



# PARISH NEWSLETTER

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## 31st Sunday in Ordinary Time – 4 November 2018

### HEAR, O ISRAEL!

(Deut 6:2-6; Heb 7:23-28; Mk 12:28-34).

The absolute love of God before anything else and above all other things is emphasised in the first reading and stands as reaffirmed in today's Gospel. Also re-enacted in the Gospel is the due love of neighbour which directly flows from the love of God (Lev 19:18).

But how exactly is this 'love of God' to be understood when in today's context of the first reading, Moses demands it in the sense of 'fear the Lord your God all the days of your life (Dt 6:2)?' Is this not a negative psychology in the world of the 21<sup>st</sup> century? Asking this question is what helps us in our seeming blindness to the truth that holding God in utmost reverence or standing in awe at God's presence, have never been negative or objectionable attitudes in any integral analysis of habit.

On the contrary, the words spoken by Moses to his people as they approached the threshold of Canaan, are proven in history and by daily experiences as bringing meaning, relevance and effect to Israel's faith as a community. This "shema" passage: its text and the words by which it demands absolute fidelity to the 'the Lord alone who is the one God', is our heritage too. The love of God and love of neighbour is the essence of our Christian faith.

Conversely, between Jesus and the learned scribe of the Gospel, the **catechesis** on play is no less instructive to us. For, here we are reminded of the very usefulness of religious truth wrapped in tradable foils for the remembrance. Just how much disappointments will continue to be seen and felt in the Christian spiritual and ethical life against the background of the current irreligious formation of children, will only live with us.

It just keeps getting clearer with every passing day, how mistaken we are in the haste to disengaging with faith catechesis, while hurrying to enthrone orientation to atheism even in mission schools.

What Israel was demanded to 'listen' and to 'hear' in the Mosaic law, which also forms the heart of what Jesus repeated and commanded

Christians to know and to do, hardly agree with any one culture. It was not the Greek culture of the New Testament to have only one god or to love one's 'neighbour' as much as oneself. In their experiences, while the Jews knew how to 'love your neighbour and hate your enemy (Mt 5:43)'; and Jesus reminds his followers of the way of the pagans who 'lord it over others': at no time did the Christian faith settle on conformity with a particular culture. **But faith is preached so that it can transform cultures.**

By his interpretation of God's revelation in Israel's law and prophecy, Jesus explains that our love of God must not only well up to God but should also swell forth to embrace the neighbour. Jesus clarifies 'neighbour' to us far beyond its understanding as 'my blood relation' or 'fellow Israelite' in the case of Moses. He interprets 'your neighbour' to mean 'all people' or 'everyone'. Jesus places both the love of God and the love of neighbour on the same par, making the sincerity and effectiveness of the one, as proof for the authenticity of the other.

Jesus and the Gospel of Jesus therefore, must be allowed to remain as the ideal for true Christians in the struggle to live the faith. The interpretations favoured by Jesus need be sustained as inspiring the life and hopes of believers in Jesus even in the contemporary world of chance, luck and fancy.

The newness introduced by Jesus in his mediatorship of the New Testament covenant should be preached to Jesus' followers. It is Jesus who is the perfect high priest, the model mediator between God and humanity as the one priest whose 'power to save is utterly certain' (Heb 7:25).

Fr Modestus



### WEEKDAY MASSES

#### Brighton

**Monday:** 9.15am

#### Sandgate

**Tuesday:** 7.00am

**Thursday:** 5.30pm

*Eucharistic Adoration begins 12 noon Thursday and continues after Mass until 11pm.*

**Friday:** 7.00am

#### Regis Aged Care:

**Thursday:** 10.30am

1 November (Musgrave)

### WEEKEND MASSES

#### Saturday:

Eventide Chapel: 9.30am

Brighton Church: 5pm

#### Sunday:

Brighton: 7am

Sandgate: 9am & 5pm

#### Name Tag Sunday:

4th weekend of the month

#### Parish Council Meeting:

3rd Thursday of the month

### SCHOOL MASSES

#### St Kieran's School:

TBA

Principal: Ben Gray

Phone: 3269 5989

#### Sacred Heart School:

Thursday 1 November 9am

Principal: Julian Cotter

Phone: 3269 3427



### Saturdays

Sandgate: 11.30am – 12pm

Brighton: 4pm (2nd Rite)

1st Saturday of the month

Reconciliation is also available by appointment.



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**WELCOME!** If you are new to the Parish or are visiting, we are glad you have come to share Eucharist with us today. New Parishioner cards which can be put in the collection plate are at the rear of the Church. Welcome!

