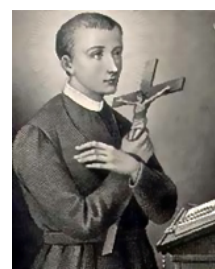


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Welcome to St. Gerard's parish, where we foster the wellbeing and safety of all children and adults at risk. Since we take the safety of our young and vulnerable parishioners seriously, we have a zero tolerance policy when it comes to abuse. All parishioners have the right to feel safe and welcome. If you have any concerns, visit <https://www.stgerards.org.au/child-safety-professional-standards/> or see the Safeguarding Officer.
"Child Safety is Everyone's Responsibility"

33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time - Readings for Mass (Year A) November 18/19, 2023

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.

First Reading - Proverbs 31:10-13, 19-20, 30-31

A perfect wife – who can find her? She is far beyond the price of pearls. Her husband's heart has confidence in her, from her he will derive no little profit. Advantage and not hurt she brings him all the days of her life. She is always busy with wool and with flax, she does her work with eager hands. She sets her hands to the distaff, her fingers grasp the spindle. She holds out her hand to the poor, she opens her arms to the needy. Charm is deceitful, and beauty empty; the woman who is wise is the one to praise. Give her a share in what her hands have worked for, and let her works tell her praises at the city gates.

Responsorial Psalm: Happy are those who fear the Lord.

Second Reading - 1 Thessalonians 5:1-6

You will not be expecting us to write anything to you, brothers, about 'times and seasons', since you know very well that the Day of the Lord is going to come like a thief in the night. It is when people are saying, 'How quiet and peaceful it is' that the worst suddenly happens, as suddenly as labour pains come on a pregnant woman; and there will be no way for anybody to evade it. But it is not as if you live in the dark, my brothers, for that Day to overtake you like a thief. No, you are all sons of light and sons of the day: we do not belong to the night or to darkness, so we should not go on sleeping, as everyone else does, but stay wide awake and sober.

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia! Live in Me and let Me live in you, says the Lord; My branches bear much fruit. *Alleluia!*

Gospel Reading - Matthew 25:14-30

Jesus spoke this parable to his disciples: 'The kingdom of Heaven is like a man on his way abroad who summoned his servants and entrusted his property to them. To one he gave five talents, to another two, to a third one; each in proportion to his ability. Then he set out. 'The man who had received the five talents promptly went and traded with them and made five more. The man who had received two made two more in the same way. But the man who had received one went off and dug a hole in the ground and hid his master's money. 'Now a long time after, the master of those servants came back and went through his accounts with them. The man who had received the five talents came forward bringing five more. "Sir," he said "you entrusted me with five talents; here are five more that I have made." 'His master said to him, "Well done, good and faithful servant; you have shown you can be faithful in small things, I will trust you with greater; come and join in your master's happiness." 'Next the man with the two talents came forward. "Sir," he said "you entrusted me with two talents; here are two more that I have made." His master said to him, "Well done, good and faithful servant; you have shown you can be faithful in small things, I will trust you with greater; come and join in your master's happiness." 'Last came forward the man who had the one talent. "Sir," said he "I had heard you were a hard man, reaping where you have not sown and gathering where you have not scattered; so I was afraid, and I went off and hid your talent in the ground. Here it is; it was yours, you have it back." But his master answered him, "You wicked and lazy servant! So you knew that I reap where I have not sown and gather where I have not scattered? Well then, you should have deposited my money with the bankers, and on my return I would have recovered my capital with interest. So now, take the talent from him and give it to the man who has the five talents. For to everyone who has will be given more, and he will have more than enough; but from the man who has not, even what he has will be taken away. As for this good-for-nothing servant, throw him out into the dark, where there will be weeping and grinding of teeth."

Communion Antiphon: To be near God is my happiness, to place my hope in God the Lord.

The Missionary Sisters of St. Peter Claver will visit the Parish this weekend, 18th and 19th November, to promote their work on behalf of the missions and distribute their 2023 Claver Almanac at all Masses. This is a free copy but any donation towards the missions would certainly be gratefully received.

