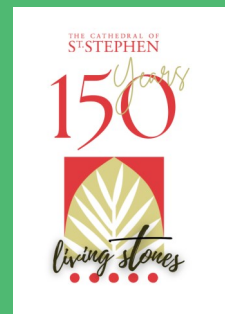


# THIRTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME YEAR A – 12<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER 2023

*The community of the Cathedral of St Stephen acknowledges the traditional custodians of the land on which our parish stands.*

*The Cathedral Parish has zero tolerance for all forms of abuse and is committed to safeguarding everyone involved in its activities, ministries and services. The safety and wellbeing of children and adults-at-risk is paramount.*

**Readings for today: Wisdom 6:12-16; 1 Thessalonians 4:13-14; Matthew 25:1-13**



Dear friends,

A few years ago, I read an article about the nature of social protest in a digital world. It was making the point that revolutions can never be organised on twitter – or “X” as it is now called – because it’s hard to maintain the rage. Protest on digital media is called “clickivism” – a couple of clicks on a computer mouse and people feel that they have made a statement and then they simply get on with their lives – forgetting about what so enraged them a few minutes before.

The article was making the point that social change happens when people bond together and find communities that help maintain their motivations over the long haul. The digital world doesn’t form strong ties, bonds that will last, and can really only promote short term campaigns about this or that issue of social concern. This kind of activity might have small victories but it will never change the world. The main questions that this week’s gospel asks us is: how do we keep our lamps alight long enough to conquer the darkness? Where do we go to find the strong ties, the powerful bonds, that keep us motivated to follow the way of the gospel? In a society where religion seems to be becoming less important, and positions of faith are often not

taken seriously, what supports us from becoming de-energised or demoralised, or even ridiculed into silence? What keeps our faith alight?

There are three things that help us to continue to have oil in our lamps. These are: community, spirituality, and service. Maintaining our connection to a community of faith is important, with the accompanying commitment and discipline needed to turn up on a regular basis. Once we lose our connection to a community of faith we lose our connection to the living story of the gospel. We fail to be fed and nourished by the Word, by Eucharist and by one another. When the pressures of life draw us in other directions, our lamps begin to go out the minute we fail to maintain a connection with community. These three things: community, spirituality and service, offer us the endless supply fuel that our commitment needs. After all, none of us wants to be considered foolish by thinking that we can manage life all by ourselves. Also, little daily habits to enrich our spirituality is also important, including reaching beyond ourselves in service to others. Community, spirituality and service light the way to the joy which is God.

*Fr. Anthony*



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*Villa Maria Aged Care Chapel  
171 St Paul's Tce  
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*No public Masses until further notice.*

## Cathedral of St Stephen Mass Times

<b>Monday to Friday</b>	8:00am *	10:00am	12:30pm	5:10pm
<b>Saturday</b>	11:30am			6:00pm Vigil
<b>Sunday</b>	8:00am	10:00am *	12:00pm	7:30pm

\* The 8.00am weekday and 10:00am Sunday Masses are livestreamed  
\* Please see inside for more information

## Cathedral Reconciliation Times

<b>Monday to Friday</b>	10:30-11:30am	1:00-1:30pm	4:30-5:00pm
<b>Saturday</b>	10:00-11:00am		4:30-5:30pm

## St Patrick's Mass Times

<b>Sunday</b>	9:00am	11:00am
<b>Brazilian Catholic Community (Portuguese Mass)</b>		5:00pm

## Cathedral Exposition Times

<b>Monday to Friday</b>	10:30am-12:15pm
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## Cathedral Benediction Times

<b>Monday to Friday</b>	12:15pm
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1300 304 550

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### Weekday Masses and Confessions in the Chapel

Please be advised the following Masses and Confession **will take place in the Chapel** rather than the Cathedral this week:

- **Tuesday, November 14** (4:30pm Reconciliation before 5:10pm Mass)
- **Thursday, November 16** (10am Mass, followed by Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and 12:15pm Benediction, 12:30pm Mass, and 4:30pm Reconciliation before 5:10pm Mass)

### Book of Remembrance

During the month of November it is traditionally the time to remember, and in gratitude, pray for those who have gone before us marked with the sign of faith. The **Book of Remembrance** is located at the Cathedral near the sanctuary. A **Book of Remembrance** is also available at St Patrick's Church. The book will help focus our prayers as we pray for our deceased sisters and brothers. Throughout November you are invited to inscribe the names of those who you want to remember and as a community, together, we will pray for their souls. May they all *rest in peace*.

