



1st November 2020 - Year A

All Saints

ALL HALLOWS' PARISH CHURCH

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Sacramental Life

Holy Mass:

Saturday - 8.00am & 5.30pm Vigil

Sunday - 8.30am

Sunday - 10am

Sunday - 6.00pm

Monday - 8.00am

Tues - Wed - 8.00am

Thurs - Fri - 8.00am

Lauds (morning prayer) is prayed
20 minutes before morning mass
daily. All Welcome.

Reconciliation:

Sunday 11:10am - 12.10pm

Sick Calls: Any time - day/night.

Funeral Masses:

In co-operation with Funeral
Directors.

Exposition:

Every Wednesday after 8am Mass.

Dear Parishioners,

PLEASE TAKE HOME. DO NOT PLACE BACK ON THE PILE.

1. Happy Feast Day!

Solemn Mass: 10am

Blessing of the Statues: 11

Procession: 11.15

We are ready to go for our Feast Day on Sunday. It feels like the year 2020 has been quite a strange one. Although we have not been able to everything that we have wanted, I do hope that we can finish the year well. Especially now with the parish Feast Day and as we move towards Christmas.

As of writing this bulletin, the 10am Mass I believe has only a handful of places available, which is good news indeed. I am sure it will be a sell out.

You do not have to book for the procession. Be outside the Church at 11am. We will begin with the blessing of the statues. Each statue will be blessed and incensed individually. We will then process up to top block and then come back down to the Church and finish there. We will; have some devotions at the Church to finish. Matthew will be leading us in singing. As there is likely to be rain, we won't have copies available for everyone. Matthew has been working hard preparing the music.

We were hoping to have a small devotional altar and marquee set up for us to stop and have our devotions there up in top block. Saturday's weather predictions were for very heavy rain and wind, so we thought it ill advised to set anything up in top block. That is a small disappointment but it won't stop us from celebrating our day.

Should the weather be very bad on Sunday we will do a small procession in the church. If there is only light rain we will still go ahead with the outside procession. So bring an umbrella. We will have to make that decision on the morning.

There are two really important things that we need for this Feast Day. The first is to pray for those who suffered during the pandemic. I know we have all experienced and heard some very sad stories over this period. We also know that for our friends in the Northern hemisphere, it may not be over. Let us remember all those who have suffered and those who are suffering on Sunday and commend them to the protection of the Lord and His saints.

The second is to pray in thanksgiving for the blessings we have received. In Sydney Australia, although things have not been pleasant, we have no doubt been spared the very worst. It is also important for us to be thankful and to ask the Lord for His continued protection. We also pray that the worst is behind us and that we can now move on to brighter and happier times. But for this we must pray in thanksgiving first.

2. Thank you

A heartfelt thank you to all our families who kindly donated the statues for our procession. It has taken us a while to get the opportunity to actually have a procession, but the statues have been in the church for some time waiting to be used for our devotions.

I would also like to thank everyone else who helped out— those who made the boxes for their storage and made the portable for our procession. Those who painted, attached them and picked them up for us. A big thank you to everyone.

3 . All Saints' Day Importance

All Saints' Day is a solemn holy day of the Catholic Church celebrated annually on November 1. The day is dedicated to the saints of the Church, that is, all those who have attained heaven. It should not be confused with All Souls' Day, which is observed on November 2, and is dedicated to those who have died and not yet reached heaven.

Although millions, or even billions of people may already be saints, All Saints' Day observances tend to focus on known saints --that is those recognized in the canon of the saints by the Catholic Church. All Saints' Day is also commemorated by members of the Eastern Orthodox Church as well as some protestant churches, such as Lutheran and Anglican churches.

Generally, All Saints' Day is a Catholic Holy Day of Obligation, meaning all Catholics are required to attend Mass on that day, unless they have an excellent excuse, such as serious illness.

Other countries have different rules according to their national bishop's conferences. The bishops of each conference have the authority to amend the rules surrounding the obligation of the day.

All Saints' Day was formally started by Pope Boniface IV, who consecrated the Pantheon at Rome to the Virgin Mary and all the Martyrs on May 13 in 609 AD. Boniface IV also established All Souls' Day, which follows All Saints.

4. Monsignor John Peoples Units

As new one and two bedroom units are now vacant. Enquires welcome. Please contact Lola Tasende, Units Manager Ph 0414 491 718.

8. Growing in Christ - Video series from Bishop Robert Barron

*Some time ago, we did a survey of our parish, which revealed that many of you wanted to know more about your faith, so that you could encounter Jesus in a closer personal relationship. For the past 7 months, we have been screening a fascinating series of videos, each fortnight, which do just that. If you are interested in deepening your faith, getting to know Christ and the Scriptures better, then you will be inspired, amazed and enlightened as you journey around the world and deep into the Faith, in this series produced by Word on Fire. In breathtaking, high definition cinematography, the beauty, goodness and truth of the Catholic Faith is illustrated in a rich multimedia experience. Journey with acclaimed author, speaker and theologian, Bishop Robert Barron to more than 50 locations throughout 15 countries. Each video, covering different topics of our faith, is shown **twice** fortnightly - Thursday evening and Saturday afternoon in the Church Hall, throughout school terms.. Each video is about 55 mins.. It does not matter if you have not seen the previous videos. PLEASE DO JOIN US Enquiries: Ann Kerley: 0408 720 461 – amkerleystuart@gmail.com*

*God Bless,
Fr Matthew.*

WE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO HAVE DIED

In your love and concern, please pray for:-

Recently Deceased:

Nunziatia Lo Galbo, Vincenzo La Manna, Angelo, Di Perna, Domenico Screnci, Catherine Adamo, Gaetano Iacono, Elda Salvatico, Margherita Lasorsa, Giuseppe Corte, Grace D'urso, Gerald "Gerry" Micallef, Grace D'Urso, Maria Giovenale, Concetta 'Connie' Tortorella, Fred Arapa, Francesca Carla Viola, Janet Faye Sydney, Rita Fragassi, Luigi Balsamo, Luigina Michelin.

