

Croydon Park Parish

Parish Details

Our Churches:

- St Margaret Mary's**
286 Torrens Rd, Croydon Park
- Mater Dei**
55 Beaufort St, Woodville Park
- St Patrick's**
33 Dudley St, Mansfield Park

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-Sacramental Programme

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Mrs Kirsty Power

-Parish Secretary:

Mrs Paula Noujaim

-Office Assistant:

Mrs Melissa Hernandez

Next Week's Readings

December 3rd 2023

1st Sunday of Advent, Year B

First Reading:

Isaiah 63:16-17; 64:1,3-8

Responsorial Psalm: 79

Lord, make us turn to you, let us see your face & we shall be saved.

Second Reading:

1 Corinthians 1:3-9

Gospel: Mark 13:33-37



Nov 26th 2023

OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE,
Year A

**He will take his seat on his throne of glory,
and he will separate men one from another.**

First Reading

Ezekiel 34:11-12, 15-17

A reading from the prophet Ezekiel

The Lord says this: I am going to look after my flock myself and keep all of it in view. As a shepherd keeps all his flock in view when he stands up in the middle of his scattered sheep, so shall I keep my sheep in view. I shall rescue them from wherever they have been scattered during the mist and darkness. I myself will pasture my sheep, I myself will show them where to rest - it is the Lord who speaks. I shall look for the lost one, bring back the stray, bandage the wounded and make the weak strong. I shall watch over the fat and healthy. I shall be a true shepherd to them. As for you, my sheep, the Lord says this: I will judge between sheep and sheep, between rams and he-goats. The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 22:1-3, 5-6

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

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

Fresh and green are the pastures where he gives me repose. **R.**

Near restful waters he leads me, to revive my drooping spirit.

He guides me along the right path; he is true to his name. **R.**

You have prepared a banquet for me in the sight of my foes.

My head you have anointed with oil; my cup is overflowing. **R.**

Surely goodness and kindness shall follow me all the days of my life.

In the Lord's own house shall I dwell for ever and ever. **R.**

Second Reading

1 Corinthians 15:20-26, 28

A reading from the first letter of St Paul to the Corinthians

Christ has been raised from the dead, the first-fruits of all who have fallen asleep. Death came through one man and in the same way the resurrection of the dead has come through one man. Just as all men die in Adam, so all men will be brought to life in Christ; but all of them in the proper order: Christ as the first-fruits and then, after the coming of Christ, those who belong to him. After that will come the end, when he hands over the kingdom to God the Father, having done away with every sovereignty, authority and power. For he must be king until he has put all his enemies under his feet and the last of the enemies to be destroyed is death. And when everything is subjected to him, then the Son himself will be subject in his turn to the One who subjected all things to him, so that God may be all in all.

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Gospel

Matthew 25:31-46

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew

Jesus said to his disciples: 'When the Son of Man comes in his glory, escorted by all the angels, then he will take his seat on his throne of glory. All the nations will be assembled before him and he will separate men one from another as the shepherd separates sheep from goats. He will place the sheep on his right hand and the goats on his left. Then the King will say to those on his right hand, "Come, you whom my Father has blessed, take for your heritage the kingdom prepared for you since the foundation of the world. For I was hungry and you gave me food; I was thirsty and you gave me drink; I was a stranger and you made me welcome; naked and you clothed me, sick and you visited me, in prison and you came to see me." Then the virtuous will say to him in reply, "Lord, when did we see you hungry and feed you; or thirsty and give you drink? When did we see you a stranger and make you welcome; naked and clothe you; sick or in prison and go to see you?" And the King will answer, "I tell you solemnly, in so far as you did this to one of the least of these brothers of mine, you did it to me." Next he will say to those on his left hand, "Go away from me, with your curse upon you, to the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels. For I was hungry and you never gave me food; I was thirsty and you never gave me anything to drink; I was a stranger and you never made me welcome, naked and you never clothed me, sick and in prison and you never visited me." Then it will be their turn to ask, "Lord, when did we see you hungry or thirsty, a stranger or naked, sick or in prison, and did not come to your help?" Then he will answer, "I tell you solemnly, in so far as you neglected to do this to one of the least of these, you neglected to do it to me." And they will go away to eternal punishment, and the virtuous to eternal life.'

The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

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PLEASE PRAY FOR:



RECENT: We pray for our parishioner **Olga Bucco** who passed away recently. May she rest in peace and her family be comforted.

