

OUR SUNDAY CELEBRATION

LUKE

THIRTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME / C

6 NOVEMBER 2022

THE GOD OF THE LIVING. 'Lord, when your glory appears, my joy will be full' (Psalm response). Confident that those who live in the Lord never see each other for the last time, we remember at each Mass, and in a particular way during the month of November, our relatives and friends and all who have died: 'welcome them into the light of your face'. We pray for these 'children of the resurrection' as others will someday pray for us.

INTRODUCTORY RITES

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON cf. Ps 87:3

**Let my prayer come into your presence.
Incline your ear to my cry for help,
O Lord.**

GREETING

P. In the name of the Father, and of the Son,
and of the Holy Spirit.

R. Amen.

P. The Lord be with you.

R. And with your spirit.

PENITENTIAL ACT

P. Brethren (brothers and sisters), let us
acknowledge our sins, and so prepare
ourselves to celebrate the sacred mysteries.

P. Lord Jesus, you are the image of the
unseen God: Lord, have mercy.

R. Lord, have mercy.

P. You are the first born of all creation:
Christ, have mercy.

R. Christ, have mercy.

P. You are the head of the body, the Church:
Lord, have mercy.

R. Lord, have mercy.

P. May almighty God have mercy on
us, forgive us our sins, and bring us to
everlasting life.

R. Amen.

GLORIA

**Glory to God in the highest, / and on
earth peace to people of good will. / We
praise you, / we bless you, / we adore
you, / we glorify you, / we give you thanks
for your great glory, / Lord God, heavenly
King, / O God, almighty Father. / Lord
Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son, / Lord
God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, /
you take away the sins of the world, /
have mercy on us; / you take away the sins
of the world, / receive our prayer; / you are
seated at the right hand of the Father, /
have mercy on us. / For you alone are the
Holy One, / you alone are the Lord, / you
alone are the Most High, / Jesus Christ, /
with the Holy Spirit, / in the glory of God
the Father. / Amen.**

COLLECT

P. Almighty and merciful God, graciously
keep from us all adversity, so that,
unhindered in mind and body alike, we may

pursue in freedom of heart the things that
are yours. Through our Lord Jesus Christ,
your Son, who lives and reigns with you in
the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever
and ever.

R. Amen.

LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING 2 Macc 7:1-2, 9-14

A reading from the second book of
Maccabees

*The king of the world will receive us into life
eternal at the resurrection.*

There were seven brothers who were arrested
with their mother. The king tried to force
them to taste pig's flesh, which the Law
forbids, by torturing them with whips and
scourges. One of them, acting as spokesman
for the others, said, 'What are you trying
to find out from us? We are prepared to die
rather than break the Law of our ancestors.'

With his last breath the second brother
exclaimed, 'Inhuman fiend, you may
discharge us from this present life, but the
King of the world will raise us up, since it is
for his laws that we die, to live again for ever.'

After him, they amused themselves with
the third, who on being asked for his tongue
promptly thrust it out and boldly held out
his hands, with these honourable words, 'It
was heaven that gave me these limbs; for the
sake of his laws I disdain them; from him I
hope to receive them again.' The king and
his attendants were astounded at the young
man's courage and his utter indifference to
suffering.

When this one was dead they subjected the
fourth to the same savage torture. When he
neared his end he cried, 'Ours is the better
choice, to meet death at men's hands, yet
relying on God's promise that we shall be
raised up by him; whereas for you there can
be no resurrection, no new life.'

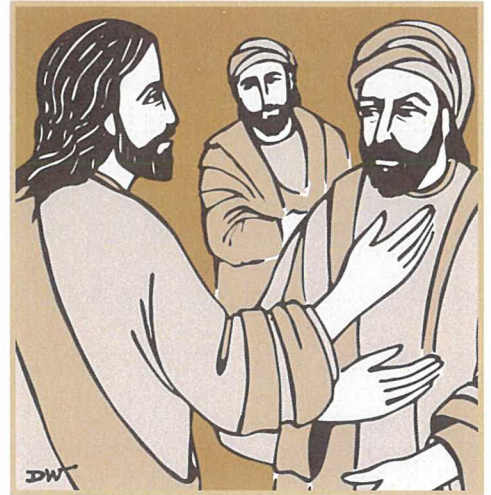
The word of the Lord.

