

**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!

**GOSPEL**

Lk 23:35-43

A reading from the holy Gospel according to  
Luke.

*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.****A SERVICE OF THE SOCIETY OF ST PAUL**

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# Breaking Open the Word



# THE SAVING WORD

OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE / C

23 NOVEMBER 2025

**JESUS, REMEMBER ME**

Today is the final Sunday of the present  
Liturgical Year, Year C, the year of Luke's  
Gospel. We anticipate the new liturgical year  
commencing next Sunday and look back over  
the year that has been. What emerges is the  
recognition that, throughout each Sunday of  
the past year, God has been present, revealed  
to us through Luke's portrait of Jesus and  
teaching us the essence of discipleship.

Today's final liturgical selection from Luke's  
Gospel sums up what those essentials are. In  
a scene from the passion narrative, Jesus is  
ironically declared 'king' by those who jeer  
at him. But his kingship is not about self-  
salvation, as the evangelist frequently indicates,  
but about the salvation of humanity and  
creation. In Luke's Gospel, Jesus seeks to bring  
wholeness to divided humanity and struggling  
creation. This is exemplified in the final scene  
of today's Gospel. Two criminals with Jesus  
are in their final moments of life before death  
finally occurs through Rome's torturous and  
totally debasing act of crucifixion. One of the  
criminals publicly declares Jesus' innocence  
and then asks, 'Jesus, remember me when you  
come into your kingdom.'

This desire to be 'remembered' by Jesus is  
the desire of all of us, to be re-membered, to  
be re-connected to God's life through one's  
communion with Jesus, especially in the  
moment of death. This final Gospel scene  
from Luke for this liturgical year invites each  
of us to hear Jesus' promise to the repentant  
one, that we shall be with Jesus in eternal  
paradise. It is the comforting word we and our  
world need to hear.

**Fr Michael Trainor****FIRST READING**

2 Sam 5:1-3

A reading from the second book of Samuel

*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. cf. v. 2

**R.** Let us go rejoicing to the house of the  
Lord.

1. I rejoiced when I heard them say: / 'Let us  
go to God's house.' / And now our feet are  
standing / within your gates, O Jerusalem. **R.**
2. Jerusalem is built as a city / strongly  
compact. / It is there that the tribes go up, / the  
tribes of the Lord. **R.**
3. For Israel's law it is, / there to praise the  
Lord's name. / There were set the thrones of  
judgement / of the house of David. **R.**

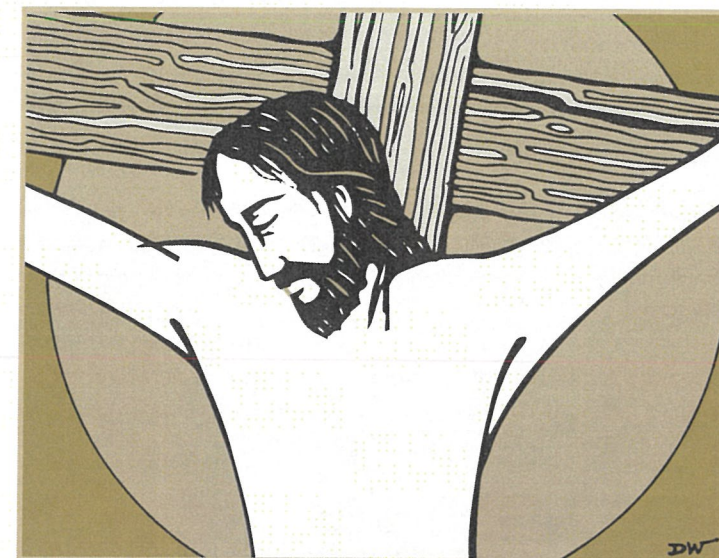
**SECOND READING**

Col 1:12-20

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the  
Colossians

*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, Sovereignities, 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.

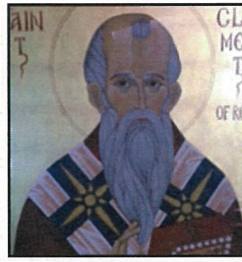
As he is the Beginning,  
he was first to be born from the dead,  
so that he should be first in every way;  
because God wanted all perfection  
to be found in him  
and all things to be reconciled through him  
and for him,  
everything in heaven and everything on earth,  
when he made peace  
by his death on the cross.

■ **The word of the Lord.**



# St Clement of Rome Church

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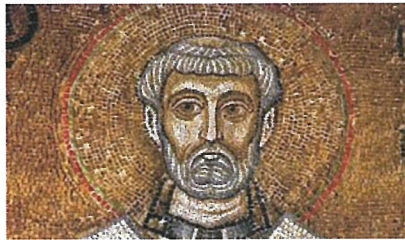
**Parish Vision Statement :** Guided and inspired by the Holy Spirit, the Parish of St Clement of Rome seeks to be a community of authentic disciples of Jesus, living the Word of God. As a welcoming community, through humble service, we acknowledge our stewardship of God's creation and strive to promote the dignity of all God's people.

## JUBILEE 2025—PILGRIMS OF HOPE

Welcome to St Clement of Rome as we celebrate Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

Today's theme is : Lord, remember me when you come into your kingdom

We invite you to reflect on this theme throughout the Mass



### Feast of St Clement of Rome Celebration

Please join us this Sunday for a combined parish and school celebration of the Feast of our Patron Saint. After 9am Mass, morning tea will be served by the parish in the Clifton Centre, and the school will host a sausage sizzle for all to enjoy. We look forward to celebrating together as a community!

