



St Thomas the Apostle Parish Camp Hill



No. 46

Feast of Christ the King

22 November 2020



This week we celebrate the Feast of Christ the King, which marks the end of our current Liturgical Year and honours Jesus as the King of all creation.

The Feast of Christ the King is a relatively new celebration in the Church, established by Pope Pius XI in 1925 in response to rising secularism, and at a time when respect for Christ and the Church was fading.

In his Encyclical Letter, *Quas Primas*, he wrote, "...it is necessary that the kingship of our Saviour be as widely as possible recognized and understood, and to that end nothing would serve better than the institution of a special feast in honour of the Kingship of Christ." (*Quas Primas*, paragraph 21)

The Liturgical colour for the Feast of Christ the King is white or gold, symbolising purity, light and joy which results from faith.

The "Power" of Jesus Christ from Pope Benedict XVI

But in what does this "power" of Jesus Christ the King consist? It ...is the divine power to give eternal life, to liberate from evil, to defeat the dominion of death. It is the power of Love that can draw good from evil, that can melt a hardened heart, bring peace amid the harshest conflict and kindle hope in the thickest darkness. This Kingdom of Grace is never imposed and always respects our freedom. . . . Every conscience, therefore, must make a choice. Who do I want to follow? God or the Evil One? The truth or falsehood? Choosing Christ does not guarantee success according to the world's criteria but assures the peace and joy that he alone can give us ."



St Thomas the Apostle Christmas Mass Times

Christmas Eve - Thursday 24th December

5.30pm - Christmas Family Mass

7.30pm - Christmas Vigil Mass

11.30pm - Midnight Mass

Christmas Day - Friday 25th December

8.30am - Christmas Morning Mass

As numbers are limited, we ask you to register
for Mass via the Eventbrite link below

(or contact the Parish Office):

<https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/2020-christmas-masses-tickets-12925837427>

We look forward to seeing you there!



Changes to Weekday Mass times

- * From Monday 23rd November, Mass on Monday and Tuesday morning will move to 7am from the previous time of 6.30am.
- * Mass on Thursday 26th July will be celebrated at 10.30am instead of the usual 9am for the Care & Concern Healing Mass and Morning Tea.

JOIN US FOR A NIGHT OF CAROLING!

5:30pm Friday, December 18th 2020

Laugh, Sing, Ring Bells and celebrate Christmas on the lawn
at St Thomas' Parish.

Carol singing will be recorded to spread the message of Peace, Joy and Hope
to Parish/School Community (optional)

Practice sessions – Friday 4th Dec and 11th Dec at 5:30pm at St Thomas' Parish Hall

Don't miss this memorable family event!

Come in Christmas bling!

RSVP 11th December to Tammie Davis 0404 883 499 (COVID safe plan in place)



St Vincent de Paul - Christmas Appeal

Dear Parishioners, St Thomas St Vincent de Paul Conference is very grateful for the food donations you have generously contributed over the past few weeks. We are now collecting for our **Annual Christmas Appeal** with a number of options for contributing.

Ideally we would love to receive **single store gift vouchers** from Coles, Woolworths, Aldi, Kmart, or Best & Less. If you can't find any single store cards, group gift cards from Coles/Myer or Woolworths can still be used with discernment. These can be placed in the labelled box at the church exit door.

Alternatively a monetary donation is most welcome. This can be by **direct transfer** to our bank account: BSB: 064786 Acc no: 100026595. If you donate this way and would like a receipt, please email the parish office with name, address and amount given.

If you prefer to donate **cash or cheque**, then please place in an envelope clearly marked with SVDP Christmas Appeal, your name and address, and place in the marked box. Unfortunately a tax receipt can't be given for voucher donations.

We are very appreciative of any donations and grateful for your ongoing support of our work. **THANK YOU!**

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QR CODE AT MASS

This weekend you will notice a QR Code at the entrance to Mass.

Scan the code with your phone camera and you will be taken to a website to enter your details. When you leave Mass, just press the Check Out button. Once you have entered your details they should automatically appear when you next scan the QR Code.

The usual paper sign on sheets will also be available.

Feast of Christ the King

1st reading: Ezekiel 34:11-12

You, my flock, I judge between sheep and sheep

2nd Reading: 1 Corinthians 15:20-26, 28

He will hand over the kingdom to God the Father, so that God may be all in all.

Gospel: Matthew 25:31-46 *He will take his seat on his throne of glory, and he will separate men one from another.*

We remember in our prayers

The sick: Joan Scott, Humberto Villalta, Nes Mustafa, Joan Burlew, Betty Smith, Jolanda Villalta, Dan Bishop, Shirley Murphy, Olive Kiely, Sue Douglas, Tom Grant, Lauren Balcombe, Fr Ted Houlihan, Lola Radford, Sonia Mendez, Fr Ron Mollison, Cletus Obi, Mark, Marjorie Cusack, Joe Sherlock, Sue Lamb, Teresa Pokoj, Peter Owen, Jacob Mu

Recently Deceased: Maureen Twomey

Those whose anniversaries occur at this time: Harold Homann, Margaret McCann, Helen Malcolm, Leonardo Mariano, Leonard Smith, Mary McMahon, Arthur (Jim) Poole, Leo Shipperley, Cliff Dennis, Marie Holdsworth, Harold Gilder, Margaret Kilmartin, Joyce Ireland, Patricia Hodges, Anna Graham, Patricia Peake, Norman Corrie, Reg Gamble, Shelia O'Donoghue, Brieon Down, William Bozier, Moira Murphy, Rose Knauth, Genevieve Phelan, Grace Spann, Stephen Lam, Robert Rafter, Luigi Marinucci, John Fry, Janina Pokoj, Eugene Vidulich, Elva Hargraves, Celie Cosgrove & Basil Nolan