MASS and INTENTIONS

Saturday Vigil, 18th November - 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Mass 5:30pm Pedrinha Fernandes (*Remembrance* ✝)
and Maximiano Fernandes, Salvador Rebello & Joaquina Rebello (*Remembrance* ✝)
and For the departed souls of the Collins Family ✝
and For deceased members of the Knights of the Southern Cross ✝

Mass 7:00pm Maronite Community

Sunday, 19th November - 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Mass 8:30am For the Abandoned Souls in Purgatory and for the Akom and Keble Deceased Family Members ✝
and Deceased members of the Pinto Family ✝
Mass 10:30am Thanksgiving for Crystal Isaacs
and For the Abandoned Souls in Purgatory
and Nadesan Moorthy (*Birthday Remembrance* ✝)

Mass 3:30pm French Community

Mass 5:30pm Deceased members of the McIntyre and McLoughlin Family and for Julia and Peter Leonard ✝

Monday, 20th November

Mass 9:15am For the repose of the Souls of Eliza & Michael D'Silva ✝
and For the souls of Ivo & Maria Birtic ✝
and Thanksgiving on the birthday of Raphael Rodrigues

Tuesday, 21st November - The Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Mass 9:15am For the repose of the souls of Natalia & Albert Pais ✝
and For the deceased souls ✝ of the family and friends of John and Margaret Keble
and For the departed souls of the Vaz Family ✝
and For the souls of Ivo & Maria Birtic ✝

Wednesday, 22nd November - Saint Cecilia

Mass 9:15am For the souls of Ivo & Maria Birtic ✝
and For the repose of the souls of Pauline & Roddie Rodrigues ✝
and For the departed souls of the members of the Rosary Group ✝
and Louis & Lisette Lahaussé (*Remembrance* ✝)

Thursday, 23rd November

Mass 9:15am Glen Lopez (*Death Anniversary* ✝)
and For the repose of the souls of Ivo & Maria Birtic ✝
and Lilian & Lawrence Rabot and deceased members of the family ✝

Friday, 24th November - Saint Andrew Dũng-Laç & Companions

Mass 9:15am Ravinia Delpech (*Birthday Remembrance* ✝)
and For the souls of Ivo & Maria Birtic ✝
and Thanksgiving for Andrew Isaacs

Saturday, 25th November

Mass 9:15am For the deceased souls ✝ of the family and friends of John and Margaret Keble
and For the souls of Ivo & Maria Birtic ✝
and Stanley Van Twest (*Birthday Remembrance* ✝)

Saturday Vigil, 25th November - Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

Mass 5:30pm For the departed souls of the Edmonds Family ✝
and For the departed souls of the Fernandes, Mascarenhas, Rodrigues, Carvalho & Rebello Families ✝

Mass 7:00pm Maronite Community

Sunday, 26th November - Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

Mass 8:30am For the Abandoned souls in Purgatory ✝
and For the atonement of our sins and those of the whole world
and Hedley Simonet (*Birthday Remembrance* ✝) and deceased members of the Reyes and Marcos Family ✝
Mass 10:30am Welcome Rite Blessing for the following children to be baptised:
Congratulations to ; Daisy Lilith Salvo-Lopez, Ezekiel David Naidoo and Raya Aurora Palat
Intention: Francesca Timpanaro (*1st Death Anniversary* ✝)
Mass 5:30pm For the good health of Karen & Hermione Daniells
and Rosamma Sebastian (*Remembrance* ✝)

Please remember to pray for...

