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FEAST OF CHRIST THE KING (YEAR C) - 20 NOVEMBER 2022

FIRST READING

2 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 Ps 121:1-5. R. see v.2

(R.) Let us go rejoicing to the house of the Lord.

1. I rejoiced when I heard them say:
'Let us go to God's house.'
And now our feet are standing
within your gates, O Jerusalem. (R.)
2. Jerusalem is built as a city
strongly compact.
It is there that the tribes go up,
the tribes of the Lord. (R.)
3. For Israel's law it is,
there to praise the Lord's name.
There were set the thrones of judgement
of the house of David. (R.)

SECOND READING

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

Mark 11:9. 10

Alleluia, alleluia!

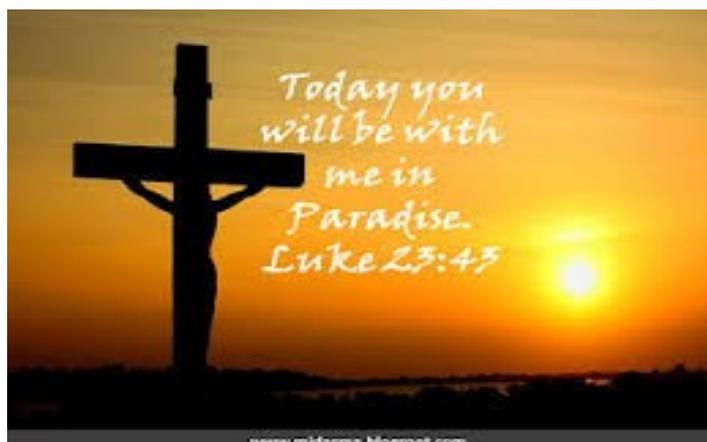
Blessed is he who inherits the kingdom of David our Father; blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Alleluia!

GOSPEL

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.'



Food for thought...Reflection by Sr Dianne Bergant CSA

This feast celebrates the power and authority of Christ by creating a collage of images that capture one or more characteristics of Christ's kingship. Each image reinterprets the concept of king, investing it with new meaning. Gathered together they create a kind of litany that extols the kingship of Christ.

Shepherd and commander call to mind the care and protection that Christ lavishes on those who place themselves under his care. King of Israel is a sign of universal rule. Image of the Invisible God acclaims the divine origin of Christ and of the rule that he exercises over all. First born of all Creation places Christ over the entire created world. Source of all Created Things acknowledges both the sovereignty of Christ and his importance as the model after which all things were fashioned. Head of the Body, the Church underscores the intimacy and interrelationship that exist between Christ and all those who are joined to him through faith and baptism. Firstborn of the Dead not only acclaims Christ's resurrection, but it also guarantees the resurrection of those who will follow him into death. Crucified King is clearly the image that reinterprets all other images.

The entire liturgical year is brought to completion in the last words of the gospel: 'Today you will be with me in Paradise.' These are the words that we all long to hear, words that are empty when coming from one who has no authority, but charged with power when spoken by the one who is king over us all.



REFLECTION by Fr Michael Tate The Power of Remembering

If you memorise a tune or your 'times tables', you are said to 'know it by heart'. The sort of person who will always remember me is someone who 'knows me by heart'.

Here, a tortured criminal starts his plea: 'Jesus . . .'. This is one of only two instances where Jesus is addressed by his name which means 'The Lord saves'. The good thief went on: 'remember me when you come into Your Kingdom'. Jesus 'knows him by heart' and promises that He will re-member him in Paradise.

This is an exercise of sovereignty which befits 'Christ the King'. This is all the Kingly power which you or I will ever need, but to confidently invoke it we need to position ourselves alongside Jesus, like the 'good thief'. We do this by our practical concern for the poor and by coming to Mass which re-members the Body of Christ.

We could pause for a moment to pray: 'Jesus, remember me, know me by heart, for when you do I will be in Paradise.'

