

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: Ps 92:1-2. 5

RESPONSE: The Lord is king;
he is robed in majesty.

Truly your decrees are to be trusted.
Holiness is fitting to your house,
O Lord, until the end of time.

Response.

SECOND READING: Apoc 1:5-8

A reading from the book of the Apocalypse
The ruler of the kings of the earth ... made us a line of kings, priests to serve his God.

Jesus Christ is the faithful witness, the First-born from the dead, the Ruler of the kings of the earth. He loves us and has washed away our sins with his blood, and made us a line of kings, priests to serve his God and Father; to him, then, be glory and power for ever and ever. Amen. It is he who is coming on the clouds; everyone will see him, even those who pierced him, and all the races of the earth will mourn over him. This is the truth. Amen. 'I am the Alpha and the Omega' says the Lord God, who is, who was, and who is to come, the Almighty.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

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: John 18:33-37

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John
You say that I am a king.

'Are you the king of the Jews?' Pilate asked. Jesus replied, 'Do you ask this of your own accord, or have others spoken to you about me?' Pilate answered, 'Am I a Jew? It is your own people and the chief priests who have handed you over to me: what have you done?' Jesus replied, 'Mine is not a kingdom of this world; if my kingdom were of this world, my men would have fought to prevent my being surrendered to the Jews. But my kingdom is not of this kind.' 'So you are a king then?' said Pilate. 'It is you who say it' answered Jesus. 'Yes, I am a king. I was born for this, I came into the world for this: to bear witness to the truth; and all who are on the side of truth listen to my voice.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.



COMMUNION ANTIPHON:

The Lord sits as King for ever. The Lord will bless his people with peace.

READINGS FOR NEXT WEEK:

Jer 33: 14 - 16; 1 Thess 3: 12 - 4:2;

Lk 21 : 25 - 28, 34 - 36.

A message from the Archdiocese of Sydney.

Abuse is a crime. The appropriate people to deal with a crime are the police. If you – or anyone you know – have been abused, please contact the police. Alternatively, you can contact the Safeguarding & Ministerial Integrity Office at safeguardingenquiries@sydneycatholic.org or by calling (02) 9390 5810.

Mobile phones at Mass.

To maintain a spirit of reverence and solemnity, please turn off and refrain from using all mobile telephones and other electronic devices during Mass.



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MASS TIMES:

SATURDAY VIGIL:	6:00 pm.
SUNDAY:	8:00 am and 10am
MONDAY:	No Mass.
TUESDAY through to SATURDAY:	9.00 am Mass.
FRIDAY:	9.00 am Mass. Exposition & Benediction every Friday after Mass.
RECONCILIATION:	Saturday 5pm – 5.45pm or by appointment.
Baptism:	Every Sunday at 11.30am. Please contact Parish Office.
Marriage:	By appointment.
Anointing of the sick:	Please give names to Father Roberto Castillo.

OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE (Year B) 20th / 21st November 2021

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON:

How worthy is the Lamb who was slain, to receive power and divinity, and wisdom and strength and honour. To him belong glory and power for ever and ever.



FIRST READING: Daniel 7:13-14

A reading from the prophet Daniel
His sovereignty is eternal.

I gazed into the visions of the night.
And I saw, coming on the clouds of heaven,
one like a son of man.
He came to the one of great age
and was led into his presence.
On him was conferred sovereignty, glory and kingship,
and men of all peoples, nations and languages
became his servants.
His sovereignty is an eternal sovereignty
which shall never pass away,
nor will his empire be destroyed.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

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The Lord is king, with majesty enrobed;
the Lord has robed himself with might,
he has girded himself with power. **Response.**

The world you made firm, not to be moved;
your throne has stood firm from of old.
From all eternity, O Lord, you are. **Response.**

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PARISH NEWS & NOTICES:

Request for Mass and Prayers.

We pray for those who have recently died and all the deceased especially Pasquale Csida, Adel Maroon-Moriarty and Nurdin Widjaja. Also pray for those who celebrate anniversaries at this time especially Amaluddin Widjaja and for all those we will pray for in this month of November.



Auxiliary Bishop's visitation.

This week we will welcome Bishop Terry Brady to our parish. He will visit us on Thursday 25th and spend the day in our parish, visiting the school and meeting some parishioners among other things. On the weekend of the 27th and 28th he will return and celebrate all the Parish Masses. This is a special way that bishops maintain personal contact with the parish priests and with other members of the people of God. It is also an opportunity for the parish community to share its life and activities and reflect upon our lives. It is a time to share with the bishop what our community is doing. He will want to meet many of you informally after the Masses. He will use this opportunity to encourage the community to continue to work in God's mission and to affirm the good in St Therese.



Good News restrictions.

Our church maximum has been updated to 140 parishioners per Mass. But please note that it is still necessary to wear a face mask, keep your social distance, check in with QR codes and if you are unwell do not come to Mass.



