



## OUR LADY OF REPARATION RC CHURCH

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**SUNDAY MASS TIMES:** 7:00pm (Saturday); 8am, 9:15am; 10:45am; 12:15pm, 3:00pm & 6:00pm

**WEEKDAY MASS TIMES:** 10am; 12:10pm & 6.45pm Saturday: 10am

**EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT:** Wednesday 12:45pm – 6:00pm; Sat. 10:45am – 12noon; Sun. 4pm–5.45pm

**CONFESSION:** Saturday after 10:30-11:30am; 6pm and at call. **ROSARY:** 11.30am (Monday—Friday)

### TWENTY-EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME: B 10TH OCTOBER 2021

**Entrance Antiphon** Ps 129: 3-4

If you, O Lord, should mark iniquities,  
Lord, who could stand?  
But with you is found forgiveness,  
O God of Israel.

**HYMN: CHRIST BE BESIDE ME**

Christ beside me, Christ before me,  
Christ behind me, King of my heart;  
Christ within me, Christ below me,  
Christ above me never to part.  
Christ on my right hand, Christ on my left hand,  
Christ all around me shield in the strife;  
Christ in my sleeping, Christ in my sitting,  
Christ in my rising light of my life.

Christ be in all hearts thinking about me,  
Christ be in all tongues telling of me.  
Christ be the vision in eyes that see me,  
in ears that hear me, Christ ever be.

- Traditional Gaelic melody

**Gloria:**

Glory to God in the highest,  
and on earth peace to people of good will.  
We praise you,  
we bless you,  
we adore you,  
we glorify you,  
we give you thanks for your great glory,  
Lord God, heavenly King,  
O God, almighty Father.  
Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son,  
Lord God, Lamb of God,  
Son of the Father,

you take away the sins of the world,  
have mercy on us;  
you take away the sins of the world,  
receive our prayer;  
you are seated at the right hand of  
the Father, have mercy on us.  
For you alone are the Holy One,  
you alone are the Lord,  
you alone are the Most High,  
Jesus Christ,  
with the Holy Spirit,  
in the glory of God the Father.

**Amen.**

**Collect**

May your grace, O Lord, we pray,  
at all times go before us and follow after  
and make us always determined  
to carry out good works

Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

**First reading** Wisdom 7:7-11

I prayed, and understanding was given me;  
I entreated, and the spirit of Wisdom came to me.  
I esteemed her more than sceptres and thrones;  
compared with her, I held riches as nothing.  
I reckoned no priceless stone to be her peer,  
for compared with her, all gold is a pinch of sand,  
and beside her silver ranks as mud.  
I loved her more than health or beauty,

preferred her to the light,  
since her radiance never sleeps.  
In her company all good things came to me,  
at her hands riches not to be numbered.

### **The word of the Lord**

#### **Responsorial Psalm Ps. 89(90):12-17**

**R. Fill us with your love so that we may rejoice.**

Make us know the shortness of our life  
that we may gain wisdom of heart.

Lord, relent! Is your anger for ever?

Show pity to your servants. **R.**

In the morning, fill us with your love;  
we shall exult and rejoice all our days.  
Give us joy to balance our affliction  
for the years when we knew misfortune. **R.**

Show forth your work to your servants;  
let your glory shine on their children.  
Let the favour of the Lord be upon us:  
give success to the work of our hands. **R.**

#### **Second reading Hebrews 4:12-13**

The word of God is something alive and active: it cuts like any double-edged sword but more finely: it can slip through the place where the soul is divided from the spirit, or joints from the marrow; it can judge the secret emotions and thoughts. No created thing can hide from him; everything is uncovered and open to the eyes of the one to whom we must give account of ourselves.

### **The word of the Lord**

#### **Gospel Acclamation Mt 11:25**

**Alleluia, alleluia!**

Blessed are you, Father,  
Lord of heaven and earth,  
for revealing the mysteries of the kingdom  
to mere children.

**Alleluia!**

#### **Gospel Mark 10:17-30**

Jesus was setting out on a journey when a man ran up, knelt before him and put this question to him, 'Good master, what must I do to inherit eternal life?' Jesus said to him, 'Why do you call me good? No one is good but God alone. You know the commandments: You must not kill; You must not commit adultery; You must not steal; You must not bring false witness; You must not defraud; Honour your father and mother.' And he said to him, 'Master, I have kept all these from my earliest days.' Jesus looked steadily at him and loved him, and he said, 'There is one thing you lack. Go and sell everything

you own and give the money to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; then come, follow me.' But his face fell at these words and he went away sad, for he was a man of great wealth.

