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Sunday, 18 Nov 2018 Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year B



Dear Parishioners and Visitors,

AS we approach the end of the year – the liturgical year, that is - we concentrate on the "four last things": Heaven, Hell, Death and Judgement. So a few brief paragraphs from the Catechism of the Catholic Church might be helpful.

The Particular Judgment

1021 Death puts an end to human life as the time open to either

accepting or rejecting the divine grace manifested in Christ. (Cf. 2 Tim 1:9-10.) The New Testament speaks of judgment primarily in its aspect of the final encounter with Christ in his second coming, but also repeatedly affirms that each will be rewarded immediately after death in accordance with his works and faith. the parable of the poor man Lazarus and the words of Christ on the cross to the good thief, as well as other New Testament texts speak of a final destiny of the soul a destiny which can be different for some and for others. (Cf. Lk 16:22; 23:43; Mt 16:26; 2 Cor 5:8; Phil 1:23; Heb 9:27; 12:23.)

1022 Each man receives his eternal retribution in his immortal soul at the very moment of his death, in a particular judgment that refers his life to Christ: either entrance into the blessedness of heaven through a purification or immediately, or immediate and everlasting damnation. (Cf. Council of Lyons II (1274): DS 857-858; Council of Florence (1439): DS 1304- 1306; Council of Trent (1563): DS 1820; Cf. Benedict XII, Benedictus Deus (1336): DS 1000-1001; John XXII, Nesuper his (1334): DS 990; Cf. Benedict XII, Benedictus Deus (1336): DS 1002.)

At the evening of life, we shall be judged on our love. (St. John of the Cross, Dichos 64)

Heaven

1023 Those who die in God's grace and friendship and are perfectly purified live for ever with Christ. They are like God for ever, for they "see him as he is," face to face. (1 Jn 3:2; cf. 1 Cor 13:12; Rev 22:4.)

1024 This perfect life with the Most Holy Trinity - this communion of life and love with the Trinity, with the Virgin Mary, the angels and all the blessed - is called "heaven." Heaven is the ultimate end and fulfilment of the deepest human longings, the state of supreme, definitive happiness.

The Final Purification, or Purgatory

1030 All who die in God's grace and friendship, but still imperfectly purified, are indeed assured of their eternal salvation; but after death they undergo purification, so as to achieve the holiness necessary to enter the joy of heaven.

1031 The Church gives the name Purgatory to this final purification of the elect, which is entirely different from the punishment of the damned.604 The Church formulated her doctrine of faith on Purgatory especially at the Councils of Florence and Trent. The tradition of the Church, by reference to certain texts of Scripture, speaks of a cleansing fire. (Cf.1 Cor 3:15;1 Pet 1:7.)

Hell

1033 We cannot be united with God unless we freely choose to love him. But we cannot love God if we sin gravely against him, against our neighbour or against ourselves: "He who does not love remains in death. Anyone who hates his brother is a murderer, and you know that no murderer has eternal life abiding in him." (Jn 3:14-15.) Our Lord warns us that we shall be separated from him if we fail to meet the serious needs of the poor and the little ones who are his brethren. (Mt 25:31-46.) To die in mortal sin without repenting and accepting God's merciful love means remaining separated from him for ever by our own free choice. This state of definitive self-exclusion from communion with God and the blessed is called "hell."

1034 Jesus often speaks of "Gehenna" of "the unquenchable fire" reserved for those who to the end of their lives refuse to believe and be converted, where both soul and body can be lost. (Cf. Mt 22, 29; 10:28; 13:42, 50; Mk 9:43-48.) Jesus solemnly proclaims that he "will send his angels, and they will gather . . . all evil doers, and throw them into the furnace of fire," and that he will pronounce the condemnation: "Depart from me, you cursed, into the eternal fire!" (Mt 13:41-42. Mt 25:41.)

Something to think and pray about in the week ahead!

Liturgy...

First Reading Dn 12:1-3

A reading from the book of Daniel

When that time comes your own people will be spared.

'At that time Michael will stand up, the great prince who mounts guard over your people. There is going to be a time of great distress, unparalleled since nations first came into existence. When that time comes, your own people will be spared, all those whose names are found written in the Book. Of those who lie sleeping in the dust of the earth many will awake, some to everlasting life, some to shame and everlasting disgrace. The learned will shine as brightly as the vault of heaven, and those who have instructed many in virtue, as bright as stars for all eternity.'

The word of the Lord.

Response: Thanks be to God!





Responsorial Psalm Ps 15:5. 8-11. R.v.1

(R.) Keep me safe, O God, you are my hope.

- 1. O Lord, it is you who are my portion and cup; it is you yourself who are my prize. I keep the Lord ever in my sight: since he is at my right hand, I shall stand firm. (R.)
- 2. And so my heart rejoices, my soul is glad; even my body shall rest in safety. For you will not leave my soul among the dead, nor let your beloved know decay. (*R*.)
- 3. You will show me the path of life, the fullness of joy in your presence, at your right hand happiness forever. (R.)





