

RESURRECTION CATHOLIC PARISH

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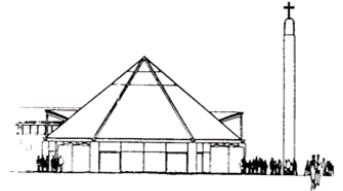
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Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

28th October 2018

"GO MAKE DISCIPLES"



MASS TIMES

Weekends		Weekdays	
Saturday	6.00 pm	Monday	6.00 pm
		Tuesday	9.30 am
Sunday	9.00 am	Thursday	7.00 pm
	10.30 am	Friday	8.30 am

COMMUNION SERVICE

Wednesday 9.30 am

RECONCILIATION

Saturday 9.30 am
(or any time by appointment)

OFFICE HOURS

Monday – Friday

8.30 am – 12.30 pm
(Closed 12.30 pm – 1.30 pm)

1.30 pm – 5.00 pm

Saturday and Sunday

8.30 am – 12.30 pm

PARISH STAFF

Parish Priest

Fr Gerard Keith
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Parish Catechist

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Finance

Maryann Krsteski - Finance

Child Safety Officer

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Resurrection Primary School

Principal
Mr John Connors
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principal@rskingspark.catholic.edu.au

PARISH MEETING NIGHT

Our Parish groups meet on the first Wednesday of the month at 7.15 pm in the Church for prayer, prior to meeting.

BAPTISM

Baptisms are celebrated on the first Sunday of each month. Prior enrolment and preparation is required.

MARRIAGE

Preparation program for couples is required.

NEW PARISHIONERS

Welcome. Please collect your information package from the Welcome Desk or Parish Office.

PARISH FINANCE

The parish is financially dependent on our Stewardship envelopes. Call the parish office for details or pick up a pledge card from the Welcome Desk.


BULLETIN

A Bulletin is published weekly and on the last weekend of the month, a Big Bulletin is produced. Parishioners are encouraged to write articles for the Big Bulletin, particularly if personal testimony is included. When submitting an article, please make sure you mark it "Weekly" or "Big Bulletin" in the subject heading and send to bulletin.kingspark@cam.org.au

PARISH LIBRARY

The Library is open during office hours

FACEBOOK ENQUIRIES

Questions and suggestions for our Facebook Page should be directed to resparish.ict@gmail.com. Alternatively, you can send a message directly to our Facebook page by clicking the  Message button. Either way, the Comms Team will respond.

Stewardship Prayer

"And Jesus said to him, 'Go your way; your faith has made you well.' And immediately he received his sight and followed him on the way." MARK 10:52

Faith is believing in something even though you may not be able to see it. Many people think that miracles don't happen anymore. But, if you focus on the positive, not the negative, focus on your blessings instead of your hardships, miracles will seem common and you will see God's active presence in your daily life.



CATHOLIC ARCHDIOCESE
OF MELBOURNE



Dear friends, on Monday 22 October at 11am, the Prime Minister of Australia delivered the National Apology to Victims and Survivors of Institutional Child Sexual Abuse at Parliament House in Canberra. The Royal Commission into Institutional Responses to Child Sexual Abuse has been a painful and difficult time for the people of God as so many stories of unimaginable abuse perpetrated by some priests, religious and lay people have been revealed. The National Apology provides an opportunity for us to remember and recall these stories and to pray for healing and atonement. We also acknowledge the courage of those who appeared before the Royal Commission to tell their stories. In addition, we recognise the work that has been undertaken and continues to be done to shape a culture of accountability and trust to enable us to protect all children and vulnerable adults.

**CATHOLIC ARCHDIOCESE OF
MELBOURNE**

Resurrection Parish is committed to safety and wellbeing of all children and young people. This is a primary focus of our care and decision-making as a parish.

Resurrection Parish has zero tolerance for child abuse.

We are committed to providing a child safe environment where children and young people are safe and feel safe, and their voices are heard about decisions that affect their lives. Particular attention will be paid to the cultural safety of Aboriginal children and children from culturally and/or linguistically diverse backgrounds, as well as the safety of children with a disability.

Every person involved at Resurrection Parish has a responsibility to understand the important and specific role he/she plays individually and collectively to ensure that we provide for the wellbeing and safety of all children and young people.

As noted at this weekend masses we encourage open discussions on Child Safety.

The fundamental message is: ***"If we see something, please say something"***

The parish has a Child safety policy. This policy can be found in the church and on the parish website www.resurrectionkingspark.org.au.

CHILD SAFETY

Protect

Everyone has the right to be safe and be protected from abuse. No one should behave in a way that makes you feel unsafe or afraid.

"See Something, Say Something"

**Please report any issues to our
Child Safety Officer - Maryann Krsteski,
Fr Gerard Keith or Victorian Police**

We pray in thanksgiving for Lucy Benedicto, Helen Tsiriones, Charles Zammit and all the lives of all those who have died recently.

We pray for all those whose anniversaries occur at about this time.

We pray for all the sick members of our community and for all who are in need.

PARISH PRAYER

God our Father, bless this parish so that we may love you more. Help the parents to be good example to the children and our youth to grow in strength as good Christians.

