

# ST THOMAS MORE PARISH, HADFIELD

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32<sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Yr A - 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> November 2020







### **NOVEMBER MONTH OF ALL SOUL'S**

Let us pray,

Lord, give us the certainty that beyond death there is a life where broken things are mended and lost things are found; where there is rest for the weary and joy for the sad; where all that we have loved and willed of good exists, and where we will meet again our loved ones.

We ask this through Christ, our Lord, Amen.

Whatever you do, work at it with all your heart, as working for the Lord, not for human masters. —Colossians 3:23 As we draw near to the end of the liturgical year, the readings are concerned with the end of time and this Sunday's readings bring the usual warnings about preparation for the end of our own world, the end of our own time and our passage to another world. They tell us that a searching, watching, and growing heart is essential for a lively, dynamic Faith in God. They challenge us to check whether we are ready for these events and how we are preparing for them.

## LIFE MESSAGE

We need to be wise enough to remain ever prepared: Wise Christians live each day in the light of Jesus' vision. Such people find Him in the most ordinary experiences of daily living — in the people they meet, the events that take place, and the situations in which they find themselves.

They make their daily choices for God. They are ready to put the commandment of love into practice by kindness and forgiveness. There is absolutely no better way to prepare for the final call than to learn to spend each day in the company of Jesus, remembering his assurance, "I am with you always." (CCC 1036, 2612: vigilant waiting for the Lord's return).

When we eventually hear the final call, "Get up! The Master is coming!" we will not be worried, but happy and more than ready to meet Him, as well as old friends and family, in Heaven. God has made this promise to us: "Those who are wise will shine like the brightness of the heavens, and those who lead many to righteousness, like the stars for ever and ever" (Dn 12:3). (From cbcihomilies/fr tony)

Our days are happier when we give people a bit of our heart rather than a piece of our mind.

The following short prayer should be always on their lips:

"Lord, grant that all my thoughts, intentions, actions and responses may be directed solely to Your love and service this day." "Help me, Lord, to seek, to find, and to respond to You in every single experience this day."

### **OUR CHURCH IS NOW OPEN**

See updated advice on: www.cam.org.au for full details or visit our website at pol.org.au/hadfield Thank you to everyone who attended the Masses this week and for your understanding and compliance with all the safety guidelines put in place. We await for the additional easing of restrictions to be announced this Sunday (8th Nov). Hopefully we will be able to have 20 parishioners attend indoor Masses. If this is the case, the following Masses will be celebrated from this coming week

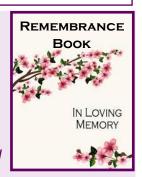
> One Mass at 9.30am **Tuesdays** One Mass at 9.30am Wednesdays **Fridays** One Mass at 9.30am

If you have already registered for Mass and there are any changes we will notify you, otherwise please attend on your requested day for 9.30 am Mass.

Please note you need to register your intention to attend Mass by telephoning the office on 9357 1422, emailing us at admin@stmhadfield.org.au or ringing 0402 249 117. We will try and accommodate everyone but ask for your patience and understanding if the days requested are not available. Bookings will be done on a week to week basis.

> YOU MUST WEAR A MASK AT ALL TIMES AND IF FEELING UNWELL PLEASE DO NOT COME TO CHURCH AND RESCHEDULE IF YOU HAVE ALREADY REGISTERED. THANK YOU

DURING NOVEMBER we will have our BOOK OF REMEMBRANCE at the foot of the Altar however because of Covid safety issues, you will not be able to write the names in the book. There will be leaflets at the Remembrance Table which you can take with you, complete and then return in the basket provided. We will then include the names of your loved ones in the Remembrance Book. PLEASE NOTE THAT THERE IS NO NEED TO WRITE THE NAMES OF YOUR LOVED ONES EVERY YEAR. PLEASE ONLY INCLUDE NAMES OF LOVED ONES NOT ALREADY IN THE BOOK.



If you wish for Fr Raj to offer a separate Mass then please complete the envelope marked (Mass for the Holy Souls) also provided on the table together with your donation.

Only the names of those whose anniversaries which occur in November will be read out but we will continue to pray for all those mentioned in our Remembrance Book and in our Memorial Rose Garden.

# JOKE OF THE WEEK



A Sunday school teacher was testing the children in her class one morning to see if they understood the concept of "getting to Heaven." She said, "If I sold my house and my car, held a big garage sale and gave all my money to the Church, would that get me into Heaven?"

"NO!" the children answered.

"If I cleaned the Church every day, mowed the yard, and kept everything neat and tidy, would that get me into Heaven?" Again, the answer was, "NO!"

"Well, then, if I was kind to animals, gave lollies to children and loved my husband, would that get me into Heaven?" Again, they all answered, "NO!"

"Well," the teacher continued, "how do I get into Heaven?" A five-year-old boy shouted out, "YOU GOTTA BE DEAD!

(From Fr Raj's collection)

### **REMEMBRANCE PLAQUES:**

For all those that have placed an order for Remembrance Plaques for your loved ones, please contact the Parish Office **ASAP on 9357 1422 during** office hours.

If you wish to order a plaque, then please do so as soon as possible by ringing or emailing the office on

admin@stmhadfield.org.au.

### **FEASTS DURING THE WEEK**

Mon 9 Nov The Dedication of the Laterna

Basilica

St Leo the Great Tues 10 Nov

Wed 11 Nov St Martin of Tours

Thur 12 Nov St Josaphat

#### PLEASE REMEMBER IN PRAYER.....



THOSE WHO ARE SICK: Pamela di Giorgio, Josie Abela, Carl & Michael Ceddia, Goretty Soares, Tecla Alessi, Frank & Maria Pisano, Anna Nicolazzo,

Bernadette Micallef, Catherine. Jessie Formosa