### Parish Offertory Giving Program

Thank you to all who have responded. If you haven't returned your pledge card yet, please consider doing so as soon as you can. Your response helps the parish in continuing its ministries and pastoral work.

### Parish Pastoral Worker

Marilyn Robert, our Parish Pastoral Worker will finish with us on December 10th. I am very grateful for her contribution to our post baptism families, her work in gathering folk together for prayer, hospitality and formation and the work she has done with our school. I know you will all join with me in wishing Marilyn all the very best for the future.  
Fr Mark

### Stewardship Envelopes from December 2025

Your envelopes have been re-numbered. Your giving records have been linked to your new envelope number. Please do not use your old envelopes from December onwards. Please let the parish office know if your circumstances have changed and the envelopes are no longer required. Your new envelopes will be available for collection from next weekend. Thank you for your support of the parish.

### Roster for Readers & Eucharistic Ministers

Thank you for everyone who notified us their availability. The new roster from December, including Christmas until end of January 2026 will be prepared and emailed to everyone next week. Thank you for your continued co-operation.

### MASS TIMES, RECONCILIATION & OTHER SACRAMENTS

Mass Times: Sat 5:30pm (Vigil), Sun - 9am & 11am (Italian)

Tues 9:15am (Italian), Wed-Fri 9:15am (unless informed)

Reconciliation: Sat 5:00pm (and on request)

Baptisms: 1st & 3rd weekend every month. Weddings: By Appointment

We acknowledge the Wurundjeri people, the traditional owners and custodians of the land on which we stand.  
We pay our respects to them for their care of the land. May we walk gently on this land.

## PARISH DIARY

Sun 23rd Nov @ 9am—Mass, followed by morning tea & BBQ  
Sun 23rd Nov @ 11am—Italian Mass  
Tue 25th Nov @ 9.15am—Italian Mass  
Wed 26th Nov @ 9.15am—no Mass  
Wed 26th Nov @ 6pm—Baptism preparation  
Thurs 27th Nov @ 9.15am—Mass  
Fri 28th Nov @ 9.15am—School Mass  
Sat 29th Nov @ 5pm—Reconciliation followed by Mass @ 5.30pm

### Recent Deaths & Death Anniversaries

We pray for those who have died recently, **Giovanni Macri, Eileen Walsh** and for the repose of the souls of **Vincenzo Cutugno, Filomena Scalzo** and all those, whose anniversaries occur at about this time. Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace. Amen.

### St Vinnies Christmas Hampers

Thank you to everyone who has contacted us and offered to help with the distribution of Christmas hampers. Further details will be sent to you by email.

### Important reminder for all Parish Ministry Volunteers

Please ensure that you are up to date with the safeguarding requirements, whether or not it involves direct or indirect contact with children and young people. We encourage you to visit our website for more details and to complete or finalise any necessary documentation. Thank you for your attention to this important matter.

### Annual Memorial Mass—Marcellin College Community

Will be held on Thursday, 27th Nov at 7pm. A light supper will be provided after the Mass in the Functions Room.

### November Memorial Book

Throughout November, you are invited to write the names of your deceased loved ones in the Memorial Book. Please place your offerings in the envelopes provided.

### Piety Stall

Our parish piety stall has a selection of Christmas cards, candles, medallions, 2026 Columban calendars and many more items for purchase. These make wonderful gifts and are a lovely way to support our parish community during the Christmas season.

## New Ways of Giving

To Support our Church with ease, we've introduced a new EFTPOS terminal. This is an easy and secure way to donate, but please note that it is not an alternative to your regular stewardship envelopes.

You can also donate by scanning this QR code with your phone camera. Thank you for your generosity!



| LITURGY ROSTER  |                   | SAT 5.30PM       | SUN 9.00AM         |
|-----------------|-------------------|------------------|--------------------|
| 22/23 November  | Sacristan         | Sue De Bortoli   | Carmen Gobbi       |
|                 | Commentator       | Paul Sammut      | Yamna Taouk        |
| Christ the King | Reader            | May Teh          | Daniel Abdallah    |
|                 | Special Ministers | May Teh          | Grace Cannatelli   |
|                 |                   | Martin Teh       | Anne Fusca         |
|                 |                   | Enza Wilcocks    | Fulvia Gerasolimo  |
| 29/30 November  | Sacristan         | Maria Papalia    | Livia Tungall      |
|                 | Commentator       | May Teh          | Daniel Abdallah    |
| 1 Advent        | Reader            | Jacinta Zieba    | Grace Cannatelli   |
|                 | Special Ministers | Warwick Wright   | Pina La Mattina    |
|                 |                   | Virginie Mindiel | Ricardo La Mattina |
|                 |                   | Zina Scalzo      | Agnes Lu           |

### ROSTER—ITALIAN MASS 11AM

| DATE  | LETTORI                 | OFFERTORIO       | MINISTRI DELL' EUCHARISTIA  |
|-------|-------------------------|------------------|-----------------------------|
| 30/11 | J FAGGION<br>P LOMBARDO | FAM L VETTORETTO | C TRAVAGLINI<br>T RECINELLA |

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blessings & celebrations

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3-6pm

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