



# PARISH NEWSLETTER

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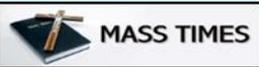
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## 32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time – 11 November 2018



MASS TIMES

### 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:

**Tuesday:** 10.30am 20 November  
(Lucinda)

### 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 4 December 5.30 pm  
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.

### ALTRUISM MOST AMAZING!

(1Kgs 17:10-16; Heb 9:24-28; Mk 12:38-44).

Today, our first reading narrates an encounter in a dire time of famine, yet the woman did not hold back her last bread. Our Gospel pictures a Temple service where, again, a woman threw in her very last coins as offering. The two examples together, trail the proclamation in the second reading about Jesus, who gave of himself in total sacrifice.

Against the background of the mighty who love to lord; the powerful who move to oppress; and the self-righteous who like to impress: we face the challenge of altruism most amazing. We should be asking ourselves today: *what can we learn from the generosity of the humble, and the compassion of the kind-hearted?*

The readings impress this upon us - to notice pure charity of the pure in heart and the poor in Spirit. God expects it from us when he comes around in those situations which challenge our claims to selflessness.

Is it not touching that both women on mention today are widows? Is it not even more striking that the self-effacing stewardship of Jesus as priest is continually on the spot before us for more than two weeks now? Only by the imagination can we fathom the heroism behind the 'painful giving'; the generosity unwilling to count costs. For, unlike what happens in our time, the two widows of the readings had no security, economic status, social standing; and certainly, no child-support initiative.

We can dwell a bit more on the biblical context as we are counting and naming our blessings. Then we can imagine a drought situation where, 'the streams dried out and the country has had no rain' (1Kgs 17:7).

We can also visualise the offertory collection where often, the rich put in 'money they had left over' (Mk 12:44). With one of the women coming forward, we can only guess the desperation of 'gathering sticks to cook a meal'; and having to give away a child's meal to a hungry stranger...

Today, we can see that what we are called to consider in our generosity is not so much about what is given, but **about what we often hold back from God** in our giving. It's all about faith-action.

What a providential message for our Sandgate-Brighton Parish on our annual thanksgiving Sunday! May we therefore, always bring to God, a thanksgiving and praise, worthy of his majesty?. May there be true, spiritual value to the gifts that we offer. Like the Zaraphat widow and the poor lady of today's Gospel, let our thanksgiving be acceptable to God. And, may it figure and represent, the countless generations of all who hunger and thirst to do what is right.

And, just as we read that the 'meal and the oil' given to God were not spent; so too, may we not be like those scribes seeking honour for themselves instead of for God whom they profess to serve.

Above all, like the Gospel widow, may we have peace of mind and, through our generosity, have a share in God's eternal life promised in Christ.

**Fr Modestus**





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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!

**GREGORIAN CHANT PRACTICE:** Saturday morning in Sacred Heart Church at 9am – beginning this weekend, 10 November. All Welcome!

**PARISH THANKSGIVING MASS AND CELEBRATION:** This Sunday, we extend a very warm welcome to Monsignor Peter Meneely who will be celebrating our Thanksgiving Mass at 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 this Sunday 11 November.**

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

- 10:30am **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.

**CELEBRATE THE YEAR OF YOUTH:** Sunday **24 November** at Bowen Hills (98 Montpelier Road). If you're between the age of 13 and 30 and are connected to a Catholic parish or school in Brisbane, come and celebrate the Year of Youth! Australia's Got Talent finale contestants The Equals as well as Chris Tamwoy will kick off the night and there will be food trucks, live entertainment and music, and freebies. Contact your youth coordinator to register. Email the Youth Evangelisation Office to find out more: youthproject@bne.catholic.net.au

**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

**THE LIGHTS OF CHRISTMAS:** Join in on the lawn at St Stephen's Cathedral with an extraordinary light and sound show. An enchanting show from the creators of Sydney's Vivid Lightwalk will illuminate the cathedral from 7:30pm until midnight every night from Wednesday **12 December until Christmas Eve.**

**ADVENT:** This year, the Diocese of Wollongong has prepared Advent Reflection 'Saviour' that could be used for small/home groups during Advent. If you would like to host one of these group, inviting parishioners, could you

please contact the parish office to order resources. Books cost approx.. \$5.00 each.

