

# Saint Luke the Evangelist Catholic Parish Blackburn South

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## WEEKLY BULLETIN: SUNDAY 25 NOVEMBER 2018 OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE – YEAR B *THE YEAR OF YOUTH*

*This week's readings: Dan 7:13-14; Apoc. 1:5-8; Gospel John 18:33-37*

**GOSPEL REFLECTION BY GREG SUNTER:** This week marks the end of the liturgical year. Next week, with the first week of Advent, we begin the new liturgical cycle. It is fitting that the Church concludes the liturgical year with the celebration of Christ the King. The conversation between Jesus and Pilate displays a lot of word play on the part of Jesus and quite a lot of confusion on the part of Pilate. The confusion stems from different perceptions of what it means to be a king. For Pilate, part of the most powerful political and military rule in the ancient world, the idea of a king was a threat. Claiming kingship was claiming authority and power that would inevitably lead to challenging the authority and power of Rome and, more directly, its representative in Palestine – Pilate. Jesus, of course, had a completely different idea about ushering in a kingdom. He does indeed declare that he is a king and that is what leads us to today's feast of Christ the King. However, his intention is not to claim a position of power and authority. When we think back to Jesus' teachings about the kingdom of God, we recall that he declares the people of highest status – the first – in the kingdom to be the lowliest of this world. It is the poor, the sick, the outcast, the children and the widows who will hold the highest places in the kingdom of God. In a kingdom like that, what does it mean to declare oneself king? The confusion about what it means to be a king that is captured in this interaction between Jesus and Pilate is the same confusion that we saw among the disciples as they came to terms with exactly what it means to be the Messiah.

**Gospel Focus – Truth:** Jesus says to Pilate that he came into the world 'to bear witness to the truth; and all who are on the side of truth listen to my voice.' That is where today's gospel passage finishes but as the gospel continues on, Pilate famously asks Jesus 'What is truth?' and the question is left dangling; unanswered. The truth Jesus has borne witness to is the truth of his whole life – the revelation of God's love for humanity. It is for proclaiming this truth that Jesus is placed on trial and is brought before Pilate.

**Historical Context – Christ the King:** Unfortunately, political and military images of kingship have played a dominating role in the Church since very early in its history. The very earliest Christians, or followers of the Way, did not conform to social and political hierarchies of their day. But when Emperor Constantine declared Christianity to be the official religion of the Roman Empire the structure of the Church quickly adopted the political and social structures of the empire. At times in history the Pope has adopted a regal status and led huge armies into battle. Many of these structures persist today and we sometimes struggle to recapture Jesus' intention when he declared himself a king.

**Have you thought? The Kingdom of God:** When Jesus speaks about the Kingdom of God he never gives a particularly clear picture of what he means. He usually refers to the kingdom with metaphoric language ('the kingdom of God is like ...') and often the kingdom is defined by what it is not. The kingdom is also a real contradiction: it is here and now and yet it is still to come; it is almost impossible for some to enter the kingdom while others are assured a place; it is within us and in our hearts and yet is a great banquet to which all are invited.

### *Raise your voices ...*

**Entrance antiphon:** 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.

**Response to the Psalm:** The Lord is king; he is robed in majesty.

**Gospel acclamation:** 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!

**Communion antiphon:** The Lord sits as King for ever. The Lord will bless his people with peace.

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*We are Companions on the Journey ...*

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Whitehorse Deanery  
Eastern Region  
Archdiocese of Melbourne

**Rev Father Gerard Johnson  
Parish Priest**

**Sonya O'Farrell  
Part-time Parish Secretary  
Wednesdays, Thursdays &  
Fridays**

**10.00am - 2.00pm**

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**SUNDAY MASS**

Saturday Vigil - 6:00pm  
Sunday - 8:30am & 10:30am

**WEEKDAY MASS & ROSARY**

**Tues. 11.00am**

**Weds. - Sat. @ 9:00am**

Rosary prayed after Mass times as  
listed above. All welcome.

**RECONCILIATION**

Saturday 9.30am & 5.30pm

**EXPOSITION & BENEDICTION**

The Blessed Sacrament is  
exposed for Adoration  
Wednesday

Start: 7:00pm | End: 8:00pm

**WEDDINGS & BAPTISMS**

By appointment and  
six months (6) notice, please.  
*(This helps with the planning of both  
celebrations and Parents usually know  
nine months in advance when their  
baby is to be born).*

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**Prayer to Saint Luke  
the Evangelist**

Lord God, who chose Saint Luke to reveal  
by his preaching and writings the mystery of  
your love for the poor, grant that those who  
already glory in your name may persevere  
as one heart and one soul and that all  
nations may merit to see your salvation.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you in the unity  
of the Holy Spirit, one God,  
for ever and ever. Amen!

