



# ST. PATRICK'S CATHOLIC PARISH

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Dear Friends,  
When we think of a King, we usually reflect someone who rules a kingdom, has a throne and lives in a castle. He is also well protected and defended by his subjects. They honour, submit themselves to him and fight to death for him. A king is known to be rich and powerful and has authority of life and death over his subjects. But when we compare Jesus, we see he is a different kind of king. His throne is the cross and his power is his merciful and redeeming love. He rules by serving us with humility. Hence, he describes himself as a "Good Shepherd" who protects us, defends us and dies for us. His will is to give us eternal life and so to offer his life for our salvation. His authority is to give us and lead us back to the loving and merciful Father.

In today's gospel we see that in Jesus' trial, Pilate is described as a ruler who only protects his career and his position. He has a chance to side with the truth and to stand up for what is right. But Pilate opts for his own self-interest. He gives in to popular demand. He compromises himself and looks for an easy way out, hence sacrificing principle and moral value. In the face of death and before a worldly power, Jesus remains serene and composed. He accepts everything for our sake. He takes everything in silence and in humble submission. He lives what he has preached. Let us reflect ourselves, are we like the king Pilate who looked for his self-interest or Jesus who stood firm for his beliefs and sacrificed himself for us.  
-Neville



**Saints and Feasts:**

- Mon- St. Catherine
- Tues- St John Berchmans
- We- Our Lady of Miraculous Medal
- Thu- St Cathrine Laboure
- Fri- Our Lady of Golden Heart
- Sat- St Andrew, Apostle

**Pray for the Sick:**

Please remember and pray those who are sick: Kristen Pickford and Brian Wain. (the names here will only appear for a month unless by notice)

**Recent Death & Anniversaries**

We pray for those who died recently and those whose anniversaries occur at this time: Reg Brewer, John Clarke, Tony Walshe, Graham Hickey, Marie Goonan, Janelle Goonan, Robert Kinley, Hilary Thornton, Ivy White, Anna McMahan, Francis Robertson.  
(The names won't appear automatically Unless by notice)

**Weekend Mass Times**

**Saturday:** 6.30pm -Cobden

**Sunday:** 9am 1<sup>st</sup> Sun.-

Simpson

9am 2<sup>nd</sup>/4<sup>th</sup> Sun. Lismore

9am 3<sup>rd</sup>/5<sup>th</sup> Sun. Timboon

(Lay-led assembly will be held on the other weekends)

**Next Weekend Masses**

**Sat: Cobden 6.30 pm**

**Sun: Simpson 9.00 am**

Camperdown 11.00 am

(Lay Assembly – Lismore)

**Reading for the next Sunday**

**1st Reading: Baruch 5:1-9**

**2nd Reading: Philip 1:3-6.8-11**

**Gospel: Luke 3:1-6**

**Please consider making your Planned Giving contributions and Sunday collections via bank transfers. This will help running the parish which still needs to cover its costs while the current situation continues.**

**Parish bank details:** BSB: 083-561 Acct No: 51-571-8126 (Envelopes). **Presbytery:** BSB: 083-561 Acct No: 51-571-8142. Thank you.

**Parish Notices:** All notices need to be delivered in writing, emailed, or phoned into the Parish Office by noon Thursday.

George Swierczek: 0439 145 805

**"Our Parish Community** wishes to respectfully acknowledge the Traditional Custodians of the lands on which we live, work and **worship Our God."**

**Holy Communion by both species of bread and wine**

**We are giving out communion under the appearance of bread and wine on every weekend.** If you feel unwell or have any symptom of any sickness or feel uncomfortable by receiving communion by both species of bread and wine, feel free to take your alternative means to receive the Eucharist. **The Eucharist ministers who are on the roster every weekend, who are not willing to consume the Blood of Christ at the end of giving out the Communion, please advise the celebrant before the Mass starts.** Thank you for your cooperation.

**The Annual MRC Car Raffle, 2024**

1st Prize is a MG ZS Excite, with 8 more fantastic prizes.  
\$20 per ticket. Tickets at [www.mercy.vic.edu.au](http://www.mercy.vic.edu.au), ph 5593 2011, at some local shops and events or Camperdown Mass in every weekend.

**New Priest Fr. Cay Trinh's Thanksgiving Mass at Camperdown:**

Fr. Cay is willing to come and celebrate a thanksgiving Mass for our Parish next weekend (after his Ordination) 30<sup>th</sup> and 1<sup>st</sup> of December. Please join with him to celebrate a thanksgiving mass.

**Praying with Pope Francis**

The Pope's Worldwide Prayer Network (Apostleship of Prayer) is an international movement that is more than 170 years old. Each month, the Pope puts forward a prayer intention and asks Catholics around the world to join him in prayer. These intentions cover all sorts of areas of life, encouraging faith, renewing hope and calling us to loving service. Praying each month 'The Pope Video' forms part of the Pope's Worldwide Prayer Network – view at [www.thepopevideo.org](http://www.thepopevideo.org).

**Prayer for November:** For those who have lost a child: Let us pray that all parents who mourn the loss of a son or daughter find support in their community and may receive peace of heart from the Spirit of Consolation. Lord, hear us.

