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1 November 2026
All Saints Day
Year A



DEVOTIONAL PRAYER FOR NOVEMBER
PRAYER FOR ALL SAINTS DAY

Dear God, on this All Saints Day, we thank You for the countless saints who have lived faithfully in Your name. May we be inspired by their holy lives and imitate their virtues of humility, courage, and compassion. Strengthen us to walk the narrow path they chose, always placing our trust in You. Help us honour their legacy not only in word but in action. May their witness spur us on to greater holiness in our own journey. Amen.

Entrance Antiphon — Let us all rejoice in the Lord, as we celebrate the feast day in honour of all the Saints, at whose festival the Angels rejoice and praise the Son of God.

1st Reading — ***A reading from the book of Apocalypse.***
Rev 7:2-4,9-14

I, John, saw another angel rising where the sun rises, carrying the seal of the living God; he called in a powerful voice to the four angels whose duty was to devastate land and sea, 'Wait before you do any damage on land or at sea or to the trees, until we have put the seal on the foreheads of the servants of our God.' Then I heard how many were sealed: a hundred and forty-four thousand, out of all the tribes of Israel. After that I saw a huge number, impossible to count, of people from every nation, race, tribe and language; they were standing in front of the throne and in front of the Lamb, dressed in white robes and holding palms in their hands. They shouted aloud, 'Victory to our God, who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb!' And all the angels who were standing in a circle round the throne, surrounding the elders and the four animals, prostrated themselves before the throne, and touched the ground with their foreheads, worshipping God with these words, 'Amen. Praise and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honour and power and strength to our God for ever and ever. Amen.' One of the elders then spoke, and asked me, 'Do you know who these people are, dressed in white robes, and where they have come from?' I answered him, 'You can tell me, my Lord.' Then he said, 'These are the people who have been through the great persecution, and they have washed their robes white again in the blood of the Lamb.'
The Word of the Lord.

Responsorial Psalm — Lord, this is the people that longs to see your face.

2nd Reading — ***A reading from the first letter of St. John.***
1 Jn 3:1-3

Think of the love that the Father has lavished on us, by letting us be called God's children; and that is what we are. Because the world refused to acknowledge him, therefore it does not acknowledge us. My dear people, we are already the children of God but what we are to be in the future has not yet been revealed; all we know is, that when it is revealed we shall be like him because we shall see him as he really is. Surely everyone who entertains this hope must purify himself, must try to be as pure as Christ.
The Word of the Lord.

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WEEKEND MASSES
Sat: 6:00pm
Sun: 8:30am, 10:30am, 5:00pm
Spanish –1st & 3rd Sun at 1:15pm
Filipino – 4th Sun at 12:00 noon

WEEKDAY MASSES
Tue, Thu, Fri – 8:30am
Wed – 7:00pm, Sat – 9:00am

LITURGY OF THE WORD/COMMUNION SERVICE
Mon – 8:30am

CONFESSIONS
Wed: 6:00pm,
Sat: After 9:00am Mass

DEVOTIONS
First Friday*: 7:00pm to 8:15pm*
Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
Fri 9:00am & Divine Mercy Chaplet
Sat 2:30pm
Our Lady of Perpetual Succour Novena
Wed after 7:00pm Mass
Rosary
Mon, Tue, Thu, Fri - 8:00am
Sat 8:30am, Sun 8:00am
Mass with Anointing of the Sick
Fourth Saturday - 9:00am

BAPTISMS
1st & 3rd Sundays at 12 noon
Baptism Preparation Meeting
1st Monday of the month, 7:00pm

WEDDINGS
By Appointment

ANOINTING OF THE SICK, HOUSE BLESSINGS, VISITS & QUERIES
Parish Office on (03) 9749 4300

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Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia! Come to me, all you that labour and are burdened, and I will give you rest, says the Lord. **Alleluia!**

Gospel Mt 5:1-12

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew.

