



PARISH NEWSLETTER

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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:

Thursday 29 Nov 9.00am
(Graduation Liturgy)
Principal: Ben Gray
Phone: 3269 5989

Sacred Heart School:

Friday 7 December 9.00am
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.

Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of Universe – 25 November 2018

THE KINGDOM OF CHRIST: TRUTH, MERCY AND PEACE

(Dan 7:13-14; Apoc 1:5-8; Jn 18:33-37)

From today, we enter the final days of the Church's year. We end as we began, with Jesus. The entire liturgical year is centred on him: we inaugurate the pastoral year on the hopes of 'Advent', embracing it with both the joys of Christmas and the pains of Lent. We count our blessing all through the ordinary times of the year; and now, we end by celebrating Christ's kingship and kingdom.

The entrance into Christ's kingship and kingdom is open to all. Yet, only 'those who receive him and believe him (Jn 1:12) through baptism, have kin-ship with Christ. But it is also in fact, all those who, from their baptism, strive to reflect in their personal lives, all the teachings of Christ's Gospel, give the witness that Christ needs. The picture of Christ the king therefore, is about God's greatness amongst his people. The glory of Christ is more in the hearts that hear the truth of his Gospel.

In our world, people are thought of highly, if they have lined up behind them, the paraphernalia of riches and power. Worldly rulers and earthly kingdoms showcase **the glories of the worldly world**: the force of arms, the muscle of economic might, the pettiness of pleasure, or all of them combined. This is the way of the world, the individuals and nations who make their authority felt (Lk 10: 42). But we do not celebrate Christ the King with military parades or the exhibition of nuclear missiles and the ballistic warheads.

The truth we know is that, these ephemeral worlds never endure. Like the world of Pilate in today's Gospel, the 'gestapo' worlds are transiting away. Contextualised within the framework of today's readings the brutality of terrorist acts across the length and breadth of nations also remind us of a worldly world caught in the traps of its own foolishness. A violent world drifting away into a self-imposed annihilation, pretends that it is killing innocent people for God's pleasure: shame!

Everyone who is on the side of truth, hears the voice of Christ (Jn18:37). On the heels of the first world war, amidst the rubble and carnage wrecked across the universe, the voice of truth, ringing through the Church inaugurated the feast of Christ the king in

1925. The servants of Christ hearing his voice, called out to the world to celebrate the prince of peace, to entrench the values of love and acceptance; and to work together for God's kingdom of righteousness and peace. The progress made was soon swept away in the wishes of the powers of this world who hunger to exercise power powerfully.

Likewise, the selfishness and arrogance of the worldly-minded resent the kingdom of Christ. In the world of the godless, the only god is man and the things that man likes and wants. Thus, we all know that there once was, the Persian, Greek and Roman empires. There once was, the European kingdoms of totalitarianism, fascism and Nazism. There once was, Bolshevism in Soviet Russia. But today, those worldly kingdoms and many more like them are history, even as the voice of truth continues to speak through their debris.

The kingdom of Christ is the kingdom of peace.

Peace in our hearts so that peace may come to our world. The peace of soul offered in a true kingdom of Christ does not seek to enslave her sons and daughters with a free choice towards absolute license. The kingdom of Jesus Christ espouses responsible freedom under the voice of truth. In effect, the moral values allowed in governance, ensures that absolute, individual permissiveness have no place in Christ's kingdom - which is why, even though Christ's kingdom is in the world, yet Christ explains, "my kingdom is not of this world" (John 18:36).

A kingdom not of this world is often difficult for the worldly man to comprehend. So, in politics, the debates and manipulations rage in our societies about what is salutary and beautiful. Christ's kingdom is here and now with us as Church, yet it is a kingdom marching forward daily to its consummation in Christ the faithful witness: Christ who is, who was and who is to come...

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!

FAREWELL FR TREVOR: This Thursday, 29 November, during the 5.30pm Mass at Sandgate we will be offering our gratitude to Fr Trevor Trotter who will be leaving the parish for Melbourne to take up his new role as Columban Mission Regional Director for Australia and New Zealand. Following the Mass, we have a table booked at The Full Moon for dinner. If you would like to join us, please advise Parish Office so numbers can be confirmed. All parishioners are welcome to join this celebration.

BRIGHTON VINNIES: There are new gifts available in our Piety Stall. Advent calendars, Cribs with Baby Jesus and full Nativity scenes would make a thoughtful addition to our preparation for this special Christmas period. Columban Calendars are also available for \$9.00. We will be holding our Christmas Appeal on 1/2nd December, so please consider what you are able to give to help us provide for the many people in our area who need help. There will also be a basket at the back of the church where you can place non-perishable healthy food or Christmas goodies. A beautiful quilt has been donated by our "quilter extraordinaire" and will be raffled in the coming weeks. Thank-you for all your help with this ministry.

SANDGATE PIETY STALL: Christmas Cards now available. 5 for \$1.50 or 8 for \$2.50. Columban Calendars \$9.00. Why not pop in this weekend!