Encircle our families with your loving care. To the sick grant healthy to the aged bring serenity and to those in sorrow, joy. May we grow stronger in faith and may our love for one another become deeper in our daily living. Amen

PARISH MEETING NIGHT

Our next Parish Meeting Night will be on Wednesday 7th November commencing with prayer in the church at 7.15pm. Social Events Group and Comms Group are providing supper.

SINGULONG FUNDRAISER DANCE

The Sinulog-Santo Nino Festival is an annual cultural and religious festival held on the third Sunday of January in Cebu City, and is the centre of the Santo Nino Catholic celebrations in the Philippines.

The festival is considered to be one of the most popular festivals in the Philippines, with every celebration of the festival routinely attracting around 1 to 2 million people from all over the Philippines every year. Aside from the religious aspect of the festival, Sinulog is also famous for its street parties, usually happening the night before and the night of the main festival.

The fundraising committee is holding a dance on Saturday 17th November from 7pm to 11.30pm. Tickets are sold at \$15.00 (Children under 12 are free) Food and drinks sold at the venue by Happy Hut, Music by A Pros Light and Sound. For further information please contact Ramona Cazar on 0420 943 218.

PARISH MINISTRIES

In this bulletin you will find a description of all parish ministries. This is the time when each parishioner is asked to prayerfully reflect on where and how they will serve the Lord through their parish. Where and how are you being called right now to participate in the reign of God?

No Mass

There will be no Mass on Thursday 22nd November at 7.00pm.

INVITATION TO PARISH BBQ BREAK UP

If you are in a Parish Group or part of a ministry or help out in anyway, you and your family are invited to come along to our end of year BBQ. Sausages, Hamburgers and drinks will be provided.

Date: Wednesday, 5th December

Time: 7pm

What to bring: A salad or dessert to share

It is our way of saying thank you to so many individuals and groups who have been faithful throughout the year to their chosen ministry commitments and/or attended their group meeting on Parish Meeting Night on the first Wednesday of each month. So let's get together; enjoy a meal, have some fun and get to know each other better or maybe meet someone new who is as dedicated as you.

FIRST RECONCILIATION

Resurrection Primary School Grade 3 children will be making their 1st Reconciliation in November.

Please keep the families in your prayers.

NOVEMBER REMEMBRANCE BOOK

Our special remembrance book will be available before all Masses during the month of November. If you have previously recorded the deceased person name in the remembrance book there is no need to do it again.

ALL SOULS DAY MASS

All Souls Day is a holy day set aside for honoring the dead. As a Christian community, our belief in the resurrection of Jesus provides the context for our faith and hope in the resurrection of the dead. When viewed in this way death becomes in a very real sense, the only gate way to this eternal life of love with God and those we love.

Within our Catholic tradition the month of November is a time when we especially remember those who have died. A time when we pray for their resurrection in Christ, and our own renewal of faith in a God who is faithful to the promises made in the past.

Mass will be celebrated on Friday 2nd November at 7.00pm.



Feast of Christ The King 2018



Since 1925 the Universal Church has celebrated the 34th and last Sunday of Ordinary Time with the Feast of Christ the King. The feast honours the Christ's sovereignty over all persons, families, nations and the whole universe.

For the past 17 years, we as a parish have celebrated this feast with a distinctive Samoan flavour. It gives us an opportunity as a parish to recognise and celebrate with our parishioners who trace their roots back to Samoa.

The celebration will be held at the 10.30am Mass on Sunday 25th November.

Resurrection Parish
51 Gum Road, Kings Park

CALLING ALL SELLERS!

**CAR BOOT
SALE**

**NOW'S THE TIME
TO CLEAR OLD
CLOTHES, TOYS,
BOOKS, DVDS
BRIC-A-BRAC
AND MORE!**

Sunday 11th November 11.30am to 3.00pm



*** Car Spots \$20 ***

**All proceeds goes
towards the Parish.
Come along and
grab yourself a
bargain!**

**Limited spots available ~
please call the Parish Office on 8312 6350**



St Vincent de Paul Society
VICTORIA *good works*

**Welfare Assistance Line
Free Call 1800 305 330**

**Monday-Friday
except for public holidays**

This service is free and confidential.

St Vincent de Paul Society Victoria Inc.

**Locked Bag 4800, Box Hill Vic 3128
P: 03 9895 5800 | E: info @svdp-vic.org.au
W: vinnies.org.au | ABN 28 911 702 061 | RN A0042727Y**

**DO YOU NEED
A HELPING
HAND?**



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VICTORIA *good works*

Baptisms

We joyfully welcome into Resurrection community children who were baptised in the waters of Baptism. We pray that they will grow to love the Risen Jesus.

October

Olivia Mary Couacaud

Daughter of Christopher & Christine Couacaud

Owen Steven Delben

Son of Steven Delben & Jelita Simanjuntak

Jezyah-John Dominic

Son of Henry Dominic & Kalala Smith

Jake Alfred Ellul

Son of Kevin & Belinda Ellul

Lenny Hein

Son of John & Laura Hein



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October

David Jeng
Son of Kumba Tontoe

Joshua Jeng
Son of Kumba Tontoe

Gamba Oldman Jeng
Son of Kumba Tontoe

Joseph William Lunn
Son of Steven Lunn & Tania Scorgie

Liam Silva
Son of Rowell Silva & Jovejean Vistal

Lucy Wise
Daughter of Thomas & Anna Wise



Funerals

In baptism they received the light of Christ. Let us pray that God will now scatter the darkness and lead them over the waters of death.

