

FIRST READING

A reading from the second book of Samuel 5:1-3

All the tribes of Israel came to David at Hebron. 'Look' they said 'we are your own flesh and blood. In days past when Saul was our king, it was you who led Israel in all their exploits; and the Lord said to you, "You are the man who shall be shepherd of my people Israel, you shall be the leader of Israel." So all the elders of Israel came to the king at Hebron, and King David made a pact with them at Hebron in the presence of the Lord, and they anointed David king of Israel.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

R./ Let us go rejoicing to the house of the Lord.

SECOND READING

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Colossians 1:12-20

We give thanks to the Father who has made it possible for you to join the saints and with them to inherit the light. Because that is what he has done: he has taken us out of the power of darkness and created a place for us in the kingdom of the Son that he loves, and in him, we gain our freedom, the forgiveness of our sins. He is the image of the unseen God and the first-born of all creation, for in him were created all things in heaven and on earth: everything visible and everything invisible, Thrones, Dominations, Sovereignities, Powers – all things were created through him and for him. Before anything was created, he existed, and he holds all things in unity. Now the Church is his body, he is its head. As he is the Beginning, he was first to be born from the dead, so that he should be first in every way; because God wanted all perfection to be found in him and all things to be reconciled through

him and for him, everything in heaven and everything on earth, when he made peace by his death on the cross.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

**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!**

GOSPEL READING

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke 23:35-43

The people stayed there before the cross watching Jesus. As for the leaders, they jeered at him. 'He saved others,' they said, 'let him save himself if he is the Christ of God, the Chosen One.' The soldiers mocked him too, and when they approached to offer him vinegar they said, 'If you are the king of the Jews, save yourself.' Above him there was an inscription: 'This is the King of the Jews.' One of the criminals hanging there abused him. 'Are you not the Christ?' he said. 'Save yourself and us as well.' But the other spoke up and rebuked him. 'Have you no fear of God at all?' he said. 'You got the same sentence as he did, but in our case we deserved it: we are paying for what we did. But this man has done nothing wrong. Jesus,' he said, 'remember me when you come into your kingdom.' 'Indeed, I promise you,' he replied, 'today you will be with me in paradise.'



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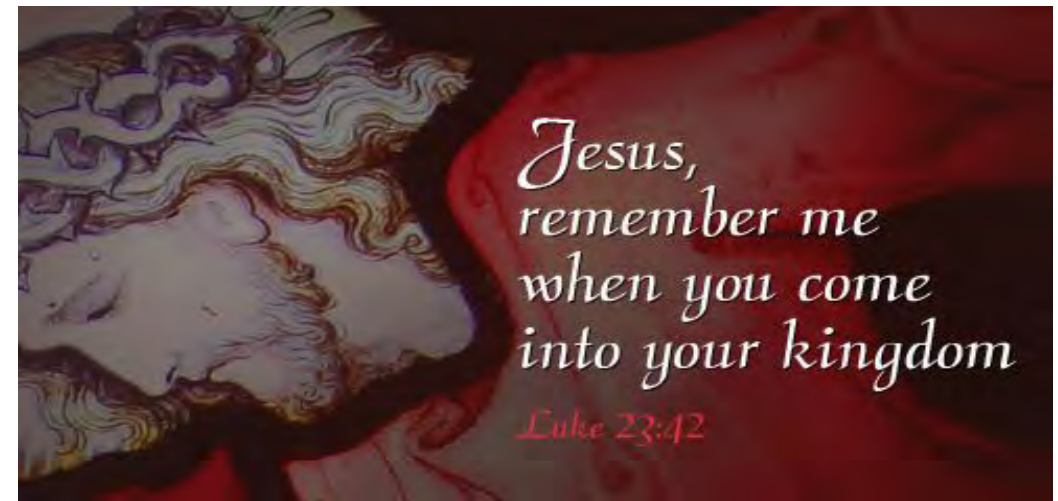
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OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE YEAR C - 19th / 20th NOVEMBER, 2022



Luke's Gospel has been loaded with surprises: the poor are rich, sinners find salvation, the Kingdom of God is found in our midst. Here we see the greatest surprise of all. We are confronted with the crucified Jesus, whom faith tells us is King and Saviour of all. The irony is that the inscription placed on the cross, perhaps in mockery, contains the profoundest of truth. As the leaders jeer, the thief crucified by his side recognizes Jesus as Messiah and King, and finds salvation. Jesus is King, but not the kind of king we might have imagined or expected. His kingship was hidden from many of his contemporaries, but those who had the eyes of faith were able to see. As modern disciples of Jesus, we, too, struggle at times to recognize Jesus as King. Today's Gospel invites us to make our own judgment. With eyes of faith, we, too, recognize that Jesus, the crucified One, is indeed King and Saviour of all.