A VOCATION VIEW

Who will work for Jesus, the King of Peace, Hope and Honour, the King of Love, Truth and Justice? Who is dedicated and enthusiastic enough to proclaim his Good News? It must be YOU!

POPE FRANCIS' PRAYER INTENTION

FOR NOVEMBER: Children who suffer

We pray for children who are suffering especially those who are homeless, orphans, and victims of war; may they be guaranteed access to education and the opportunity to experience family affection.

YOU ARE ASKED TO PRAY

FOR OUR NEWLY BAPTISED especially **Bailey Holton** (Patrick and Sharlinda) and **Amelia Brazendale** (Savanni and Jamille) who will celebrate the Sacrament of Baptism within our parish this weekend.

FOR THOSE CELEBRATING MILESTONES Congratulations and prayerful best wishes to **Hans and Helen Wanders** who celebrated their **50th Wedding Anniversary** on Friday 18th November.

FOR THOSE WHO ARE SICK: Sr Teresa OCD, Fr Martin Aye Ngwe, Fr Terry Yard, Kath Aldred, Teresa McMahon, Kim Izard, Pauline Heazlewood, Patsy Heath, Alex Thrower, Marie Cousins, Alida Moolenschot, Archivaldo Pechon, Sharon Manzone, Suzy Fenton, Elizabeth Nettlefold, Shirley Ambrose, Qian Zhang-Allchin, Carole Cleary, Bev Callahan, Nanette Gunton, Helen Wright, Alfred Weeding, Maureen Saunders, Mary Morgan, Mary Carter, Scott Bailey, Ralf Roston, Tony Long, Kristel Latham, Joan Keefe, Jennifer Dowell, Andrew Campbell, Bill Lewis, Vincent Burke, Eduardo Bilanes, Brian Hudson, Brian Beardwood, Denise Austin, Jane Gillard, Joel Wilkinson, Jesse Moore, Elaine Blake, John Walsh, Clare Maddox, William Siegrist, Anne Harris, Jane Savaro, Amelia Eckert, Allison Thambugala, Ava Woolley, David Lewis, Christian Barrett, Xavier Banks, George Donovan, Max Jamieson, Jan McClean, John Bennett, and Peter Marshall.

FOR THOSE WHO HAVE DIED: Raiiene Duke and Gianina Battochio who died recently, Ivor Murray, Jacqui Steele, Marita Bardenhagen, Robert Freeman, Gabriella Colpo, Allan Tobin, Steven Mazengarb, Barbara Davern, Ronald Fraser, Ilona Siewruk, all those we remember in our November Book of Remembrance, all victims of the COVID-19 virus and all whose anniversaries occur at this time.

FOR OUR PARISH FAMILY AND THE WIDER COMMUNITY: As the COVID virus continues to affect our lives, we pray in a special way for all those involved in frontline services. We pray for the gift of healing and peace for all who contract the virus, especially for those who are in hospital, and for their families.

Our mission is to love and serve our God, each other and the wider community

PARISH ACTIVITIES, INFORMATION AND NEWS

SOLEMNITY OF CHRIST THE KING – There will be *Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament* following Mass **today** at the Carmelite Monastery, 7 Cambridge St., West Launceston, concluding with Benediction at 3pm. All are welcome to join the Carmelite nuns in prayer to honour Christ the King.

FRIDAY HOLY HOUR Adoration and Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament will take place for one hour every Friday after the 12noon Mass at the Church of the Apostles. Please come and spend time with the Lord and pray for our parish, our diocese, our nation and our world.

ROSARY: is recited each and every Monday at 7:30pm in the comfort of your own home. We pray our Blessed Mother will watch over us all at this time of uncertainty and sadness. Enquiries: Jan (0409 175 940) or Adrian & Liz (0407 074 693)

THE CARMEL SHOP: 7 Cambridge Street, West Launceston is open on Wednesdays between 11.00am - 4.00pm

NOVEMBER MASSES

Names of deceased relatives and friends will be included in the November Book of Remembrance. Envelopes are available in the Church foyers and may be returned on the collection baskets or to the Parish Office.

