### Entrance Antiphon

### Rv 5:12; 1:6

How worthy is the Lamb who was slain, to receive power and divinity, and wisdom and strength and honour. To him belong glory and power for ever and ever.

# A reading from the second book of Samuel 2 Sm 5:1-3

## They anointed David king of Israel.

All the tribes of Israel came to David at Hebron. 'Look' they said 'we are your own flesh and blood. In days past when Saul was our king, it was you who led Israel in all their exploits; and the Lord said to you, "You are the man who shall be shepherd of my people Israel, you shall be the leader of Israel."' So all the elders of Israel came to the king at Hebron, and King David made a pact with them at Hebron in the presence of the Lord, and they anointed David king of Israel. **The word of the Lord.** 

Responsorial Psalm Ps 121:1-5. R. see v.2

Let us go rejoicing to the house of the Lord.

### A reading from the letter of St Paul to the

Colossians

Col 1:12-20

# He has taken us into the kingdom of his beloved Son.

We give thanks to the Father who has made it possible for you to join the saints and with them to inherit the light.

Because that is what he has done: he has taken us out of the power of darkness and created a place for us in the kingdom of the Son that he loves, and in him, we gain our freedom, the forgiveness of our sins. He is the image of the unseen God and the first-born of all creation, for in him were created all things in heaven and on earth: everything visible and everything invisible, Thrones, Dominations, Sovereignties, Powers - all things were created through him and for him. Before anything was created, he existed, and he holds all things in unity. Now the Church is his body, he is its head. As he is the Beginning, he was first to be born from the dead, so that he should be first in every way; because God wanted all perfection to be found in him and all things to be reconciled through him and for him, everything in heaven and everything on earth, when he made peace by his death on the cross.

# Gospel Acclamation Mk 11:9. 10

**Alleluia, alleluia!** Blessed is he who inherits the kingdom of David our Father; blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. **Alleluia!** 

# A reading from the holy Gospel according Luke Lk 23:35-43

# Lord remember me when you come into your kingdom.

The people stayed there before the cross watching Jesus. As for the leaders, they jeered at him. 'He saved others,' they said, 'let him save himself if he is the Christ of God, the Chosen One.' The soldiers mocked him too, and when they approached to offer him vinegar they said, 'If you are the king of the Jews, save yourself.' Above him there was an inscription: 'This is the King of the Jews.'

One of the criminals hanging there abused him. 'Are you not the Christ?' he said. 'Save yourself and us as well.' But the other spoke up and rebuked him. 'Have you no fear of God at all?' he said. 'You got the same sentence as he did, but in our case we deserved it: we are paying for what we did. But this man has done nothing wrong. Jesus,' he said, 'remember me when you come into your kingdom.' 'Indeed, I promise you,' he replied, 'today you will be with me in paradise.'

## The Gospel of the Lord.

# Communion Antiphon

The Lord sits as King for ever. The Lord will bless his people with peace.



Ps 28:10-11

Next week's readings First Reading: Is 2:1-5 Responsorial Psalm: Ps 121:1-2. 4-5. 6-9. Second Reading: Rom 13:11-14 Gospel: Mt 24:37-44

The word of the Lord.



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Mass Times	Weekend	Vigil Mass 6.00pm	9.00am	9.00am	11.00am
	WEEKDAY			9.00am	

## OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE YEAR C - 20th November, 2022

100th Anniversary of Sacred Heart Church, Gembrook - 13th November, 2022

Special thanks and blessings to the organizing committee members of Gembrook church community.

Please visit the CAM website below for Archbishop's homily.

https://melbournecatholic.org/news/your-endurance-willwin-you-your-lives-100-years-at-sacred-heart-gembrook





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## **REMEMBRANCE IN OUR PRAYERS:**

**<u>Recent deaths:</u>** Dennis Williams and Joan Mary Joan.

Many people across the world who have died due to corona virus and natural calamities and ongoing War in Ukraine. May their souls rest in peace.

# Anniversaries:

Anthony Dale, Eng– Seong Tan, Jim Goodie, Trudy Francis, Carmelo Dell'Universita, Stephen Manion, Nelly Van Raay.

**Prayer for the deceased:** Lord open wide the doors of your Mercy to all those who have passed away in the parish of St. Thomas More, Belgrave. In your compassion grant eternal bliss to all of them.

**Prayers for the Sick:** We pray for all who are ill, but especially the following people: Juhyeon Kim, Peter Hicks, Margaret Campion, Diane Kamoen, Cameron DiCasio, Jack Weir, Ewa Wallis, Jane Schellenbach, Deanne Atkinson, Damien Van der Linden, Margaret Gilhooly, Daniel, Mason, Hero, Helen Smith, Irene, Debbie Owens, Don Kempster, Pat McCarrick, Joan Tom Fergus, Josie Walsh, Newman, Justin, B. O'Connor, Maureen Lyons, Ingyin Collins, David Bourke, Eileen Banvard, Brendan, Martin Fergus, Margaret, Maureen, Patricia Gilchrist, Stephen Mc., Cheryl McInnes, Kate Arnott, Julian Neesham, Robert Drake, Joan Munday, Fa Perisipi, John Reid, Dieter Farmer, Margaret Sheanon, Dianne Zidek, Mark Pickthall, Terry Schubert, Neil Weatherill, Margaret Herbert, Rob Zwagerman, Joshua McQuade, Lanie Brereton, Sandra Dowling, Francesca, Neil Holland, Maureen Hughes, Marilyn Ward, Isabelle Henry, Phillis Willoughby.