SACRED HEART SODALITY: During the 5pm Saturday and 9am Sunday Masses next weekend (1/2 December), there will be Consecration of Members of the Sacred Heart Sodality. All members are encouraged to attend either of these Masses to renew their promise for the next twelve months. New members welcome!

WINE & CHEESE NIGHT: 1st Saturday of the Month following the 5pm Mass at Brighton. Our last gathering for the year will be 'Christmas Drinks' on **Saturday 1 December**, sponsored by Craig Gunn. The Gunn family wishes to take this opportunity to wish you all a happy and holy Christmas.

ADVENT PREPARATION: 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.

ADVENT GATHERING: Our Parish Pastoral Council has invited Sr Mel Dwyer to host an Advent Gathering 'Following the Star: Preparing Our Hearts This Advent'. The gathering will provide an opportunity to reflect on the meaning of Advent in our lives, enabling us to share together on how we can use this season to prepare the way for Jesus to be born anew in our lives this Christmas. Sandgate Parish Hall, Sunday 2 December at 2.30pm. Light refreshments provided. All Welcome!

BAPTISM PREPARATION CLASSES: Preparation sessions for parents wishing to have children baptised are

held on the 1st and 2nd Monday of each month at 7.30pm in the Sandgate Parish Hall. The next session begins on **Monday 3 December 2018**. In 2019, *Baptism Preparation will change (see below)*.

BAPTISM PREPARATION TEAM: In 2019, we are trialling a new format for Baptism Preparation throughout the parish. Parents will be invited to the Sandgate Parish Hall on 1st Sunday of the month (following the 9am Mass) where Fr Modestus will speak to them about the Sacrament of Baptism. We will have a team rostered on to assist Fr to set up the Hall, show a short video 'Flame of Faith – Baptism' and explain the paperwork requirements. We expect the whole program to take less than 1 hour. If you would like to be part of this revised ministry, please contact the Parish Office. Perhaps this is the ministry you have been looking for. All welcome, including family teams!

VOCATION VIEW: Christ is King ... the faithful Witness. He loved us ... and made us a line of priests, prophets and kings to serve God His Father. Who are we to be called forth as the priests of tomorrow - prayerful men - leaders, ready to preach the Word of God.

HOOR OF GRACE: Saturday 8 December in Sacred Heart Church, Sandgate beginning at 12pm. All Welcome!

PLANNED GIVING PROGRAM: Please consider participating in the Planned Giving Program and supporting your Parish with a regular commitment. There are three convenient options available:

1. Direct Debit from your bank account
2. Credit Card or
3. Envelopes.

Forms are available at the back of the Church, from the Parish Office or on the parish website:
www.sandgatebrightoncatholic.org.au/plannedgiving

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.

WEEKLY PARISH ACTIVITIES

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

CHRISTMAS CHOIR PRACTICE: Sacred Heart Church, 7pm every **Tuesday** night until 18 December. All welcome!

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

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

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

GREGORIAN CHANT PRACTICE: Every **Saturday** 8am at Sacred Heart Church. Next workshop – Saturday 1 December 1.15pm – 3.15pm

- Newly ordained deacons Joshua Whitehead and Thomas Duncan take major leap towards priesthood
- Queensland bishop urges the release of remaining Bali Nine drug mules
- Pro-life campaigner facing arrest if he continues his activism for the unborn
Archbishop hopes the Palaszczuk government's proposed inquiry into euthanasia will be a genuine one
- Mercy Partners celebrates 10 years of walking a well-lit path towards compassion, mercy, justice and hospitality
- Centacare going above and beyond in its therapeutic services for patients suffering chronic illnesses
- Two Brisbane Catholic Education schools recognised with a shared award at the annual Brisbane City Council Active School Travel Awards
- Australian missionary marries Finnish hitch-hiker after meeting during her mission trip to East Timor

PARISH ROSTER

Thank you for volunteering on our Roster. Your time, dedication and commitment serves to enrich the life of our Parish.

MINISTERS OF THE WORD	24-25 November	1-2 December
5pm Saturday Brighton	K Lynch J Moore P Ryan	P Ryan H Boon F Shepherd
7am Sunday Brighton	P Pehrson F Edwards B Gray	D Smith M Thompson P McNamara
9am Sunday Sandgate	C McLaren W Johnson K Coffey	S Bria L Rodrigues TBA
5pm Sunday Sandgate	TBA TBA Youth	M Judd D Wood Youth
EXTRA ORDINARY MINISTERS	24-25 November	1-2 December
5pm Saturday Brighton	E Harte C Hickey P Madden	E Harte P Madden K Lynch
7am Sunday Brighton	D Price P Cross TBA	P Pehrson P Cross M Cross
9am Sunday Sandgate	N Eyles J Murdoch TBA	J Murdoch S Butler L Kelly
5pm Sunday Sandgate	TBA TBA B Fallis	P Janbroers TBA TBA
ALTAR SERVERS	24-25 November	1-2 December
5pm Saturday Brighton	A Grealy	TBA
7am Sunday Brighton	TBA	TBA
9am Sunday Sandgate	S Bastian M Armitage	A Hennessy A Cavanagh
5pm Sunday Sandgate	M Tate	TBA
CHURCH CLEANING	24 November	1 December
Brighton	TBA	C Hickey
Sandgate	TBA	L Hazelman
HOSPITALITY	25 November	2 December
7am Sunday Brighton	M Thompson F Edwards	M Thompson D Price
9am Sunday Sandgate	Couples for Christ	E Bria C Rosenberg-O'Brien I Holdway
CHILDREN'S LITURGY	25 November	2 December
9am Sunday Sandgate	A Hennessy M Carter	A Hennessy M Carter
COUNTERS	26 November	3 December
Parish Office	D Madden R Mahon	D Abberton B Boyle
BAPTISM PREPARATION	3 & 10 December – TBA	
DINNER IN THE PARK (Homeless Outreach)	24 November – Albany Creek Parish	