**World Children's Day – November 20**

Every year World's Children Day is celebrated on November 20, marking the date that the United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child was adopted. Child rights are human rights. They are non-negotiable and universal. But in too many places today children's rights are being misunderstood, disregarded or even denied and attacked. Upholding children's rights is the compass to a better world – today, tomorrow and into the future. By listening to children we can fulfil their right to self-expression, understand their ideas for a better world and include their priorities in our actions today. Discover what's happening and take part at <https://www.unicef.org/world-childrens-day>

**Ecumenical Service Remembering Victims and Survivors of Family Violence**

The Catholic Social Services Victoria ecumenical service, "Holding the Light" offers an opportunity to make time to remember and mourn those who have been killed as a result of domestic violence, to stand in solidarity with victim survivors and to reflect and commit ourselves to addressing the causes of violence in our communities. The service will be held on Thursday, November 28, 2024 at the Wesley Church Melbourne, 136 Lonsdale Street, Melbourne at 5.00pm. Register to attend via trybooking <https://www.trybooking.com/events/landing/1259106>. The service can also be viewed online at <https://css.org.au/events/holding-the-light-3/>

**Caritas Australia: Free Advent Resource**

Help your parish community reflect on the possibilities for hope, peace, joy and love with our new parish resource. It is suitable for both parish prayer groups and individuals <https://www.caritas.org.au/resources/parish-materials/advent-parish/>. Bulletin notice below.

We are a Child-safe, Welcoming and environmentally friendly Parish

## **Lay Led Assembly Resources**

Sunday Assembly of Word and Communion resources for Advent, the Christmas Season 2024 and Sundays 2-8 in Ordinary Time Year C 2025 have been emailed/mailed to contacts. Resource material is also available from the diocesan website members area.

## **Commemorative Mass for Michael Joseph Bourke & Family**

A Mass to commemorate Michael Joseph Bourke and family will be held on Sunday, November 30, 2024 at Infant Jesus Church, Koroit at 2.00pm. All welcome to attend.

## **LITURGY OF THE WORD**

### **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.

This is the word of the Lord. **All: Thanks be to God.**

### **Responsorial Psalm: [Ps 92:1-2. 5. R.v.1](#)**

**(R.) *The Lord is king; he is robed in majesty.***

1. The Lord is king, with majesty enrobed; the Lord has robed himself with might, he has girded himself with power. **(R.)**
2. The world you made firm, not to be moved; your throne has stood firm from of old. From all eternity, O Lord, you are. **(R.)**
3. Truly your decrees are to be trusted. Holiness is fitting to your house, O Lord, until the end of time. **(R.)**

### **Second Reading: [Revelation 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.

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### **Gospel Acclamation: *(Please stand for the 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.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord. **All: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

## REFLECTION by Dianne Bergant CSA

Each one of the readings depicts the enthronement of Christ who is revealed as the messiah-king. Until his trial, Jesus himself refused to be identified as king. The royal messianic expectations that prevailed during his lifetime were predominantly political. If he assumed them, his followers might have instigated a rebellion against the Roman occupiers. When finally he did acknowledge his royal identity, he insisted that his rule was not like that of other kings.

Enthroned in heaven, Christ is revealed as the faithful witness to all that God has done and will continue to do. As first-born from the dead, his resurrection is the promise of our own resurrection. The dominion that he received from God is universal and exclusive and it will last forever. When he comes again on the last day, he will be revealed in all his glory.

Christ's kingdom is a kingdom of truth and life, of holiness and grace, of justice and love and peace. We need not stand at a distance from him, afraid to approach because of our human vulnerability. He is the one who loved us so much that he handed himself over to suffering and death so that we might live. He has already brought us to birth in this kingdom through Baptism and he has taught us how to live in it. Today we look to that time when his glory will be revealed, when we will all be gathered into the embrace of God, there to sing praise to that glory forever.

<b>24 November 2024</b>	<b>Christ the King</b>	<b>Reader</b>	<b>P.O.F.</b>	<b>E/Minister</b>
<b>6.30pm: Cobden</b>		B Hammond	A Horan	P Dwyer
<b>11am: Camperdown</b>		J Seuren	P Kingston	M Macauley
<b>Counting Team: Smart Family</b>			<b>Altar Camperdown: S Swain/G Lucas</b>	
<b>Church Cleaning: MRC</b>			<b>Altar Cobden: H Kelly</b>	
<b>Marian Statue: P &amp; L Hickey</b>				
<b>1st December 2024</b>	<b>1st Sunday Advent</b>	<b>Reader</b>	<b>P.O.F.</b>	<b>E/Minister</b>
<b>6.30pm: Cobden</b>		A Horan	B Hammond	G Gleeson
<b>11am: Camperdown</b>		J Gardner	M Smart	T O' Leary
<b>Counting Team: Smart Family</b>			<b>Altar Camperdown: M Russell/ A Gardner</b>	
<b>Church Cleaning: M &amp; J Saunders</b>			<b>Altar Cobden: K Daffy</b>	
<b>Marian Statue: B Hewitt</b>				

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We, the Parish community wish to pledge ourselves for our children's safety and well-being