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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)

THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME: B 24TH OCTOBER 2021

Entrance Antiphon Cf. Ps 104: 3-4

Let the hearts that seek the Lord rejoice; turn to the Lord and his strength; constantly seek his face.

HYMN: SEEK YE FIRST

Seek ye first the kingdom of God And His righteousness And all these things shall be added unto you Allelu, alleluia

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia Allelu-alleluia.

Ask and it shall be given unto you Seek and ye shall find Knock and the door shall be opened unto you Allelu, alleluia

- Karen Lafferty

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

Almighty ever-living God, increase our faith, hope and charity, and make us love what you command, so that we may merit what you promise. 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

Jeremiah 31:7-9

The Lord says this:
Shout with joy for Jacob!
Hail the chief of nations!
Proclaim! Praise! Shout:
'The Lord has saved his people, the remnant of Israel!'

See, I will bring them back from the land of the North

and gather them from the far ends of earth; all of them: the blind and the lame, women with child, women in labour: a great company returning here.

They had left in tears, I will comfort them as I lead them back; I will guide them to streams of water, by a smooth path where they will not stumble. For I am a father to Israel, and Ephraim is my first-born son.

The word of the Lord

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 125(126)

What marvels the Lord worked for us! R. Indeed we were glad.

When the Lord delivered Zion from bondage, it seemed like a dream. Then was our mouth filled with laughter,

on our lips there were songs.

The heathens themselves said: 'What marvels the Lord worked for them!' What marvels the Lord worked for us! Indeed we were glad. R.

Deliver us, O Lord, from our bondage as streams in dry land. Those who are sowing in tears will sing when they reap. R.

They go out, they go out, full of tears, carrying seed for the sowing: they come back, they come back, full of song, carrying their sheaves.

Second reading Hebrews 5:1-6

Every high priest has been taken out of mankind and is appointed to act for men in their relations with God, to offer gifts and sacrifices for sins; and so he can sympathise with those who are ignorant or uncertain because he too lives in the limitations of weakness. That is why he has to make sin offerings for himself as well as for the people. No one takes this honour on himself, but each one is called by God, as Aaron was. Nor did Christ give himself the glory of becoming high priest, but he had it from the one who said to him: You are my son, today I have become your father, and in another text: You are a priest of the order of Melchizedek, and for ever.

The word of the Lord

Gospel Acclamation Jn8:12 Alleluia, alleluia!

I am the light of the world, says the Lord; anyone who follows me will have the light of life. Alleluia!

Gospel

Mark 10:46-52

As Jesus left Jericho with his disciples and a large crowd, Bartimaeus (that is, the son of Timaeus), a blind beggar, was sitting at the side of the road. When he heard that it was Jesus of Nazareth, he began to shout and to say, 'Son of David, Jesus, have pity on me.' And many of them scolded him and told him to keep quiet, but he only shouted all the louder, 'Son of David, have pity on me.' Jesus stopped and said, 'Call him here.' So they called the blind man. 'Courage,' they said 'get up; he is calling you.' So throwing off his cloak, he jumped up and went to Jesus. Then Jesus spoke, 'What do you want me to do for you?' 'Rabbuni,' the blind man said to him 'Master, let me see again.' Jesus said to him, 'Go; your faith has saved you.' And immediately his sight returned and he followed him along the road.

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: I WATCH THE SUNRISE

I watch the sunrise lighting the sky, Casting its shadows near. And on this morning bright though it be, I feel those shadows near me.

But you are always close to me Following all my ways. May I be always close to you Following all your ways, Lord.

I watch the sunlight shine through the clouds, Warming the earth below. And at the mid-day, life seems to say: I feel your brightness near me. For you are always...

I watch the sunset fading away, Lighting the clouds with sleep. And as the evening closes its eyes, I feel your presence near me. For you are always...

I watch the moonlight guarding the night, Waiting till morning comes.
The air is silent, earth is at rest
Only your peace is near me.
Yes, you are always...

- John Glynn

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.

HYMN: CHRIST BE OUR LIGHT

Longing for light, we wait in darkness. Longing for truth, we turn to you. Make us your own, your holy people, Light for the world to see.

Christ, be our light! Shine in our hearts. Shine through the darkness. Christ, be our light! Shine in your church gathered today.

Longing for peace, our world is troubled. Longing for hope, many despair. Your word alone has pow'r to save us. Make us your living voice.

Longing for food, many are hungry.
Longing for water, many still thirst.
Make us your bread, broken for others,
Shared until all are fed.

Longing for shelter, many are homeless. Longing for warmth, many are cold. Make us your building, sheltering others, Walls made of living stone.

Many the gifts, many the people, Many the hearts that yearn to belong. Let us be servants to one another, Making your kingdom come.

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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 priesthood, diaconate and religious life in our Archdiocese. May those called hear your voice and respond wholeheartedly to become the person you created them to be.

Heavenly Father, form us all in the like ness 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: OUR GOD REIGNS

How lovely on the mountains are the feet of him who brings good news, good news, announcing peace, proclaiming news of happiness Our God Reigns (6x)

You watchmen, lift your voices joyfully as one, shout for your king, your king!
See eye to eye, the Lord restoring Sion
Our God Reigns (6x)

Waste places of Jerusalem break forth with joy We are redeemed, redeemed! The Lord has saved and comforted his people Our God Reigns (6x)

Ends of the earth, see the salvation of your God Jesus is Lord, is Lord! Before the nations he has bared his holy arm Our God Reigns (6x)

UPCOMING SECOND COLLECTIONS:

24th October: MISSIO

FIRST COMMUNION & CONFIRMATION 2022:

Forms are out for booking a place in the first Communion and Confirmation programme for 2022. 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.

MAINTENANCE WORKS IN THE PARISH

Fr Patrick asks for your understanding as we carry out some important maintenance work in the parish in the coming days. 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.

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 today, Mission Sunday 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.

NOVEMBER DECEASED LIST: In the month of November we remember especially our departed brothers and sisters, friends and relatives. There are Holy souls envelopes at the entrance of the church. Enclose the list of names in an envelope together with your offering and

place in the Holy Souls box. We shall place all the listed names on the Altar and say at least one Mass a day for those souls in the month of November and once a week throughout next year.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION & CONFIRMA-

TION DAYS: Saturday 20th November and Saturday 4th of December at 3:00pm, and Bishop Paul Hendricks shall visit our parish on Saturday 27th November to administer the Sacrament of Confirmation on our candidates.

ALL SOULS DAY MASSES: 8am, 10am, 12:10pm and 6:45pm

PARISH SURGERY DAYS: For signing of school forms, registration for Marriages, enquiry about Baptism, First Communion and Confirmation, visit the parish office on Tuesdays and Fridays between 9am and 12:30pm, and from 2pm to 4:30pm.

SYNOD 2021-2023: 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.

TIMELINE FOR SYNOD MEETINGS IN OUR PARISH:

Saturday **30th October** @5pm: ZOOM Meeting (ID 836 8671 5720) Passcode: Synod

Sunday **31st October** 1: Open House Meeting in the Parish Hall after each Mass. Teas & Coffees will be served.

Monday 1st November 2021: Meeting with Elderly Parishioners in the Hall after 10:00am Mass.

Wednesday 3rd & Thursday 4th November:

Distribution and collection of Questionnaires at the 6:45pm Mass

Friday **12th November** @7:30pm: Meeting with Altar Servers and their Parents in the church. Sunday **14th November** @ 1:30pm: Meeting in the Hall with invited parishioners. Wednesday **17th November** @8pm: ZOOM Meeting (ID 836 8671 5720) Passcode: Synod