Gertrudes Nicart



Charles Rapa



Afterglow

I'd like the memory of me to be a happy one.
I'd like to leave an afterglow of smiles when life is done.
I'd like to leave an echo whispering softly down the ways,
Of happy times and laughing times and bright and sunny days.
I'd like the tears of those who grieve, to dry before the sun;
Of happy memories that I leave when life is done.
Author Unknown

May they rest in peace.



Singing to the Firing Squad

Two men convicted of drug trafficking had been on death row for a decade. While in prison, they learned of God's love for them in Jesus, and their lives were transformed. When it came time for them to face and firing squad, they faced their executioners reciting the Lord's Prayer and singing 'Amazing Grace.' Because of their faith in God, through the power of the Spirit they were able to face death with incredible courage.

I trusted in the Lord when I said, "I am greatly afflicted." Psalm 116:10

They followed the example of faith set by the Savior, Jesus. When Jesus knew that His death was imminent, He spent part of the evening singing with friends. It's remarkable that He could sing under such circumstances, but what's even more remarkable is what He sang. On that night, Jesus and his friends and a Passover meal, which always ends with a series of Psalms known as the Hallel, Psalms 113-118. Facing death, that night Jesus sang about the 'cords of death' entangling Him (Psalm 116:3). Yet He praised God's faithful love (117:2) and thanked Him for salvation (118:14). Surely these Psalms comforted Jesus on the night before His crucifixion.

Jesus's trust in God was so great that even as He approached His own death - a death He had done nothing to deserve! - He chose to sing of God's love. Because of Jesus, we too can have confidence that whatever we face, God is with us.

God, strengthen our faith in You so that when we face trials, or even approach death, we can sing with confidence about Your love.

How sweet is the sound of God's amazing grace!

Our Singing Father

No one told me before my wife and I had children how important singing would be. My children are now six, eight, and ten. But all three had problems sleeping early on. Each night, my wife and I took turns rocking our little ones, praying they'd nod off quickly. I spent hundreds of hours rocking them, desperately crooning lullabies to (hopefully!) speed up the process. But as I sang over our children night after night, something amazing happened: It deepened my bond of love and delight for them in ways I had never dreamed.

The LORD your God is with you, the Mighty Warrior who saves. He will take great delight in you; in his love he will rejoice over you with singing. Zephaniah 3:17

Did you know Scripture describes our heavenly Father singing over His children too? Just as I sought to soothe my children with song, so Zephaniah concludes with a portrait of our heavenly Father singing over His people: 'He will take great delight in you; in his love he will . . . rejoice over you with singing' (3:17).

Much of Zephaniah's prophetic book warns of a coming time of judgment for those who'd rejected God. Yet that's not where it ends. Zephaniah concludes not with judgment but with a description of God not only rescuing His people from all their suffering (vv.19-20) but also tenderly loving and rejoicing over them with song (v.17).

Our God is not only a "Mighty Warrior who saves" and restores (v.17) but a loving Father who tenderly sings songs of love over us.

Father, help us to embrace Your tender love and "hear" the songs You sing.

WHAT DOES MY STEWARDSHIP PAY FOR?

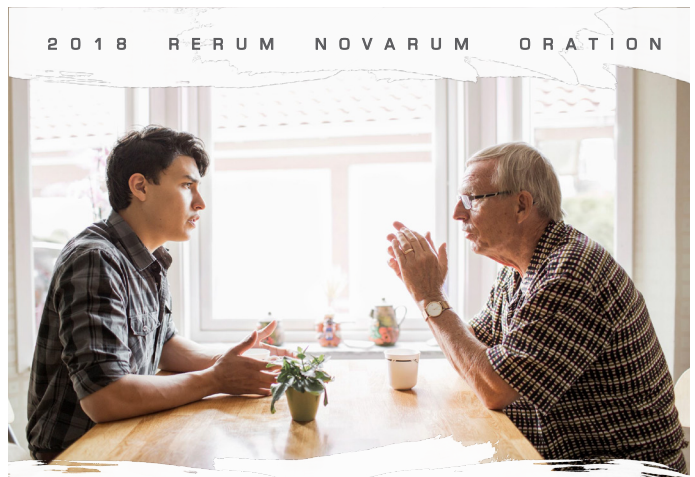
Stewardship program is about supporting your parish financially. We have our beautiful church to maintain, office amenities, utilities, bills etc. all of which are at the service of the parish community, friendly and supportive staff to provide the broad range of services that the Parish offers. The Parish supports the School community in - liturgy and sacramental programs, including First Reconciliation, First Eucharist, Confirmation, School and Class Masses etc. Pastoral programs and oversight of the school.