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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 9:45 am
Saturday 9:30 am
i.e. following Mass (COVID-safe protocols apply)

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 two parishes 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.

OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF
THE UNIVERSE – Yr. C
19th/20th November, 2022

PRAYING FOR:

Slavica Madarevic, Consuelo Mala Yang,
Donald Walford, Chris Lane,

...and all those who have died recently.

WE ALSO REMEMBER:

Mary Goulding, Simon Melia,
Luis Carlo Pinto, Rosy Varghese,
Emir Nunes Moreira & Peter Wallis,

....and all who we remember about this time.

...and we keep in our prayers all who are
currently unwell.

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.

UPDATE ON COVID RESTRICTIONS:
General Guidelines from the Archdiocese
(Update #60: 20th July, 2022) are available
online at:

melbournecatholic.org/covid-19-guidelines

PARISH STEWARDSHIP: Thank you to
all parishioners who continue to support both
the Thanksgiving and Presbytery collections
through your generous contributions. Both
OLA & St Agnes are now registered for online
contributions.

The **CDF Pay** link for **OLA, Cheltenham** is:
<http://bit.ly/CDFpayCheltenham>

The **CDF Pay** link for **St Agnes, Highett** is:
<http://bit.ly/CDFpayHighett>

**Readings for this liturgical year from
Advent 2021 to Christ the King 2022 are
taken from Year C in the Lectionary cycle**
universalis.com/australia.melbourne/1000/Mass

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UPCOMING FUNERALS (OLA)

Monday 21st November at 1.00pm
Donald Walford (RIP)
Thursday 24th November at 10.30am
Slavica Madarevic (RIP)

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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. A cross is located near
the Altar in each of our churches.

November Offering envelopes are available in
our church foyers and at the Remembrance
Crosses, for those who would like Masses offered
for deceased loved ones.



**ST VINCENT DE PAUL
Christmas "Giving Tree"**

Next weekend you will see our
"Giving Tree" as you enter the
Church. Although we can provide Food
Hampers to needy families in a Covid-safe
manner, we will again be adding Retailers'
Gift Cards to help families with children
purchase toys of their choice. If you wish to
help, there will be envelopes (not stars) to
collect, showing the age/gender of each child.
Your help will be much appreciated.

ST AGNES/OLA PARISH SOCIAL LUNCH

The next combined Parish Social Lunch will
be at 12 noon on Thursday, 1st December at
the Highett RSL. All are most welcome.
RSVP by Monday 28th November to Karen
Mitri on 0411 354 670 or 9553 0350 or via
email: karen.mitri@gmail.com



OLA KNITTING GROUP will
next meet on Tuesday 22nd
November at 1pm, in the Church
Meeting Room. All are welcome.

ARCHBISHOP'S PASTORAL LETTER



Archbishop Comensoli has issued a
Pastoral Letter entitled 'Welcome
Home' on the lifting of the general
dispensation from Sunday and Holy
Day obligations. It is available
online at:

https://melbournecatholic.org/uploads/documents/15Nov22-Pastoral-Letter_Welcome-Home.47.pdf

OLA FETE – 26th NOVEMBER 2022



The Cake & Preserves Stall NEEDS you!
Cakes, slices, muffins, cookies, gingerbread,
cupcakes, preserves and any other sweet or
savoury items will be welcomed - Gluten Free
items included! However, please no cream or
items that require refrigeration. Please take a
bag and plate, from the box in the foyer, to
package your donation and attach the label with
the item name, date and ingredients. Your
donations can be delivered to the Church
Meeting Room from 12:30 - 1:30pm on Friday
25th November or directly to the Cake Stall on
the morning of the Fete. Thank you in advance!
Any queries, please contact:
Kara Bogicevic 0409 353 957.

OLA PARISH FETE RAFFLE TICKETS

are available for sale after OLA Masses this
weekend and at the Parish Office. Tickets are
\$2 each, or \$20 for a book of 10
Prizes: 1st \$1500 Chadstone voucher; 2nd
Apple iPad; 3rd \$250 Red Balloon voucher;
4th Alessi Beverages Hamper.

CHRISTMAS CAROLS Come, join us to
sing Carols before and during Christmas Eve
Mass. We will begin a short weekly practice
session at 10am in the Church from Sunday 27th
November until Christmas. All are welcome!
Enquiries:
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