R. Thanks be to God.

RESP PSALM Ps 16:1, 5-6, 8, 15. R. v. 15

**R. Lord, when your glory appears,
my joy will be full.**

1. Lord, hear a cause that is just, / pay heed
to my cry. / Turn your ear to my prayer: / no
deceit is on my lips. **R.**



2. I kept my feet firmly in your paths; /
there was no faltering in my steps. / I am
here and I call, you will hear me, O God. /
Turn your ear to me; hear my words. **R.**

3. Guard me as the apple of your eye. /
Hide me in the shadow of your wings. / As
for me, in my justice I shall see your face /
and be filled, when I awake, with the sight of
your glory. **R.**

SECOND READING 2 Thess 2:16-3:5

A reading from the second letter of St Paul
to the Thessalonians

*May the Lord strengthen you in everything good
that you do or say.*

May our Lord Jesus Christ himself, and
God our Father who has given us his love
and, through his grace, such inexhaustible
comfort and such sure hope, comfort you and
strengthen you in everything good that you
do or say.

Finally, brothers, pray for us; pray that the
Lord's message may spread quickly, and be
received with honour as it was among you;
and pray that we may be preserved from the
interference of bigoted and evil people, for
faith is not given to everyone. But the Lord
is faithful, and he will give you strength and
guard you from the evil one, and we, in the
Lord, have every confidence that you are
doing and will go on doing all that we tell
you. May the Lord turn your hearts towards
the love of God and the fortitude of Christ.

The word of the Lord.

R. Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION Apoc 1:5, 6

Alleluia, alleluia!

**Jesus Christ is the firstborn of the dead;
glory and kingship be his for ever and
ever.**

Alleluia!

GOSPEL

Lk 20:27-38

P. The Lord be with you.

R. And with your spirit.

P. A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke.

R. Glory to you, O Lord.

He is not a God of the dead but of the living.

Some Sadducees – those who say that there is no resurrection – approached Jesus and they put this question to him, ‘Master, we have it from Moses in writing, that if a man’s married brother dies childless, the man must marry the widow to raise up children for his brother. Well, then, there were seven brothers. The first, having married a wife, died childless. The second and then the third married the widow. And the same with all the seven, they died leaving no children. Finally the woman herself died. Now, at the resurrection, to which of them will she be wife since she had been married to all seven?’

Jesus replied, ‘The children of this world take wives and husbands, but those who are judged worthy of a place in the other world and in the resurrection from the dead do not marry because they can no longer die, for they are the same as the angels, and being children of the resurrection they are sons of God. And Moses himself implies that the dead rise again, in the passage about the bush where he calls the Lord the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac and the God of Jacob. Now he is God, not of the dead, but of the living; for to him all are in fact alive.’

The Gospel of the Lord.

R. Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

HOMILY

PROFESSION OF FAITH APOSTLES’ CREED

Or the Nicene Creed may be said.

I believe in God, / the Father almighty, / Creator of heaven and earth, / and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, / who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, / born of the Virgin Mary, / suffered under Pontius Pilate, / was crucified, died and was buried; / he descended into hell; / on the third day he rose again from the dead; / he ascended into heaven, / and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty; / from there he will come to judge the living and the dead. / I believe in the Holy Spirit, / the holy catholic Church, / the communion of saints, / the forgiveness of sins, / the resurrection of the body, / and life everlasting. Amen.

PRAYER OF THE FAITHFUL

LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

After the priest raises the paten with the bread and prays, and then the chalice, we respond to each prayer:

R. Blessed be God for ever.

P. Pray, brethren (brothers and sisters), that my sacrifice and yours may be acceptable to God, the almighty Father.

R. May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands for the praise and glory of his name, for our good and the good of all his holy Church.

PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

P. Look with favour, we pray, O Lord, upon the sacrificial gifts offered here, that, celebrating in mystery the Passion of your Son, we may honour it with loving devotion. Through Christ our Lord.

R. Amen.

THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

P. The Lord be with you.

R. And with your spirit.

P. Lift up your hearts.

R. We lift them up to the Lord.

P. Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

R. It is right and just.

PREFACE I-VIII OF THE SUNDAYS IN ORDINARY TIME

After the Preface, we sing or say:

All: Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of hosts. Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

THE MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION

P. The mystery of faith.

All: We proclaim your Death, O Lord, and profess your Resurrection until you come again.

COMMUNION RITE

P. At the Saviour’s command and formed by divine teaching, we dare to say:

All: Our Father, who art in heaven . . .

P. Deliver us, Lord, we pray . . .

All: For the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours now and for ever.

P. Lord Jesus Christ, who said . . .

R. Amen.

P. The peace of the Lord be with you always.

R. And with your spirit.

P. Let us offer each other the sign of peace.

All exchange a sign of peace.

LAMB OF GOD

All: Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, grant us peace.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

P. Behold the Lamb of God, behold him who takes away the sins of the world. Blessed are those called to the supper of the Lamb.

R. Lord, I am not worthy that you should enter under my roof, but only say the word and my soul shall be healed.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON cf. Ps 22:1-2

The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.

Fresh and green are the pastures where he gives me repose, near restful waters he leads me.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

P. Nourished by this sacred gift, O Lord, we give you thanks and beseech your mercy, that, by the pouring forth of your Spirit, the grace of integrity may endure in those your heavenly power has entered. Through Christ our Lord.

R. Amen.

THE CONCLUDING RITES

P. The Lord be with you.

R. And with your spirit.

P. May almighty God bless you, the Father, and the Son, ✠ and the Holy Spirit.

R. Amen.

P. Go forth, the Mass is ended.

R. Thanks be to God.

BREAKING OPEN THE WORD

ENDURANCE AND STEADFASTNESS OF CHRIST

While we may take belief in the resurrection for granted, it was not always so for the people of Israel. For most of their history the people of Israel did not believe in an afterlife, and if they did, it was the shadowy afterlife of Sheol where even God was not praised (Psalms 6:5; Isaiah 38:18). Both the first reading and today’s Gospel give us a glimpse into the development of Jewish belief in the resurrection. In the second century BC, the martyrs of the Maccabean revolt found the strength to endure torture and death because they trusted that the living God would give their lives back to them at the resurrection. In Jesus’ time, this belief was still not widespread. The Sadducees were one group who found the idea of the resurrection to be ludicrous. The Pharisees, however, believed in the resurrection, angels and spirits (Acts 23:8).

As a preacher of the death and resurrection of Jesus, Paul knew better than most how difficult it could be to convince people of the truth of the Christian message. We hear the voice of experience when he observes that faith is not given to everyone. Misunderstanding and opposition were ever-present realities in his ministry of proclaiming the Good News. The Christians of Thessalonika are encouraged to remain steadfast in their faith, certain that the Lord is with them to guide, console and strengthen. Furthermore, they are called to support Paul’s ministry using their prayers.

CHRISTOPHER MONAGHAN CP

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WELCOME TO ST. GREGORY'S—DONCASTER

Thirty Second Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C

Parish Office:

Hours: **Mon—Fri 9.30am to 3.30pm**

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Parish Priest: Fr. Charles Balnaves

Parish Secretary: Mon & Tue : Nadia Bolzonello

Wed-Fri: Vera Arief

Mon: Bernadine De Silva (bookkeeping)

Sacristan: Mary Stocco - Mob: 0412 742 657

MASS TIMES: (This Week)

Sat: Vigil 6.00pm; Sun 9:00am, 10.30am & 5.00pm

Wed & Fri: 9:00 am (plus Tu/Thu 9:15 am St Kevin's)

Fr Charles on retreat: services of word/holy Communion will be held.