Operating Expenditure

- Wages
- R & M and Upgrade of the Church
- Liturgical Expenses
- Bank Loans
- Archdiocesan Levies
- Catechetics Expenses
- Church requisites
- Cleaning and gardening
- Insurance
- Electricity, Gas, Water
- Office furniture & equipment
- Printing & photocopying
- Leasing & hiring expenses
- Postage
- Telecommunications



OUR
PARISH
COMMUNITY
celebrates faith
values engagement
supports generously



Widening the Door of Hope

A Response to the Victorian Assisted Dying Legislation

Tuesday 20th November 2018

7.30pm start

7.00pm light refreshments

Mercy Theatre
Australian Catholic University
115 Victoria Parade Fitzroy
(enter via Young Street)

RSVP/ Inquiries:

by Monday 12th November 2018

justice@cam.org.au or (03) 9926 5727

cam.org.au/justice • fb.com/camjusticespace

The only jurisdiction in the world to legalise euthanasia during 2017 was the Victorian Parliament. Without a vote of the people of Victoria, and rushed through Parliament in the most extraordinary all night sittings, the Act is scheduled to come into effect in June 2019. Many questions relating to the law remain unanswered. The implications for health professionals, aged care workers and ordinary Victorians remain unclear.

Assoc. Prof. Natasha Michael

MBChB FRACP FACPM MRCP MRCPSC MSc
Director, Palliative Medicine
 Cabrini Health
 University of Notre Dame
 Sydney School of Medicine



Dr Stephen Parnis

MBBS DPM FRACP FRACD FAMA
Former Vice-President AMA
Emergency Physician,
St. Vincent's Hospital, Melbourne



Date

Dear Father

It is my pleasure to write to you on behalf of the Order of Malta about the annual Lourdes Day Mass that is organised jointly by the Order and the Archdiocese.

As you are likely well aware, the Mass takes place annually on the first Saturday of December. It is an occasion to come together with the sick, infirm, the elderly and their carers, to pray for them particularly as they are unlikely to ever visit Lourdes. So, in a sense, it's Lourdes coming to them. The Order gives each person present a gift pack containing a small bottle of holy water, rosary beads, the Mass book of the day and some prayer materials. Individual blessings are available after Mass.

The Mass is well attended with generally over 2000 people present.

This year the Mass will take place on Saturday, 1st December 10.30am at St Patrick's Cathedral. Archbishop Peter Comensoli has been invited as principal celebrant, and I invite you to invite your parishioners to participate with us on this special occasion.

Could you include something along the following lines in your Parish notices?

All parishioners are cordially invited to the

2018 Lourdes Day Mass

at St Patrick's Cathedral

at 10.30am on Saturday 1 December

This is an occasion to come together in prayer with those who are sick, infirm or elderly, and their carers. As many are unlikely to ever visit Lourdes, in a sense, it's like Lourdes coming to them.

I note that there will be further notification about the Lourdes Day Mass closer to the event, and posters and brochures will be distributed at that time to all parishes. In the meantime, please don't hesitate to contact me if you have any comments or queries about this year's Mass.

Yours sincerely,

David Blackwell OAM

Email: dg_ht@bigpond.com

Tel: 0438 558 884

The Sovereign Military Hospitaller Order of St John of Jerusalem of Rhodes and of Malta
South East Region
Order of Malta Hospice Home Care (Vic) Inc. ABN 391 961 281 41
Level 1, 189 Faraday Street, Carlton VIC 3053

19 September 2018

To all Melbourne parishes

Report on Project Compassion 2018

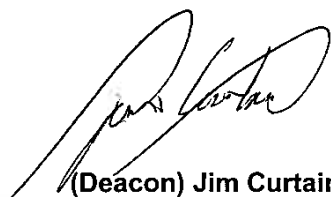
Dear people of the Archdiocese of Melbourne,

I wish to thank you very sincerely for the wonderful and generous response you gave to the Caritas Australia Project Compassion 2018 appeal 'For a Just Future'.

The Catholic community of Melbourne donated **\$1,514,019** to the appeal – a major contribution to supporting the poorest of the poor in the over 25 countries where Caritas Australia supports programs. Across Australia the appeal raised around **\$10.8 million**, money that will make a real difference in lifting people out of poverty, and giving many the opportunity to build secure lives, free from poverty and hunger.

Since the end of the Project Compassion 2018 campaign Caritas Australia has continued, with your generous help, to provide assistance to those areas hit by disasters like the flooding in Kerala, India, and Typhoon Mangkut in the Philippines, as well as ongoing development work.

Again, thanks for your help in enabling Caritas Australia to be the gospel in action.



(Deacon) Jim Curtain

Caritas Australia Diocesan Director, Archdiocese of Melbourne

Parish Ministry

How will you serve?

Serving others is central to being a Christian. It is recorded John's Gospel that after Jesus had washed the disciples' feet he said, "So if I, your Lord and Teacher, have washed your feet, you also ought to wash one another's feet" (Jn. 13:14). The word "Ministry" comes from a Latin word meaning service. Every Christian should take this instruction of Jesus seriously. Most Catholics serve others by participating in a ministry in their parish.

Are you following Jesus' instruction? In what way do you serve? It does not matter if you are new to Resurrection or you have been here for a long time there is a ministry for you. Please read the following description of each Resurrection Ministry and then make a one year commitment to at least one Ministry. Complete the attached form and return to the Parish Office or Welcome Desk.

Camera Operator

Would you like to help with the data projection? Are you currently helping with the data projection? Would you like to operate the camera during 10.30am Mass? If your answer to any of these questions is yes, this might be your ministry.

Christmas/Easter Brochure Delivery

Within Resurrection parish there are approximately 13,500 homes. At Christmas and Easter each of these homes receives our specially designed brochure with an invitation to join our celebrations.

