

### **Sacred Heart Parish Prayer**

***Lord, may we the parishioners of Sacred Heart strive to be people of the gospel and prayer. Imprint in our hearts a deep desire for your Word and a love of the Eucharist. Motivate us to be an engaging, welcoming, and supportive community. Help us to be a people of compassion and justice for all.***

#### **MASS TIMES**

**Weekdays** 9:15am Tues -Sat

#### **Weekend Mass Times**

6pm Saturday Vigil

9.30am Sunday

#### **Confessions**

Saturday mornings 8:45am  
and 9:45am (after Mass)

Or upon request

#### **Adoration:**

9:45am-10:45am Fri & Sat  
(church open 8:15-11:30am)

#### **Baptisms**

Last Sunday of the month.  
Please contact our office

#### **First Sacraments**

Please contact the parish  
office or see our website  
<https://shkew.org.au>

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#### **NOTICES**

**ROSARY GROUP:** A warm welcome to everyone after Mass on Friday mornings to pray the Rosary. In the words of the hymn to Our Lady of Fatima, "We come on bended knee, to beg your intercession for peace and harmony."

**Christmas Mass times:** 5:30pm Christmas Eve Family Mass, 8pm Christmas Eve, and 9:30am Christmas Day.

**Wednesday morning Mass** is now back to 9:15am.

**The November Memorial Mass for deceased** loved ones and friends has been moved to **Saturday November 23 the 9:15am.**

**New Hot Water System.** We're asking for donations for a new hot water system for our Sunday morning teas. Huge thanks to those who've contributed! Just 1K now needed.

**Thank you to Fr Steven Tynan MGL** for offering the Mass on Saturday 6pm. He's a Priest in the Missionaries of God's love based at St Benedict's Burwood.

**Morning Tea After Sunday Mass 24 Nov** – Please don't forget to stay after Sunday Mass next week and say hello to some old friends, make some new ones and have a cuppa. Please also bring a plate if you can 😊

St Francis of Assisi said that people "lose all the material things they leave behind them in this world, but they carry with them the reward of their charity and the alms they give. For these they will receive from the Lord the reward and recompense they deserve."

**1st Collection**— For the running of and upkeep of our parish.  
BSB: 083 347 Account #: 682 606 383

Reference: Full name

**2nd Collection**— For Fr Trevor & Priests of the Archdiocese  
BSB: 083 347 Account #: 663 832 561 Reference: Full name

We extend our heartfelt thanks for your generous contributions to our parish. Donations last week totalled **\$3,304.63**. Almost meeting our running costs of about 4K per week! Thank you for helping us keep this beautiful church and parish up and running.

# Sacred Heart Catholic Parish, Kew

33<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Ordinary Time, 17<sup>th</sup> of November 2024



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**Entrance Antiphon:** The Lord said: I think thoughts of peace and not of affliction.  
You will call upon me, and I will answer you, and I will lead back your captives from every place.  
**Communion Antiphon:** To be near God is my happiness,  
to place my hope in God the Lord.

## From Fr Trevor

An important part of the dedication of an altar is depositing relics of Saints inside. As of Friday night, we are now blessed to have relics of St Francis Xavier himself in Sacred Heart Altar. Even though this tradition can seem strange, the heroic sacrifice of the Saints, I'm sure they would tell you, has its source in the perfect sacrifice of our Lord. We participate in this same sacrifice in every Catholic Mass offered on the altar. While studying at the University of Paris in 1530 the Spaniard St Francis Xavier was befriended by St Ignatius of Loyola. Despite the latter's encouraging him to become a priest, he in fact went on to teach philosophy at the esteemed French institution where Aquinas had taught three centuries earlier.

Four years into his teaching career he & some companions yearned to live for God more wholeheartedly. They made vows to God of poverty, chastity and obedience and began studying theology. Soon Francis became one of Ignatius' first brother priests in the newly formed Society of Jesus. At 35 he was sent as a missionary to India. Francis was embarrassed by the immoral behaviour of the Portuguese there who were Catholic but weren't living good lives. He had more success, however, teaching the faith to the people of India on the Pearl Fishery Coast. He oversaw the building of 40 churches. He would later spend time introducing people to God in the Maluku islands as well as in Japan. He was on an official mission to petition China to free certain Portuguese prisoners when he fell ill and died of a fever.

Perhaps the greatest missionary since St Paul, Francis Xavier was canonized in the same holy Mass as his friend St Ignatius. His feast day is coming up on December 3. He is the Patron Saint of missionaries, Goa, India, & China. St Francis reminds us, among other things, that our mission is not just philanthropic, but also deeply spiritual. St Francis' heart burned with the desire for "all to be saved and come to knowledge of the truth" (1 Tim 2:4).



