



ST CHRISTOPHER'S PARISH

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St Christopher's Parish is committed to the safety, wellbeing and dignity of all children and vulnerable adults.

33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year A)

18 / 19 November 2023

<u>WORSHIP TIMETABLE</u>	
<u>St Christopher's Church</u>	
MONDAY	
Holy Rosary	9.00am
Communion Service	9.30am
Italian Charismatic Prayer Group	<i>(after Mass)</i>
TUESDAY	
Holy Rosary	9.00am
Mass	9.30am
Italian Rosary	<i>(after Mass)</i>
WEDNESDAY	
Holy Rosary	9.00am
Mass	9.30am
THURSDAY	
Holy Rosary	9.00am
Mass	9.30am
FRIDAY	
Holy Rosary	9.00am
Mass	9.30am
SATURDAY	
Mass	5.00pm
SUNDAY	
Mass <i>(Italian)</i>	8.30am
Mass <i>(English)</i>	10.30am
St Augustine's Church	
SUNDAY	
Mass	9.00am

Baptisms *(bookings only)*

- Every second and fourth Saturday at 11.00am at St Christopher's Church
- Every second and fourth Sunday at St Christopher's Church
- Every third Sunday at St Augustine's Church
- Baptism Welcomes every first Sunday.

Parish Sacramental Program
For school aged children attending a non - catholic school. Please contact the Parish Office for further information.

Weddings *(at least 6 months in advance)*
Please contact parish office.

Reconciliations
Every Friday after 9.30am Mass.

Anointing of the sick
As requested.

PLEASE PRAY FOR:



All anniversaries that occur at this time, especially:
Wilbro D'Souza, Famiglia Cappellano, Famiglia Cefala, Famiglia Zaffina, Elisabetta Liparota, Gino Alessandri, Famiglia Pino

FIRST READING *Proverbs 31:10-13,19-20,30-31*

A reading from the book of Proverbs.

A perfect wife – who can find her?

She is far beyond the price of pearls.

Her husband's heart has confidence in her,
from her he will derive no little profit.

Advantage and not hurt she brings him
all the days of her life.

She is always busy with wool and with flax,
she does her work with eager hands.

She sets her hands to the distaff,
her fingers grasp the spindle.

She holds out her hand to the poor,
she opens her arms to the needy.

Charm is deceitful, and beauty empty;
the woman who is wise is the one to praise.

Give her a share in what her hands have worked for,
and let her works tell her praises at the city gates.

The word of the Lord.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Response:

Happy are those who fear the Lord.

O blessed are those who fear the Lord
and walk in his ways!

By the labour of your hands you shall eat.
You will be happy and prosper. **R.**

Your wife like a fruitful vine
in the heart of your house;
your children like shoots of the olive,
around your table. **R.**

Indeed thus shall be blessed
the man who fears the Lord.

May the Lord bless you from Zion
in a happy Jerusalem
all the days of your life. **R.**

SECOND READING *1 Thessalonians 5:1-6*

A reading from the first letter of St Paul to the Thessalonians.

You will not be expecting us to write anything to you, brothers, about 'times and seasons', since you know very well that the Day of the Lord is going to come like a thief in the night. It is when people are saying, 'How quiet and peaceful it is' that the worst suddenly happens, as suddenly as labour pains come on a pregnant woman; and there will be no way for anybody to evade it.

But it is not as if you live in the dark, my brothers, for that Day to overtake you like a thief. No, you are all sons of light and sons of the day: we do not

belong to the night or to darkness, so we should not go on sleeping, as everyone else does, but stay wide awake and sober.

The word of the Lord.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!

Live in me and let me live in you, says the Lord;
my branches bear much fruit.

Alleluia!

GOSPEL *Matthew 25:14-30*

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew.

Jesus spoke this parable to his disciples: 'The kingdom of Heaven is like a man on his way abroad who summoned his servants and entrusted his property to them. To one he gave five talents, to another two, to a third one; each in proportion to his ability. Then he set out.

'The man who had received the five talents promptly went and traded with them and made five more. The man who had received two made two more in the same way. But the man who had received one went off and dug a hole in the ground and hid his master's money.

'Now a long time after, the master of those servants came back and went through his accounts with them. The man who had received the five talents came forward bringing five more. "Sir," he said "you entrusted me with five talents; here are five more that I have made."

'His master said to him, "Well done, good and faithful servant; you have shown you can be faithful in small things, I will trust you with greater; come and join in your master's happiness."

