

**ST JOSEPH'S PARISH**  
OUYEN, PATCHEWOLLOCK, TEMPY, WALPEUP, UNDERBOOL



Thirty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time C

20<sup>th</sup> November 2022

### 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 [2 Sm 5:1-3](#)

A reading from the second book of Samuel

**They anointed David king of Israel.**

All the tribes of Israel came to David at Hebron. 'Look' they said 'we are your own flesh and blood. In days past when Saul was our king, it was you who led Israel in all their exploits; and the Lord said to you, "You are the man who shall be shepherd of my people Israel, you shall be the leader of Israel."' So, all the elders of Israel came to the king at Hebron, and King David made a pact with them at Hebron in the presence of the Lord, and they anointed David king of Israel.

### Responsorial Psalm

**(R.)** Let us go rejoicing to the house of the Lord.

1. I rejoiced when I heard them say:  
'Let us go to God's house.'  
And now our feet are standing  
within your gates, O Jerusalem. **(R.)**
2. Jerusalem is built as a city  
strongly compact.  
It is there that the tribes go up,  
the tribes of the Lord. **(R.)**
3. For Israel's law it is,  
there to praise the Lord's name.  
There were set the thrones of judgement

of the house of David. **(R.)**

### Second Reading [Col 1:12-20](#)

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the  
Colossians

**He has taken us into the kingdom of his  
beloved Son.**

We give thanks to the Father who has made it  
possible for you to join the saints and with them  
to inherit the light.

Because that is what he has done: he has taken us  
out of the power of darkness and created a place  
for us in the kingdom of the Son that he loves,  
and in him, we gain our freedom, the forgiveness  
of our sins.

He is the image of the unseen God  
and the first-born of all creation,  
for in him were created  
all things in heaven and on earth:  
everything visible and everything invisible,  
Thrones, Dominations, Sovereignities, Powers –  
all things were created through him and for  
him.

Before anything was created, he existed,  
and he holds all things in unity.  
Now the Church is his body,  
he is its head.

As he is the Beginning,  
he was first to be born from the dead,  
so that he should be first in every way;  
because God wanted all perfection  
to be found in him  
and all things to be reconciled through him and  
for him,  
everything in heaven and everything on earth,

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when he made peace  
by his death on the cross.

## Gospel Acclamation

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 [Lk 23:35-43](#)

A reading from the holy Gospel according Luke

**Lord remember me when you come into  
your kingdom.**

The people stayed there before the cross watching Jesus. As for the leaders, they jeered at him. 'He saved others,' they said, 'let him save himself if he is the Christ of God, the Chosen One.' The soldiers mocked him too, and when they approached to offer him vinegar they said, 'If you are the king of the Jews, save yourself.' Above him there was an inscription: 'This is the King of the Jews.'

One of the criminals hanging there abused him. 'Are you not the Christ?' he said. 'Save yourself and us as well.' But the other spoke up and rebuked him. 'Have you no fear of God at all?' he said. 'You got the same sentence as he did, but in our case we deserved it: we are paying for what we did. But this man has done nothing wrong. Jesus,' he said, 'remember me when you come into your kingdom.' 'Indeed, I promise you,' he replied, 'today you will be with me in paradise.'

## Communion Antiphon

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

## Reflection by Dr Scott Hahn

Week by week, the Liturgy has been preparing us for the revelation to be made on this, the last Sunday of the Church year.

Jesus, we have been shown, is truly the Chosen One, the Messiah of God, the King of the Jews. Ironically, in today's Gospel we hear these names on the lips of those who don't believe in Him—Israel's rulers, the soldiers, a criminal dying alongside Him.

They can only see the scandal of a bloodied figure nailed to a cross. They scorn Him in words and gestures foretold in Israel's Scriptures (see [Psalm 22:7-9](#); [69:21-22](#); [Wisdom 2:18-20](#)). If He is truly King, God will rescue Him, they taunt. But He did not come to save Himself, but to save them—and us.

The good thief shows us how we are to accept the salvation He offers us. He confesses his sins and acknowledges he deserves to die for them. And he calls on the name of Jesus, seeking His mercy and forgiveness.

By his faith he is saved. Jesus "remembers" him—as God has always remembered His people, visiting them with His saving deeds, numbering them among His chosen heirs .

By the blood of His cross, Jesus reveals His Kingship—not in saving His own life, but in offering it as a ransom for ours. He transfers us to "the kingdom of His beloved Son," as today's Second Reading tells us.

His kingdom is the Church, the new Jerusalem and House of David that we sing of in today's Psalm.

By their covenant with David in today's First Reading, Israel's tribes are made one "bone and flesh" with their king. By the New Covenant made in His blood, Christ becomes one flesh with the people of His kingdom—the head of His body, the Church .

We celebrate and renew this covenant in every Eucharist, giving thanks for our redemption, hoping for the day when we too will be with Him in Paradise.

"Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled, and do not let them be afraid."

John 14:27

## How to describe some workers 🤔🤔🤔

- Wicket Keeper – puts on gloves and stands back
- Harvey Norman – 3 years, no interest
- Sensor Light – only works if someone walks past
- Noodle – thinks all jobs take 2 minutes
- Blisters – appears after the work is done
- Showbag – full of rubbish
- Lantern – not very bright and has to be carried
- Deck Chair – always folds under pressure
- Perth – 3 Hours behind everyone else

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### Recent Deaths:

### Anniversaries:

**Sick:** Cora Jardine, Judi Floyd, Laura Burns,  
Joan Bathgate and Jane French 🙏

May our healing God touch the lives of our sick  
bringing them comfort & peace.

### Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> November – Mass

Ouyen: 11:00 am

Reader: Flora Moulder

Prayers of the Faithful: Marie Shaddock

Offertory Procession: The Bosco Family

Eucharistic Minister: Peter Shaddock

Projectionist: Carmel Vallance

### Collections 13<sup>th</sup> November

Ouyen: \$200.50

Planned Giving: \$170.00

### Church Cleaning:

November: Joan Pohlner & Kathy Loxton

### Presbytery Cleaning:

November: Carmel Vallance

**Sacrament of Reconciliation:** Father will be  
available after the Friday Mass for  
Reconciliation, after the 11:00am Masses, or at  
any other time by appointment.

**Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament:** each  
Thursday from 2pm-5pm with Divine Mercy  
Chaplet at 3pm & Rosary 4pm; all welcome.

**Christmas Mass 2022** – Ouyen 5:45pm Christmas  
Eve, Christmas Mass times for Mildura and  
Robinvale will appear nearer the time

### Summary of the New Covid Provisions:

- ~ QR Codes are no longer required to sign in
- ~ Face masks are no longer required to be worn
- ~ Kindness and Common Sense strictly enforced

### Pope's Prayer Intention for November: For

**Children Who Suffer** - We pray for children who  
are suffering, especially those who are \_homeless,  
orphans, and victims of war; may they be guaranteed  
access to education and the opportunity to  
experience family affection.

**Prayer For Australia:** Eternal Father, I offer you  
the Precious Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ  
offered at all the Masses throughout the world  
for the Holy atonement, and to protect Australia  
from the sin of abortion, euthanasia, and from  
every evil. Through Jesus Christ, our Lord Amen

### Mass Timetable

Wk 1 Patche	Mass	11:30am	1 <sup>st</sup> Friday
Ouyen	Mass	11:00am	Sunday
Wk 2 Ouyen	Mass	11:00am	Sunday
Wk 3 Ouyen	Mass	11:00am	Sunday
Wk 4 U'Bool	Mass	9:00am	Sunday
Ouyen	Mass	11:00am	Sunday
Wk 5 Ouyen	Mass	11:00am	Sunday

**Side door entrance:** we are asking anyone with  
any mobility issues, and those who use gofers, to  
enter via the side (north facing) door. This has a  
much wider opening on level ground and is ideal for  
dropping off/picking up or parking gofers. For those  
with gofers we would ask you to **please use the  
gravel to drive on**, rather than the pavers. If you are  
aware of any other potential hazards please notify:  
Faye, Cheryl or Marie.

**Competition for Jubilee 2025 Hymn** The  
Dicastery for Evangelization invites entries for  
the Hymn for the Holy Year 2025, encouraging  
interested persons to set to music a provided text  
which expresses the essence of the Jubilee  
event. "The vulnerability experienced in recent  
years, together with the fear of the violence of  
wars only makes the human condition more  
paradoxical" so the theme for this Jubilee year is  
"Pilgrims of Hope." Entries close on March 25,  
2023.

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The Bishops of Victoria have [written to the Catholic community in Victoria](#) (see separate letter and pages on the table at the back) to provide an election guide designed to help Catholics consider and navigate key issues related to the common good. You are invited to read the letter and the accompanying pages and to [prayerfully](#) discern how your vote can contribute to the common good in Victoria.

**Beware of carpet bubbles/ripples:** Due to the recent rain, bubbles or large ripples of carpet have been appearing throughout the church. As the ground dries out, they will disappear but until then please watch where you put your feet as they are a real tripping hazard!

**Orders for Columban Calendars will be taken until the 20<sup>th</sup> of November. If you would like one, please put your name and how many on the page provided at the back of the church: Calendars are \$10.00 each. Christmas cards are now available for \$6.00 per packet.**

**Red Wednesday, 23 November 2022** - *Aid to the Church in Need* (ACN) invites you to join in this special day to pray for and stand in solidarity with the 200+ million Christians persecuted for their faith. Around the world, churches and public buildings will light up in red as a symbol of the sacrifice and suffering of our modern-day martyrs. In Australia, ten Cathedrals will be lit in red, with some holding Masses and prayer vigils for persecuted Christians. Parishes and groups may like to hold a prayer hour or pray the rosary together. Individually, you may wish to go to Mass for someone who can't or intentionally wear a religious symbol remembering those who cannot make such a public display of faith.



**This week we welcome into our Parish Family:** Harper and Jesse Muir, the children of Tara (nee Monaghan) and Ryan Muir of Mildura. May they always feel loved and welcomed in our church and grow to become strong and vibrant members of their faith community.

**Parts of the Mass** – As some of our children are preparing for their First Holy Communion and we are looking at what we do and say in the Mass. We have looked at “The Lord be with You” but what about the response, “And with Your Spirit?” This is not just a polite response “God be with you too.” By saying “with your spirit” we are acknowledging the Holy Spirit’s unique activity through the priest during the Mass, by virtue of his ordination. The priest does not wear his own clothes while saying Mass, and there are many reasons for this, but one of them is that he is not acting of or for himself - he is acting in the person of Christ. We are addressing the *‘spirit’* of the priest; that is the deepest, interior, part of his being where he has been ordained precisely to lead us, the people, in this sacred action. We are in effect saying, “be the priest for us now,” aware that there is only one priest, Christ Himself, and that this one who represents Him now, must be finely attuned to perform His sacred duties well.”

Please remember in your prayers the children and their families preparing for the Sacraments.

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