Our parish is divided into 38 zones so each person committing to this ministry has about 400 brochures to deliver by way of a letter-box drop.

Church Flowers

Except for Advent and Lent there are flowers in our church all the year. The parish purchases the flowers; but they need to be arranged.

Some people have a real gift in flower arrangement. If this is you this might be your ministry.

Coffee Clean Up

Perhaps some might see this as less glamorous than actually making the coffee but it is surely no less important. It is like being at home and doing the dishes. Somebody has to do it. Some parishioners find real joy in serving others.

Again working as a team and taking a turn to clean up can be fun. It is also a great way to meet other parishioners.

This is an ideal ministry for a family to take on together. How about taking a turn once a month?

Choirs/Music

Being part of a choir is pure joy for many people. You might be a couple or a single person or perhaps a family; by joining a choir you will get to know and make friends with other talented Resurrection parishioners.

Resurrection is blessed to have nine parish choirs. Each choir has its own distinctive style. All our choirs welcome new members. If you are already in a choir when signing up for please indicate the name of your present choir.

Church Cleaning

"Many hands make light work" This proverb certainly rings true when it comes to church cleaning. Our church is well used over the course of a week. It needs to be cleaned.

Paying professional cleaners would be very expensive. So parishioners committing to this ministry are doing two things; firstly they return our church to a state where we can worship and secondly they save the parish a lot of money. There are usually eight teams so a turn every eight weeks would seem reasonable. Cleaning happens on either of Friday or Saturday morning, usually around 9.00 am.

Joining other parishioners in this ministry is a great way of meeting people. Alternately you might like the flexibility of having your own team. All you need to do is gather 5 or 6 other parishioners to join you.



Coffee Maker

The espresso coffee machine in our narthex requires skill to use. You can be taught. This is a fun ministry for those over 15 year of age. Depending on the time of the Mass you might take a turn once every five or six weeks to help make coffee, tea, and hot chocolate. You will be working as a team with other parishioners. If you know how to use a large espresso machine or be willing to learn this can be a ministry for you.

Counting

Each week on either a Sunday or Monday morning our weekend collections are counted. As money is involved the counting has to be done both accurately and professionally.

Usually there are eight counting teams so depending on the number committing to this ministry a turn every two months is likely. We have a coin-counting machine that has cut down the time involved. This is a terrific way of getting to know other parishioners.

Food Preparation

There are some chefs both professional and amateur in the parish that might choose this as their ministry.

During the year we have some functions based around a meal. It might be for Prep families, families with children having special needs, a day for all Parish Groups, a lunch for new parishioners or a host of other functions.

On days such as these it would be great to have a couple of parishioners to call on to help prepare the food. The parish will supply the food but the preparation is another matter.

Can you help? You might consider helping the “chefs” by serving the food or you can help by cleaning up.

Collector

Being a Collector is a ministry. Some might see this ministry as no more than passing the collection basket. But when you stop and think of what is being collected and the reason for a collection it takes on a different meaning. Why? Because what is collected comes from Resurrection parishioners; it is their Stewardship offering. This offering enables the mission of the Risen Jesus entrusted to the parishioners of Resurrection to continue. A certain graciousness and a friendly smile will always make this a more rewarding ministry.

Data Projector

The data projector in the church has provided a new way to serve others. This means setting up before the 6.00pm mass and packing up afterwards. On a Sunday it is setting up before 9.00am mass and packing up after the 10.30 am mass. You need to arrive 10 minutes early to set up. Training will be provided; ideal way for young people to be involved. Perhaps you might like to help create the data slides on MS PowerPoint.

Gardening

One of the first things visitors to Resurrection notice and comment on are our gardens. They are much admired and have been loved to life by many people over the years.

Our four annual working bees achieve good results. But weeds do grow, lawns need cutting, and roses need pruning. Again this ministry has flexibility as regards to day and time. Parishioners committing to this ministry can work by themselves or with others. A parishioner might commit to a particular garden to look after. It would be ideal for anybody not in full-time work and perhaps would get somebody “out of the house”.



Hospitality

Hospitality and Christianity go together. It is never just an add-on. Fortunately Resurrection parishioners embrace this tenet of our faith by making Hospitality one of our most popular ministries. It involves taking a turn once every five or six weeks to greet people as they arrive for Mass, offer new parishioners a “New Parishioner Pack”, provide information at the Welcome Desk as required, and generally be on the lookout to help people. After Mass the Hospitality Minister offers the Parish Bulletin to parishioners as they leave. This is an ideal ministry for an individual parishioner or a whole family might be involved.

Because greeting parishioners as they arrive is part of this ministry it follows that Hospitality Ministers need to come 20-30 minutes before Mass commences when they are “on duty”. There will be a training session for all parishioners committing to this ministry.

Maintenance

As the name implies this ministry is to help maintain our property and plant. Are you a handy person? Can you change a light globe? Are you "good with your hands"? You can choose to work alone or with another parishioner. You can choose to come in regularly (say on a Tuesday morning) or simply come as needed.

Parish Office Cleaning

It would be a significant cost to the parish if professional cleaners were employed to clean the Parish Office. Since the Parish Office opened over eight years ago a small number of dedicated parishioners come to clean the Parish office. Depending on the number who commit to this ministry a turn once every seven or eight weeks would seem reasonable. The good thing is that you can clean the office at a time to suit you – as the Parish Office is open seven days a week.