*Patron Saint of artists, physicians, surgeons,  
students and butchers.*

**WE REMEMBER IN PRAYER** all who are sick and for those Parishioners unable to be  
among us this weekend. For those who died recently and for all those whose  
anniversaries occur about this time, may they all rest in peace. **This month of November  
we remember:** Frank Aldag, Kathleen Bookluck, Wilma Kingston, Audrey Murphy, Jean  
Maguire, Alicia Buccat, John Andrews; Hugh, Laura, Clive and Joan, Patrick & Maria,  
Michael, M<sup>c</sup>Dade; Leslie & Marie, John & Anne Pyke; Kevin & Joan Cranich; Edward,  
Dorothy, Fred, Franklin & Catherine Holmes; Graeme Dorning, Arthur Clark, Bruce  
M<sup>c</sup>Kenzie, Richard & Lillian Plant, Eileen & Alan Cameron, Gurna Dixon, Olga Soyer, Hans  
Leitich, Willy Plevier, Laurie Eade, members of the Fahey family, Giovanni & Francesca  
Iannazzo, Pasquale & Antonietta Stella, Emma Spadea; David's Parents, relatives mainly  
non Christian friends, Shirley's Parents, siblings, cousins, friends; Remy Carey, Felisa  
Aipuerto, Philip Perang, Liam O'Brien, Zenaida Da Zanduerta, Anun Catubie, Amosa  
Castaneda, Nora Gascon, Tonette Solatan, Maryann Sembrno, Willy Dehbonstel;  
members of the Hogan family; members of the Lee family; members of the Storey family;  
Rob, Margaret & Barney Reilly; Stephen Murphy; Giannino Fogale, Danube, Ellen &  
Kevin Callaghan and members of the Fogale family; Julia, Joseph Veronica, Gabrielle  
and members of the Wide family; Josephine Sybil D'Souza, Margarita Francis, Jesus Ariel,  
Pacifico, Josefina, Ernestina, Pastor Magale; Eutiquio Juan, Benjamina & Pedro  
Limsiaco; Martin & Marcel Wong; Nora Chong, Stephen Leong, Rooney Busing; Family  
members relatives and friends of the Harrington family; Nina Nieborski; Anna, Maria, Ben,  
Vincent, Luisa Gallichio; Ross Webb, Claire Weir; Tony, Benedetta, Francesco, Vincenzo  
Mileo; Michele Picardi, Aurora Mileo/Picardi; Eileen Jessup; Robert, Eileen and Bill Grant,  
Vi & Ernie Bridecon, Nòel Posselt; Saviour, Angela and George Soler; members of the  
Austin & Howell families; Paul Fung; members of the Rolfs and Rocke families.

**LITURGICAL CALENDAR THIS WEEK:** Ordinary Time. **Friday:** St Andrew, apostle;  
**Saturday:** Saturday Mass of BVM. **Sunday Masses:** Preface of Christ, King of the Universe,  
Eucharistic Prayer I. Eucharistic Acclamation No. 1

**MONTH OF NOVEMBER:** This month is a special time in the Catholic Church's liturgical  
calendar to pray for the dead. **November Mass envelopes** are available for you in the pews.

**THE BOOK OF THE NAMES OF THE DEAD:** Once again, we have a **Book of the  
Names of the Dead** during the month of the Holy Souls, November. The names of our beloved  
dead can be recorded by you (*in a legible and orderly way, filling one page at a time, in  
front of the Lectern or Ambo please*) in the Book, and we will pray for those whose names  
are recorded in the Book in a special way during our November Masses.

**A VOCATION VIEW:** To testify to the truth; this is why Christ came, this is the mission of the  
priest and religious. Has your life testified to the truth that Christ is King?

**STEWARDSHIP CORNER:** "Jesus answered, 'My kingdom does not belong to this  
world.'" JOHN 18:36 How often do we put all our time and energy into building a  
kingdom here on earth, forgetting that life here is short? The real kingdom is in the next  
life. Yet, how much time and energy do we invest in working for that eternal kingdom?

