

# ***Saint Michael's War Memorial Catholic Church***

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*"Come to worship  
Go to proclaim"*

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**26th November, 2023**

**Christ the King**

**Thur 30th St Andrew the Apostle.**

**FIRST READING:**

**Ezekiel 34:11-12, 15-17**

You, my flock, I judge between sheep and sheep.

**RESPONSORIAL PSALM**

**Ps 22:1-3, 5-6, R. v. 1**

The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.

**SECOND READING:**

**Corinthians 15:20-26, 28**

He will hand over the kingdom to God the Father, so that God may be all in all.

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

**Mk 11:9, 10**

*Alleluia, Alleluia*

*Blessings on him who comes in the name of the Lord!*

*Blessings on the coming kingdom of our father David!*

*Alleluia.*

**GOSPEL:**

**Matthew 25:31-46**

*He will take his seat on his throne of glory, and will separate men one from another.*

# St. Michael's Parish Notice

**Sick:** Vince Buchan, Sylvia Newman, David Low, Jimmy Chandra

**Mass Intentions** Sat 5pm †Lucy Chong  
Sun 8am †James Donnellan

We acknowledge the Gweagal People, the traditional Custodians of this land.

## Baptism

We welcome Elle Norbiato and her parents to her Baptism this Sunday

## Collection w/e 19/11/23

**1st Collection: \$441.65, 2nd Collection: \$237.00, Planned Giving \$190.50**

Thank You for your generous support.

## St Michael's Primary Playgroup

**When:** Thursdays @ 9am during Term 4, 2022. **Where:** Parish Hall. **Bring along:** Morning Tea for your child. Due to allergies we ask that this be a piece of fruit and water. Parents with babies and toddlers who are not at school yet are welcome.

Please **RSVP** by emailing Ma Becina (Family Educator) at [ma.becina@syd.catholic.edu.au](mailto:ma.becina@syd.catholic.edu.au)

## November Memorial Masses:

Envelopes are now available for your Mass intentions. Please place these envelopes in the special box at the altar. Individual Mass intentions will be published in the bulletin.

All November Masses will also be offered for the souls of our dearly departed friends and relatives. Names of souls will be displayed on noticeboard at the front of the Church.

## St Andrew

Saint Andrew the Apostle was Jesus Christ's first disciple. He preached the teachings of Jesus around the globe before being crucified in Greece on 30 November 60 AD. St Andrew is commonly associated with Scotland: Andrew died by crucifixion on an X-shaped cross, which is now represented by the white cross of the Scottish flag. People from all over the world hold St Andrew in the highest regard because of his teachings. He is the patron saint of 6 countries and several cities. St Andrew is also the patron saint of fishermen, singers and pregnant women and is believed to offer protection against sore throats and gout.

## Electronic Donations

If anyone wishes to donate electronically, please click on the QR code and you will be directed to our donation page on our website.

THANK YOU for your generous support.

It is very much appreciated.



## The Catholic Archdiocese of Sydney Safeguarding Office

Child sexual abuse is a crime. If you, or anyone you know, have been abused, please contact the police. Or contact the Safeguarding and Ministerial integrity office at (02) 9390-5810 or [safeguardingenquiries@sydneycatholic.org](mailto:safeguardingenquiries@sydneycatholic.org)

*Please observe silence in God's house.  
Please turn your mobile off or put it on silent.*



### **Prayer for Souls in Purgatory.**

Eternal Father, I offer Thee the Most Precious Blood of Thy Divine Son, Jesus, in union with the masses said throughout the world today, for all the holy souls in purgatory, for sinners everywhere, for sinners in the universal church, those in my own home and within my family. Amen.

### **Advent Prayer**

My loving Jesus, I choose You, this Advent, as my King and my God. I abandon myself to You and seek to put all my trust in Your tender care. Draw me close to You and free me from my sin so that I may love You with a pure and holy heart.

### **Advent**

According to Saint Gregory of Tours the celebration of Advent began in the fifth century when the Bishop Perpetuus directed that starting with the St. Martin's Day on 11 November until Christmas, one fasts three times per week; this is why Advent was sometimes also named "Lent of St. Martin". The first day of Advent is the first day of a new Liturgical (or church) calendar and begins a four week period of preparation in anticipation of the nativity of Jesus at Christmas. The Advent Season is about reflecting on how we can prepare our hearts and homes for Christ's birth in the world as it is today. It is a time for faith communities and families to remember, through prayer, reflections, special music, and good deeds what the true meaning of Jesus' birth is. The four Sundays of Advent proclaim aspects of our divine nature—**hope and faith, peace, love, and joy**. The traditional themes of Advent allow us—through meditation, prayer, and affirmation—to contemplate ways to share our deepest gifts: hope and faith, peace, love, and joy.

Advent calendars first originated in the 1800's and were initially used as a tool to help "focus" Christians for the period of advent. They were initially started in Germany where chalk marks were made on doors, or candles were lit, counting the days leading up to Christmas.

The first printed advent calendar was made in the 1900's by Gerhard Lang. His calendar was created after being inspired by a calendar his mother made for him. It featured 24 coloured pictures that attached to a piece of cardboard. Overtime he modified his calendars so that they included little doors that are common in the advent calendars used today.

*Advent Calendar Fact: Advent Calendars don't actually count the period of advent, instead they begin on December 1 and count the 24 days before Christmas.*

*"Advent is a time of waiting for the Lord, who will visit us, in our own hearts. Let us wait for him!" —Pope Francis*

*Advent Companion Books are available at the entrance to the Church.*

**Mass Times:**      **Saturday Vigil:** 5:00pm  
                                  **Sunday:**                    8:00am, 10:00am  
**Weekday:**      **Monday:**  
                                  **Tuesday:**                    7:30am  
                                  **Wednesday:**                7:00pm  
                                  **Thursday:**                    7:30am  
                                  **Friday:**                        9:15am

**Reconciliation**

**Wednesday:** 6:15pm – 6:45pm  
**Saturday:**    4:15pm – 4:45pm



**Contact The Presbytery**

**Parish Office Hours:** Thurs & Fri 9:00am to 2:30pm

**Holy Hour:** Wednesday, 6:00pm

**Baptisms & Weddings:** by appointment.

**Baptisms:** Sundays after the 10am Mass

**Volunteers Roster:**

**This weekend— 26th November, 2023 Christ the King**

<b><u>Vigil:</u></b> (A) Hartanto, A Yap	(R) S & R Williams	(M) Thomas W
<b><u>8am:</u></b> (A) Andy H	(R) Justine, G Guerrero	(M) Patricia L
<b><u>10am:</u></b> (A) N Jenner	(R) D Sarmiento, Jordan	(M) M Sarmiento

**Piety Stall:** (Vigil) C Lan Kam (Sun, 8am) I K oeswanto (Sun, 10am) L Jenner

**Next weekend - 3rd December, 2023 1st Sunday Advent**

<b><u>Vigil:</u></b> (A) Hartanto, A Yap	(R) G Metternicht, Br Robert	(M) Thomas W
<b><u>8am:</u></b> (A) Andy H	(R) Justine, G Guerrero	(M) Patricia L
<b><u>10am:</u></b> (A) N Jenner	(R) K Wong, <b>Volunteer</b>	(M) M Sarmiento

**Piety Stall:** (Vigil) F Wu (Sun, 8am) I Koeswanto (Sun, 10am) L Jenner

Parishioners wishing to apply for any of the Ministries, please contact the Parish Office.  
 Thank you!