READINGS: (YEAR B)

1st Reading	Christ the King Dan 7:13-14	1st Sunday of Advent Jer 33:14-16
Psalm:	Ps 92: 1-2, 5. R. v. 1	Ps 24:4-5, 8-9, 10, 14. R. v. 1
2nd Reading	Apoc 1:5-8	1 Thes 3:12-4:2
Gospel	Jn 18:33-37	Lk 21:25-28, 34-36

BEARING WITNESS TO THE TRUTH. Jesus Christ is the faithful witness. His role as king is to bear witness to the truth that God is love (1 Jn 4:8, 16). He does this through his words but most especially through his death on the cross. By listening to his voice and participating in the Eucharistic banquet we are drawn closer to him. Then, as sharers in his kingship, we are commissioned to go out and promote the kingdom of God in our world.

WE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO ARE SICK: Justin CARR, Jason MORPHETT, Muriel URQUHART, John RHULE, 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: For Colin YEO, Alfred DOWNES, Agnes DOWNES, and Patrick McKEERING, and the deceased members of the KEOGH and STATHAM families whose anniversaries occur around this time.

RESPONSE: (Ps 92: 1-2, 5. R. v. 1) The Lord is king; he is robed in majesty.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: (Mk 11:9, 10) **Alleluia! Alleluia!** Blessed is he who inherits the kingdom of David our father; blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. **Alleluia! Alleluia!**

MYSTERY OF FAITH: When we eat this Bread and drink this Cup, we proclaim your Death, O Lord, until you come again.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON: (Ps 28:10-11) The Lord sits as King for ever. The Lord will bless his people with peace.

ENTRANCE HYMN: HAIL REDEEMER

Hail Redeemer, King divine!
Priest and Lamb, the throne is thine,
King, whose reign shall never cease,
Prince of everlasting peace.

REFRAIN: Angels, saints and nations sing
“Praised be Jesus Christ, our King
Lord of life, earth, sky and sea,
King of love on Calvary”.

King, whose name creation thrills,
Rule our minds, our hearts, our wills,
Till in peace each nation rings
With thy praises, King of kings. ©

King most holy, King of truth,
Guide the lowly, guide the youth;
Christ thou King of glory bright,
Be to us eternal light. ©

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OFFERTORY HYMN: PRAISE TO THE LORD THE ALMIGHTY

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation.
O my soul, praise him, for he is your health and salvation.
Come all who hear, now to his altar draw near,
joining in glad adoration.

Praise to the Lord, who shall prosper our work and defend us.
Surely his goodness and mercy shall daily attend us.
Ponder anew what the Almighty can do
who with his love will befriend us.

Praise to the Lord! O let all that is in me adore him!
All that has life and breath come now in praises before him!
Let the “Amen” sound from his people again,
now as we worship before him.

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REFLECTION HYMN: THE LOVE OF GOD

The love of God is greater far
than tongue or pen can ever tell:
It goes beyond the highest star,
and reaches to the lowest hell;
the guilty pair, bowed down with care,
God gave His Son to win:
His erring child He reconciled,
and pardoned from his sin.

REFRAIN: O love of God, how rich and pure
How measureless and strong!
It shall forever-more endure
the saints' and angels' song.

When years of time shall pass away,
and earthly thrones and kingdoms fall.
When men, who here refuse to pray,
on rocks and hills and mountains call,
God's love so sure, shall still endure,
all measureless and strong;
redeeming grace to Adam's race
– the saints' and angels' song. ©

Could we with ink the ocean fill,
and were the skies of parchment made.
Were every stalk on earth a quill,
and everyman a scribe by trade,
to write the love of God above,
would drain the ocean dry.
Nor could the scroll contain the whole,
though stretched from sky to sky. ©

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RECESSIONAL HYMN: HYMN TO CHRIST

Christ, the visible expression of our God!
We Praise You!
Long before Creation He existed and was Lord!
We Praise You!

ANTIPHON: And therefore he is rightly called, Lord of all;
And therefore he is rightly called, Lord of all.

Through Him everything was made
He is the Father's Word!
We Praise You!
Power and Dominion rest on Him,
Creation's Lord!
We Praise You!

Deep in Him the Principle
From which all life began!
We Praise you!
Centrepoint of history
True destiny of man!
We Praise you!

Making peace upon the Cross
He suffered for all men!
We praise you!

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