



**Sacred Heart / Emmaus Parish
St Albans/Sydenham Western Plains Deanery**



Parish Priest: Fr. Maurie Cooney

**OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE —YEAR B
21ST NOVEMBER, 2021**

DETAILS

PARISH
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Office Hours:
Monday—Thursday 9:30am—4:00pm

Mass Times:
Sacred Heart
 Tuesday—Friday 7.30am
 Saturday 9.00am, 5.00pm **6.30pm (must be booked online)**
 Sunday 7.30am, 10.30am
 Sunday Polish 9.00am
 Sunday Slovene 2nd Sunday of month at 5.00pm

Emmaus Church
 Saturday 6.30pm
 Sunday 9.00am

Sacrament of Reconciliation:
Sacred Heart English Saturday 10.30am

Baptism: Baptisms have resumed, (limited numbers present). Eight weeks notice is required.

Marriage: Weddings have resumed with restricted numbers. Four months noticed required.

Appointments: Please call the Parish Office on 93662146 if you wish to speak to the Priest.

**COVID-SAFE RESTRICTIONS
HAVE BEEN EASED**

See Page 2 of this newsletter for full details

**MASS is available through
STREAMING and TV**

See Page 2 of this Newsletter for ways to view Mass on TV, online and via YouTube

READINGS

This week: First Reading:	Dn 7:13-14	Second Reading:	Rv 1:5-8	Gospel:	Jn 18:33-37
Next Week: First Reading:	Jer 33:14-16	Second Reading:	1 Thes 3:12 – 4:2	Gospel:	Lk 21:25-28. 34-36

REFLECTION

This weekend, another Liturgical Year – Year B - of our Church comes to a close. The next cycle opens up next weekend, Year C, with the First Sunday of Advent.

Throughout this Church Year, the gospel of Mark has guided us. Its constant theme has been that 'you have to work at life and at faith'. There were many stories of struggle, calling from people courage, resilience, humility ... and trust in the faithfulness of God. Our prayer today could well be one of thankfulness that we have come this far, and for our continuing awareness of the commitment God has to us, shown in Christ, whom we celebrate today as 'King'.

He is a king for the poor.

*They say about him he was like a shepherd who kept all his sheep in view,
like a teacher keeping an eye on every student in the class,
like a parent giving time to all the children,
a grandparent remembering each grandchild.*

All are important, especially the lost, the strays, the wounded and the weak.

And when he meets us all in the final kingdom, he'll wonder how we treated the weak, the lost and the poor.

Strange type of king: not a collector of taxes, not the richest one in the land, not the one defended by his people, but the generous one, the one who was poor, and the one who defended his own to death. And how can we honour him? His own words say it all: "Whatever you do for the least of my people, you do for me."

IMPORTANT MESSAGE

If you would like to receive the weekly 'Parish Update' emailed to you, please send your email address to the Parish: stalbans@cam.org.au

St Mary of the Cross MacKillop

"I felt peace and the warmest confidence, that out of these terrible troubles, and scandals even, good would come." - Mary MacKillop 1873
(Check out Mary MacKillop noticeboard outside on the verandah)

PARISH UPDATE

COVID-SAFE RESTRICTIONS HAVE BEEN EASED

COVID restrictions now allow our churches to be open for Mass, “with no capacity limits or density limits”, everyone to be ‘fully vaccinated’. Bookings are no longer required.

As well, there is an extra Mass with those of ‘unknown vaccination status’, limited to **50** participants, at Sacred Heart at **6.30pm** on Saturdays. Bookings are required at <https://www.trybooking.com/BMKXC>

Everyone is to record their presence (by QR or manually).

“Masks are required indoors only in limited settings”. Our churches are not listed as a ‘limited setting’.

See below for information for accessing Mass on TV and online.

The schedule for our Masses this weekend (20/21 November) is:

SUNDAY MASSES:

Sacred Heart Church	Saturday	5.00pm	Full Vaccination Required
Sacred Heart Church	Saturday	6.30pm	Unknown Vaccination status
Sacred Heart Church	Sunday	7.30am	Full Vaccination Required
Sacred Heart Church	Sunday	9.00am POLISH	Full Vaccination Required
Sacred Heart Church	Sunday	10.30am	Full Vaccination Required

Bookings required

Emmaus Church	Saturday	6.30pm	Full Vaccination Required
Emmaus Church	Sunday	9.00am	Full Vaccination Required

Other Options/Alternatives to view Mass

Mass for You at Home, (MFYAH), which up till now had been produced in the studios of Channel Ten, now has a new base in the Diocese of Wollongong (NSW). The Mass is celebrated in St John Vianney Co-Cathedral, Wollongong. It shows at 6.00am Sundays on Channel Ten and is repeated multiple times a day on Foxtel’s Aurora channel.

Importantly for those who have become used to Mass being ‘streamed’, this Sunday Mass is also available on demand on Channel Ten’s platform www.tenplay.com.au/mfyah.

The Mass is also available on Wollongong’s YouTube channel which can be accessed on www.massforyou.com.au as well as the Diocesan website, www.dow.org.au. There are also links to it on the Diocesan Facebook page and the MFYA Facebook page.

