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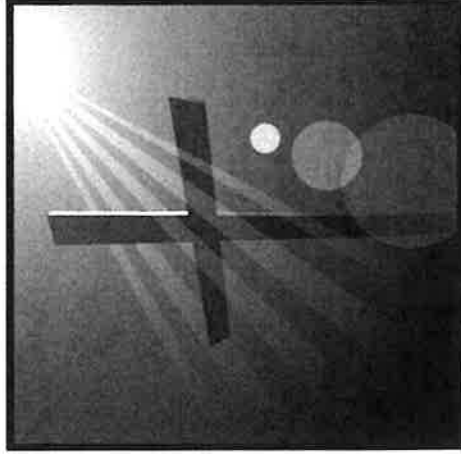


Reflection by Dianne Bergant CSA

Each one of the readings depicts the enthronement of Christ who is revealed as the messiah-king. Until his trial, Jesus himself refused to be identified as king. The royal messianic expectations that prevailed during his lifetime were predominantly political. If he assumed them, his followers might have instigated a rebellion against the Roman occupiers. When finally he did acknowledge his royal identity, he insisted that his rule was not like that of other kings.

Enthroned in heaven, Christ is revealed as the faithful witness to all that God has done and will continue to do. As first-born from the dead, his resurrection is the promise of our own resurrection. The dominion that he received from God is universal and exclusive and it will last forever. When he comes again on the last day, he will be revealed in all his glory.

Christ's kingdom is a kingdom of truth and life, of holiness and grace, of justice and love and peace. We need not stand at a distance from him, afraid to approach because of our human vulnerability. He is the one who loved us so much that he handed himself over to suffering and death so that we might live. He has already brought us to birth in this kingdom through Baptism and he has taught us how to live in it. Today we look to that time when his glory will be revealed, when we will all be gathered into the embrace of God, there to sing praise to that glory forever.



Gospel Jn 18:33-37

You say that I am a king.

'Are you the king of the Jews?' Pilate asked. Jesus replied, 'Do you ask this of your own accord, or have others spoken to you about me?' Pilate answered, 'Am I a Jew? It is your own people and the chief priests who have handed you over to me: what have you done?' Jesus replied, 'Mine is not a kingdom of this world; if my kingdom were of this world, my men would have fought to prevent my being surrendered to the Jews. But my kingdom is not of this kind.' 'So you are a king then?' said Pilate. 'It is you who say it' answered Jesus. 'Yes, I am a king. I was born for this, I came into the world for this: to bear witness to the truth; and all who are on the side of truth listen to my voice.'

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First Reading Dn 7:13-14

His sovereignty is eternal.

I gazed into the visions of the night.
And I saw, coming on the clouds of heaven,

one like a son of man.

He came to the one of great age
and was led into his presence.

On him was conferred sovereignty,
glory and kingship,

and men of all peoples, nations and
languages became his servants.

His sovereignty is an eternal
sovereignty

which shall never pass away,
nor will his empire be destroyed.

3. Truly your decrees are to be
trusted.
Holiness is fitting to your house,
O Lord, until the end of time. (R)

Second Reading Rv 1:5-8

*The ruler of the kings of the earth ... made us a line of kings,
priests to serve his God.*

Jesus Christ is the faithful witness, the First-born from the dead, the Ruler of the kings of the earth. He loves us and has washed away our sins with his blood, and made us a line of kings, priests to serve his God and Father; to him, then, be glory and power for ever and ever. Amen. It is he who is coming on the clouds; everyone will see him, even those who pierced him, and all the races of the earth will mourn over him. This is the truth. Amen. 'I am the Alpha and the Omega' says the Lord God, who is, who was, and who is to come, the Almighty.

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!

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 92:1-2. 5. R.v.1

(R.) *The Lord is king;
he is robed in majesty.*

1. The Lord is king, with majesty
enrobed;
the Lord has robed himself with might,
he has girded himself with power. (R)

2. The world you made firm, not to be
moved;
your throne has stood firm from of old.
From all eternity, O Lord, you are. (R)

IN YOUR PRAYERS

SICK

We pray for all who are sick in our Parish Community.

RECENTLY DECEASED

Venerando(Vin) Scavo, Jacinta Sleeman
ANNIVERSARIES

Antonio Giuliano, Concetta Daquino

BAPTISMS AT ST PETER'S

Saturday, 30th November
Jude Chalabi

12noon – Sunday, 1 December

Orlando Calleja

Leilani-Rose D'Rozario

Lucia & Olivia Mure

Please pray for these children & their families.