'Next the man with the two talents came forward. "Sir," he said "you entrusted me with two talents; here are two more that I have made." His master said to him, "Well done, good and faithful servant; you have shown you can be faithful in small things, I will trust you with greater; come and join in your master's happiness."

'Last came forward the man who had the one talent. "Sir," said he "I had heard you were a hard man, reaping where you have not sown and gathering where you have not scattered; so I was afraid, and I went off and hid your talent in the ground. Here it is; it was yours, you have it back." But his master answered him, "You wicked and lazy servant! So you knew that I reap where I have not sown and gather where I have not scattered? Well

then, you should have deposited my money with the bankers, and on my return I would have recovered my capital with interest. So now, take the talent from him and give it to the man who has the five talents. For to everyone who has will be given more, and he will have more than enough; but from the man who has not, even what he has will be taken away. As for this good-for-nothing servant, throw him out into the dark, where there will be weeping and grinding of teeth.”

The word of the Lord.



Prayers of the Faithful Response:
Lord, hear our prayer!

Safeguarding

Working with Children Checks

All clergy, employees and volunteers over the age of 18 are required to maintain a current WWCC.

Aswell as clergy and employees, this also means all volunteers such as:

- Sacristans
- Readers
- Extraordinary Ministers of Communion
- Ministers of Communion to the Sick
- Musicians & Choir Members
- Church Cleaners

If you are unsure or require assistance, please contact the Parish Office.

Code of Conduct Declaration

All volunteers are required to read and sign a Code of Conduct Declaration. Again, this is a requirement of all volunteers.

Please contact the Parish Office to get a copy.

CATHOLIC DEAF COLLECTION

This weekend we will have a Special Collection taken up to support of the John Pierce Centre, Catholic Ministry for the Deaf. Please give generously.



St Vincent de Paul Society
good works

Volunteers needed

The Airport West Conference of the St Vincent de Paul Society assists people in need who live within the boundary of St Christopher’s Parish. We are fortunate that since the first Conference was established in 1968 there have been enough members to carry out this work.

Unfortunately, this is no longer the case. We desperately need new members to enable us to continue in our work of assisting the most vulnerable people in our community.

If you are interested in obtaining further information on the role of a Conference Member, please call Michael on 0425 775 690.

Piety Stall

It is with regret that the St Vincent de Paul Society Airport West Conference advises that it is no longer in a position to continue operating the Piety Stall at St Christopher’s Church. Thank you to our parishioners who have supported us over many years.

St Christopher’s Parish Christmas Raffle

Ticket Prices:

\$2 per ticket

or

\$5 for 3 tickets

Raffle will be drawn on
Sunday 17 December 2023 at the 10.30am Mass.

Please support these Australian owned businesses that support our Parish



Steve Demos

info@fastactioncleaning.com.au

0412 106 316

Cullie Plumbing

John

0478 943 649

john@cullieplumbing.com.au

License Number: 45531

ABN: 77372349503

Residential & Commercial

Plumbing
Burst pipes
Hot water service repairs and installation
Blocked & broken drains
Storm water repairs
Leaking taps & showers
Gutter & roof repairs & renewals
Underground bursts
Bathroom/Kitchen plumbing services & renovations
All general plumbing

BANK TRANSFERS

We encourage all Parishioners to contribute Thanksgiving through bank transfers. If you choose this method please ensure that in the description you put your surname and envelope number. (eg: *Smith 1234*) St Christopher Parish account numbers are as follows:

Church Account

CDF Bank (NAB)

BSB 083 347

Account 716 209 715

To pay our Parish operating costs; Pastoral Care and Sacraments; Maintenance

Presbytery Account

CDF Bank (NAB)

BSB 083 347

Account 666 212 720

To support the Priest of our Parish; sick and retired Priests; Priests in needy Parishes; the Archbishops

NEW PARISHIONERS

We welcome you to our Parish and ask that you make yourself known to us by completing this form and leaving it in the collection basket or call at the Parish Office.

Full Name: _____

Address: _____

Tel: _____

Email: _____

Do you wish to receive Parish Thanksgiving envelopes?

Yes / No

Would you like to contribute through direct debit?

Yes / No

Payment / Frequency Option (Please tick one)

1.	<input type="checkbox"/>	Monthly	\$30.00
2.	<input type="checkbox"/>	Quarterly	\$90.00
3.	<input type="checkbox"/>	Half Yearly	\$180.00
4.	<input type="checkbox"/>	Yearly	\$360.00
5.	<input type="checkbox"/>	other amount	

PARISH FINANCES (weekending 12 November 2023)

Thanksgiving: \$246.50

Presbytery: \$102.50

Thank You for your Support!!