Sacristan

After Mass there is both cleaning and tidying to be done. Sacred vessels need to be washed, and stored. Liturgical books need to be put away. Sacristies need to be tidied. All this takes between ten and fifteen minutes.

Special Minister of Communion

For over fifty years it has been possible for non-ordained persons to assist in the distribution of Holy Communion. Often called Eucharistic Ministers people called to this ministry have the honour along with the priest of offering the Body or Blood of Christ to worshippers. It is therefore self-evident that a person called to this ministry must have a love of Eucharist themselves. Eucharist must be distributed with reverence. There are proper procedures. Looking at these procedures at a training session will deepen your understanding of Eucharistic theology and help us to realize it is a privilege to offer the Body or Blood of Christ to another person.

Working Bees

During the year there are four Saturday morning working bees. The parish Maintenance Group plans the scope of works; however how many jobs get completed depends on how many people come to the working bee. Working bees are usually in February, June, September and November. Perhaps this is this where you can serve. Is this your ministry?

Office Help

Our Parish Office is a very busy place. If you would like to help with photo copying, filing, answering the telephone, using a computer and the like please make this your ministry. You could help on a regular basis or be on call when help is urgently needed.

Proclaimer of the Word

"When Scriptures are read in the Church, God himself is speaking to his people, and Christ, present in his own Word, is proclaiming the Gospel". This quote is from the General Instruction of the Roman Missal and perhaps best catches the importance of Proclamation in Catholic Liturgy. The Ministry of Proclamation needs first of all a love of God's Word. Liturgy demands a proclamation, it follows that Proclaimer rather than Reader better describes this ministry. Careful preparation goes hand in hand with this ministry. There will be a training session for all Proclaimers, readings are available two weeks in advance, and a pronunciation guide is provided. Why not experience the thrill of Proclaiming God's Word to the assembly?

Supper Club

Do you enjoy baking a cake? There are occasions during the year when it would be good to have someone bake a cake, make some sandwiches, or bake some biscuits. The occasion might be a special parish gathering, a vigil for a funeral, or a parish meeting. If you commit to this ministry you might be called on five or six time during the year. This is a very good stay-at-home ministry and yet very important.

Watering

Our parish is concerned about the environment and conserving water is a priority. Ten water tanks have been installed along with a watering system. But taps need to be turned on as required during the summer and as permitted. There are some gardens that need to be watered by hand.



Resurrection Parish Ministries

Family Name: _____ Phone: _____

Address: _____

Email: _____ Mobile: _____

Occupation: _____

Which Mass do you usually attend? Please tick	6pm <input style="width: 40px; height: 20px;" type="checkbox"/>	9am <input style="width: 40px; height: 20px;" type="checkbox"/>	10.30am <input style="width: 40px; height: 20px;" type="checkbox"/>
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Write name next to Ministry	Name	Name	Name
Camera Operator (10.30 Mass only)			
Choirs / Music			
Coffee Clean-up			
Coffee Maker			
Collector			
Data Projection			
Hospitality			
Mass Overseer			
Proclaimer of the Word			
Sacristan			
Special Minister of Communion			
Other Parish Ministries (Please write names next to ministry)			
Brochure Delivery			
Church Cleaning	Friday		Saturday
Church Flowers			
Counting	Sunday		Monday
Food Preparation			Supper Club
Gardening			Watering
Maintenance			Working Bees
Office Help			Other Trade/Professional Skills:
Parish Office Cleaning			



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3rd & 4th November 2018
31st Sunday in Ordinary Time

	6 P M	9 A M	10.30 A M	
MASS OVERSEERS	Marlene Axiak	Pauline Debrincat	Marques Navarro	
HOSPITALITY	Rachael Bonavia Amelia Bonavia Grace Eppingstall Anna Wright	Naveen Andrade Nella Rajamanikum Mary Gatt	Christine Perram Helen Visperas Nyanrob Mawn	
DATA PROJECTOR	Olivia Apap	Oliver D'Souza	Alicia Joseph	
CAMERA OPERATOR	N/A	N/A	Leanne Alderson	
PROCLAIMERS 1 st Response 2 nd Intercessions	Connie Attard Geraldine Holt Gillian Rodrigues Cathy Downing	Elizabeth Osegueda Colleen Wolfe Dudi Nicart Kathy Wale	Zita Alderson Paula Prosia Naveen Andrade Korlu Subah	
Emergencies	Trinh Duong	Lewie Adie	Vesna Curmi	
COLLECTORS	Charlie Galea George Borg Jacob Magtals Jimmy Attard John Vassallo Joseph Caruana Joseph Thompson	Frank Gatt Aimeree Manabat Louis Manabat Oliver D'Souza Sherlina Vasquez Emmanuel Galea Ian Mc Donald Rosemarie Balfour	Alexander Rayappu Alexstephen Alexander Cristina Paulino David Trinh Diana Bellina George Paul Isabella Abrigo Jomar Magnaye Roberto Bracco	Lorenz Rena Patelesio Valeliano Paul Bossini Queentexan Alexander Rachitha Antony Veronica Balinakandi Euphemia Kollie
SPECIAL MINISTERS OF COMMUNION	Fr Gerard Keith Olga Hughes Rocky Hughes Emalyn Spiteri Frank Spiteri Carmen Falzon Pat Marek Spira Attard Gina Snudden Phu Le	Fr Gerard Keith Colleen Wolfe Dudi Nicart Emmanuelle Brizuela Rose Gaquit Rosemarie Balfour Judy Leckie Rosario De Jesus Vilinda Rebustillo Minh Tam Pham	Fr Gerard Keith Christine Perram Cleo Oliveria Dolly Zipagan Enza Fatone Evelina Tuimauga Imeleta Filimoeatu Josephine Medilo	Lilian Libang Margaret Vilardo Mary Rulla Teddy Bernardo Veronica Santiago Yvonne Du'Pratt Zita Alderson Calvin Alderson
Emergencies:	Dominic Boland	Jerry D'Silva	Yvonne Utoasega	Atalina Ulugia-Sa'ena
SACRISTY DUTY	Tony Zahra	Rianne Brizuela	Dolly Zipagan Marta Molina	
COFFEE MAKERS	Marlene Camenzuli Louis Camenzuli	Margaret Gray Bannerman	Veronica Santiago Leanne Alderson	
COFFEE CLEAN-UP	Mary Ngoma Fely Baltazar Martine Grech	Betty Rowe Grace Mifsud Anne Tanti	Luisa Fletcher Kyanjes Kajnar	
CHURCH CLEANERS NO ROSTER			FLOWERS: Julianna Tusa ALTAR LINEN: Joyce Zahra PARISH OFFICE CLEANING : Doris Cauchi	