OUR SICK:

Franco Zardo, Ken Davey, David Scott, Anna Sagesca, Nha Thanh Le, Jim McClure, Hien Vu Thai Nguayn, Roma Sergi, Karen Mesa, Richard Mesa, Paul Nelson, Barbara Nelson, Enza Langone, Samuel Nguyen, Orlando Mammone, Rosina Riccio, Angelina Luppino, Phanxico Phuoc, Salvatore Borbouo, Carmella Mammone, Tommy O'Mahony, Nicolena DiGiovanni, Dam Thi Khuc, Velibor, Boris & Bob Basevski, Giuseppina Candido, John Best, Jean Wishmuller, Mike Kain, Daryll Abrea, Veronica Aguilera, Rosa Greco, Cammi Longford, Alicea Longford, Giuse Nguyen Thanh Dam, Joseph Patrose, Thomas Peter, Joe Vozzo, Chong Vu, Vince Greco, Marta Aguilera, Gloria Zelava, Viet Nguyen.

November List

During November we pray for All Souls.

You can list the names of those you wish to pray for either:

- in the **November List Book** at each Church (which will be carried up to the altar during Mass) or
- on a **November Mass envelope** (which was included in your set of Thanksgiving Envelopes or can be found in the church foyer). The envelopes can be placed in the Collection Baskets and those names will then be added to the November List in our newsletter.

PLEASE PRAY FOR: Nicola Sarullo, Vittorio Di Ciocco, Alessandra Di Ciocco, Maria and Constantino Di Niro, Emilia and Roberto Di Ciocco, Buddy Burkhardt, Louis Sadaj, A.J. Anthony Joseph, Marcelo Asentista, Fransisca Temporada, Domingo Zamora, Victorina Manzanadez, Aiven Asentista, Guillermo Templado, Anton Nguyen Van Dai, Anne Le Thi Lien.

PLEASE PRAY FOR DECEASED MEMBERS OF THE FOLLOWING FAMILIES:

Sarullo, Van Tac Nguyen, Luom Thi Vo.

Our Parish Family

Baptised last weekend at St Patrick's Church, **Ellie Mai**, daughter of Huong and Thuy Anh, and in St Margaret Mary's Church, **Raymond and Evan**, sons of Timothy and Christina. May God bless these children and their families.



GOSPEL DISCUSSION

Jesus tells us most clearly in this gospel passage that the mark of a true disciple is a compassionate response to people's needs.

'I was hungry and you fed me. I was thirsty and you gave me a drink' People hunger and thirst for - food, respect, shelter, a job, peace, happiness, a word of encouragement, forgiveness. There are many needs and many ways in which we can respond to people's needs. It may not involve major projects - it may be as simple as a smile or a friendly word of affirmation or gratitude.

'I was a stranger and you welcomed me.' Hospitality is a key gospel value. The welcoming of strangers is about our attitude to those who are different from us - be it in looks, religion, culture, speech or talent! Being different is not dangerous!

'I was naked and you clothed me'. To be naked is to be without... without self-esteem, without love, without security, without peace of mind. Similarly, one 'clothes' another with friendship, with encouragement, with affirmation, with a good reputation, with speaking the truth.

'I was sick and you took care of me'. There are many forms of illness that afflict people today. Recently, a psychologist specializing in adolescence stated that one in five Australian students suffer some form of psychological problem. One of the solutions, he stated, was to instill in students a sense of meaning and belonging.

'I was a prisoner and you visited me.' What is it that binds us and prevents us from growing and living 'life to the full' (John 10:10)? Fear can bind us, so can guilt or loneliness or insecurity.

Jesus wants us to show our care for other people in real and meaningful ways.

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NATIVITY ANGELS & SHEPHERDS

Children who would like to take part in the Gospel re-enactment at the Christmas Eve Vigil, 6.30pm at St Margaret Mary's Church, please contact the Parish Office or see Vicky Manalo after Mass at St Margaret Mary's. Rehearsal times to be advised next week.

The more the merrier!

Sunday Intercessions

That God's people will serve Christ the King by caring for the spiritual and physical needs of his least ones.

Lord, hear us. **Lord, hear our prayer.**

For a Church in every place where Christians serve the hungry and thirsty, clothe the desperate and welcome the stranger, care for the sick and respect prisoners, that all may grow in virtue.

Lord, hear us. **Lord, hear our prayer.**

For an end to the wars in Ukraine and Sudan, peace for the people of Myanmar and a safe return of their refugees, support for Pacific Island Nations affected by climate change, and relief from religious persecution in many countries.

Lord, hear us. **Lord, hear our prayer.**

For the youth of the Church as each diocese around the world celebrates this day for them, that with faith and charity they will live its theme, "rejoicing in hope."

Lord, hear us. **Lord, hear our prayer.**

For the people of the Holy Land: the return of the Israeli hostages, humanitarian aid for the Palestinians, protection for all across the land, an end to violence, an opening to dialogue and peace for everyone.

