FIRST READING

A reading from the prophet Ezekiel 34:11-12. 15-17

The Lord says this: I am going to look after my flock myself and keep all of it in view. As a shepherd keeps all his flock in view when he stands up in the middle of his scattered sheep, so shall I keep my sheep in view. I shall rescue them from wherever they have been scattered during the mist and darkness. I myself will pasture my sheep, I myself will show them where to rest – it is the Lord who speaks. I shall look for the lost one, bring back the stray, bandage the wounded and make the weak strong. I shall watch over the fat and healthy. I shall be a true shepherd to them. As for you, my sheep, the Lord says this: I will judge between sheep and sheep, between rams and he-goats.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

R./ The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.

SECOND READING

A reading from the First Letter of St Paul to the Corinthians 15:20-26. 28

Christ has been raised from the dead, the first-fruits of all who have fallen asleep. Death came through one man and in the same way the resurrection of the dead has come through one man. Just as all men die in Adam, so all men will be brought to life in Christ; but all of them in their proper order: Christ as the first-fruits and then, after the coming of Christ, those who belong to him. After that will come the end, when he hands over the kingdom to God the Father, having done away with every sovereignty, authority and power. For he must be king until he has put all his enemies under his feet and the last of the enemies to be destroyed is death. And when everything is subjected to him, then the Son himself will be subject in his turn to the One who subjected all things to him, so that God may be all in all.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, Alleluia!
Blessings on him who comes
in the name of the Lord!
Blessings on the coming kingdom
of our father David!
Alleluia!

GOSPEL READING

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew 25:31-46

Jesus said to his disciples: 'When the Son of Man comes in his glory, escorted by all the angels, then he will take his seat on his throne of glory. All the nations will be assembled before him and he will separate men one from another as the shepherd separates sheep from goats. He will place the sheep on his right hand and the goats on his left. Then the King will say to those on his right hand, "Come, you whom my Father has blessed, take for your heritage the kingdom prepared for you since the foundation of the world. For I was hungry and you gave me food; I was thirsty and you gave me drink; I was a stranger and you made me welcome; naked and you clothed me, sick and you visited me, in prison and you came to see me." Then the virtuous will say to him in reply, "Lord, when did we see you hungry and feed you; or thirsty and give you drink? When did we see you a stranger and make you welcome; naked and clothe you; sick or in prison and go to see you?" And the King will answer, "I tell you solemnly, in so far as you did this to one of the least of these brothers of mine, you did it to me." Next he will say to those on his left hand, "Go away from me, with your curse upon you, to the eternal fire …

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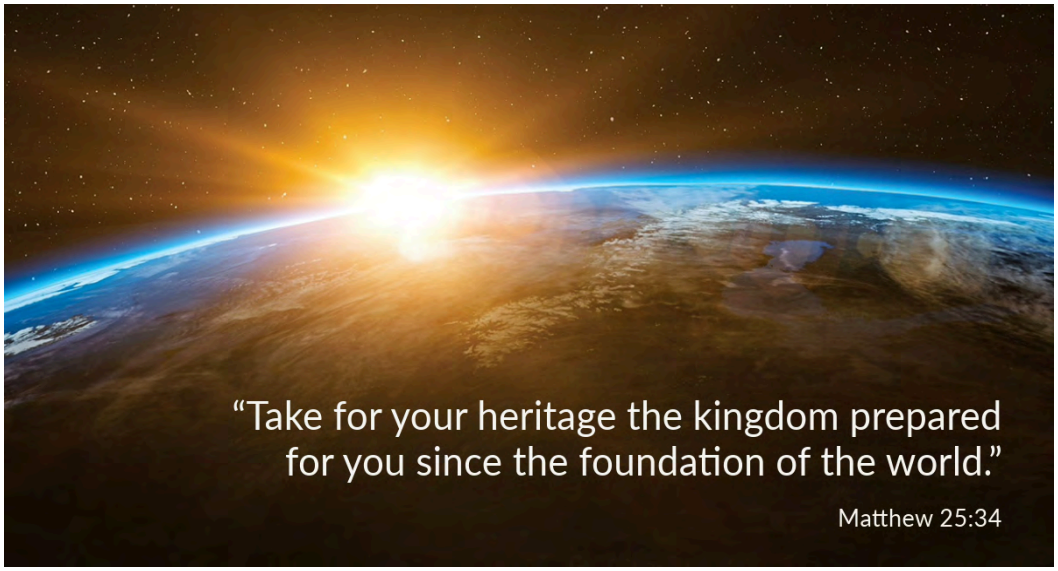
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OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE
YEAR A - 21st / 22nd NOVEMBER, 2026



We have now come to the end of the liturgical year, the point that marks the transition from one period to another. Today we see that the kingdom of God is inclusive. Its embrace is as comprehensive as is the embrace of God. Criteria for membership are not based on obedience to the commandments or on conformity to ritual obligation, but on the bonds of love and concern. What we do for others, we do for Christ, because Christ is identified with those in need. We very seldom see the face of the glorified Christ in the faces of the needy; it is more often the face of the disfigured Christ that is turned to us. We see his fear and his shame, his brokenness and sense of loss. As difficult as it may be to look into such eyes, it is precisely the needy with whom Christ is identified. Having entered into the frailty of human nature, identified himself with the needy, and handed himself over to death, in the end Christ will have conquered all. It is a curious kingdom that he has won, a kingdom of the weak rather than the strong. He has turned the standards of the world upside down. He has shown that it does not take strength to ignore or to exploit the needy, but it does take strength to overcome our own selfishness in order to serve them. The kingdom that Christ hands over to God is a kingdom of love and care. *Dianne Bergant CSA.*