Liturgy...

Second Reading Heb 10:11-14, 18

A reading from the letter to The Hebrews

By a single offering he has achieved the eternal perfection of those who are sanctified.

All the priests stand at their duties every day, offering over and over again the same sacrifices which are quite incapable of taking sins away. Christ, on the other hand, has offered one single sacrifice for sins, and then taken his place for ever, at the right hand of God, where he is now waiting until his enemies are made into a footstool for him. By virtue of that one single offering, he has achieved the eternal perfection of all whom he is sanctifying. When all sins have been forgiven, there can be no more sin offerings.

The word of the Lord.

Response: Thanks be to God!





Gospel Acclamation Lk 21:36

Alleluia, alleluia!

Be watchful, and pray constantly, that you may be worthy to stand before the Son of Man Alleluia!





Liturgy...

Gospel Mk 13:24-32

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark

He shall gather his elect from the four winds.

Jesus said to his disciples: 'In those days, after the time of distress, the sun will be darkened, the moon will lose its brightness, the stars will come falling from heaven and the powers in the heavens will be shaken. And then they will see the Son of Man coming in the clouds with great power and glory; then too he will send the angels to gather his chosen from the four winds, from the ends of the world to the ends of heaven.

'Take the fig tree as a parable: as soon as its twigs grow supple and its leaves come out, you know that summer is near. So with you, when you see these things happening: know that he is near, at the very gates. I tell you solemnly, before this generation has passed away all these things will have taken place. Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away.

'But as for that day or hour, nobody knows it, neither the angels of heaven, nor the Son; no one but the Father.'

The Gospel of the Lord Response: Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ





Weekend Mass	Saturday Vigil: Sunday:	6.00pm 7.00am, 9.00am, 10.30am (Solemn High Mass); 12.15pm Latin Mass in the extraordinary form; 6.00pm Mass
Weekday Mass	Monday to Friday: Saturday: Public Holidays:	6.45am, 1.10pm & 5.30pm 9.00am & 12noon 9am (or as advertised)
Reconciliation	Monday-Friday: Saturday:	12noon - 1.00pm & 5.00pm - 5.25pm 11.30am - 11.55am, 4.30-5.30pm
Vespers (Evening Prayer)	Monday to Thursday: Saturday: Sunday:	5.00pm 5.30pm 5.00pm (with Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament)

**COELIACS: Special Provision is made for Coeliacs at the Cathedral. Those who are gluten intolerant may receive communion either from the Chalice or with a gluten low host. Application should be made to the Sacristan before Mass.

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Chris Backhouse – Cathedral Sacristan Thomas Wilson – Director of Music Helen Morassut – General Manager, St Mary's Cathedral Precinct

SUBSCRIBE TO THE NEW LOOK CATHOLIC WEEKLY OR PURCHASE A COPY FOR \$2.

ELECTRONIC COLLECTION PLATES

The option to make an offering via credit card is available at this mass.



Please note: you can continue to donate with cash or pass the plate on.



CATHEDRAL NOTICES

CANA COMMUNITIES APPEAL.

Volunteers and friends from Cana Communities will be with us on the weekend of 17 & 18 November seeking your help. Cana Communities provides family-type support for people from the streets. Cana is one of the largest providers of crisis beds in the inner city. Volunteers from the community will be holding an appeal at our Masses. All donations over \$2 are tax deductible.

FULL TUITION SCHOLARSHIPS TO ST MARY'S CATHEDRAL COLLEGE. Boys

currently in year 2 are invited to audition as members of the prestigious St. Mary's Cathedral Choir to begin in 2019. All students receive full-tuition scholarships to St Mary's Cathedral College when placed as Cathedral Choristers. Please contact our Music Administrator to arrange an audition or for more information visit

music@stmaryscathedral.org.au or by visiting

https://cathedralchoir.sydney/about/choristers/.

FREE SUNDAY TOUR OF ST MARY'S CATHEDRAL. Our tour guides would love to take you through the history of the Mother Church for Australian Catholics with a free tour every Sunday after the 10.30am Solemn Choral Mass. Please look out for the tour guide next to the organ console after Mass. All

WORLD YOUTH DAY PANAMA 2019.

are welcome!

The Catholic Archdiocese of Sydney invites young adults to pre-register for the WYD2019 Panama via Washington DC pilgrimage, which

will be led by His Grace, Archbishop Anthony OP. Pilgrims wishing to accept the offer of a subsidy need to pre-register by depositing a minimum, non-refundable deposit of \$1,000. The deposit will confirm your place on the pilgrimage. The Archdiocese will then add \$1,000 to your account. The Indicative cost of the pilgrimage is \$8,686. For pilgrims considering the optional Mexico extension, the indicative total cost is \$9,786. Note that should the pilgrimage not go ahead as planned, all deposits shall be returned in full. For more information and deposit details please contact abbel.gaspi;@sydneycatholic.org.