Channel 31 (usually found at ‘44’ on digital TV’s) 11.00am Sundays from St Patrick’s Cathedral or **online at:** <https://melbournecatholic.org.au/Mass> at 1.00pm on weekdays, and at 11.00am on Sundays

online at: <http://bit.ly/MassOnDemand> (continuous daily from Lavender Bay Parish, Sydney)

WE REMEMBER IN OUR PRAYERS

RECENT DEATHS: Joe Vassallo; Odette Smith; Romeo Santiago Isis Smith; Frances Barbara; Daphne Duncan, Sue Finlayson; Angela Susec; Felicia Gerreyn; Egizia Kaucic.

ANNIVERSARIES: Flora Ramos, Bernardine Ramos; Antonia Demicoli; George Borg; Joseph & Maria Orsini, Cecilia & Frank Cordina; John Fenech, Salvu & Martina Micallef & Family; John, Vincenza, Carmenu, Paul, Tony & Joe Fenech; Paul Aquilina; Angela Xeureb; Leli, Carmelo, Mary, Joseph & Grace Pulis; Tony & Jane Dalli, Rose Pulis. Richard Xerri; Lewis, Paul & Joe Psaila, Sam & Luke Cassar, Margaret Borg; Zoe & Joseph Camilleri, Arthur & Lina Mattocks; Mary Agius Benac; Silvo & Janina Simcic, Anthony Agius; Sam & Mary Tabone, Pauline Bajada; Miriam Caruana (Delia); Trevor Rodgers; Theresa Jeffries; Gwen Fraser, Maureen, Derek, Jack & Ivan Gonsalves; John, Alice, Joseph, Victor, Vargrian & Dorothy D'Souza, Robert & Albin Pereira, Celine Carvallo, Alice D'Souza, Thomas Soares; John Val; Annie Perera; Pearl, Thomas & Clifford Sladen, Alfred, Sheila & Ricardo Sladen, Joyce, Malcolm & Tyrone Pope; Alistair D'Monte, Ashley Basnet, Rex & Mary Vieyra, Joyce & Eugene D'Rozario, Joyce & Merlyn Hendricks; Peter & Clara Parnis; Charlie Camilleri, Leli Bugeja; Joshine Darmin, Joe Falzon & Joe Giacotto; John Colorieo, Mansut & Maria Psaila; Joyce Cassar, Maryanne & Michael Bordieri; Reno, Salvatore, Lucy & Jane DeGabriele; Fr Joshua Peter, Joe, Mario & Charlie Muscat; Tony, Joseph Kelina & Seguna Family, Joseph, Josephine & Bonnici family; Rita Bugeja; Sydney & Joseph Willie, Brett Lazaric, Willie & Sciberras families. Carmel Galea; Charlie Camilleri, Leli Bugeja; Ferdinana Debono; George Borg.

OUR PASTORAL, SOCIAL & SCHOOL EVENTS

IMPORTANT MESSAGE

THANKSGIVING CONTRIBUTIONS

Thank you to all who are continuing to support our Parish's financial commitments: the bills keep coming in!

For Parishioners who contribute to the Parish with Envelopes, there is a new way for you to continue your contribution directly:

- Payments can be made online using a computer
- Payments require a Credit Card or Debit Card with VISA or MASTERCARD

All these contributions will go directly into our Parish account. To get started:

- go to our Parish website:
<http://pol.org.au/stalbanssydenham/Home.aspx>
- click on the link **THANKSGIVING SACRED HEART/EMMAUS** on the left of the home page
- select the amount you want to contribute to keep up your regular contribution
- in the "Comment" section, enter your name and envelope number

We continue to thank our Debit/Credit card contributors who are so important to our Parish.

- **OR You can also deliver your Thanksgiving Envelopes to the letterbox at Sacred Heart church—it's secure and cleared frequently;**
- **OR You can 'store up' you Envelopes and bring them when we're allowed to gather again.**

Risen Lord Community Prayer group have recommenced at **Sacred Heart church every Friday from 7.30pm** onwards. Gatherings in the church require "full vaccination" for all participants. All Welcome

Novena & Rosary Prayer Group will commence every **Wednesday at 6.45pm at Emmaus Church**—Gatherings in the church require "full vaccination" for all participants. All Welcome.

Rosary Prayer Group have recommenced every **Monday at 1.30pm at Sacred Heart Church**—Gatherings in the church require "full vaccination" for all participants. All Welcome.

Our Parish is re-building our Ministry Teams

'Ministry' expresses that it is 'we the people' who give life to our Parish.

'Ministry' is our involvement together in the mission of the Church – "to carry forward the work of Christ".

To renew your participation in Ministry, or to commence your participation in Ministry, go to the 'Application Forms' page on our Parish website:

<http://pol.org.au/stalbanssydenham>

- you will see the many Ministries of our Parish
- you will see the procedures that are required to
- 'renew' and to 'commence' involvement in Ministry.

Your participation in Ministry gives life to the gospel of Jesus – being lived in action!

CHILD SAFETY POLICY

Sacred Heart/Emmaus Parish is committed to the care, wellbeing and protection of children, young people and people at risk in our community. The Parish takes a zero-tolerance approach to child abuse and upholds that child protection and the dignity of every person is the responsibility of every adult.