• Sick List: If you are aware that any names on the sick list need to be removed, please contact the Parish Office on 97542141.

# Novena for all souls

In November we remember and pray for all the faithful departed and the holy souls in Purgatory. You may also begin our traditional 'All Souls' Novena, say any consecutive nine days. The flayers are available at St. Thomas More Church foyer.

Honor your loved ones by entering their names on the Church Memorial book.





# Letter from the Bishops of Victoria

# **State Election 2022**

The Bishops of Victoria have written to the Catholic community in Victoria to provide an election guide designed to help Catholics consider and navigate key issues of significance, particularly those related to the common good. You are invited to read the guide and to prayerfully discern how your vote can contribute to the common good. The guide can be found at:

www.melbournecatholic.org/stateelection2022.

# **Prayer for the State Election**

Heavenly Father, You are the source of goodness, justice and truth. We thank you for the many freedoms we enjoy in Australia, including free and fair elections.

We entrust to you the State of Victoria and all who live within it.

We pray for the gift of wisdom ahead of the upcoming election.

Guide us in our deliberations, so we may seek to elect representatives

who will work tirelessly to pursue the common good in all things.

We pray for all those standing for election and their families. May all those elected work diligently to build a more

just society.

May our local community of Victoria be a place where peace and justice flourish, religious freedom is respected, and all people, especially the most vulnerable

are valued, respected and cared for.

And may we each renew our commitment to do the same ourselves – Following the example of Your Son, Jesus Christ, in all things. Our Lady Help of Christians, pray for us.

Amen.

## Craft stall/table

With the support of the Belgrave Small Christianity Community , and following on from discussions about the feasibility of resurrecting the Mountain Doo recently, there will be a fundraising stall for raise some funds towards the installation of emergency lights and exit signs at the St. Thomas More Church.

There will be a quite variety of crafty items all with a Christmas theme. (Things such as Christmas decorations (decorated Christmas baubles and ornaments; Christmas gifts such as machine embroidered coasters/glass bottles and glass bricks decorated and filled with lights. Decorated battery operated candles and more)

Date: 20<sup>th</sup> November

Time: after 9am mass

Venue: In church entrance (or just

outside of the church is the weather is good.)

Hope to see you there and please give generously.

Our SCC group will also be supplying tea and coffee on that day.

#### **Marianne Kuyper**



#### "Candlelight Vigil for Ukraine and world peace:

## (Every Wednesday)

Father Cruz will recommence the Candlelight Vigil including Mass, private prayer and the Rosary, offered for the end of the war in Ukraine and for peace in the world. This intention is also one of the requests of Mary the Mother of God, when she appeared in Fatima to three peasant children, several times in 1917.

Time will be strictly 7 pm – 8.15, but come for whatever time you can.

7 pm Mass7.30 Private prayer7.45 Rosary8.00 Benediction

Finish.

8.15



Everyone is welcome to attend.

#### Mass for Deceased Loved Ones

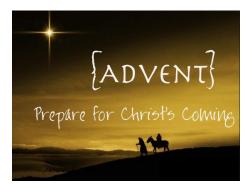
Mass for all the deceased family members and friends of St Thomas More's Parishioners. Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> November at 9 am Mass.

Parishioners are invited to light a remembrance candle and place it near the altar in remembrance of their loved ones. Candles will be provided.

Please let others know about this opportunity to pray for those we have lost.



## First Sunday of Advent - 27th November (Holy Day obligations)



## Dear Fr. Cruz and Parishioners,

Congratulations and thanks for the celebrations of the Gembrook Church. Blessed by weather, gracious crowds, liturgy as good as one could imagine, an outpouring of hospitality in every way it was memorable. The Gembrook community, always welcoming and capable, produced a wonderful display of remembrances and hope for the future. Evident from many youngsters among us today.

Thank you for the invitation to join you; I am so glad that I still knew the way. For it was setting early on a Sunday and motoring through the quiet spaces of the little townships on the way to Gembrook.

With best wishes for yourself and the whole parish.

#### Fr. Peter Carrucan

## SAVE THE DATE

St. Paul's church working bee is on Saturday the 26 November from 8.30 am to 11.30am. To tidy up the garden around church and memorial garden.

Many hands would make light work. Your help would be appreciated.

Sue Luxford





#### **Online Information Session**

Join us and learn about your study options at Catholic Theological College

With a range of online study options now available it is possible to participate in most units of study at CTC without leaving home.

## Monday 5 December at 7.30pm (AEDT)

Register via our website: ctc.edu.au/open-days

#### Baptism

Let us welcome **Archie Guy Rainey** into our faith community as he is going to baptised this weekend at St. Thomas More Church. May he be richly blessed throughout his life, constantly being aware of the unconditional love and Mercy of God.