Jesus looked round and said to his disciples, 'How hard it is for those who have riches to enter the kingdom of God!' The disciples were astounded by these words, but Jesus insisted, 'My children,' he said to them 'how hard it is to enter the kingdom of God! It is easier for a camel to pass through the eye of a needle than for a rich man to enter the kingdom of God.' They were more astonished than ever. 'In that case' they said to one another 'who can be saved?' Jesus gazed at them. 'For men' he said 'it is impossible, but not for God: because everything is possible for God.'

Peter took this up. 'What about us?' he asked him. 'We have left everything and followed you.' Jesus said, 'I tell you solemnly, there is no one who has left house, brothers, sisters, father, children or land for my sake and for the sake of the gospel who will not be repaid a hundred times over, houses, brothers, sisters, mothers, children and land – not without persecutions – now in this present time and, in the world to come, eternal life.'

### **The Gospel of the Lord**

#### **Homily**

#### **The Creed**

I believe in one God,  
the Father Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth,  
of all things visible and invisible.  
I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ,  
the Only-Begotten Son of God,  
born of the Father before all ages.  
God from God, Light from Light,  
true God from true God,  
begotten, not made,  
consubstantial with the Father;  
through him all things were made.  
For us men and for our salvation  
He came down from heaven,  
and by the Holy Spirit  
was incarnate of the Virgin Mary  
and became man.  
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate.  
he suffered death and was buried,  
and rose again on the third day  
in accordance with the Scriptures.  
He ascended into heaven  
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.  
He will come again in glory  
to judge the living and the dead,  
and his kingdom will have no end.  
I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the Lord, the giver of life,

who proceeds from the Father and the Son,  
who with the Father and the Son  
is adored and glorified,  
who has spoken through the prophets.  
I believe in one, holy, Catholic and apostolic Church.  
I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins,  
and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead  
and the life of the world to come.  
Amen.

### **Prayer of the Faithful**

#### **HYMN: IN CHRIST ALONE**

In Christ alone my hope is found  
He is my light, my strength, my song  
This Cornerstone, this solid ground  
Firm through the fiercest drought and storm  
What heights of love, what depths of peace  
When fears are stilled, when strivings cease  
My Comforter, my All in All  
Here in the love of Christ I stand

In Christ alone, who took on flesh  
Fullness of God in helpless Babe  
This gift of love and righteousness  
Scorned by the ones He came to save  
'Til on that cross as Jesus died  
The wrath of God was satisfied  
For every sin on Him was laid  
Here in the death of Christ I live.

There in the ground His body lay  
Light of the world by darkness slain  
Then bursting forth in glorious Day  
Up from the grave He rose again  
And as He stands in victory  
Sin's curse has lost its grip on me  
For I am His and He is mine  
Bought with the precious blood of Christ

No guilt in life, no fear in death  
This is the pow'r of Christ in me  
From life's first cry to final breath  
Jesus commands my destiny  
No power of hell, no scheme of man  
Could ever pluck me from His hand  
till He returns or calls me home  
Here in the power of Christ I'll stand  
*- Stuart Townsend*

#### **Sanctus:**

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of hosts,  
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.  
Hosanna in the highest.  
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.  
Hosanna in the highest.

#### **Agnus Dei:**

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world,  
have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world,  
have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world,  
grant us peace.

#### **Communion Antiphon Cf. Ps 33: 11**

The rich suffer want and go hungry,  
but those who seek the Lord lack no blessing.

#### **HYMN: FOR THE HEALING OF THE NATION**

For the healing of the nations,  
Lord, we pray with one accord,  
for a just and equal sharing  
of the things that earth affords.  
To a life of love in action  
help us rise and pledge our word.

Lead us forward into freedom,  
from despair your world release,  
that, redeemed from war and hatred,  
men may come and go in peace.  
Show us how through care and goodness  
fear will die and hope increase.

All that kills abundant living,  
let it from the earth be banned:  
pride of status, race or schooling,  
dogmas that obscure your plan.  
In our common quest for justice  
may we hallow life's brief span.

You, Creator God, have written  
your great name on all mankind;  
for our growing in your likeness  
bring the life of Christ to mind;  
that by our response and service  
earth its destiny may find.