10th & 11th November 2018
32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

	6 P M	9 A M	10.30 A M	
MASS OVERSEERS	Michelle Mercieca	Vilinda Rebutillo	Yvonne Utoasega	
HOSPITALITY	Melanie Apap Olivia Apap	Andrew Cassar Anna Cassar Maryann Psalia	Daniella Carapellotti Kathy Fatone Mark Gatt Princess Dorbon Delvana Subah	
DATA PROJECTOR	Daniella Gozun	Daniel D'Souza	Angelita Ramat	
CAMERA OPERATOR	N/A	N/A	Oliver Zipagan	
PROCLAIMERS 1 st Response 2 nd Intercessions	RE Student Choir RE Student RE Student	RE Student RE Student RE Student RE Student	RE Student Choir RE Student RE Student	
Emergencies	Maria Mai	Rosario De Jesus	Aurora Asuncion	
COLLECTORS	Ollie Farrugia Charlie Grech Rocky Hughes Stephen Thejage Steve Thejage Tyrone Tallent William Hudson Mary Do	Frank Gatt Michael Donnelly Milton Young Raul Dizon Virgilio Romerona Teresita Komarow Tammy Truong	Rebekah Vilardo Alberto Dimo Andrew Morrison Brian Briffa Charlie Grima Isidro Asuncion Jonathan Medilo Mario Debono Sacreana Ulugia-Sa'ena	Richard Marshall Royston Du'Pratt Teddy Bernardo Tilo Mataji Tony Tuimauga Josephine Medilo Marta Molina Oliver Zipagan Marlena Ulugia-Sa'ena
SPECIAL MINISTERS OF COMMUNION	Fr Gerard Keith Adelina Borja Blossom Tallent Carol Tedesco Cathy Downing Dominic Boland Doris Oliver Noel Oliver Jane Caruana Joe Caruana	Fr Gerard Keith Yvonne Young Maryann Psalia Karen D'Souza Michael Donnelly Kathy Wale Mauri Sendapperuma Nadia Young Pauline Debrincat Eve Balfour	Fr Gerard Keith Analiza Pascual Angelita Ramat Aurora Asuncion Catherine Pedralvez Cecilia Navarro Clem Beltran Eddy Medilo	Francisco Inot Jane Inot Marian Bernardo Lynette Pirootta Marques Navarro Natalie Anderson Owen D'Cruze Richard Marshall
Emergencies:	Lina Sylvester	Rosario De Jesus	Teresita Lim	Tessie Villar
SACRISTY DUTY	Rachael Bonavia	Pauline Debrincat	Aurora Asuncion Emilia De Bono	
COFFEE MAKERS	Charlie Galea Anna Wright	Leon D'Souza Rosemarie Balfour	Kate Pedralvez Emilia Rivera	
COFFEE CLEAN-UP	Michelle Polidano Mirjana Dutkowsky Tony Zahra Joyce Zahra	Nazzarena Renda Oliver D'Souza Valerie Stockbridge	Alexander Rayappu	
CHURCH CLEANERS Friday 16 th October 2018 Tony Zahra Joyce Zahra Kim Nguyen Mary Zahra Olga Hughes Barbara Dabadie	BAPTISM MEETING 10TH NOVEMBER Aurora Asuncion Fely Baltazar Susan Mosero Josie Chircop		FLOWERS: Maria Dinh ALTAR LINEN: Spira Attard PARISH OFFICE CLEANING : Doris Cauchi	

17th & 18th November 2018
33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