SANITISING / MASKS / ISOLATING CAUTION & CARE

NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS: 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time
Mal 3:19–20, 2 Thes 3:7–12, Lk 21:28

RECONCILIATION: Saturday 9.30-11am

By request before/after any Mass (come 15-20 m early)

BAPTISMS: Please ring the Parish Office for bookings

ST GREGORY THE GREAT CATHOLIC PRIMARY

SCHOOL: Principal: Michelle Verna Tel: (03) 9848 4483

Email: principal@sgdoncaster.catholic.edu.au

PARISH SACRAMENTAL PROGRAMS:

Contact Margaret O'Donnell at DoncasterRE@cam.org.au

CHRISTIAN MEDITATION GROUP:

Wednesdays at 9.45 am in the church meeting room.

Contact Terry Morton 0402 307 384.

CORNERSTONE YOUTH GROUP: First Friday of the month from 6pm-9pm

PRAYER GROUP: Thursday every Fortnight in Church Meeting Room

YOUNG ADULTS GROUP:

Monthly 4th Fridays from 7:15pm—9.30pm

ST VINCENT DE PAUL CONFERENCE: Third Monday of the month at 7.30pm in Church meeting room

ST GREGORY'S TENNIS CLUB: Membership enquiries: Gianna Alessio (President) 0438 410 506

Please pray for:

Those who are **sick** at this time including Theresa Yong, Michael Mullens, Pat McLeod, Gilbert De Claro, Gabrielle Byrne, Brian Croft, Chee Choong Seng, Chee Mee Lian, Chianna Sacco, Roy Dos Santos, Lilia Go, Theresa Yong, Maria Stone, Eliseo Pardillo, Siat Lin, Vincent Aloï, Margaret Dobran, Andrew Wilson, Fr Matthew Abraham CSsR, Wang Wei Qiao, Paul Materazzo, Ian Angus, Eliasari, Dennis Clarke, Marisa Rodolfo, Angel Gustavo, Margaret Hansen, Angelique Giacomini, Maureen Tresise **And Those who died recently** Gumardi Noerwono and **for the repose of the souls of** Maria Ulehla, Nick Rukavina, William Maher Snr, Song Yeol Lee, Cecilia See Kim Hua, Ong Kor Aan and all those whose anniversaries occur at about this time.

From the fingers, mind, heart and soul of the PP:

Wow! Thank you to all who helped make our forum session on Wednesday evening such a success. Though many helped to cause the night to happen: I will only pick out Alfred especially because he guided us in forming the evening so it could be an effective discussion. Why do I think it was a success? Because of the vibrancy of the discussions being had at the tables. You can tell the tone of a meeting from the sound of the conversations as well as the content. Nearly fifty parishioners of greatly varying age (20 to 90) - sharing and discussing opportunities for growth in the various ministries which help take Eucharist beyond Mass and into the whole of life. We ran out of time, we ran over time by 20 minutes (my apologies to participants). We ran over because of how much people had to say. A summary/report will be prepared but of more importance than reporting on the details is the fact of how willing everyone was to seek to be part of growing our parish, spreading the Good News using their gifts, their talents.

I shall be off on retreat this week—five days at Santa Casa retreat centre in Queenscliff. Because of Covid-19 constraints my last few retreats have been 'at home' - input provided by someone via Zoom and time spent in quiet and prayer at home. Going away to a beautiful, quiet, place will be a great grace for me: it always is but this time will be special after such a gap. Usually I fret for a day or so about not 'doing stuff' or I worry about 'parish things' but then I am drawn into the depths of God's embrace calling me to just ... be ... and be with him. Please pray for me.