**PALMS AUSTRALIA:** Palms' Director, **Roger O'Halloran**, is conducting an information session, Friday 9 November 5.30pm – 7.00pm, Tiered Theatre, Brisbane Square Library, 266 George Street, Brisbane which will provide parishioners a sense of how their professional skills can contribute to a mission of peaceful, just development. Their varied experience can truly improve opportunity for communities in Timor Leste, PNG, Kiribati, Samoa, and Myanmar. Other returned Palms volunteers will also be on hand to share the **unique insights** of their mission experience.

**PARISH THANKSGIVING MASS AND CELEBRATION NEXT SUNDAY: Sunday 11 November 2018** 9am at Sacred Heart Church. Monsignor Meneely will be offering a special blessing during this Mass for all co-ordinators of parish ministries, parish apostolates and volunteers who have completed their Safeguarding requirements. We look forward to sharing this day with you all. **There will be NO 5PM Mass on Sunday 11 November.**

**SAFEGUARDING TRAINING:** If you are yet to undertake this training some additional nearby venues will be offering training.

- **Sunday 18 November** Aspley

Check the notice board for a full list of training dates to the end of this year. Please contact the Parish Office to register your place.

**SACRED HEART SODALITY RAFFLE:** Congratulations Denise Ball, winner of the beautiful Statue of Our Lady. Thankyou to all who supported this raffle.

**SACRED HEART SODALITY:** This weekend, Sodality prayers will be offered following all weekend Masses.

**WOMEN'S DISCERNMENT RETREAT:** Vocations Brisbane is running a weekend retreat for young women who are keen to explore more about a vocation to religious life. All young women 18-40yrs old are welcome to come along and discover more about where God is calling you!

Date: Saturday 24 – 25 November 2018

Time: 9am Saturday - 5pm Sunday

Venue: Canossian Spirituality Centre,  
169 Seventeen Mile Rocks Road, Oxley

For more information or to RSVP contact Sr. Melissa 0484 007 508

**WINE & CHEESE NIGHT:** 1st Saturday of the Month following the 5pm Mass at Brighton. Next date, sponsored by Craig Gunn, is **Saturday 3 November**. All Welcome!

**CARE FOR CREATION:** "Let us pray so that everyone may receive (the encyclical's) message and grow in responsibility toward the common home God has entrusted to us." 14 June 2015. Pope Francis. Angelus Address in St Peter's Square

**VINNIES:** In the Gospel today, Jesus tells us: "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind, and with all your strength...and you shall love your neighbour as yourself." Through your gift to the St Vincent de Paul Society you can show your love for our Lord and your love of your neighbour who is hungry, hopeless, alone and frightened.

**VINNIES BRIGHTON PIETY STALL:** It is seven weeks until Christmas and we have just received a supply of new Christmas gifts. There are some lovely Nativity ornaments, as well as Advent Calendars, Serenity candles and Sacred Heart statues. Also available are Christmas cards and the 2019 Columban Calendar. There will be something here for all ages to help us to be grateful for Jesus in our lives.

**PARISH ORGAN:** Thanks to the donations from many parishioners, we have now remitted the final payment for the new Parish organs. The response to the Organ appeal in such a short timeframe was overwhelming and has enabled the parish to secure the most magnificent instruments that will provide glorious music for years to come all for the glory of God. May these selfless acts of generosity continue to be richly blessed.

**PARISH INTEGRATED DEVELOPMENT:** The parish has now secured a licensed contractor to handle the old Brighton Presbytery (cnr Greenwood Street). This work is planned to begin in early January to minimise disruption to the school and parish community activities. On account of the special protocols involved in asbestos handling, we have been given assurance that due safety consideration will be taken in the execution of the contract. More information will be made available as it comes to hand.

**COLUMBARIUM AND MEMORIAL WALL:** The Parish Columbarium is available to provide a permanent resting place for parishioners and their families who have chosen to be cremated. The Memorial wall offers the opportunity to place a memorial plaque in remembrance of loved ones buried or interred elsewhere. To reserve a niche or plaque space, please contact the Parish Office.

## REGULAR PARISH ACTIVITIES

**CENACLE:** gathers **Tuesdays** following the 7am Mass at **Sandgate**.

**SANDGATE CHOIR PRACTICE:** This Tuesday 7pm in Sacred Heart Church will be the last Sandgate Choir practice for the Thanksgiving Mass. All Welcome!

**BRIGHTON CHOIR PRACTICE:** Every Thursday 3.30pm in Brighton Church. New members enthusiastically welcomed!

**BIBLE STUDY:** 7pm **Wednesday** nights at Sandgate Parish Hall. Current Topic: Revelation. For more information, please contact Vanessa Magrath 0403 492 879

**ADORATION:** 12noon – 11pm **Thursdays** at Sacred Heart Church.

- Counselor advocates for the mental health of post-abortion women
  - Debt wiped for Youth Off The Streets, but there's no guarantee of funding for 2019
  - Respected Brisbane archdiocesan priest Fr Ray Kearney dies at age 80
  - Young Afghani student's dream comes true after migrating to Australia
  - Brisbane archivist and author uncovers the rich seam of history of the ill-fated cathedral in Brisbane's Fortitude Valley
  - Synod of Bishop's final document aims to support, guide and include young people
  - Brisbane woman speaks on the challenges and joys of having a loved one with dementia
- PLUS a regional focus on Cairns

## PARISH ROSTER

We are always appreciative of the many ways parishioners contribute to the life of the Parish by way of their selfless volunteering.