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MASS TIMES – CHELTENHAM & HIGHETT
SATURDAY VIGIL & SUNDAY MASSES:

Saturday	[St Agnes Church]	6:00 pm
Sunday	[OLA]	9:00 am, 11:00 am

WEEKDAY MASS TIMES:

Tuesday	[St Agnes Church]	9.00 am
Tuesday	[OLA Church]	6.00 pm
Wednesday	[OLA Church]	9.15 am
Thursday	[OLA Church]	9.15 am
Friday	[St Agnes Church]	9.00 am
Saturday	[OLA Church]	9.00 am

COMMUNION SERVICE (except Public Holidays)
Monday [OLA Church] 9.15 am

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION:
Wednesday [OLA Church] 9:45 am
Saturday [OLA Church] 9.30 am

BAPTISMS: Contact Parish Office: 9583 6161.

WEDDINGS: By appointment, 6 months' notice required. Saturdays or weekdays (not Sundays).

The clergy, employees and volunteers of our parish are committed to upholding a duty of care to all children, young people and vulnerable adults, taking all reasonable steps to protect children, young people and vulnerable adults from all forms of abuse and harm and commit to safeguard their health and well-being.

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PRAYING FOR:

Zygmunt Wisniewski, Julie Mackenzie,
Fred De Guzman, Bobby Valmonte,
Aigi Takemoto, Paddy McCann,
and all who have died recently.

WE ALSO PRAY FOR:

Arthur Greaves, Patricia D'Cruz,
Victor D'Cruz, Agnieszka Czech,
Pasquale Audino, Luigi Ferro, Rosie Schiena,
Felipe Sevilla, Marilyn Torres, Efrin Misa,
Attilo Cinaglia, Carl Eugenio,
Joanne Casaceli, Antonio Casaceli,
Marie Malane, Josephine Rickard,
Henry Costin, Cecil D'Souza,
Santarita Kollosche,
and all who we remember at this time.

Readings for this liturgical year from Advent 2025 to Christ the King 2026 are taken from Year A in the Lectionary cycle. Should you wish to view the Scripture Readings for Daily Mass (Australian Liturgical Calendar) please visit: universalis.com/australia.melbourne/1000/Mass

VOLUNTEERS: Please make sure that your WWCC/POLICE CHECK documents are current, that is, have not expired, and copies made available to the Parish Office.

PARISH STEWARDSHIP: Thank you to all parishioners who continue to generously support our parish i.e., through their contributions to both our Thanksgiving and Presbytery collections. With the assistance of the Archdiocese, we are currently working on refining the facility for parishioners to contribute to Christ Our Light Parish via an online portal.

CARE FOR OUR COMMON HOME GROUP is having a picnic lunch at the **Briars Wildlife Sanctuary, Mt Martha**. Everyone is welcome to join us. BYO picnic lunch.
Meet at the Briars Information Centre **Sunday 22nd November 2026 at 11.30am**.
Please contact Phillip Steele on phillipsteele1@gmail.com for more information.



CHRIST OUR LIGHT PARISH SOCIAL LUNCH The next Parish Social Lunch will be at 12 noon on Thursday, 26th November, at the Highett RSL. All are most welcome.
RSVP Tricia Hickey 0421 275 853
Adrian Foley 0497 780 233

SYNOD CORNER: Synodality and families. Families are schools of synodality, where listening, patience, and forgiveness are lived daily. The Church learns synodality from family life.

UPCOMING FUNERAL PRAYERS
at **OLA Church**, Cheltenham for

Zygmunt Wisniewski
will be celebrated at **10.30am**, on
Tuesday, 24th November, 2026,
and
Julie Mackenzie
will be celebrated at **11am,** on
Wednesday, 25th November, 2026

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MONTH OF NOVEMBER
Remembering Our Dearly Departed

The Cross of Remembrance
You are invited to inscribe the names of your dear loved ones who have died, on the November cross placed near the altar in each of our churches. These crosses will be in place from 1st – 30th November. November Offering envelopes are available in the foyers of our churches and at the base of each Remembrance Cross, for those who would like Masses offered for deceased loved ones.

GOSPEL READING *continued…*

…prepared for the devil and his angels. For I was hungry and you never gave me food; I was thirsty and you never gave me anything to drink; I was a stranger and you never made me welcome, naked and you never clothed me, sick and in prison and you never visited me." Then it will be their turn to ask, "Lord, when did we see you hungry or thirsty, a stranger or naked, sick or in prison, and did not come to your help?" Then he will answer, "I tell you solemnly, in so far as you neglected to do this to one of the least of these, you neglected to do it to me." And they will go away to eternal punishment, and the virtuous to eternal life.'



ST VINCENT DE PAUL Christmas "Giving Tree" The St Vincent de Paul Conferences for Christ Our Light Parish have their Christmas trees in the foyers of both OLA and St Agnes churches. Please take an envelope and return a gift card by Sunday, 29th November (First Sunday of Advent). There is also a basket if you wish to donate any Christmas 'goodies' – food or decorations for the hampers.

A CHRISTMAS CAROL You are invited to a playful and witty portrayal of Charles Dickens' classic story combining favourite music performed by Gilbert & Sullivan Opera Victoria.

When: Saturday 28th November
Time: 2pm (doors open 1.30pm)
Where: Brigid Hall, OLA Primary School
Tickets: $40 (adult), $35 (cardholder), $15 (child)

Book now to secure your seats at:
trybooking.com/DRGHM
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