



PARISH NEWSLETTER

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CLOSED WEDNESDAYS

Parish Secretary: Liz Kelly

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WEEKDAY MASSES

All Masses (provide details upon entry – no booking required.)

Brighton

Monday: 9:15am

Sandgate

Tuesday: 7am

Thursday: 5.30pm

Friday: 7am

WEEKEND MASSES

All Masses (for 100 people only). Provide details upon entry - no booking required.

Brighton

Saturday: 5pm

Sunday: 7am

Sandgate

Sunday: 9am and 5pm

Regis Aged Care: TBA

SCHOOL MASSES

St Kieran's School

Date: TBA

Principal: Ben Gray

Phone: 3269 5989

Sacred Heart School

Date: TBA

Principal: Julian Cotter

Phone: 3269 3427



Saturdays at Sandgate 11.30am (1st Rite)

Bookings via Parish Office required.

Brighton: 4pm (2nd Rite)

2nd Saturday each month.

Next one: 14 November

Reconciliation is also available at other times by appointment.

THIRTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME YEAR A – 8 NOVEMBER

WAIT FOR THE LORD JOYFULLY AND WISELY

Jesus speaks often about the need to be watchful and prepared for his arrival. He wants to convey the message that time and life should not be wasted away but put into good use. The church encourages us to seek the Lord and always be ready to welcome him. God Himself is Wisdom.

In the first reading taken from the book of Wisdom reminds us that wisdom is found only when we search for it and it bright and it does not grow dim. In the second reading, Paul offers Christian wisdom, assuring those Christians who expected Jesus' second coming in their lifetime that the death and Resurrection of Jesus is powerful enough to save even those who die before Jesus' second coming. But they need to be alert, well-prepared and vigilant.

In the Gospel parable of the ten virgins, the foolish virgins represent the "Chosen People of God" who were waiting for the Messiah but were shut out from the messianic banquet because they were unprepared. The parable teaches us that, like the five wise virgins, we should attend to duties of the present moment, preparing now, rather than waiting until it is too late.

In the gospel of this weekend Jesus used the parable of the ten virgins which is unique to Matthew, to teach us how best to be vigilant and prepared at all times for the coming of the Lord into our lives.

The moment of waiting should therefore not be for us a weary moment, but the moment of righting our wrongs, when we refill our spiritual lamps and wisely prevent the costly oil from being exhausted for nothing sake. We must not like the five foolish virgins, allow ourselves to become victims of the eleventh hour. Rather, as wise disciples, we must remain vigilant for Jesus' return. We must not allow anyone to cheat or distract us.

Jesus is on the way! His "delay", should not be an excuse for us not to be ready. Rather, it should be an opportunity to be prepared and wait for him. So, our song every moment and time must be:

Fr. Joseph Kanatt MCBS
Parish Priest

FIRST READING: (Wisdom 6:12-16) Wisdom is bright and does not grow dim. By those who love her she is readily seen and found by those who look for her. Quick to anticipate those who desire her, she makes herself known to them. Watch for her early and you will have no trouble. You will find her sitting at your gates. Even to think about her is understanding fully grown. Be on the alert for her and anxiety will quickly leave you. She herself walks about looking for those who are worthy of her and graciously shows herself to them as they go. In every thought of theirs coming to meet them.

SECOND READING: (Thessalonians 4:13-18) We want you to be quite certain, brothers, about those who have died, to make sure that you do not grieve about them, like the other people who have no hope. We believe that Jesus died and rose again and that it will be the same for those who have died in Jesus: God will bring them with him.

We can tell you this from the Lord's own teaching, that any of us who are left alive until the Lord's coming will not have any advantage over those who have died. At the trumpet of God, the voice of the archangel will call out the command and the Lord himself will come down from heaven. Those who have died in Christ will be the first to rise and then those of us who are still alive will be taken up in the clouds, together with them, to meet the Lord in the air. So we shall stay with the Lord forever. With such thoughts as these, you should comfort one another.

GOSEL: (Matthew 25:1-13) Jesus told this parable to his disciples: 'The kingdom of heaven will be like this: Ten bridesmaids took their lamps and went to meet the bridegroom. Five of them were foolish and five were sensible. The foolish ones did take their lamps but they brought no oil, whereas the sensible ones took flasks of oil as well as their lamps. The bridegroom was late and they all grew drowsy and fell asleep. But at midnight there was a cry. "The bridegroom is here! Go out and meet him." At this, all those bridesmaids woke up and trimmed their lamps and the foolish ones said to the sensible ones, "Give us some of your oil. Our lamps are going out." But they replied, "There may not be enough for us and for you. You had better go to those who sell it and buy some for yourselves." They had gone off to buy it when the bridegroom arrived. Those who were ready went in with him to the wedding hall and the door was closed. The other bridesmaids arrived later. "Lord, Lord," they said, "open the door for us." But he replied, "I tell you solemnly, I do not know you." So stay awake because you do not know either the day or the hour.'