**GRIEF TO GRACE RETREAT:** Grief to Grace – Healing the Wounds of Abuse – is a spiritual retreat for anyone who has suffered degradation or violation through physical, emotional, sexual or spiritual abuse. The retreat will be held **Sunday 26 May - Friday 31 May** 2019. To request an application contact Anne by emailing info@griefftoGraceaus.org.au or phone 0478599241. For more information visit [www.griefftoGrace.org](http://www.griefftoGrace.org)

**VINNIES:** In today's Gospel Jesus tells us: "I want you to observe that this poor widow contributed more than all the others who donated to the treasury. They gave from their surplus wealth, but she gave from her want, all that she had to live on." Ask yourself "Am I only giving from my surplus wealth?" and then put your gift in the St Vincent de Paul poor box so that those who are suffering will be able to know God's love and care.

**PAID ACCOMODATION SOUGHT:** Mature lady looking for bed sitter or room to rent in the Brisbane city area or close to from Mon-Friday then back to Tweed on Weekends for availability now. Just landed Government contract for 6 to 12 months. Reliable, honest, decent, with outstanding references. Very long standing parish member of the Tweed Heads Parish, Brisbane Diocese and Sydney Kensington MSC member. Please contact Vanessa on 0405 301867 or email vambrose5401@gmail.com

**LEAVE YOUR LEGACY:** Are you wondering how you can make a lasting gift to our community? By leaving a charitable gift in your Will to Sandgate Brighton Catholic Parish you can make a meaningful and profound gift to our future church. To find out more, contact the parish office or go to [www.catholicfoundation.org.au](http://www.catholicfoundation.org.au)

**CARE FOR CREATION:** National Recycling Week (in mid-November) focuses our attention on the 'circular economy'. A circular economy replaces 'dispose' with 'recycle, reuse and repurpose' and keeps important materials like plastic, metal and paper from being wasted in landfill.

**VOCATION VIEW:** Jesus says when we give alms we "do not sound a trumpet before [us]" According to St. Ambrose, 'God does not consider what one gives but what one keeps.' Could it be that we give too little and keep too much?

## WEEKLY PARISH ACTIVITIES

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

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

**CHRISTMAS CHOIR PRACTICE:** Every Tuesday night 7pm in Sacred Heart Church beginning Tuesday 27 November. All Welcome!

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

- Brisbane archdiocese remember recently deceased priest Fr Ray Kearney
- Exiled Australian nun Sr Patricia Fox fights to return to the Philippines
- Nobel Prize recipient and Mercy Sister Denise Coghlan encourages young people to 'see the world through the eyes of God'
- Caritas helps rebuild lives in Indonesia after last month's 7.5 magnitude earthquake and tsunami
- Aid agencies and Catholic officials are sounding the alarm on Yemen's spiralling humanitarian crisis
- Staff at Holy Spirit Primary School, Bray Park encourages students to spend time with Jesus in adoration
- Queensland couple thankful for 70 years of marriage