**OUR PARISH STEWARDSHIP RENEWAL PROGRAM** new dual pledge  
commitments take effect this weekend and to avoid any confusion please destroy any  
old envelopes that you may still have. **Not yet completed your pledge?** Don't worry –  
pledge cards are available on the table in the foyer of the Church. Completed cards  
can still be placed in either collection bag. A reminder that **all Groups & Ministries**  
responses are currently being processed and all those who responded will be  
contacted in the very near future by members of the Parish Pastoral Council. Your  
support in these key areas of Parish life is very much appreciated.

**THE 6PM CHOIR** will serve again this weekend, Saturday 24th November.

**CHILDREN'S LITURGY** this Sunday morning at the 10.30am Mass with Jess and Nina.  
**OUR PARISH SCHOOL CHILDREN'S CHOIR** will sing next Sunday Dec 2<sup>nd</sup> at 10.30am  
morning Mass.

**NEWSLETTER NOTICES:** Please send to the following e-mail address by **Wednesday  
5pm** – [BlackburnSouth@cam.org.au](mailto:BlackburnSouth@cam.org.au)

**PARISH CARE GROUP:** It is that time of year again and the Care Group is starting to  
collect for our annual Christmas Hampers Raffle. The funds raised enable the Care Group to  
continue to support the St Luke's community. Tickets can be purchased in the foyer after  
each of the weekend Masses. Donations can be left in the hamper located in the foyer up  
to and including **Sunday 23rd Dec 10:30am. Some donations and festive food idea items such  
as:** biscuits, fruit cake, puddings, chocolates, lollies, Chips (snack food), wine, soft drinks **Gift  
items such as: (please nothing too fragile)** Mugs, Hand cream, Gift cards, Glasses - in  
packaging. **Please note:** Food products that are out of date or will be past the expiry date  
before Feb 2019 cannot be used in the hamper.

**ST VINCENT DE PAUL LOCAL CONFERENCE 2018 CHRISTMAS APPEAL:**

**A CHRISTMAS WITHOUT JOY – IS NO CHRISTMAS AT ALL.** Our local Conference  
wants to be ready to respond to our local community's needs for Christmas again this  
year. This annual appeal will occur next weekend at all Masses. Please come prepared.

*Your Gift could change a life.*

**RINGWOOD ST.V. DE P. REGIONAL COUNCIL FESTIVAL MASS:** The St Vincent de  
Paul Society Local Conference is hosting the Ringwood Regional Council Festival Mass this  
weekend, Sunday 25th November at 10.30am. There will be a number of members being  
commissioned into the Society during the Mass and long service awards at the end. The State  
President, Kevin McMahan will be our guest speaker. Please make all our guests welcome.  
Margaret Gearon, Conference President.

## PARISH MINISTRY ROSTER

### EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION

		24 AND 25 NOV. 2018	1 AND 2 DEC. 2018
SATURDAY	6:00 PM	Olive Hammill	Monica Hodder
SUNDAY	8:30 AM	Kana Chelliah	Beryl Chelliah
	10:30 AM	Michael Liddy	Marg Yore

### MINISTERS OF THE WORD

		24 AND 25 NOV. 2018	1 AND 2 DEC. 2018
SATURDAY	6:00 PM	Tony Lobo	Mia Perang
SUNDAY	8:30 AM	Beryl Chelliah	Kana Chelliah
	10:30 AM	Steve Kilroe-Smith & Kevin O'Callaghan	Margaret Gearon

### WELCOMER'S ROSTER

		24 AND 25 NOV. 2018	1 AND 2 DEC. 2018
SATURDAY	6:00 PM	Lorraine Kermond	Terry Wells
SUNDAY	8:30 AM	Don McKenzie	Marie Pekish
	10:30 AM	Margaret Gearon	Mary T

### SLIDE OPERATORS

		24 AND 25 NOV. 2018	1 AND 2 DEC. 2018
SATURDAY	6:00 PM	Choir	David Prabha
SUNDAY	8:30 AM	Darren McLean	Mary White
	10:30 AM	Manny Gonzalez	Manny Gonzalez

### CHURCH FLOWERS

24 NOV. 2018  
Lesley Cormick & Toni Plevier  
1 DEC. 2018  
No flowers during Advent

### CHURCH CLEANING

1 DEC. 2018  
Team 4 (Joanne's Team)  
Joanne Nolan, Mellisa O'Mara,  
Tina Tempany & Jesse Barrett

### MAINTENANCE

1 DEC. 2018  
Team 1  
Bob Dimmattina, Steve  
Kilroe-Smith & Auckland Mafi

**RED WEDNESDAY:** Wednesday 28 November, 7.30pm Forecourt of St Patrick's Cathedral, East Melbourne Interfaith gathering and the Cathedral will be floodlit in red in solidarity with all facing religious persecution around the world. Inquiries: [justice@cam.org.au](mailto:justice@cam.org.au) ALL WELCOME. For more details please see Church noticeboard.