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS (RCIA)

Next meets on Tuesday, 26th November in the Parish Centre Meeting Room at 7.00pm. Enquiries: Mrs Teresa Paradowski on 9337 3103.

PARISH SUPPORT Thank you all for your continued support. For those who prefer to, online donations can be made as follows:-

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FEAST DAYS THIS WEEK

Saturday 30 Nov St Andrew

ARCHDIOCESE JOB VACANCIES

Applications are invited from suitably qualified and experienced people for vacancies in the Archdiocese. Further details of positions can be found at: <https://melbournecatholic.org/job-vacancies>

NOVEMBER MASSES

Envelopes for November Masses are available in the narthex.

PARISH NEWS

WELCOME & THANK YOU: FR JUDE AND FR ISAAC

While Fr Anil is on leave, we welcome Fr Jude who will celebrate our 6.00pm Saturday Vigil, 8.30am and 10.30am Sunday Masses this weekend.

Fr Isaac, is currently celebrating our 9.15am Morning Masses and will also celebrate our 5.00pm Mass on Sunday.

Please make them both feel welcome and assist where needed. Fr Anil returns next weekend.

NEW AUXILIARY BISHOPS FOR MELBOURNE

Recently, Pope Francis announced the appointment of two new auxiliary bishops for the Archdiocese of Melbourne; Bishop-elect Thinh Nguyen and Bishop-elect Rene Ramirez RCJ who will join Bishop Martin Ashe and Bishop Tony Ireland in bringing together the leadership of the four regions of the Archdiocese. When welcoming the news, Archbishop Comensoli expressed his acknowledgement and deepest gratitude to Bishop Terry Curtin, who has ministered as an active Auxiliary Bishop in the Archdiocese well past his formal retirement date. 'Bishop Curtin's dedication and care for our people has been exceptional,' he said. 'I ask that we keep him in prayer as he concludes his role and prepares to take up a joyous time of well-deserved rest!'

CHRISTMAS RAFFLE

We will have a Christmas Raffle, to be drawn after the 10.30am Mass on Sunday, 22nd December. Donations of suitable items for the raffle, would be appreciated. Please contact the Parish Office if you can assist.

2025 COLUMBAN CALENDAR

These beautiful calendars are now available to purchase - \$10 each.

'MARY, MOTHER' BOOK FOR SALE

We still have some copies of Adrian Commaeur's book 'Mary, Mother' available at the Parish Office - \$10 a copy.



THE JUBILEE YEAR 2025

“PILGRIM PEOPLE” - PILGRIMS OF HOPE

Pope Francis has declared a Jubilee Year of Hope in 2025. The theme of the Jubilee Year is **Pilgrims of Hope**. The Holy Door of the Basilica of Saint Peter in the Vatican will be opened on 24 December 2024, thus inaugurating the Ordinary Jubilee.

What is a Jubilee?

A Jubilee is a special year of grace and conversion, involving prayer, pilgrimage and sacramental repentance, held every 25 years, or during other years as called for by the Pope. Through a series of concrete rituals, acts and commitments, the goal of a Jubilee year is to inspire and encourage holiness of life among the faithful and therefore to strengthen the Church's witness to God's loving mercy in and for the world.

The word “jubilee” is derived from the Hebrew word *jobel*, which means “ram's horn”, since it was precisely that horn which was used as a trumpet, whose sound indicated to everybody the beginning of the jubilee year. The book of Leviticus, in the code of holiness, is the source which tells us of the significance of the jubilee year, a year of liberation “par excellence”, which is at the end of seven weeks of years, the fiftieth year.

In the course of the year, we should make every effort to participate fully in its proclamation of hope in God's grace and in the signs that hope which we see in our world. We'll learn more about the Jubilee as the year progresses—stay tuned!

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MASS TIMES

Weekend Mass Times:

9.15am Saturday Morning Mass

6.00pm Saturday Vigil Mass

8.30am & 10.30am & 5.00pm Sunday Masses

Weekday Mass Times:

9.15am Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday & Friday (followed by Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament & Benediction)

RECONCILIATION

9.45am Saturday; 5.30pm Saturday
(Please let the Priest know you would like to make your Confession)

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ST PETER'S PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWS

The Parish of St Peter's, Keilor East and the Archdiocese of Melbourne are committed to the care, wellbeing and protection of children, young people and vulnerable people in our community.