<b>MINISTERS OF THE WORD</b>	<b>3-4 November 2018</b>	<b>10-11 November 2018</b>
5pm Saturday Brighton	H Boon P Ryan F Shepherd	H Rodrigues K Lynch TBA
7am Sunday Brighton	M Thompson P McNamara TBA	D Madden J Rosenberg R Mahon
9am Sunday Sandgate	L Rodrigues S Bria TBA	C Rosenberg O'Brien M Lynch J Rosenberg Sacramental children
5pm Sunday Sandgate	M Judd Youth D Wood	<b>No Mass</b>
<b>EXTRA ORDINARY MINISTERS</b>	<b>3-4 November 2018</b>	<b>10-11 November 2018</b>
5pm Saturday Brighton	E Harte P Madden K Lynch	D Price L Isaak TBA
7am Sunday Brighton	P Pehrson P Cross M Cross	D Kelly C Rosenberg TBA
9am Sunday Sandgate	J Murdoch S Butler L Kelly	L North V O'Brien M Neilson M Judd K Lynch P Madden
5pm Sunday Sandgate	L Hazelman P Janbroers TBA	<b>No Mass</b>
<b>ALTAR SERVERS</b>	<b>3-4 November 2018</b>	<b>10-11 November 2018</b>
5pm Saturday Brighton	TBA	E Waite
7am Sunday Brighton	TBA	TBA
9am Sunday Sandgate	A Hennessy A Cavanagh	A Power I Treanor S Treanor S Bastian K Andes-Olsson
5pm Sunday Sandgate	TBA	<b>No Mass</b>
<b>CHURCH CLEANING</b>	<b>3 November 2018</b>	<b>10 November 2018</b>
Brighton	C Hickey	D Abberton
Sandgate	TBA	R & C Bolton
<b>HOSPITALITY</b>	<b>4 November 2018</b>	<b>11 November 2018</b>
7am Sunday Brighton	M Thompson D Price	M Thompson D Price
9am Sunday Sandgate	E Bria C Rosenberg-O'Brien I Holdway	B Gunn D Hauff-Green
<b>CHILDREN'S LITURGY</b>	<b>4 November 2018</b>	<b>11 November 2018</b>
9am Sunday Sandgate	A Hennessy M Carter	M Bernard TBA
<b>COUNTERS</b>	<b>5 November 2018</b>	<b>12 November 2018</b>
Parish Office	D Abberton B Boyle	C Rosenberg-O'Brien P Ryan
<b>BAPTISM PREPARATION</b>	<b>5 &amp; 12 November</b> – E Bria J Gomez	
<b>DINNER IN THE PARK</b> (Homeless Outreach)	<b>Saturday 10 November 2018</b> – L Fegan M McKeown J Bernard	

### READINGS: (YEAR B)

	<b>31st Sun in Ord Time</b>	<b>32nd Sun in Ord Time</b>
<b>1st Reading</b>	Dt 6:2-6	1 Kg 17:10-16
<b>Psalm:</b>	Ps 17:2-4, 47, 51. R. v. 2	Ps 145:7-10. R. v. 2
<b>2nd Reading</b>	Heb 7:23-28	Heb 9:24-28
<b>Gospel</b>	Mk 12:28-34	Mk 12:38-44

**YOU SHALL LOVE THE LORD YOUR GOD.** The commandment to love God with all one's being is kept constantly before the Jewish people. It is recited daily in prayer; and, written on a small scroll, it is worn on their person and enshrined at the entrance to their homes. To observe this commandment our love must embrace the whole of creation, especially our fellow human beings made in God's image.

**WE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO ARE SICK:** Jason MORPHETT, Muriel URQUHART, John RHULE, Audrey YEO, Angelo MORETTI, Bernard MARSH, Trish MORRISON, Jo FLYNN, Annette BOYER, Ivy BRUCE, Pat BURNS, Genevieve CANNON, Agnes CHARNLEY, Lee CONSTABLE, David DOWLING, Grace FERRINGTON, Marjorie GLEESON, Thomas HARTE, Sheila HOBBS, Helen HOGAN, Kellin HYDE, John JAMES, Pauline JOHNSON, Josiane LYNCH, Michael LYNCH, Chloe MASON, Tarryn MCDERMOTT, Maria PASHEN, Trevor PAYNE, Margaret PERIL, Christina PETERS, Colin ROBINSON, Kathy ROZIC, John SHEPHERD, Candice THOMPSON, David THOMSON, Samantha TSALIKIS, Susan WILKE, Dianne WILLIAMS, Valerie WORKMAN.