Recently I've heard comments from people about phrases in the prayers in our liturgy. Things like "Lord I am not worthy to receive you ..." - hold on I'm a good person in what way am I not worthy. . Or "... he descended into hell ..." - whoa!! Jesus in hell? That can't be true!! There are quite a few places where the words jar. Consistently the 'jarringness' arises from the tension that exists between the goodness we can see within us and the reality of the sin we commit that separates us from God and God's love. Yes, I do a lot of good in my life, yes I am a good person. But I am only capable of turning the potential for goodness into a reality by the fact of Jesus Christ coming among us to enable the grace of the Holy Spirit to enter our hearts. In one sense I am worthy: I do good, I try hard to follow Christ. In a deeper sense this is only possible because Jesus Christ makes me worthy: makes absolutely everyone capable of turning the potential energy for good into the kinetic energy of doing good. So! When the words jar for you—it can be poor translation but more likely it is a reminder of how totally you are loved by Father, Son and Holy Spirit. God bless, and have a beautiful week, Fr Charles.

NETWORKING: The Catholic Archdiocese is holding its inaugural Melbourne Catholic Professionals networking luncheon on 22 November. The lunch will include a brief address from Archbishop Comensoli followed by our guest speaker Mr Allan Myers AC KC, leading Australian barrister. Enquiries: events@cam.org.au

Bookings via <https://www.trybooking.com/events/landing?embed&eid=961781>

Copies of the Archbishop's invitation are available in the narthex.

Job Opportunity - Pastoral Worker

St Kevin's Parish, Templestowe, have an exciting opportunity for a Pastoral Worker to contribute to the Pastoral needs of the Parish and to assist in leading and delivering the mission, outreach and pastoral care of the parish community. The role is permanent part time, four days a week. There is scope to tailor this role to the incumbent's experience: either for someone who has some of the skills required, would like to learn on the job and do some further study; or for someone with experience who would like to undertake the role on a more senior and extensive level. For more information, please call Tiziana D'Costa on 09 9850 5983 or visit our website <https://www.stkevinsparish.org.au/>

St Gregory's is committed to growing a Child Safety Culture with Love

THIS WEEK

Sat 6.00pm
 Sun 9.00am
 Sun 10.30am
 Sun 5.00pm

CARE OF THE CHURCH**MONEY COUNTERS:** Sharon Wilkinson**LECTORS**

Margaret & Gerard O'Donnell
 Phillip Dunlop, Greg James
 Luisa Yambao, Brian Tyedin
 Francis Yim, Dot Haynes
 Stephen Ma, Lisa Moule

MINISTERS OF EUCHARIST

Margaret O'Donnell & Iris O'Farrell
 Joan Dineen, Rachael Kay
 Mary Stocco, Pierre Tanzimat
 Tina Paolino

MORNING TEA: Jenny & Brian Tyedin**MONEY COUNTERS:**

Selana Ng, Gerard O'Donnell (Cltrs)
FLOWERS Geraldina Donato, Mary Piccoli

NEXT WEEK 12/13 Nov

Sat 6.00pm
 Sun 9.00am
 Sun 10.30am
 Sun 5.00pm

CARE OF THE CHURCH**MONEY COUNTERS:** Mal de Alwis**LECTORS**

Lorna Phillip & Joseph Phillip
 Ray Lewis, Tony Nimmo
 Sauro Antonelli, Erin Djukiadmodjo
 Jane Ma, Stephanie Ong
 Carole Tang, Clelia Tedesco

MINISTERS OF EUCHARIST

Lorna Phillip & Peter Whiting
 Tony Nimmo, Katica Puhaj
 Tony Ting, Maggie Wong
 Mary Tonti-Filippini, Judy Ablaza
MORNING TEA: Seeking volunteers

Viviana Pereira (Cltrs)

FLOWERS Irene Dharmawan**ISOLATING / MASKS!!!!** Christian Charity demands we give thought to others when we catch Covid/Flu etc.

Weekday Mass times in the coming week: Fr Charles is on retreat so there will be services of Word and Holy Communion: Tue/Thurs: 9:15 am St Kevin's Lower Templestowe; Wed/Fri: 9:00 am St Greg's Doncaster.

For those who are Coeliac, we can provide low gluten (<20ppm) hosts or a separate chalice.

