <u>Vigil Mass</u>: 7pm - St. Mary's.

Carols: 11:30pm followed by Midnight Mass: 12am St. Mary's.

Monday 25th December
 Mass: 8am St. Mary's.
 Mass: 10am Sacred Heart, Tiaro.

#### **Teachings of the Catholic Church**

"A look at key teachings, beliefs, practices and rituals of the Catholic Church and connections to more information."

Please follow the link: <a href="https://brisbanecatholic.org.au/life/teachings-of-the-catholic-church/#catholic-social-teaching">https://brisbanecatholic.org.au/life/teachings-of-the-catholic-church/#catholic-social-teaching</a>

♦ God's Word 2024 is now available for \$15. ♦ Columban Art Calendar 2024 is now selling for \$10. ♦ Christmas Cards: A new collection is now available. Roster for Christmas: We kindly request the Welcomers, Readers, Communion Ministers, Altar Servers, Sacristans, Musicians and Singers to have a look into the list available near the Piety Stall and support to complete the roster for Christmas Masses.





## **Safeguarding Commitment**

The Archdiocese has **zero tolerance** for all forms of abuse and is committed to safeguarding everyone involved in its activities, ministries and services. The safety and wellbeing of children and adults-at-risk is paramount.

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Most Rev Mark Coleridge

#### A GIFT IN YOUR WILL

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**Liturgy Team Meeting**: Liturgy Team meeting on Wednesday 29th November at 4pm in Parish Hall meeting room.

**Prayer for Rain**: Almighty and eternal Father, Give your blessing of rain to our land. May your rain fall gently on our farms, our stock and our native life. Give courage, strength and hope to our farmers and graziers and their families and to our rural townspeople as we wait patiently for your providence. This prayer we make through Christ Our Lord. Amen. Thank you dear Lord for the rain we have received.

#### **ENTRANCE: LET HEAVEN REJOICE**

Refrain:

Let heaven rejoice and earth be glad; let all creation sing. Let children proclaim through ev'ry land: "Hosanna to our king."

SOUND THE TRUMPET INTO THE NIGHT;
THE DAY OF THE LORD IS NEAR.
WAKE HIS PEOPLE, LIFT YOUR VOICE,
PROCLAIM IT TO THE WORLD.

RISE IN SPLENDOUR; SHAKE OFF YOUR SLEEP; PUT ON YOUR ROBES OF JOY. AND IN THE MORNING YOU SHALL SEE THE GLORY OF THE LORD.

RAISE YOUR VOICES, BE NOT AFRAID.
PROCLAIM IT IN EV'RY LAND.
CHRIST HAS DIED, BUT HE HAS RISEN;
HE WILL COME AGAIN./R.

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### **PSALM RESPONSE: (SAID)**

THE LORD IS MY SHEPHERD; THERE IS NOTHING I SHALL WANT.

#### **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:**

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!
BLESSINGS ON HIM WHO COMES IN THE NAME OF THE LORD!
BLESSINGS ON THE COMING KINGDOM OF OUR FATHER DAVID!
Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

#### **COMMUNION: TABLE OF PLENTY**

Refrain:

Come to the feast of heaven and earth!
Come to the table of plenty!
God will provide for all that we need,
Here at the table of plenty.

O, come and sit at my table, where saints and sinners are friends. I wait to welcome the lost and lonely, to share the cup of my love.

O, come and eat without money; Come to drink without price. My feast of gladness will feed your spirit, with faith and fullness of life.

My bread will ever sustain you, through days of sorrow and woe. My wine will flow like a sea of gladness, to flood the depths of your soul.

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#### THANKSGIVING: GIVE THANKS

Give thanks with a grateful heart.

Give thanks to the Holy One. Give thanks because He's given Jesus Christ, His Son.

(Repeat)

And now let the weak say, 'I am strong',
Let the poor say, 'I am rich',
Because of what the Lord has done for us. (Repeat

Give thanks.

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# RECESSIONAL: ALL GLORY, PRAISE, AND HONOUR

Refrain:

All glory, praise, and honour To you, Redeemer, King! To whom the lips of children Made sweet hosannas ring.

You are the King of Israel, And David's royal Son, Now in the Lord's Name coming, Our King and Blessed One. R/.

The company of angels
Are praising you on high;
And mortals, joined with all things
Created, make reply. R/.

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#### **INVITATION TO SUNDAY MORNING TEA**

Each Sunday after the 8am Mass we host a morning tea. Please join us. Meet and talk to your fellow parishioners.



**Those in ill health:** Margaret Twomey, Betty Hove, Brian Hodges, Brenda Dreger, Evelyn Keys, Karl Guerin, Carmel Bird, Gregory Massingham, David Brettell, Anna Pecar and Ame Cox.

The Recently Deceased: Philomena Grimwade, Patricia Thackeray, Mick Gesler, William Grewe, Frederick Boardman, Charlie Clancy and Ted Anderson.

**Anniversary of Death**: Arthur & Eileen Walker, Leo & Ellen Clancy and Coyne Cordie.