Seeing the crowds, Jesus went up the hill. There he sat down and was joined by his disciples. Then he began to speak. This is what he taught them: 'How happy are the poor in spirit: theirs is the kingdom of heaven. Happy the gentle: they shall have the earth for their heritage. Happy those who mourn: they shall be comforted. Happy those who hunger and thirst for what is right: they shall be satisfied. Happy the merciful: they shall have mercy shown them. Happy the pure in heart: they shall see God. Happy the peacemakers: they shall be called sons of God. Happy those who are persecuted in the cause of right: theirs is the kingdom of heaven. 'Happy are you when people abuse you and persecute you and speak all kinds of calumny against you on my account. Rejoice and be glad, for your reward will be great in heaven.'
The Gospel of the Lord.

Communion Antiphon

Blessed are the clean of heart, for they shall see God.
Blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall be called children of God.
Blessed are they who are persecuted for the sake of righteousness, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

Next Week's Readings

Wis 6:12-16; 1 Thess 4:13-18; Mt 25:1-13

Feasts of the Week

All Souls' Day	**Mon, 2 Nov**
St Charles Borromeo	**Wed, 4 Nov**

WELCOME TO OUR NEWLY BAPTISED

We welcome into our Church community **Vincent Camilleri** & **Rouvin Madhavaraj,** who are to be baptised this Sunday. With the guidance of the Holy Spirit and the love of Parents, Godparents, family and friends, we pray that these children will lead a life full of happiness, faith and love.

MULTICULTURAL MASS

Fr. Laurence and the Parish Pastoral Council thanks the Latin American Community for hosting a joyful Multicultural Mass on Sunday, 25th October. Thank you to the concelebrating priests, Davy Fernandez, the Multicultural Mass Committee, Liturgy Team, Altar Servers, Choir, Flag Bearers, Lectors, Cantors and all the volunteers for their hard work. Special thanks to all the families who prepared delicious food for everyone to enjoy. Sincere thanks to all the volunteers who helped in setting up, serving food, cleaning up and traffic management. It is a joy to unite as one Body of Christ and celebrate our diversity.

SENIORS SHARED LUNCH, WEDNESDAY 4th November will be held at the **Community Centre from 11:30am to 1:30pm.** Please bring a plate of food to share. Tea, coffee provided. Contact Ann Allen on 0419718301 for further details.

PARISH OFFICE CLOSURE

Please note that the Parish Office will be closed on **Monday 2nd November and Cup Day, Tuesday, 3rd November 2026.**

ROSTERS

Money Counters – 8 November 26

Art & Nana Cortez / Jessica Escoton / Renato De La Pena

Roster for Readers – 7/8 Nov 26

6:00PM	Sharon Albuquerque
8:30am	Dominic Hankins
10:30am	Maria Naufahu
5:00pm	Norma Otibar

Extraordinary Ministers of Communion – 7/8 Nov 26

6:00pm	Praful A/C Pham/Gillian A/Josie T/P Cooray/Vol
8:30am	Anthea H/G. Sharman/Karen D/N&N Gooneratne/ Paul B
10:30am	M Peters /Lloyda B/G Schembri/Nonoy G/Sunil V/2 Vols
5:00pm	E Angeles/E Chio/G Cortes/Mary M/Sunita D/ Vol

Music Ministry – 7/8 Nov 26

6:00pm	Enzo Ensemble
8:30am	Filiorum Dei
10:30am	Youth Band
5:00pm	Shepherds of Christ