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14/15 NOVEMBER	MINISTERS OF THE WORD	EXTRA-ORDINARY MINISTERS
5pm Saturday Brighton	J Rosenberg C Hickey H Boon	
7am Sunday Brighton	R Heap M Heap L Isaak	
9am Sunday Sandgate	C McLaren R Corias K Coffey	J Audibert
5pm Sunday Sandgate	M Concannon TBA	
	CHURCH CLEANING	
Brighton	M Neilson K Munday	
Sandgate	P Mair	

CHURCH WARDENS: As it has been just over 6 months of COVID restrictions, I would like to thank all those who have selflessly given their time to ensure we remain compliant to our Industry Covid-safe plan. This plan allows our churches to remain open for so many. Please show your appreciation this weekend.

"Every time you smile at someone, it is an action of love, a gift to that person, a beautiful thing." **Mother Teresa**

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION:

- 1st Rite of Reconciliation is celebrated in Sacred Heart Church every Saturday at 11.30am. Please book via the Parish Office;
- The next 2nd Rite of Reconciliation (monthly) will be offered at Brighton Church on Saturday 14 November at 4pm. No pre-booking required.

FEAST OF THE PRESENTATION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY:

Mass will be offered in Sacred Heart Church on Saturday 21 November at 9am. Mass will be followed by Rosary and Blessing of new statue in Mercy garden. All Welcome!

PARISH THANKSGIVING MASS:

Bishop Ken Howell will be celebrating this year's Thanksgiving Mass on Sunday 22 November, 9am, Sacred Heart Church. To assist with preparations including seating and the organising of Ministers, we ask if you are planning to attend this Mass, you **PRE-BOOK** either at the church door from this weekend or via the Parish Office. We are looking to accommodate as many people as possible at this Mass. Thankyou for your anticipated consideration.

THANKSGIVING WEEKEND: On Sunday 22 November, there will be **no 7am Mass** celebrated at Brighton.

HOME COMMUNION VISITS: If you or someone you know are unable to attend Mass and would like a visit from Fr Joseph, please contact the Parish Office.

NOVEMBER MASSES: November is traditionally the month in which the Church remembers those who have died. We are invited to remember, in a special way, our deceased family and friends, especially those who have passed in the previous year. Remembrance books and November Mass envelopes are now available in each

church. *'Eternal rest grant to them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen'*

MONTHLY ANOINTING MASS: Our next Anointing Mass will be celebrated at Brighton Church **Saturday 5 December at 9.00am.** *'Lord, my God, I cried out to you for help, and you healed me.'* Psalm 30:2

BAPTISM PREPARATION: Families wishing to have children baptised are invited to contact the Parish Office to book in for the next preparation session. These sessions are held on the 1st Sunday of each month. **The next session will be held on Sunday 6 December.**

A VOCATION VIEW: Don't run away from what you are called to be. Christians take the less travelled road. "What does it profit us if we gain the whole world but ruin ourselves in the process?"

GOD'S WORD 2021: These daily reflections are now available from the Parish Office or before Mass each weekend - \$12 each.

DAILY GOSPEL REFLECTIONS: These are emailed each weekday at 6am. Just a three minute read that could be done over breakfast, intended to invite you into prayer and to help you start your day with God. Written for Catholic lay people by Catholic lay men and women from the Evangelisation Brisbane team about the gospel of the day. Free subscription via the Evangelisation Brisbane website <https://evangelisationbrisbane.org.au>

WE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO ARE SICK: Leslie RODRIGUES and Bob MUNRO.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE ETERNAL REPOSE OF THE SOULS:

For Jack PRANDOLINI, Anna GAJDOSOVA, Sr Anne MCLAY RSM, Dave HOGAN, Sr Ann Therese HANNIGAN RSM, Ronald AWANG (HENDERSON) and Brian ALKER, who died recently and for Moya DENMAR, Agnes DOWNES, Alfred DOWNES, Bill FLANNERY, Pietro FRICANO, Consorcia Royeras EPAFRODITO JR, Shirley SHEPHERD, Annie MCKEOWN, Loy MUNRO, Henry CARR, Ilona JESKO, Tibor LOSONSZKY, Karoly LOSONSZKY, George MCLAUGHLIN, Maureen MCLAUGHLIN, and Alex MCLAUGHLIN, whose anniversaries occur around this time.