**HOLDING THE LIGHT, A SERVICE TO REMEMBER THOSE IMPACTED BY DOMESTIC VIOLENCE - 2 DECEMBER:** All are cordially invited to an ecumenical service to remember the women and children who have been killed this year and for survivors of domestic and relationship violence. *Holding the Light*, will be held at St Peter's Anglican Church, 315 Gisborne Street, East Melbourne, on Sunday 2 December 2018, from 2.30pm - 3.30pm, followed by afternoon tea. Click [here](#) for more information - no registration needed. Please see Church noticeboard for more details.

**CALL OF GUADALUPE** the pro life musical that is traveling the world is being staged in Syndal for the first time. Exciting drama, stunning acting and compelling story line of true virtue and faith. Great singers & actors, inspiring you to great heights of joy. Shows are 1 December 215pm & 7:00pm and 2 December 7:00pm at Henessey Hall, 5 Doon Avenue, Syndal [www.trybooking.com/YODH](http://www.trybooking.com/YODH) for more info [www.callofguadalupe.com](http://www.callofguadalupe.com) or [cogtheatre@group@gmail.com](mailto:cogtheatre@group@gmail.com) or contact 0433851662

**HEART OF LIFE - 2019 PROGRAM OUR 2019 PROGRAM** is now available and can be downloaded [here](#). Weekday seminars and workshops are offered, as well as Saturday reflection days and weekends, and ministry formation programs. Please consult the brochure for more information. For Spiritual Direction or Pastoral Supervision, please contact the Centre at any time on telephone (03) 9890 1101.

**THE JOURNEY CATHOLIC RADIO PROGRAM - AIRS 25 Nov 2018:** This week on The Journey, Fr Mike Delaney reflects on the Gospel of John, Sr Hilda from the Abbey shares some ancient wisdom on the Mystery of God, Marilyn Rodrigues, The Peaceful Parent, talks about "Testing Our Faith", and Bruce Downes, The Catholic Guy encourages us in "Seeking God". The Power Of The Spirit is our featured song this week on the Journey Catholic Radio program, where faith hope, love and life come together. Go to [www.jcr.org.au](http://www.jcr.org.au) or [www.itunes.jcr.org.au](http://www.itunes.jcr.org.au) where you can listen anytime and subscribe to weekly shows by email.

**A PALMS ENCOUNTER** is an intimate, immersive, inter cultural experience providing insights that challenge perceptions and deepen understanding for parishioners. Palms long-term volunteers guide the Encounter with our host communities in Timor Leste, Samoa and Myanmar. Special group Encounters are also available should your parish social justice team be interested. **Make an Encounter in 2019 Timor Leste- April & Sept; Samoa - June; Myanmar- November.** [www.palms.org.au/encounters](http://www.palms.org.au/encounters) Palms Encounters are rich immersions that challenge perceptions of our neighbours, guided by Palms mission volunteers with cultural experience of Timor Leste, Myanmar and Samoa. Please see flier for [Palms Encounters](#) on our Church noticeboard being conducted in 2019. Palms Australia, PO Box 3109, PETERSHAM NORTH NSW 2049 ph: 02 9560 5333 e: [kevin@palms.org.au](mailto:kevin@palms.org.au) web: [www.palms.org.au](http://www.palms.org.au) Palms Australia: Opening our hands to the World.

**SAFETY STATEMENT:** We are committed to a safe and nurturing culture for all children and vulnerable adults in our Church. Saint Luke the Evangelist Parish Blackburn South holds the care, safety, wellbeing of children and vulnerable adults as central and fundamental responsibilities of the Church. This commitment is drawn from and inherent to the teaching and mission of Jesus Christ, with love, justice and the sanctity of each human person at the heart of the Gospel. <http://pol.org.au/blackburnsouth/Policies.aspx>