Lord, hear us. **Lord, hear our prayer.**

For a place in the kingdom of heaven for the victims of war and famine, and for our departed, relatives, friends and parishioners. We remember especially all those on our November List.

Lord, hear us. **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Sacramental Programme 2024

Enrol your children now for the 2024 Parish Sacramental Programme. Enrolment Forms are available through Parish Office, Parish website www.croydonparkparish.com.au or through the Parish Schools. Children need to be Baptised, and in Year 3 or above in 2024. For more information, contact the Parish Office on 8346 0944 or hello@croydonparkparish.com.au



ADVENT BOOKLETS

The Pastoral Services Team of the Adelaide Archdiocese are pleased to produce a **FREE Advent Reflection Booklet**. The booklet includes weekly scriptures, prayers and group reflections. It's a beautiful resource to help prepare your hearts and homes for the birth of Jesus Christ. The booklets are now available in each of our Churches.

Take one home today!



Mass Times: Nov 28 - Dec 3

Weekday Masses

-Tues	-9.15am	-St Margaret Mary's
-Wed	-9.00am	-St Patrick's
	-6.00pm	- St Margaret Mary's followed by Adoration, Benediction & Night Prayer
-Thurs	-9.15am	-St Margaret Mary's
-Fri	-9.15am	-Mater Dei
	-7.00pm	-Mater Dei (Vietnamese 1st Friday)

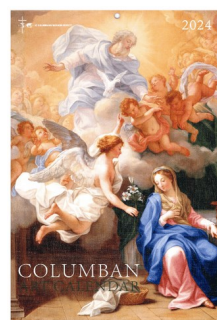
Weekend Masses

-Saturday	-6.00pm	Mater Dei Vigil
-Sunday	-8.30am	St Patrick's
	-8.30am	St Margaret Mary's (Polish)
	-10.30am	St Margaret Mary's
	-5.00pm	Mater Dei (Vietnamese)

Confessions

-Saturday 12 noon - 12.30pm in St Margaret Mary's Church or call the 8346 0944 to make an appointment.

St Margaret Mary's Church can be opened for prayer during office hours (please sign in at Parish Office).



2024 Columban Art Calendars

Available now in each Mass Centre .
Only \$10 each.
These also make a lovely Christmas Present!

Our Parish Schools

Our three parish schools offer a Catholic education from Reception to Year 6. Contact each school for further information.

-St Margaret Mary's School

Principal: Ms Kelly Campbell
5 Eldon Street, Croydon Park (8245 5800)

Playgroup Fridays, 9.15-10.45am



-St Patrick's School

Principal: Mrs Barbara Ahern
33 Dudley St, Mansfield Park (8303 4500)

Playgroup Wed & Fri, 9.30-11.30am



-Whitefriars School

Principal: Mr Frank Congedi
45 Beaufort St, Woodville Park (8178 7700)

Playgroup Tues & Thurs, 9-10.30am



A small number of places have recently been made available in Reception for 2024 at St Margaret Mary's School.

Please contact Angela (8245 5800) for more information info@smms.catholic.edu.au



Vinnies Christmas Appeal



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LEAVING COLLECTION THIS WEEKEND

Please give generously to the Vinnies Christmas Appeal which will be held this weekend. There is no doubt that prices have risen and many families are finding it hard to pay bills and put food on the table. There will be envelopes at the back of the Church or you can donate online at www.vinnies.org.au.

Also, Croydon St Vincent DePaul members are hoping to deliver hampers of Christmas foods and gifts to add a little cheer to that special day. In each Church, you will find donation baskets for Christmas treats such as ham, mince pies, Christmas cake and pudding, custard, coffee, tea, biscuits and tinned fruit.

If you have a thought for the Mums and Dads, please add a wrapped gift in the baskets, marked for which gender.

Your generosity will be richly rewarded. Thank you.

Vietnamese Martyrs' Feast Day THANK YOU

Congratulations to our Vietnamese Community at Mater Dei on the successful Celebration last Sunday of the Vietnamese Martyrs Feast. The weather was warm and many people from across the Parish

attended to support this wonderful occasion. Fr Peter, Fr My Tran, Fr Charles and Fr Sam celebrated the Mass together.

We extend our sincere gratitude to all those from the Vietnamese Martyrs Community who volunteered their time and resources to help make the day such a special one. A special thank you to the devoted choir and musicians who shared their talents so beautifully. Also thank you to those who dedicated so much time and effort to coordinating and organising the event. We are truly blessed to have a very generous and devoted Vietnamese community in our Parish. May God bless you all.



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