PARISH NEWS

WEEKLY PARISH DATES

Sundays	• 10:30am Mass – Children's Liturgy held every alternate Sundays. • 6pm in Hall – Youth Group for youth 12 to 17 years on 2nd and 4th Sundays. • 6:00pm in Community Centre – Young Adults meeting on 1st & 3rd Sundays. • 6:30pm in Hall – School of Discipleship.
Mondays	• St Peter's Men for Christ Ministry meetings on 2nd Mondays in the Community Centre from 7 to 9pm. • St Peter's Women Together in Christ Ministry meeting 3rd Monday in the Community Centre from 7pm to 9pm. • 7:00pm to 8:15pm – Bible Study on Zoom. Meeting ID: 826 5359 2389 Passcode: Bible Contact Gary 0424456166.
Tuesdays	• 6:30pm – RCIA Meeting in Community Centre, contact Marcela Blanco on 0425857770.
Wednesdays	• 7:00pm Mass followed by Mother of Perpetual Succour Novena.
1st Fridays	• 7:00pm to 8:15pm Mass & Adoration
Saturdays	• 2.30pm to 4.30pm St. Peter's Charismatic Prayer Community. • 1.30pm to 4:00pm - Next Healing Mass on **Saturday 7th November 2026.**
Baptisms	12 noon – Baptisms held 1st & 3rd Sundays. **Next Baptism Preparation Meeting Monday 9th November 2026 at 7:00pm in Church.**
Rosary Statue	Statue of Our Lady of Fatima is available for you to host at home on a weekly roster with changeovers on Sundays. To book contact **Yvette on 0435820469 or** email: **y_judith@yahoo.com**

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ALL SAINTS DAY – SUNDAY 1ST NOVEMBER – ALL WEEKEND MASSES

The Solemnity of all saints, both known and unknown, who have achieved heavenly glory will be celebrated at the **Saturday 31st October 6:00pm Mass and the Sunday 1st November 8:30am, 10:30am and 5:00pm Masses.** This is a special time to reflect on the lives of the saints as examples of how to live a holy life.

ALL SOULS' DAY, MONDAY 2 NOV, 7:00PM MASS

On this day the Church prays for and remembers all the faithfully departed, especially all who, in the purifying suffering of purgatory, await the day when they will enter heaven. **All Souls' Day Mass will be celebrated on Monday 2nd November at 7:00pm. Liturgy of the Word/Communion Service will be as usual at 8:30am.** As November is a special time to pray for the dead, a Plenary Indulgence may be granted for the dead, by visiting a Church on this day and praying the Lord's Prayer and the Creed. Three conditions are required for gaining the Indulgence: Confession, Holy Communion and praying for the Pope's intentions.

MEMORIAL BOOK – MONTH OF NOVEMBER

The Memorial Book will be placed near the Sanctuary. All are welcome to write down the names of their departed loved ones. The book will be taken to the Altar during all the Masses in November to remember and pray for their souls.

MEMORIAL MASS FOR DECEASED – FRIDAY, 13TH NOV 7:00PM

All parishioners who have lost a loved one are invited to attend this special Memorial Mass for the Deceased. Invitations have been sent to families who have lost a loved one in the past 12 months. You are welcome to bring a photo of the Deceased and place it on the table near the Sanctuary. Please join us for light refreshments in the hall after mass. Thank you.

MASS CANCELLED ON SATURDAY 14TH NOV, 9:00AM

Parishioners, please note that as Fr. Laurence will be attending Francis Thomas' and Anthony Wright's Ordination at the Cathedral, **there will be no morning 9:00am Mass on this Saturday 14th November at 9:00am.**

FAITH IN ACTION: AN ELECTION GUIDE FROM THE BISHOPS OF VICTORIA

Ahead of the 2026 Victorian election, the Bishops of Victoria have issued an election statement highlighting key issues for Catholics to consider when deciding their vote. You are invited to read the statement and prayerfully discern how your vote can contribute to the common good. View the statement online at: bit.ly/StateElection2026.

FRANCIS THOMAS ORDINATION AS PERMANENT DEACON

Our long-time parishioner, **Francis Thomas, & Br. Anthony Wright,** who was a Seminarian with us in 2024 will be ordained as Deacons on **Saturday, 14 November 2026, at 10:00 am Mass at St Patrick's Cathedral.** A bus is organised by the parish and is available for $10 per person (return trip), departing at 8:30am and returning at 1pm.Please register your names including children via https://bit.ly/4eXZH3V or scan the QR Code. Payment can be made by bank transfer or at the parish office. Limited seats available.

