

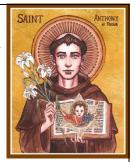
## **CORIO & LARA CATHOLIC PARISH**

ST FRANCIS XAVIER, CORIO | ST ANTHONY OF PADUA, LARA

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# Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> November 2020 THE SOLEMNITY OF ALL SAINTS

## Entrance Antiphon

Let us all rejoice in the Lord, as we celebrate the feast day in honour of all the Saints, at whose festival the Angels rejoice and praise the Son of God.

## Communion Antiphon

Blessed are the clean of heart, for they shall see God. Blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall be called children of God. Blessed are they who are persecuted for the sake of righteousness, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

#### We're back!

Again, though I'm one of the newest members of our Parish, it is a real joy and privilege to say "welcome home" as we celebrate our faith together at mass. It's made even more notable that we do so on this weekend that we celebrate All Saints, not just the canonised ones but all the citizens of heaven: our loved ones who have gone before us.

As expected, there have been a number of adjustments to the announcements in this last week and we can be sure that there will be more to come. The most significant announcement for us is that we can **return inside for masses and liturgies** beginning this weekend... so as one parishioner commented: there's no 'alfresco masses'! Our weekend masses then will resume at the usual times:

### Saturday Vigil 7PM Corio and Sunday 9AM Lara & 11AM Corio

Weekday Masses will also resume from this coming week: **Tuesday & Thursday 9:15 at Corio**; **Wednesday & Friday 9:15 at Lara.** From the following week (10<sup>th</sup> November) we will also recommence Holy Hour at 6PM on Tuesday evenings. Thank you to everyone who has taken up the new booking system and to the volunteers who have been manning the phones across the week.

As mentioned last week, we also welcome back Arlean, our Parish secretary, to working in person at the office on Fridays each week for the time being. You are welcome to drop by to say hello or to ask any queries that your novice Parish Priest hasn't been able to help with in the interim!

Thanks again for all your patience, kindness and support through these last few months. God bless and may all the saints pray for us! *Fr Daryl* 

#### **BOOKING A PLACE FOR MASS**

Attendance at a mass is by prior booking only. To book a place please call **0435 699 399** from **Tuesday to Friday: 12 Noon – 5PM.** If you're unable to call during these times, please contact the Parish Office and we can work something out, however a place is only assured once your name is recorded in the booking diary. Please note that as this phone will be transferred between volunteers after 5pm each night, voicemails will not be checked regularly and do not guarantee a place at mass.

Only residents from Regional Victoria can be admitted at this time.

# **LITURGY OF THE WORD**

# FIRST READING A reading from the Book of Revelation

(7:2-4, 9-14)

I saw a huge number, impossible to count, of people from every nation, race, tribe and language

I, John, saw another angel rising where the sun rises, carrying the seal of the living God; he called in a powerful voice to the four angels whose duty was to devastate land and sea, 'Wait before you do any damage on land or at sea or to the trees, until we have put the seal on the foreheads of the servants of our God.' Then I heard how many were sealed: a hundred and forty-four thousand, out of all the tribes of Israel.

After that I saw a huge number, impossible to count, of people from every nation, race, tribe and language; they were standing in front of the throne and in front of the Lamb, dressed in white robes and holding palms in their hands. They shouted aloud, 'Victory to our God, who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb!' And all the angels who were standing in a circle round the throne, surrounding the elders and the four animals, prostrated themselves before the throne, and touched the ground with their foreheads, worshipping God with these words, 'Amen. Praise and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honour and power and strength to our God for ever and ever. Amen.'

One of the elders then spoke, and asked me, 'Do you know who these people are, dressed in white robes, and where they have come from?' I answered him, 'You can tell me, my lord.' Then he said, 'These are the people who have been through the great persecution, and they have washed their robes white again in the blood of the Lamb.'

RESPONSORIAL PSALM Ps 23: Such are the men who seek your face, O Lord

## **SECOND READING** A reading from the First Letter of St John

(3:1-3)

We shall be like God because we shall see him as he really is

Think of the love that the Father has lavished on us, by letting us be called God's children; and that is what we are. Because the world refused to acknowledge him, therefore it does not acknowledge us.

My dear people, we are already the children of God but what we are to be in the future has not yet been revealed; all we know is, that when it is revealed we shall be like him because we shall see him as he really is.

Surely everyone who entertains this hope must purify himself, must try to be as pure as Christ.

#### GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, Alleluia! Come to me, all you who labour and are overburdened and I will give you rest, says the Lord. Alleluia!

## GOSPEL A reading from the Holy Gospel according to Matthew

(5:1-12a)

'How happy are the poor in spirit'

Seeing the crowds, Jesus went up the hill. There he sat down and was joined by his disciples.