**Break Open the Word** An excellent resource for Ministers of the Word. A copy of the 2024 book is available from the Sacristy for the reduced price of \$10.

**Appeal: Aid to the Church in Need (ACN)**  
"Together we can keep the faith alive"



Aid to the Church in Need

ACN AUSTRALIA NEW ZEALAND

The Catholic Charity Aid to the Church in Need has launched their "Nigeria: Young. Faithful. Crucified" global campaign. Did you know that in 2022 a total of 5,014 Christians were killed for their faith in Nigeria?

This weekend we welcome to our parish an ACN speaker who will share with us about the work of Aid to the Church in Need and how we can help our suffering and persecuted brothers and sisters.



**Sausage Sizzle Vinnies Fundraiser**  
under the veranda of Mercy House

Sausage Sizzle with Drink - \$5.00

Sausage Sizzle Only - \$4.00



**Following 8am & 10am Masses on the 3rd Sunday of every month.**

## Advent Concert Series St Stephen's Cathedral December 2023



**5pm Saturday 2nd  
Advent Vespers  
Cathedral Schola #**

**5pm Sunday 3rd  
Dominic Perissinotto  
(pipe organ) \***

**5pm Sunday 10th  
Christopher Trikilis  
(pipe organ) \***

**5pm Sunday 17th  
(in the Chapel)  
Susan Collins (violin) \***

**3pm Saturday 23rd  
Christmas Carol Service #**

# Free Admission

\* Ticketed Admission

### With Expectant Hearts

This year's Advent resource invites us to explore more deeply what it means to allow God to come to birth in us. Evangelisation Brisbane has developed "With Expectant Hearts" to help us enter a new liturgical year, the journey of faith that stretches before us.

Each day's reflection is inspired by a short text of scripture, and concludes with a thought or two to take away together with a prayer.

A copy of the 2024 book is available from the Sacristy for the reduced price of \$6.



**YAM Christmas Party**  
2nd Dec  
at the Hanly Room,  
beside the Cathedral, after  
the 6 pm YAM Mass

**COME EVEN IF IT IS YOUR FIRST TIME**  
CELEBRATING THE YOUTH OF THE CATHEDRAL PARISH

**ST STEPHEN'S YOUNG ADULTS MINISTRY**

### Support for the Cathedral Parish

You may place your donations in the collection plate during the Offertory, "Tap & Go" at the doors of the church or donate on-line by scanning the QR Code which will direct you to the donation page on the Cathedral website.

EFTPOS machines also are available at the doors of the church and have the capacity to enable us to select the amount we wish to contribute. As we become an increasingly cashless society, this facility gives us the opportunity to continue to financially support the Cathedral and St Patrick's.

*Your support for the Cathedral Parish is appreciated.*



**ENTRANCE SONG**

*Psalm 87: 3 and 2*

At the conclusion of the Introit the assembly **responds** as with the following translation of the Introit text. The first verse (which is the Antiphon) is repeated after the final verse.



**Antiphon:**

Allow my prayer and plea  
To come into your courts;  
Incline your ear to my complaint  
And help me, gracious Lord.

O Lord, my saving God,  
I cry for you by night;  
Allow my prayer to reach your ears  
And listen to my plight.

For troubles fill my soul  
And I am near the end.  
They count me with the fallen ones;  
My strength is fully spent.

I am deprived of friends;  
You made them shun my sight.  
Imprisoned, I cannot escape;  
My eyes are dim with plight.