THANKSGIVING MASS TO CELEBRATE FRANCIS THOMAS' ORDINATION INTO THE PERMANENT DIACONATE - Sunday 15th November, 10:30am Mass

Please join us for this special Thanksgiving Mass for Francis Thomas who will assist Fr. Laurence at the 10:30am Mass for the first time as Deacon. **We ask that you please bring a plate of sweet/savoury finger food to be shared for the fellowship after the Mass.**

ST PETERS MEN FOR CHRIST MINISTRY MEETING, Monday 9th November, 7pm in the Community Centre. Guest Speaker: Greig from Alcoholic Anonymous Topic: Alcohol & Drug Addiction - Impact on life, family & society

St. Peter's Men for Christ Ministry invites all men aged 18+ to an evening of real conversation, faith and fellowship. Greig will speak to us on the effects of alcohol and/or drug addictions and share his experience in handling and helping men change their lives and those around them. For further details please call Praful on 0431068125. Please register @ https://bit.ly/4u7C7Ic or scan the QR code.

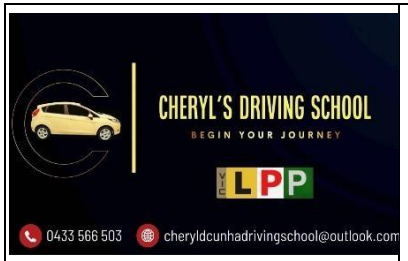
SENIORS CHRISTMAS LUNCH, SATURDAY 21ST NOVEMBER 12PM

This year, St Peters Circle of Hope Ministry is delighted to be reinstating a cherished tradition in our parish — a Christmas lunch for our Senior Parishioners. Unfortunately, this lovely tradition had to be discontinued for a while due to limited resources, but we are excited to bring it back this year! All Seniors (60 and above) and their partners are invited for a fun filled afternoon to celebrate the birth of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. There will be delicious food and desserts, Christmas Carols, a few games, Santa will bring gifts and time permitting some dancing. Cost is only $10 per person. Limited seats. Please register with the link, Bitly | bit.ly/4ypu1g1 or scan the QR code or call the parish office and book your seats. We look forward to seeing as many of you as possible.

RECENTLY DECEASED: We pray for Edna Sanchez, Greg Smith, Daniel Castro, Priscilla Pineda, Nikola Paletua, Ted Fraser, John Tudor, Philomena D'Souza, Aida Tangalin, and all who have passed away recently.

DEATH ANNIVERSARIES: We pray for Jason McLoughlin, Andrew Burian, Josefino Dabu, Angelica Elrich de Leon, Florence Palmer, Desmond Conns, Otilia Vieira, and all whose anniversaries occur at this time.

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK: We pray for Violet Lawrence, Elaine & Jeffrey Dalton, Sean Donaldson, Draga Vekic, Gina Linning, Teresita Grisancich, Delflor Fernandez, Wilfrid D'Cruz, Myrna Butler, Thais Long, Vincent Ho, James Vaz, M. Manuel Manalastas, Soane Tuungahala, Brian Aldcroft, Matilde Villamayor, Analyn Gonzales, Nina Costa, Patricia Fernando, Anna, Alan Pountney, Marilyn Pinto, Tracey Ruth, Linda Lowe, Elizabeth Palmieri, Shirley Poppen, Max Waters, Wilfy & June D'Sylva, Mario Mangion, Cylinda Dela Cruz, Gaudelia Javier, Monica Jawn Lu and all who are ill in our Parish.



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St Peter Apostle Mission Parish
Fourth Sunday 12 noon

22 November 2026
No Mass in December

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