## 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>10-11 November</b>	<b>17-18 November</b>
5pm Saturday Brighton	H Rodrigues K Lynch TBA	J Rosenberg C Hickey H Boon
7am Sunday Brighton	D Madden J Rosenberg R Mahon	R Heap M Heap TBA
9am Sunday Sandgate	C Rosenberg O'Brien M Lynch J Rosenberg Sacramental children	R Corias C Murdoch L Butler
5pm Sunday Sandgate	<b>No Mass</b>	Youth TBA TBA
<b>EXTRA ORDINARY MINISTERS</b>	<b>10-11 November</b>	<b>17-18 November</b>
5pm Saturday Brighton	D Price L Isaak TBA	C Rosenberg-O'Brien K Lynch TBA
7am Sunday Brighton	D Kelly C Rosenberg TBA	B Gaffney F Edwards P Madden
9am Sunday Sandgate	L North V O'Brien M Neilson M Judd K Lynch P Madden	J Murdoch N Eyles TBA
5pm Sunday Sandgate	<b>No Mass</b>	TBA TBA TBA
<b>ALTAR SERVERS</b>	<b>10-11 November</b>	<b>17-18 November</b>
5pm Saturday Brighton	E Waite	C Armitage
7am Sunday Brighton	TBA	TBA
9am Sunday Sandgate	A Power S Bastian K Andes-Olsson	I Treanor S Treanor
5pm Sunday Sandgate	<b>No Mass</b>	B Gunn
<b>CHURCH CLEANING</b>	<b>10 November</b>	<b>17 November</b>
Brighton	D Abberton	M Bernard
Sandgate	R & C Bolton	M Neilson
<b>HOSPITALITY</b>	<b>11 November</b>	<b>18 November</b>
7am Sunday Brighton	M Thompson D Price	M Thompson D Price
9am Sunday Sandgate	B Gunn D Hauff-Green	Sacred Heart Families
<b>CHILDREN'S LITURGY</b>	<b>11 November</b>	<b>18 November</b>
9am Sunday Sandgate	M Bernard TBA	A Hennessy M Carter
<b>COUNTERS</b>	<b>12 November</b>	<b>19 November</b>
Parish Office	C Rosenberg-O'Brien P Ryan	M Neilson A Finch
<b>BAPTISM PREPARATION</b>	<b>5 &amp; 12 November</b> – E Bria J Gomez	
<b>DINNER IN THE PARK</b> (Homeless Outreach)	<b>10 November</b> – L Fegan M McKeown J Bernard	

### READINGS: (YEAR B)

	<b>32nd Sun in Ord Time</b>	<b>33rd Sun in Ord Time</b>
<b>1st Reading</b>	1 Kg 17:10-16	Dan 12:1-3
<b>Psalm:</b>	Ps 145:7-10. R. v. 2	Ps 15:4, 8-11
<b>2nd Reading</b>	Heb 9:24-28	Heb 10:11-14, 18
<b>Gospel</b>	Mk 12:38-44	Mk 13:24-32

**SHE HAS PUT IN EVERYTHING SHE HAD.** Jesus had little time for the unholy trinity of conspicuous wealth, self-righteousness and ostentatious piety. He suggest that, when we give alms, we 'do not sound a trumpet before [us]' (Mt 6:2). According to St Ambrose, 'God does not consider what one gives but what one keeps.' Could it be that we give too little and keep too much?

**WE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO ARE SICK:** Justin CARR, 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, and Joan SMITH who died recently and for Alfred DOWNES, Agnes DOWNES, Patrick McKEERING, Anne McHARDY, and Chris TRIMBLE and the deceased members of the KEOGH and STATHAM families whose anniversaries occur around this time.

**RESPONSE:** (Ps 145:7-10.R.v.2) Praise the Lord, my soul! Praise the Lord, my soul!

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:** (Saturday 5pm and Sunday 7am only)

(Mt 5:3) **Alleluia! Alleluia!** Happy the poor in spirit; the kingdom of heaven is theirs! **Alleluia! Alleluia!**

**MYSTERY OF FAITH:** Save us, Saviour of the world, for by your Cross and Resurrection you have set us free.

**COMMUNION ANTIPHON:** (Ps 22:1-2) The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want. Fresh and green are the pastures where he gives me repose, near restful waters he leads me.

**ENTRANCE HYMN: GATHER US IN**

Here in this place, new light is streaming,  
now is the darkness, vanished away;  
see in this space, our fears and our dreamings  
brought here to you in the light of this day.  
Gather us in, the lost and forsaken;  
gather us in, the blind and the lame;  
call to us now, and we shall awaken.  
we shall arise at the sound of our name.