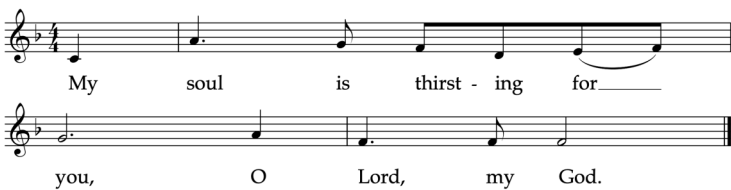
Give glory to our God,  
The Father, and the Son,  
And also to the Paraclete,  
Eternal Three-in-One.

**KYRIE & GLORIA**

*Missa Te Deum Laudamus*      *Lorenzo Perosi (1872-1956)*

**RESPONSORIAL PSALM**

*Psalm 62*



**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

*Matthew 24:42, 44*



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia

*Be watchful and ready:  
you know not when the Son of Man is coming.*

**OFFERTORY MOTET**

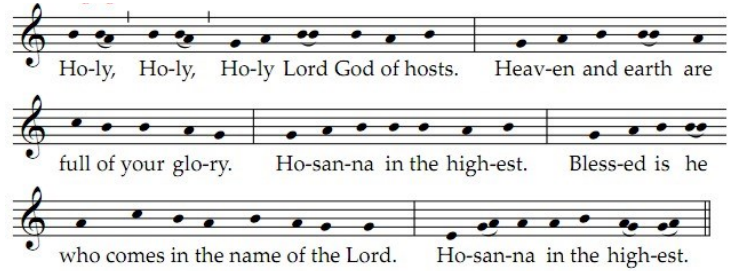
*Numbers 6:24-26*

*The Lord bless you and keep you:  
the Lord make His face to shine upon you,  
to shine upon you and be gracious unto you.  
The Lord lift up the light of His countenance upon you  
and give you peace. Amen.*

*Music: John Rutter (b1945)*

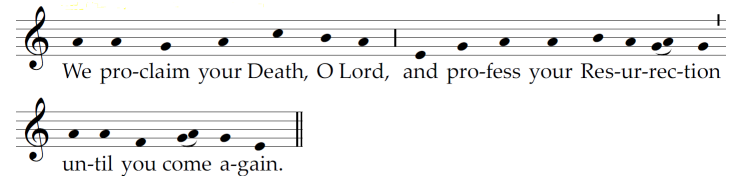
**HOLY HOLY**

*Mass XVIII*



**MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION**

*ICEL #1*



**LORD'S PRAYER**

**AGNUS DEI**

*Missa Te Deum Laudamus*      *Lorenzo Perosi (1872-1956)*

**COMMUNION ANTIPHON**

*Matthew 25: 4,6*

Quinque prudentes virgines  
acceperunt oleum, in vasis  
suis cum lampadibus: media  
autem nocte clarmor factus  
est. Ecce sponsus venit: exite  
obviam Christo Domino.

*The five wise virgins took oil  
in flasks with their lamps;  
at midnight there was a cry:  
"Behold, the bridegroom is  
here, come out to meet Christ  
our Lord."*

**COMMUNION HYMN**

*CWBII 470*

"Come to me, all you who labour;  
come, and I will give you rest."  
So we hear your invitation  
to each soul to be your guest;  
and we answer with deep longing,  
while our sinfulness we see:

*Refrain*      *"Jesus, Lord, I am not worthy,  
yet in mercy come to me."*

Here, among your pilgrim people  
is the home of your true love,  
where we praise you, Lord and Master,  
reigning from your throne above;  
life without you would be lonely,  
so our prayer must ever be:

*Refrain*

All is joy when you are with us,  
earth can never joy impart  
like the peace and holy splendour  
of your visit to each heart;  
all forgotten grief and sorrow,  
as with trust we make our plea:

*Refrain*

**ORGAN VOLUNTARY**

*'Toccata' from Suite Gothique Op. 25  
– Léon Boëllmann (1862-1897)*

# MUSIC AT THE CATHEDRAL

Music at today's Mass is drawn from the Catholic Worship Book II, with congregational hymn texts on this sheet.

The 10:00am Solemn Mass is led by the Men of the Cathedral Choir, the music for this Mass is inside this bulletin.