(If you know of someone no longer required to be included in this list, please contact the Parish Office. Thankyou)

**PLEASE PRAY FOR THE ETERNAL REPOSE OF THE SOULS:** Fr Ray KEARNEY, Joan SMITH, Loyola MUNRO, Conal TIDDY, Sr Germaine GREATHEAD RSM, Eileen CAMERON (nee Manthey), and Doreen KLAVIKOSKI who died recently and for Anne McHARDY, Chris TRIMBLE, Shirley SHEPHERD, Thomas HOUSTON, Jozef JAZOWY, Henry (Tyson) CARR and Colin YEO and the deceased members of the KEOGH and STATHAM families whose anniversaries occur around this time.

**RESPONSE:** (Ps 17:2-4, 47, 51. R. v. 2) I love you, Lord, my strength.

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:** (Jn 14:23) **Alleluia! Alleluia!** All who love me will keep my words, and my Father will love them and we will come to them. **Alleluia! Alleluia!**

**MYSTERY OF FAITH:** We proclaim your Death, O Lord, and profess your Resurrection until you come again.

**COMMUNION ANTIPHON:** (cf. Ps 15:11) You will show me the path of life, the fullness of joy in your presence, O Lord.

**ENTRANCE HYMN: LIFT UP YOUR HEARTS TO THE LORD**

**REFRAIN:** Lift up your hearts to the Lord  
In praise of His mercy!  
Sing out your joy to the Lord:-  
His love is enduring.

Shout with joy to the Lord, all the earth!  
Praise the glory of his name!  
Say to God, "How wondrous Your works,  
how glorious Your name". ©

Let the earth worship, singing Your praise  
Praise the glory of Your name!  
Come and see the deeds of the Lord!  
Come, worship His name! ©

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**OFFERTORY HYMN: I HAVE LOVED YOU**

**REFRAIN:** I have loved you with an everlasting love,  
I have called you and you are mine;  
I have loved with an everlasting love,  
I have called you and you are mine.

Seek the face of the Lord and long for him:  
He will bring you his light and his peace. ©

Seek the face of the Lord and long for him:  
He will bring you his joy and his hope. ©

Seek the face of the Lord and long for him:  
He will bring you his care and his love. ©

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**REFLECTION HYMN: O GOD YOU SEARCH ME**

O God, you search me and you know me.  
All my thoughts lie open to your gaze.  
When I walk or lie down you are before me:  
Ever the maker and keeper of my days.

You know my resting and my rising.  
You discern my purpose from afar,  
and with love everlasting you besiege me:  
In ev'ry moment of life or death, you are.

Before a word is on my tongue, Lord,  
you have known its meaning through and through.  
You are with me beyond my understanding:  
God of my present, my past and future, too.

Although your Spirit is upon me,  
still I search for shelter from your light.  
There is nowhere on earth I can escape you:  
Even the darkness is radiant in your sight.

For you created me and shaped me,  
gave me life within my mother's womb.  
For the wonders of who I am I praise you:  
Safe in your hands, all creation is made new.

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**TO JESUS HEART ALL BURNING**

To Jesus' heart, all burning, with fervent love of men,  
My heart with fondest yearning shall rise its joyful strain.  
While ages course along, blest be with loudest song  
The Sacred Heart of Jesus by every heart and tongue.  
The Sacred Heart of Jesus by every heart and tongue.

O Heart, for me on fire with love no man can speak,  
My yet untold desire God gives me for thy sake,  
While ages course along, blest be with loudest song  
The Sacred Heart of Jesus by every heart and tongue.  
The Sacred Heart of Jesus by every heart and tongue.

When life away is flying, and earth's false glare is done;  
Still, Sacred Heart, in dying I'll say I'm all thine own.  
While ages course along, blest be with loudest song  
The Sacred Heart of Jesus by every heart and tongue.  
The Sacred Heart of Jesus by every heart and tongue.

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**RECESSIONAL HYMN: JOYFUL IN HOPE**

Joyful in hope, your people pray.  
Joyful in hope, we're on our way  
Though the road may not be clear,  
we believe, Lord, you are near,  
in the smile and open heart of a friend.

Joyful in hope, your people pray  
Joyful in hope, we're on our way.  
There's sunshine after rain;  
there's laughter after pain;  
and I am with you always, so rise again.

Mary, so open to the Lord,  
when you answered "Yes",  
our hope was restored.  
Though you couldn't understand,  
in trust you took his hand.  
So, joyful in hope, we live again.

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