*- Fred Kaan*

#### **PRAY FOR THE RECENTLY DECEASED:**

Canon Richard Hearn, Marie Josephine Silvia  
Sanassee, Joseph Mensah, Timothy McCarthy,  
Nadia Ghawi, Annunziata Dabrowski, Ellen Haris,  
Maria Rajopoopaphy, John Smith, May they rest  
in peace and rise in glory. Amen.

#### **PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS**

Gracious and loving God, we thank you for the  
gifts of our priests; help them to be strong in their  
vocation and become instruments of your love and  
grace. Send your Holy Spirit to give courage and  
guidance to all those you are calling to the priest-  
hood, diaconate and religious life in our Archdio-  
cese. May those called hear your voice and re-  
spond wholeheartedly to become the person you  
created them to be.

Heavenly Father, form us all in the likeness of your Son, Jesus Christ the Good Shepherd, so that we may love you more deeply and serve you more faithfully. We ask this through Christ, Your son, the Eternal High Priest, **Amen**

### **CLOSING HYMN: FOLLOW ME, FOLLOW ME**

Follow me, follow me, leave your home and family,  
Leave your fishing nets and boats upon the shore.  
Leave the seed that you have sown, leave the crops that  
you have grown, leave the people you have known and  
follow me.

1. The foxes have their holes,  
and the swallows have their nests,  
but the son of man has no place to lay down.  
I do not offer comfort,  
I do not offer wealth,  
but in me will all happiness be found.

2. If you would follow me,  
you must leave old ways behind.  
You must take my cross and follow on my path.  
You may be far from loved ones,  
you may be far from home,  
but my father will welcome you at last.

3. Although I go away  
you will never be alone.  
for the Spirit will be there to comfort you.  
Though all of you may scatter,  
each follow his own path,  
Still the Spirit of love will lead you home  
- Michael Cockett

### **UPCOMING SECOND COLLECTIONS:**

**10th October:** Day for Prisoners & their Families (PACT)

**24th October:** MISSIO

### **FIRST COMMUNION & CONFIRMATION 2022:**

Forms are out for booking a place in the first Communion and Confirmation programme for 2022. Candidates for First Communion must have clocked Seven (7) years of age while those for Confirmation must be 14 years and above. **Fill and return your forms by 30th November.** Meeting with candidates and their parents will be held on 14th & 15th January 2022. Application forms are available online and in the parish office.

### **ALTAR SERVERS' TRAINING SESSION**

Altar Servers are invited to their training session scheduled for Saturday 16th October 2021 at 12noon. All servers are welcome.

### **MAINTENANCE WORKS IN THE PARISH**

Fr Patrick asks for your understanding as we begin some important maintenance work in the parish in the coming days. These works would interfere with human and vehicular movement for some days beginning from next

week. They include maintenance of the forecourt car park coating, the Presbytery and Parish Room porches replacement and cleaning of roof, roof gutters and replacement of some tiles on the roof. We shall place signs to redirect movement around the church premises when it is necessary.

SYNOD 2023

### **COMING PARISH EVENTS:**

#### **APPRECIATING OUR STEWARDS:**

Archbishop John Wilson has awarded a certificate of appreciation to all our parish stewards for their effective support towards re-opening our churches. Certificates will be distributed on Mission Sunday, 24th October at all Masses.

#### **NOVEMBER VISIT TO THE CEMETRY:**

We shall be visiting the two cemeteries within our parish on Saturday 6th of November at 11:00am to pray for and bless the graves of our departed parishioners to obtain plenary indulgence applicable to the holy souls. All are invited.

#### **PARISH MEMORIAL MASS FOR ALL WHO DIED DURING THE PANDEMIC**

will be held on Saturday 13th of November at 11:30am. Submit the name(s) of your relative, friend, sibling or parent you want us to pray for and remember in a special way at that Mass to the parish office between now and 10th of November.

#### **FIRST HOLY COMMUNION DAYS:**

We shall celebrate two First Holy Communion sessions this year on Saturday 20th November and Saturday 4th of December at 3:00pm

**CONFIRMATION:** Bishop Paul Hendricks shall visit our parish on Saturday 27th November to administer the Sacrament of Confirmation on our candidates.



Pope Francis has asked the whole Catholic World worldwide to engage in a process of discernment under the guidance of the Holy Spirit. This process is called a Synod. It involves everyone in the Church—clergy, religious and lay Catholics, each participating according to the gifts and charisms of their vocation. The theme of the synod is: 'For a synodal Church: communion, participation and mission,' and its purpose is to help us grow together and so equip us to call more men and women to enter into life with the Lord Jesus. We shall have to listen as individuals and together to the Holy Spirit as we begin this encounter.