# 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**

Saturdays 9:45am
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# Adoration:

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# **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

# PLEASE TAKE THIS BULLETIN HOME WITH YOU



# Make an online donation

Parish music licence no. A-739406

Kids Corner Answer

**A:** Pew better hurry up, pew don't wanna be late for Mass!

### **NOTICES**

**Rosary Group:** A warm welcome to everyone after Mass on Friday mornings to pray the Rosary.



We are seeking some flowers please. If you have flowers at home that you would like to donate to make our church look even more spectacular, please contact the parish. Thank you for your help.





We are seeking

# **Children's Liturgy Volunteers**

for the 930am Sunday Mass. It runs during the school term each volunteer does about 2 sessions a school term. Please contact the Parish if you are interested.

"It is better to give alms than to store up gold. For almsgiving saves from death and purges away every sin. Those who regularly give alms will enjoy a full life ..." Tobit 12:8b-9

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 Kong & Priests of the Archdiocese
BSB: 083 347 Account #: 663 832 561 Reference: Full name

A big thanks for your generous contributions to our parish. Donations last week totalled **\$2,736.04**, which is a little more than half 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

Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C, 16th of February 2025



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**Entrance Antiphon:** Be my protector, O God, a mighty stronghold to save me. For you are my rock, my stronghold! Lead me, guide me, for the sake of your name.

**Communion Antiphon:** They ate and had their fill, and what they craved the Lord gave them; they were not disappointed in what they craved.

The readings for the 6th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C focus on themes of trust, resurrection, and true happiness. Jeremiah, Paul, and Jesus each offer insights into how we should live our lives in faith. These reflections explore what it means to trust in God, the hope found in Jesus' resurrection, and the blessings and woes of our earthly lives.

Jeremiah, in the reading for the 6th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C, warns us against trusting in human strength. He compares those who trust in humans to a shrub in the desert, dry and struggling to survive. This shows that relying on ourselves or others can leave us feeling empty and lost.

Instead, Jeremiah calls us to trust in God. Those who trust in God are like a tree planted by water, always green and fruitful. This image helps us understand that God's support brings life and strength.

Trusting in God means turning to Him in all situations. It means praying and seeking His guidance. The 6th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C reminds us that true happiness comes from relying on God, not on our own abilities.

In 1 Corinthians, Paul talks about the resurrection of Jesus. He explains that our faith is built on the truth that Jesus rose from the dead. Without the resurrection, our faith is useless, and we have no hope.

Paul's message in the 6th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C shows us that the resurrection is central to our faith. It gives us hope for eternal life with Jesus. This hope helps us face difficulties and challenges with confidence.

Believing in the resurrection means trusting that Jesus conquered death. It means having faith that we too will have eternal life. The 6th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C teaches us to hold on to this hope and live with joy, knowing that Jesus is alive.

The readings for the 6th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C talk about blessings and woes. Jeremiah speaks about blessings for those who trust in God and curses for those who trust in humans. These verses remind us to seek blessings through faith in God.

Jesus, in the Gospel, talks about the blessings of the poor and hungry. He contrasts their future joy with the sorrow of the rich and satisfied. Jesus warns those who are comfortable now that their happiness is temporary.

This message teaches us to look for true happiness in God. It reminds us that worldly comforts are not lasting. The 6th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C encourages us to trust in God and seek His blessings, knowing that He cares for those in need.

Source - https://young-catholics.com/3489/6th-sunday-in-ordinary-time-year-c/

# Liturgy of the Word

First reading Jeremiah 17: 5-8

The Lord says this: 'A curse on the man who puts his trust in man, who relies on things of flesh, whose heart turns from the Lord. He is like dry scrub in the wastelands: if good comes, he has no eyes for it, he settles in the parched places of the wilderness, a salt land, uninhabited. 'A blessing on the man who puts his trust in the Lord, with the Lord for his hope. He is like a tree by the waterside that thrusts its roots to the stream: when the heat comes it feels no alarm, its foliage stays green; it has no worries in a year of drought, and never ceases to bear fruit.'

Responsorial Psalm Psalm 1: 1-4

**R.** Happy are they who hope in the Lord.

Happy indeed is the man who follows not the counsel of the wicked; nor lingers in the way of sinners nor sits in the company of scorners, but whose delight is the law of the Lord and who ponders his law day and night. **R.** 

He is like a tree that is planted beside the flowing waters, that yields its fruit in due season and whose leaves shall never fade; and all that he does shall prosper. **R.** 

Not so are the wicked, not so!
For they like winnowed chaff
shall be driven away by the wind.
For the Lord guards the way of the just
but the way of the wicked leads to doom. R.

Second reading Corinthians 15: 12, 16-20

If Christ raised from the dead is what has been preached, how can some of you be saying that there is no resurrection of the dead? For if the dead are not raised, Christ has not been raised, and if Christ has not been raised, you are still in your sins. And what is more serious, all who have died in Christ have perished. If our hope in Christ has been for this life only, we are the most unfortunate of all people.

But Christ has in fact been raised from the dead, the first-fruits of all who have fallen asleep.

# **Gospel Acclamation**

Alleluia, alleluia! Rejoice and be glad: your reward will be great in heaven. Alleluia! Gospel Luke 6: 17, 20-26

Jesus came down with the Twelve and stopped at a piece of level ground where there was a large gathering of his disciples with a great crowd of people from all parts of Judaea and from Jerusalem and from the coastal region of Tyre and Sidon. Then fixing his eyes on his disciples he said:

'How happy are you who are poor: yours is the kingdom of God.

Happy you who are hungry now: you shall be satisfied.

Happy you who weep now: you shall laugh.

Happy are you when people hate you, drive you out, abuse you, denounce your name as criminal, on account of the Son of Man. Rejoice when that day comes and dance for joy, for then your reward will be great in heaven. This was the way their ancestors treated the prophets.

'But alas for you who are rich: you are having your consolation now.

Alas for you who have your fill now: you shall go hungry.

Alas for you who laugh now: you shall mourn and weep.

'Alas for you when the world speaks well of you! This was the way their ancestors treated the false prophets.'

# COME JOIN OUR CHOIR! ALL AGES AND ALL VOICES ARE WELCOME

COME SING WITH US AT SUNDAY
MORNING MASS AND HAVE A
FANTASTIC TIME WITH THIS
FRIENDLY BUNCH. SEE ALAN AFTER
SUNDAY MASS OR CONTACT HIM
ON 0400210852 IF INTRESTED.

# **Please Remember in Prayer**

Unwell: Alida Cairo, Sam Siragusa, Denise de

Gruchy, Elizabeth Rossiter

**Recently Deceased:** Philip Brady, Julia Chamberlin, Margaret Hogan

Anniversaries: Teresa Martina Duffy, lan

Rossiter

# **Mass Intentions:**

If you would like to offer Mass for anyone, please let us know in advance.

# **Upcoming Feasts & Solemnities:**

17<sup>th</sup>(Mon) Seven Holy Founders of the Servite Order

21st (Fri) St Peter Damian

22<sup>nd</sup> (Sat) The Chair of St Peter

Kids Corner: Knock, knock. (Who's there?)

Pew. (Pew who?)

# On Behalf of Sacred Heart Parish and the Sacred Heart Community, we would like to

# WELCOME FR MICHAEL KONG!

We Are Truly Blessed.

# 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.