WEEKEND MASS TIMES

Saturday	6.00pm Vigil	Sacred Heart, Newstead
Sunday	7.30am	Carmel
9.00am	St Finn Barr's, Invermay	
9.00am	St Patrick's Chapel	
10.30am	Apostles	
6.30pm	Apostles (Oct—March)	

WEEKDAY MASSES - 21st—26th November

Monday:	7.30am	Carmel
Tuesday:	7.30am	Carmel
	12noon	Newstead -
Wednesday	7.30am	Carmel
	5.30pm	Apostles
Thursday:	7.30am	Carmel
	12noon	Invermay
Friday :	7.30am	Carmel
	12noon	Apostles
Saturday:	9.00am	Carmel

RECONCILIATION

Saturday:	10.00am - 11.00am	Apostles
	5.15pm - 5.45pm	Newstead

MASS LIVE-STREAMED

Each and every Sunday at 9am



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if you don't have a Facebook account go to:

[https://www.facebook.com/pg/
CatholicParishLaunceston/videos/](https://www.facebook.com/pg/CatholicParishLaunceston/videos/)

Sunday Mass is also televised every Sunday Morning on WIN and WIN HD, 6.00am - 6.30am.

LAUDATO SI' GOALS

All interested parishioners are invited to a session on understanding the *Laudato Si'* goals, **Sunday 27 November 2022, 2:00 – 4:00pm at the Pastoral Centre (upstairs).**



COLUMBAN
ART CALENDAR



COLUMBAN CALENDARS 2023

This iconic Calendar has become a feature in homes of generations of Australians and New Zealanders and is a major fundraiser for the St Columban Mission Society.

On sale now in the church foyers or the Parish Office at \$9.00 each.

LAUNCESTON PARISH YOUTH GROUP



For young people from grades 5 to 12
Music, Sport, Adventures, Social Work,
Faith

**Regular Meeting 1st & 3rd Thursdays,
6.00pm - 7.30pm**

St Ailbe's Hall, Margaret Street

Next Meeting: Thursday 1st December

Enquires please contact Fr Chatty 0469 661 578



PRAYER FOR SPIRITUAL COMMUNION



*My Jesus,
I believe that You
are present in the Most Holy Sacrament.
I love You above all things,
and I desire to receive You into my soul.
Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally,
come at least spiritually into my heart.
I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You.*



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Children's Corner

Place a cross † next to the words that best describe Christ the King

POWERFUL

UNJUST

SELFISH

COMPASSIONATE

MERCIFUL

GREEDY

LOVING

DISRESPECTFUL

PROTECTING

FORGIVING



GOSPELS FOR THE COMING WEEK:

Monday 21st:	Luke 22:1-4
Tuesday 22nd:	Luke 21:5-11
Wednesday 23rd:	Luke 21:12-19
Thursday 24th:	Luke 21:20-28
Friday 25th:	Luke 21:29-33
Saturday 26th:	Luke 21:34-36

NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS: FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Isiah 2:1-5
Psalms 121:1-2,4-5,6-9
Romans 13:11-14
Matthew 24:37-44



Ponder and pray the living Word of God

WAY TO ST JAMES CYGNET PILGRIMAGE

14th - 15th January 2023

After a two-year absence due to COVID, our **Way to St James Cygnet Pilgrimage** is happening again on the 14th - 15th January 2023.

This two day Tassie Camino is a great opportunity to begin your new year right walking in peace and solidarity through the beautiful Huon Valley with other pilgrims from Tasmania and across Australia. We walk from Mountain River on day one, and Ranelagh on day two, finishing the pilgrimage with a procession to the Church of St James in Cygnet, in the midst of the Cygnet Folk Festival.

Early bird registrations close 26 November at this link: <https://www.waytostjames.com.au/register>

You can find out more about this pilgrimage at the website <https://www.waytostjames.com.au/>

Or you can follow the Facebook page: <https://www.facebook.com/waytostjamescygnet>