## **Liturgy of the Word**

### **First reading**

**Daniel 12:1-3**

'At that time Michael will stand up, the great prince who mounts guard over your people. There is going to be a time of great distress, unparalleled since nations first came into existence. When that time comes, your own people will be spared, all those whose names are found written in the Book. Of those who lie sleeping in the dust of the earth many will awake, some to everlasting life, some to shame and everlasting disgrace. The learned will shine as brightly as the vault of heaven, and those who have instructed many in virtue, as bright as stars for all eternity.'

### **Responsorial Psalm**

**Psalm 15(16):5,8-11**

**R.** Keep me safe, O God; you are my hope.

O Lord, it is you who are my portion and cup;  
it is you yourself who are my prize.

I keep the Lord ever in my sight:

since he is at my right hand, I shall stand firm. **R.**

And so my heart rejoices, my soul is glad;  
even my body shall rest in safety.

For you will not leave my soul among the dead,  
nor let your beloved know decay. **R.**

You will show me the path of life,  
the fullness of joy in your presence,  
at your right hand happiness for ever. **R.**

### **Second reading**

**Hebrews 10:11-14,18**

All the priests stand at their duties every day, offering over and over again the same sacrifices which are quite incapable of taking sins away. He, on the other hand, has offered one single sacrifice for sins, and then taken his place forever, at the right hand of God, where he is now waiting until his enemies are made into a footstool for him. By virtue of that one single offering, he has achieved the eternal perfection of all whom he is sanctifying. When all sins have been forgiven, there can be no more sin offerings.

### **Gospel Acclamation**

**Luke 21:36**

Alleluia, alleluia!

Be watchful, pray constantly,

that you may be worthy to stand before the Son of Man.

Alleluia!

Jesus said to his disciples: 'In those days, after the time of distress, the sun will be darkened, the moon will lose its brightness, the stars will come falling from heaven and the powers in the heavens will be shaken. And then they will see the Son of Man coming in the clouds with great power and glory; then too he will send the angels to gather his chosen from the four winds, from the ends of the world to the ends of heaven.

'Take the fig tree as a parable: as soon as its twigs grow supple and its leaves come out, you know that summer is near. So with you when you see these things happening: know that he is near, at the very gates. I tell you solemnly, before this generation has passed away all these things will have taken place. Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away.

'But as for that day or hour, nobody knows it, neither the angels of heaven, nor the Son; no one but the Father.'

### Christmas End of Year Parish Dinner

Please put 7pm Saturday December 14 in your calendars for an end of year social & dinner with live band. We've decided to make it BYO plate to share (e.g. main or salad etc). Tickets are just \$20. Please put your name down on the clip boards at the entrance so we can be in touch.

### 2 New Auxiliary Bishops Appointed

Pope Francis has appointed two new Auxiliary Bishops for Melbourne— Rev Fr Rene Ramirez RCJ (Filipino) and Rev Fr Thinh Nguyen (Vietnamese). Welcoming the news, Archbishop Peter A Comensoli said, "I am deeply grateful to the Holy Father for this gift and blessing to our Archdiocese."

### Baptisms in November

Charlie Stoppa Centofanti  
Francis Joseph Dias Ficarra  
Levi Tavella  
Charles Jack Crawford  
The Parish Welcomes them  
with open arms!



### Please Remember in Prayer

**Unwell:** Denise de Gruchy, Matthew Mathai

**Recently Deceased:** Mrs Natty Desouza  
**Anniversaries:** Michael Walsh

### Mass Intentions:

19<sup>th</sup> Holy Souls

20<sup>th</sup> Holy Souls

21<sup>st</sup> Holy Souls

22<sup>nd</sup> Holy Souls

23<sup>rd</sup> Holy Souls

6pm Vigil: All parishioners

24<sup>th</sup> Holy Souls

### Upcoming Feasts & Solemnities:

18<sup>th</sup> (Mon) Basilicas of Sts Peter & Paul

21<sup>st</sup> (Thurs) Presentation BVM

22<sup>nd</sup> (Fri) St Cecilia

23<sup>rd</sup> (Sat) St Clement I (Pope)

### Prayer to St. Michael the Archangel

*Saint Michael, the Archangel, defend us in the day of battle. Be our safeguard against the wickedness and snares of the devil. May God rebuke him, we humbly pray; and do thou, O Prince of the heavenly host, by the power of God cast into hell Satan and all the evil spirits who wander through the world seeking the ruin of souls. Amen.*