Anointing of the Sick, can be provided before, during or after any Mass. Just let the Sacristan or the Priest know ahead of time.

Facebook: Live-streaming: Normally 9:15 am from St Kevin's Tu/Th; Sunday morning 10:00 St Kevin's or 10:30 St Gregory's (alternating). Any Mass with children participating will not be live streamed.

Transport : Don't leave people stuck at home unable to come to Mass: offer a hand or let us know at the Parish Office.

Reaching Out: Invite a friend! Ask others to join you and discover that it's me, it's you, it's us, it's love, it's Christ who builds community.

All Souls Month

Holy Souls Masses: fill in a Holy Souls envelope and drop it in the box provided. Fr Charles will organize for Mass to be offered. AND/OR **Memorial Prayers Book**— is now available at the narthex. Throughout November, you could write in the names of your loved ones that have died over the years we will keep the book present with us in the church so that we can pray for them all the time.

St Vincent de Paul Society Inner City Soup Van Hub

is looking for new volunteers to pack and/or distribute food hampers to those experiencing disadvantage. If you are interested, please access the following link for further information: <https://svdpvolunteers.applynow.net.au/jobs/SVDP1323-soup-van-volunteers>

2022 Advent—McKinney Lecture**'An Indigenous Voice'**

A public lecture sponsored by Banyule Churches Together featuring Fr. Frank Brennan SJ AO Tue, 22 November at 7.30pm St. George's Anglican Church, 46 Warnclyffe Road, Ivanhoe East

All Are Welcome. Entry Donation \$5. Followed by tea & coffee

Frank Brennan is a Jesuit priest and Rector of Newman College at the University of Melbourne. He is a Distinguished Fellow of the PM Glynn Institute at Australian Catholic University, an Adjunct Professor at the Thomas More Law School at ACU and research professor at the Australian Centre for Christianity and Culture. He chaired the National Human Rights Consultation for the Rudd Government and was a member of the Turnbull Government's expert panel which conducted the Religious Freedom Review. The Morrison Government appointed him to the Voice Co-Design Senior Advisory Group to help guide the Co-Design process to develop options for an Indigenous voice to government. Frank serves on the boards of Jesuit Social Services and the National Apology Foundation for Indigenous Australians and on the Advisory Council of the Global Foundation. His research interests include conscience and faith, human rights and the rule of law, and the rights of Indigenous peoples and asylum seekers.

St Gregory the Great Catholic Primary School - Open Days In 2022

Tue 8th Nov from 9am—1pm. Register at www.sgdoncaster.catholic.edu.au/ events If you would like to have a School Tour prior to this date please contact the School Office on 98484483.

Parish Facilities: The Tennis Club Room and Courts and the Hall and the Parish Room are available. Room bookings can be made: st.gregoryhall3108@gmail.com and Jess will get back to you. Tennis club use for tennis playing: contact Gianna on 0438 410 506.

URGENT!!! ALL volunteers must have a valid Working with Children Check (WWCC) and sign an new Code-of-Conduct (it is over two years since you last signed one so it is time for renewal). Please Renew your WWC and Sign the Code of Conduct available in the church foyer or our website. If you like them emailed please email the office.

New Rosters December—March 2023

We will soon commence creating a new roster for Readers, Special Ministers, Care for the Church, Flowers, Collectors and Morning Tea for Dec to March 2023. If you would like to serve the Lord in our community please email us at doncaster@cam.org.au. Training will be provided. If you are currently on the roster and need changes made please also let us know.

Young Adults Group

The Young Adults Group extend a warm invitation to all between 18 and 30 to join our gathering in the parish room on Friday 25th November at 7:15pm to 9pm. Dinner will be provided and we will be watching "The Chosen". Looking forward to seeing you there!

CHARISMATIC MASS AND EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

St Gregory the Great Church
 71 Williamsons Rd, Doncaster

Friday, 18 November 2022**7.00 - 8.15PM****ALL ARE WELCOME****FOR INFO:****Vera: Doncaster@cam.org.au**

"Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest"

-Matthew 11:28-