We are the young, our lives are a mystery;  
we are the old, who yearn for your face;  
we have been sung throughout all of history,  
called to be light to the whole human race.  
Gather us in, the rich and the haughty;  
gather us in, the proud and the strong;  
give us a heart so meek and so lowly,  
give us the courage to enter the song.

Here we will take the wine and the water,  
here we will take the bread of new birth  
here you shall call your sons and your daughters,  
call us anew to be salt for the earth.  
Give us to drink the wine of compassion;  
give us to eat the bread that is you;  
nourish us well, and teach us to fashion  
lives that are holy and hearts that are true.

Not in the dark of buildings confining  
Not in some heaven light years away  
But here in this place the new light is shining  
Now is the Kingdom, now is the day.  
Gather us in and hold us forever  
Gather us in and make us your own  
Gather us in all peoples together  
Fire of love in our flesh and our bone.

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**GOSPEL PROCESSION: I HEARD THE VOICE OF JESUS**

I heard the voice of Jesus say, 'Come unto me and rest;  
lay down, thou weary one,  
lay down thy head upon my breast.'  
I came to Jesus, as I was, weary and worn and sad;  
I found in him a resting place, and he has made me glad.

I heard the voice of Jesus say, 'Behold I freely give  
the living water; thirsty one, stoop down and drink and live'.  
I came to Jesus, and I drank of that life-giving stream;  
my thirst was quenched, my soul revived,  
and now I live in him.

I heard the voice of Jesus say, 'I am this dark world's light;  
look unto me, thy morn shall rise, and all thy day be bright.'  
I looked to Jesus, and I found in him my star, my sun;  
and in that light of life I'll walk till trav'ling days are done.

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**OFFERTORY HYMN: GIFT OF FINEST WHEAT**

**REFRAIN:** You satisfy the hungry heart with gift of finest wheat;  
come give to us, O saving Lord, the bread of life to eat.

As when the shepherd calls his sheep, they know and heed his voice;  
so when you call your family Lord, we follow and rejoice. ®

With joyful lips we sing to you our praise and gratitude,  
That you should count us worthy, Lord, to share this heav'ly food ®

Is not the cup we bless and share the blood of Christ out poured?  
Do not one cup, one loaf, declare our oneness in the Lord? ®

The myst'ry of your presence, Lord, no mortal tongue can tell:  
Whom all the world can not contain comes in our hearts to dwell. ®

You give yourself to us, O Lord; then selfless let us be, to serve each  
other in your name in trust and charity. ®

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**COMMUNION HYMN: YOU ARE MINE**

I will come to you in the silence, I will lift you from all your fear.  
You will hear my voice, I claim you as my choice,  
be still and know I am here.

I am hope for all who are hopeless, I am eyes for all who long to see.  
In the shadows of the night, I will be your light,  
come and rest in me. ®

**REFRAIN:** Do not be afraid, I am with you,  
I have called you each by name.  
Come and follow me, I will bring you home;  
I love you and you are mine.

I am strength for all the despairing,  
healing for the ones who dwell in shame.  
All the blind will see, the lame will all run free,  
and all will know my name. ®

I am the Word that leads all to freedom. I am the peace the world cannot  
give. I will call your name, embracing all your pain,  
stand up, now walk, and live! ®

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**RECESSIONAL HYMN: GO, TELL EVERYONE**

God's Spirit is in my heart.  
He has called me and set me apart  
This is what I have to do, what I have to do.

**CHORUS:** He sent me to give the Good news to the poor,  
Tell prisoners that they are prisoners no more,  
Tell blind people that they can see,  
And set the downtrodden free  
And go tell everyone the news that the Kingdom of God  
has come. And go tell everyone, the news that God's  
Kingdom has come

Just as the Father sent me,  
so I'm sending you out to be  
my witness throughout the world,  
the whole of the world. (Chorus)

Don't worry what you have to say  
Don't worry because on that day  
God's spirit will speak in your heart.  
Will speak in your heart. (Chorus)

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