WORLD DAY OF THE POOR. World Day of the Poor falls Sunday, 18 November this year. For more information, please see the attachments and link below. https://www.catholic.org.au/commissions/bishops-commission-for-pastoral-life.

MEMORIAL MASS FOR DECEASED PRIESTS. Celebrated by Bishop Brady to be held on Wednesday, 21 November 2018 at 12pm - Mary, Mother of Mercy Chapel, Rookwood Catholic Cemetery and followed by refreshments. Please RSVP by 15 November to Nancy Murdocca on (02) 9646 6908 or nancym@catholiccemeteries.com.au.

EMBRACE, YOUNG ADULTS GROUP.

Embrace is St Mary's group for young people of 18-35 yrs old from all cultures and backgrounds. We meet every Sunday at St Mary's Cathedral House, adjacent to the Cathedral, after the 6.00pm Mass. Our activities and youth projects are designed to support spiritual development and encourage active practice of our faith. For 18 Nov Embrace will host Father Damonn Sypher

(FSSP, Maternal Heart of Mary) who will give a talk on '*The Power of Confession*'. All are welcome please call/text Embrace Coordinator on **0404 008 870** or write to embrace@stmaryscathedral.org.au

A CHORAL CHRISTMAS CELEBRATION. On Friday, 14 December

St Mary's Cathedral will celebrate this special time of year with carols and an overwhelming feeling of Christmas joy for the annual, and much anticipated *A Choral Christmas*Celebration concert. There will be two performances at 11am & 7pm with tickets starting at \$20. Visit

www.cathedralchoir.sydney/accc for more information.

PLENARY COUNCIL. Why not be involved? The 2020 Plenary Council is a gathering of the Church in Australia to make decisions for the future. Your voice is important. You are invited to contribute to the Plenary Council agenda, by sharing your experience of faith and of the Church. To be involved, visit

http://plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au/

Become an Ambassador, facilitating listening and dialogue groups in your parish. If you want to know more, please speak with your Parish Priest, contact **9390 5100** or

email: plenary council@sydney catholic.org.

DAY OF HEALING WITH SR.

MARGARET SCULLY RSC: To be held on Saturday, 01 December 2018 at the Catholic Charismatic Renewal Centre, 19A Quirk Street, Rozelle from 9am to 4.30pm. The session includes, Prayer for Inner Healing, Healing of the Family Tree and the Healing Power of Forgiveness. Tea and coffee to be provided, please bring your own lunch. Registration is essential. Please contact the CCR Centre on 9810 2499 or email mscully@ccrnsw.org.au

FRIENDS OF THE CATHEDRAL'S
TRIVIA NICHT! Suppor will be serve

TRIVIA NIGHT! Supper will be served during the wide-ranging quiz on Saturday, 24 November at 6.00pm, in the Br Hoffman Hall. Come with a team of up to eight people, or join a team on the night. BYO drinks and knowledge! Tickets \$25 members, \$30 non-members, including supper.

Please visit <u>www.cathedralfriends.org.au</u> to purchase tickets.

CATHOLICCARE HOME CARE

PACKAGES provides services in your home to help you remain living independently. From occasional or short-term services to round-the-clock options, CatholicCare can help you decide on the services to meet your individual needs. For more information please contact **CCareline** on **13 18 19**.

ROME PILGRAMAGE - 16 to 23 May

2019. To celebrate our Cathedral's 150 years it would be a great opportunity to join Fr Don Richardson, Dean of St Mary's Cathedral on a unique tour of Rome. Get your free pilgrimage kit today by ringing Rome Pilgrimages on **1800 753 959** or Email:

pilgrimages@sydneycatholic.org.

EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST: The

Catholic Archdiocese of Sydney. Applications are invited for the opportunity to undertake the role of Property Officer, part of the Chancery Team located at the Polding Centre, Sydney. For further information, the advertisement for this role can be viewed at https://catholicjobsonline.com.au/jobs/property-officer-sydney/

CARITAS AUSTRALIA – GLOBAL GIFT

CHRISTMAS CARDS. To share the joy this Christmas you can do this through the Caritas Christmas card Global Gifts campaign, where you can purchase cards for family and friends, with proceeds going directly towards Caritas Australia's work for the poor and vulnerable many of whom are separated from their families at this holy time. The Global Gift Christmas cards can be ordered online at: www.globalgifts.org.au or by calling: 1800 024 413.

SYDNEY CATHOLIC MEN'S MINISTRY

NETWORKING MEETING. Calling all Men! Come and find out more about men's ministry in Sydney archdiocese. Find out how you can start or join a local men's group in your area with support from us. Hosted by Bishop Richard Umbers, hear from Tristan Ross, former lieutenant in the army and Ben Galea from Young Men of God will facilitate a discussion group. Friday night November 23, 6.30pm Mass, 7.30pm Dinner, 8.30pm Presentations. Register:

www.trybooking.com/431767.