## Parish Groups & Contacts

*Do not our hearts burn within us as we walk along ...*

**Lectors, Welcomers Collectors  
Extraordinary Ministers of the  
Eucharist, & Rosters**

Margaret Gearon - 0409 807 135

**Children's Liturgy Group**

Nina Grieve - 9877 4023

Jess Kilroe-Smith - 0452 613 863

**Stewardship Counters**

Dale Dixon - 0433 885 087

Steve Kilroe-Smith - 0404 864 232

**Pastoral Council &**

**Child Safety Officer**

Darren McLean - 0417 774 504

**History**

Margaret Gearon - 0409 807 135

**Whitehorse Deanery**

**Finance Committee**

Steve Brennan

Parish Accountant

**Hall Hire**

Parish Office - 9877 2292

**Care Group & Gardens**

Judy Noy - 9894 1506

**Church Sacristan**

Greg Grant 0401 644 474

**Church Linen**

Toni Plevier

**Church Cleaning & Flowers**

Megan McLean 0419 347 693

**Maintenance**

Bill Goodwin 9803 6056

**Holy Communion**

to the housebound

**Parish & School Choirs**

Maria Pinto, Lina Mafi

0411 136 043

Marg Yore & Kat Bergin

9877 4023

**Parish and School**

**Fete Committee**

Jackie Purcell - 9877 4023

**Parish School Advisory Board**

Jackie Purcell - 9877 4023

**Parish School**

**Parents' Association**

Jackie Purcell - 9877 4023

**St Vincent de Paul Conference**

For Assistance: 1800 305 330

(Monday to Friday 10am-3pm)

**Parish Contact:**

Margaret Gearon

**RECRUITMENT NOTICE:**

*These Parish Groups welcome new members who choose to participate in the life of the Parish in these ways - would you like to make contact with one or more of them?*



# Jesus is our good king



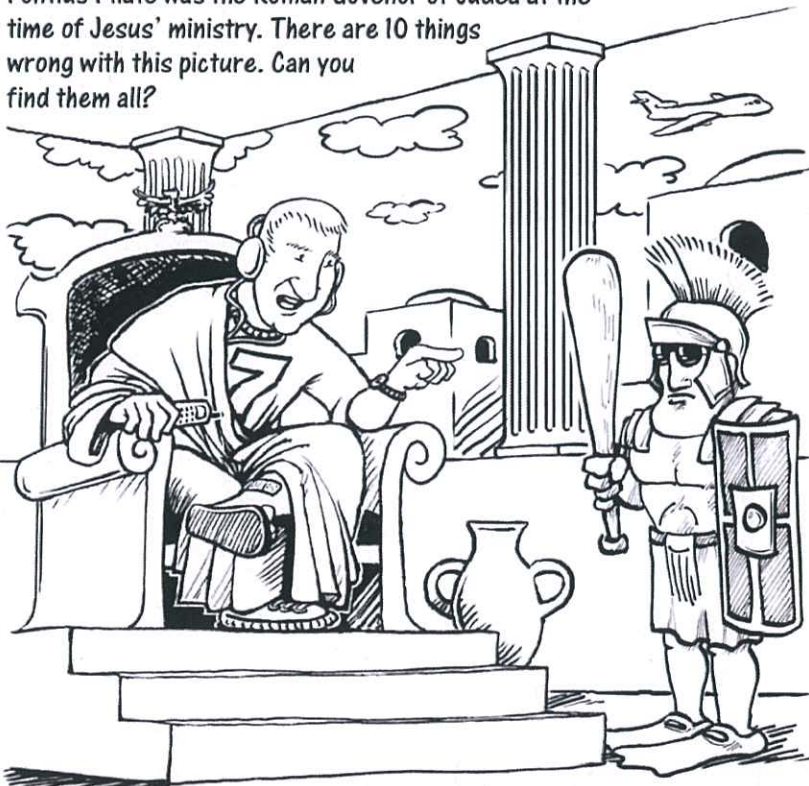
My Name is

## Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe - Year B

A good king is a strong leader, who is wise.  
 A good king feeds his people and cares for them.  
 A good king leads his people and protects them.  
 A good king would be prepared to die for his people.  
 Draw in the clouds examples of things Jesus did that showed he was a good king.



Pontius Pilate was the Roman Governor of Judea at the time of Jesus' ministry. There are 10 things wrong with this picture. Can you find them all?



## TRUE OR FALSE

Which of these questions are true?  
 Write down the correct answers



Jesus wore a crown of gold

\_\_\_\_\_

Jesus' kingdom is forever

\_\_\_\_\_

Jesus cured the sick

\_\_\_\_\_

Jesus was mean to his enemies

\_\_\_\_\_

Jesus had a fortune in gold and jewels

\_\_\_\_\_

Jesus loved everyone

\_\_\_\_\_

Jesus was a Christian

\_\_\_\_\_

Jesus died for our sins

\_\_\_\_\_