Then he began to speak. This is what he taught them:

'How happy are the poor in spirit; theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

Happy the gentle: they shall have the earth for their heritage.

Happy those who mourn: they shall be comforted.

Happy those who hunger and thirst for what is right: they shall be satisfied.

Happy the merciful: they shall have mercy shown them.

Happy the pure in heart: they shall see God.

Happy the peacemakers: they shall be called sons of God.

Happy those who are persecuted in the cause of right: theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

Happy are you when people abuse you and persecute you and speak all kinds of calumny against you on my account. Rejoice and be glad, for your reward will be great in heaven.'



#### **PARISH MISSION STATEMENT**

We, the Catholic people of Corio & Lara Parish guided by the Spirit, participate in Christ's Mission. With our gifts we create a parish that welcomes all people.

## **Scripture Readings this week**

Monday: All Souls Day

Tuesday: Philippians 2:5-11& Luke 14:15-24

Wednesday: **Memorial of St Charles Borromeo**: Romans 12:3-13 & John 10:11-16

Thursday: Philippians 3:3-8 & Luke 15:1-10

Friday: Philippians 3:17-4:1 & Luke 16:1-8

Saturday: Philippians 4:10-19 & Luke 16:9-15

# **Parish Prayer**

We, the people of Corio & Lara Catholic Parish give thanks and praise to God the Father. By the power of the Holy Spirit, may we become more like Jesus: listening to the Word of God and celebrating the Eucharist; sharing each other's lives and forgiving one another; respecting creation and taking responsibility for our world.

Like St Francis Xavier, may we offer light to those in darkness, and warmly welcome all people.

Like St Anthony of Padua, may we nourish the hungry with wise words and kind deeds.

St Francis Xavier, pray for us.

St Francis Xavier, pray for us. St Anthony of Padua, pray for us. Amen

## As a community we pray for

*The Sick:* Maria do ceu Fernandes, Jessica De Grandis, Victor Lombo, Vince Marshall, John Thomas, Judith Cummins, Bill Rinaldi, Peter Franchina, Nicholas Francis, Bonnie Gilson, Ibi Bolyos, Miguel Gaa.

Anniversaries: Michael McManus

#### The Pope's Prayer Intention for this month:

For all those who work and live from the sea, among them sailors, fishermen and their families.

**Vocations!** This month's Vocation View: Why is it that we lack real trust when the Lord calls us? We think we may drown, or have to give up too much, or fear failure. These attitudes can help to strengthen our faith in the Lord.

Please contact the Parish Office to have the names of any loved ones who are seriously ill, recently deceased or have coming anniversaries included in the bulletin.

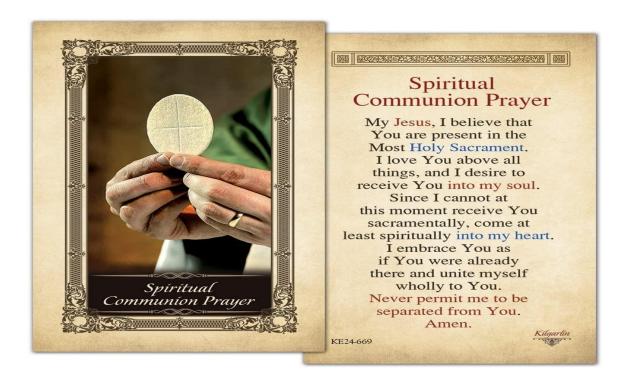
**November Envelopes:** Envelopes for November Mass Offerings for our departed loved ones will be available at the Parish Office supply station from this week.

**Home Altar Supply Station:** If you have empty holy water bottles, please drop them off at the parish house/supply station. They will be sterilised, refilled and put back out for people to take.

**Advanced notice:** Fr Daryl will be away to make his annual retreat from Monday 16<sup>th</sup> – Friday 20<sup>th</sup> November.

**Thanksgiving Envelopes** – Thank you to all who have been dropping their envelopes off at the Parish Office. While these are unprecedented times, please prayerfully consider if you are able to keep your pledges and contributions. Online donations are also available at the following: Account Name: St Francis Xavier Church BSB: 083347 Account Number: 543292126. Thank you.

**Parish Thanksgiving:** Please consider joining the Parish Thanksgiving Programme. To set up the thanksgiving by direct debit/ credit card please contact the parish office on 0352754120 or email <a href="mailto:fxcorio@iinet.net.au">fxcorio@iinet.net.au</a>



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Our Parish is committed to the safety, wellbeing and dignity of all children and vulnerable adults