Our sick: Mary Considine, Crystal Wilson, Frances & Lovett DosRemedios, Charlie Cassar, Debbie Juchno, Tyrone Francisco, Vincent Newton, Heather Fernandez, Alessandro Zaia, Eliana Scardigli, Jeanne Joseph, Steven & Monica Dickson, Sandy Hayman, Anne Moorthy, Jean Joseph, Fr. Rodney, Maria O'Blak, Maria Tomaselli, Aldo Provenazzano, Colin Hillas, Job Thaejus, Monica Kelly, Sunny, Jimmy Logan, Carmel Feola

The recently deceased:

Patricia Silva, Raymond Humphrey, Sebastian Carvalho, Fapiano Ah Jay, Emma Herbias, Gérard Sydney Damonsing, Josephine Hamzou Nahas, Oscar Braz, Stephanie Susnja

Anniversaries/Remembrances:

Giovanna McKercher, Patricia O'Shea

Church Cleaning

Saturday, November 25

S. Jose, Linda & Family

Saturday, December 2

Moses Family, Vincent, Mary and Rebecca

Reading Roster

Saturday Vigil, November 25

5:30pm B. Collins

Sunday, November 26

8:30am R. Noble

10:30am M. Jose

5:30pm J. Panicker

Saturday Vigil, December 2

5:30pm D. Franklin

Sunday, December 3

8:30am G. VanHees

10:30am S. Moses

5:30pm M. Yallapa

Confession

Confession *will not* be heard on a Sunday or Monday. Confession is heard Tuesday to Saturday, from 8:20am to 8:50am, and after the Mass on Saturday until 10:30am.

Church

The Church will be open for private prayer Monday to Friday at 8:00am and closed at 2:30pm. On Saturday and Sunday, the Church is open from 8:00am and closed after the 5:30pm Mass.

Daily Antiphons - Monday, November 20 to Saturday, November 25, 2023 (Year A)

Monday of the Thirty-Third Week in Ordinary Time - November 20

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.

Responsorial Psalm: Give me life, O Lord, and I will do Your commands.

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia! I am the light of the world, says the Lord: whoever follows Me will have the light of life. Alleluia!

Communion Antiphon: To be near God is my happiness, to place my hope in God the Lord.

Tuesday of the Thirty-Third Week in Ordinary Time - November 21

The Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Entrance Antiphon: Hail, Holy Mother, who gave birth to the King who rules heaven and earth for ever.

Responsorial Psalm: The Lord upholds me.

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia! God first loved us and sent His Son to take away our sins. Alleluia!

Communion Antiphon: Blessed is the womb of the Virgin Mary, which bore the Son of the eternal Father.

Wednesday of the Thirty-Third Week in Ordinary Time - November 22 - Saint Cecilia

Entrance Antiphon: Behold, now she follows the Lamb who was crucified for us, powerful in virginity, modesty her offering, a sacrifice on the altar of chastity.

Responsorial Psalm: Lord, when Your glory appears, my joy will be full.

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia! I have chosen you from the world, says the Lord, to go and bear fruit that will last. Alleluia!

Communion Antiphon: The Lamb who is at the centre of the throne will lead them to the springs of the waters of life.

Thursday of the Thirty-Third Week in Ordinary Time - November 23

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.

Responsorial Psalm: To the upright I will show the saving power of God.

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia! If today you hear His voice, harden not your hearts. Alleluia!

Communion Antiphon: To be near God is my happiness, to place my hope in God the Lord.

Friday of the Thirty-Third Week in Ordinary Time - November 24

Saints Andrew Dūng-Lạc & Companions

Entrance Antiphon: May we never boast, except in the Cross of our Lord Jesus Christ. For the word of the Cross is the power of God to us who have been saved.

Responsorial Psalm: We praise Your glorious name, O mighty God.

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia! My sheep listen to My voice, says the Lord; I know them, and they follow Me. Alleluia!

Communion Antiphon: Blessed are they who are persecuted for the sake of righteousness, for theirs is the Kingdom of Heaven.

Saturday of the Thirty-Third Week in Ordinary Time - November 25

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.

Responsorial Psalm: I will rejoice in Your salvation, O Lord.

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia! Our Saviour Jesus Christ has done away with death and brought us life through His gospel. Alleluia!

Communion Antiphon: To be near God is my happiness, to place my hope in God the Lord.