Catholic Mission.

Many thanks to all those who donated to Catholic Mission last weekend. If you missed the opportunity then please use the envelopes from the front of the Church. The money from this appeal will be used to help the Good Shepherd Sisters in Bangkok, Thailand with their essential work as they reach out to vulnerable mothers and their babies, and children from disadvantaged backgrounds.



Archbishop Fisher urges Catholics to act on euthanasia.

Archbishop Anthony Fisher has called on Catholics to voice their concerns about proposed euthanasia laws directly to MPs undertaking an inquiry into the matter. The NSW Legislative Council's Standing Committee on Law and Justice is undertaking an inquiry into the provisions of the *Voluntary Assisted Dying Bill 2021* with debate commencing on the bill on 12 November.

Archbishop Fisher has condemned the proposed legislation as a sad move towards state sanctioned killing and a terrible attack on the sanctity of life in our state.

You will find more information on the bill and the Terms of Reference for the inquiry on the parliamentary website <https://www.parliament.nsw.gov.au/committees/inquiries/Pages/inquiry-details.aspx?pk=2838> NSW residents concerned about the bill are invited to participate in an online questionnaire which you'll find <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/XRQNHFZ>

The online questionnaire closes on **22nd November 2021.**



Lights of Christmas 2021, St Mary's Cathedral forecourt, 9th till 25th December.

Join in Sydney's favourite free Christmas tradition, uniting families, locals and tourists with a display of digital storytelling projected onto St Mary's Cathedral Square, College Street, Sydney.

8.30pm -11pm light show. Choirs form 7.30pm
Accessible entry via Cathedral Street (Cook & Phillip Park)
Find out more: <https://lightsofchristmas.com.au/>



Confirmation.

The Sacrament of Confirmation with the 34 candidates and 3 blessings will be celebrated here NEXT weekend with Bishop Terry Brady:



- Saturday the 27th November at 4pm and
- Sunday the 28th November at 2.30pm

Advent-Christmas Giving Tree.

Our Giving Tree is a little different this year as St Vincent De Paul would prefer no actual gifts as they are worried about Covid19 safety for their volunteering staff and currently they are overloaded in the shops with their usual second hand donations. Instead, we will collect cash donations, which we in turn will forward to SVdePaul in the form of gift cards.



We will collect your donations on the 1st and 2nd Sunday of Advent.

Advent / Christmas Reconciliations available in our local area:

- St Charles Borromeo, Ryde on Thursday the 16th December at 7.30pm
- Holy Spirit, North Ryde on Tuesday the 21st December at 6pm.

November Masses.

We continue to pray for our faithful departed whom we remember each year and print their names in our bulletin.



Rosters.

As things are getting better every day here in NSW from the beginning of Advent we will resume our rosters. If you are unable to return please advise us ASAP via email; this will include Acolytes, Readers, Wardens, Offertory families, Projection, Altar Servers, Welcomers, Counting Groups, Florists and Altar Linen helpers. There will be no rostered Eucharistic Ministers of Communion.



The Catholic Weekly is on sale for \$2.

In this week's edition:

- Stephanie's story: One woman's experience of euthanasia's brutal reality
- Bishop's a hit: Robert Barron talks evangelisation with Aussie Catholics
- Beauty's back: Rosebery parish creates

NOVEMBER MASS INTENTIONS SAINT THERESE – DENISTONE – 2021



58. Monsignor Joseph Cassar; Reve Fathers: Roberto Cassar, Fr Lubelius Cassar, Fr Camapgn. Dario Rumiz, Joseph and Mary Cassar & family, Francis & Eva Calveo & Family.
59. Vincenzo Mazzaferro, M. Rosa, Pietro, Giuseppe, Valenti & famiglia
60. Salvatore Mule & Famili. Federio, e Giuseppina Americano, Papandrea Concetta, Vincenzo e Salvatore, Americano, Pasquale, & Giuseppina Galluzzo, Rosario, e Giovnnime Bonammo al famiglia, Mule, Sabbina, Giovanni, Assunta & Paolo
61. For all the faithful departed
62. Lena Cariaco, Tuny Ucuci, Damian Vinci, Micle Comtsudo, Nexco Montevacii, Bert Newton
63. Ron Taffa, Cherie Shear. And Malouf, Sayegh, Taffa & Bacash families
64. Eternal rest of Doreen Furlong
65. Adel Maroon-Moriarty
66. Braidwood and White families may they rest in peace.

CHRISTMAS MASS TIMES

**Christmas Eve - Friday 24th Dec Vigil:
5.30pm & 8pm**

**Christmas Day – Saturday 25th Dec:
8am & 10am**

**Sunday Masses 26th Dec:
8am & 10am**

St Therese Reconciliation times are:

St Therese, Denistone on Tuesday 21st December through to Thursday th 23rd December at 9.30am.



Christmas Rosters.

Our rosters sheet will be available next weekend.