The Midday Mass is led by the Cathedral Schola. All other Masses are led by a cantor.

## Processional Hymn Praise my soul, the King of heaven (CWBII 588)

Praise, my soul, the King of heaven;  
to his feet your tribute bring;  
ransomed, healed, restored, forgiven,  
who like me his praise should sing?  
Praise him! Praise him! Alleluia!  
Praise the everlasting King.

Praise him for his grace and favour  
to our fathers in distress;  
praise him still the same forever,  
slow to chide and swift to bless:  
Praise him! Praise him! Alleluia!  
Glorious in his faithfulness!

Father-like he tends and spares us;  
well our feeble frame he knows;  
in his hands he gently bears us,  
rescues us from all our foes.  
Praise him! Praise him! Alleluia!  
Widely as his mercy flows.

Angels, help us to adore him,  
you behold him face to face;  
sun and moon, bow down before him,  
dwellers all in time and space:  
Praise him! Praise him! Alleluia!  
Praise with us the God of grace.

## Kyrie ICEL Chant Mass (CWBII 4b) Midday Mass *Missa Brevis in C Major K.259* —WA Mozart (1756-1791)

## Gloria ICEL Chant Mass (CWBII 5) Midday Mass *Missa Brevis in C Major K.259* —WA Mozart (1756-1791)

## Responsorial Psalm Psalm 62

My soul is thirst - ing for \_\_\_\_\_  
you, O Lord, my God.

## Gospel Acclamation Matthew 24:42, 44

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia

*Be watchful and ready:  
you know not when the Son of Man is coming.*

## Offertory Motet A Gaelic Blessing – John Rutter (b 1945) Midday Mass

*Deep peace of the running wave to you. Deep peace of the flowing  
air to you. Deep peace of the quiet earth to you. Deep peace of the  
shining stars to you. Deep peace of the gentle night to you. Moon  
and stars pour their healing light on you. Deep peace of Christ,  
of Christ the light of the world to you. Deep peace of Christ to you.*

## Sanctus ICEL Chant Mass (CWBII 11a)

**Memorial Acclamation (ICEL #1):** We proclaim your death, O Lord,  
and profess your resurrection,  
until you come again. (CWBII 12a)

**Agnus Dei** ICEL Chant Mass (CWBII 17a)  
*Midday Mass* *Missa Brevis in C Major K.259*  
—WA Mozart (1756-1791)

**Communion Motet** *Ave Verum Corpus Op.63*  
*Midday Mass* — William Byrd (1543-1623)

Ave, verum corpus natum de Maria Virgine: vere passum, immolatum in cruce pro homine: cuius latus perforatum fluxit aqua et sanguine: esto nobis praegustatum, in mortis examine. Amen.	Hail, true body, born of the Virgin Mary: You who truly suffered and were sacrificed on the cross for the sake of man. From whose pierced flank flowed water and blood: be a foretaste for us (of the heavenly banquet) in the trial of death.
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**Communion Hymn** Christ is the heav'nly food  
(CWBII 466)

Christ is the heav'nly food that gives to eve'ry famished soul  
new life and strength, new joy and hope  
and faith to make them whole.

We all are made for God alone, without whom we are dead;  
no food suffices for the soul but Christ, the living bread.

Christ is the unity that binds in one the near and far;  
for we who share his life divine his living body are.  
On earth and in the realms beyond, one fellowship are we;  
and at his table we are knit in mystic unity.

**Recessional Hymn** Be thou my vision  
(CWBII 455)

Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart,  
be all else but naught to me, save that thou art,  
be thou my best thought in the day and the night,  
both waking and sleeping, thy presence my light.

Be thou my wisdom, be thou my true word;  
be thou ever with me, and I with thee, Lord,  
be thou my great Father, thy child let me be,  
be thou in me dwelling, and I one with thee.

Be thou my breastplate, my sword for the fight,  
be thou my whole armour, be thou my true might,  
be thou my soul's shelter, be thou my strong tower,  
O raise thou me heav'n ward, great Power of my power.

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