	6 P M	9 A M	10.30 A M	
MASS OVERSEERS	John Borja	Judy Leckie	Marissa Medilo	
HOSPITALITY	Jane Caruana Joe Caruana Charlie Grech	Kathy Wale Mary Gatt Nella Rajamanikum	Richard Marshall Brenda Shafton Naveen Andrade	
DATA PROJECTOR	Gabrielle Gozun	Christian Dizon	Jomar Inot	
CAMERA OPERATOR	N/A	N/A	Calvin Alderson	
PROCLAIMERS 1 st Response 2 nd Intercessions	Sandra Galea Cristina Salecdo Rebecca Galea Jonathan Magtals	Rianne Brizuela Olivia D'Souza Elizabeth Michaelsen Elizabeth Osegueda	Mark Gatt Teresita Lim Cleo Oliveria Veronica Santiago	
Emergencies	John Borja	Marc Dicconson	Calvin Alderson	
COLLECTORS	Anthony Ferraro Isabella Portelli Jacob Galea Lachlan Colaco Mary Ngoma Paul D'Rozario Shanal Perera Geisel Aceiton	Frank Gatt Aimeree Manabat Louis Manabat Oliver D'Souza Sherlina Vasquez Emmanuel Galea Ian Mc Donald Rosemarie Balfour	Alexander Rayappu Alextephen Alexander Cristina Paulino David Trinh Diana Bellina George Paul Isabella Abrigo Jomar Magnaye Roberto Bracco	Lorenz Rena Patelesio Valeliano Paul Bossini Queentexan Alexander Rachitha Antony Veronica Balinakandi Euphemia Kollie
SPECIAL MINISTERS OF COMMUNION	Fr Gerard Keith Lucia Portelli Martine Grech Martess Borg Marlene Axiak Maria Mai Fely Baltazar Geraldine Holt Henry Dunn Olga Hughes	Fr Gerard Keith Colleen Wolfe Jerry D'Silva Minh Tam Pham Rose Gaquit Rosmarie Balfour Vilinda Rebustillo Emmanuelle Brizuela Yvonne Young Maryann Psalia	Fr Gerard Keith Susan Moseros Patricia Meyn Korlu Subah Naveen Andrade Analiza Pascual Margaret Vilardo Teddy Bernardo	Veronica Santiago Yvonne Du'Pratt Zita Alderson Mary Rulla Imeleta Filimoeatu Naveen Andrade Enza Fatone Dolly Zipagan
Emergencies:	Rocky Hughes	Pauline Debrincat	Cleo Oliveria	Christine Perram
SACRISTY DUTY	Patricia Marek	Rianne Brizuela	Catherine Pedralvez Teresita Villar	
COFFEE MAKERS	John Borja Henry Dunn	Margaret Gray Bannerman	Kate Pedralvez Emilia Rivera	
COFFEE CLEAN-UP	Noelyn Fitzgerald Erato Muscat	Betty Rowe Grace Mifsud Anne Tanti	Alexander Rayappu	
CHURCH CLEANERS No ROSTER			FLOWERS: Judith Makripoulis ALTAR LINEN: Helen Muscat PARISH OFFICE CLEANING : Doris Cauchi	

24th & 25th November 2018

The Solemnity of our Lord Jesus Christ

	6 P M	9 A M	10.30 A M	
MASS OVERSEERS	Judith Makripoulas	Vilinda Rebutillo	Aurora Asuncion	
HOSPITALITY	Dominic Boland Maryann Krsteski	Rianne Brizuela Rotcer Brizuela Emmanuelle Brizuela Sebastian Brizuela	Evelina Tuimauga Dolly Zipagan	
DATA PROJECTOR	Jacob Galea	Emmanuelle Brizuela	Oliver Zipagan	
CAMERA OPERATOR	N/A	N/A	Leanne Alderson	
PROCLAIMERS 1 st Response 2 nd Intercessions	Karen Colaco Henry Dunn Judith Makripoulas Geraldine Holt	Teresa The Kathy Wale Colleen Wolfe Minh Tam Pham	Choir Member Choir Member Choir Member Choir Member	
Emergencies	Aaron Paul	Lewie Adie	Choir Member	
COLLECTORS	Charlie Galea George Borg Jacob Magtals Jimmy Attard John Vassallo Joseph Caruana Joseph Thompson	Frank Gatt Michael Donnelly Milton Young Raul Dizon Virgilio Romerona Teresita Komarow Tammy Truong	Rebekah Vilardo Alberto Dimo Andrew Morrison Brian Briffa Charlie Grima Isidro Asuncion Jonathan Medilo Mario Debono Sacreana Ulugia-Sa'ena	Richard Marshall Royston Du'Pratt Teddy Bernardo Tilo Mataji Tony Tuimauga Josephine Medilo Marta Molina Oliver Zipagan Marlena Ulugia-Sa'ena
SPECIAL MINISTERS OF COMMUNION	Fr Gerard Keith Phu Le Gina Snudden Spira Attard Patricia Marek Carmen Falzon Frank Spiteri Emalyn Spiteri Joyce Zahra Henry Dunn	Fr Gerard Keith Emmanuelle Brizuela Judy Leckie Nadia Young Mauri Sendapperuma Eve Balfour Jerry D'Silva Michael Donnelly Karen D'Souza Rosario De Jesus	Fr Gerard Keith Yvonne Utoasega Atalina Ulugia-Sa'ena Calvin Alderson Maria Lapid Patricia Meyn Teresita Lim Tessie Villar	Lynette Pirotta Evelina Tuimauga Josephine Medilo Imeleta Filimoeatu Lilian Libang Marian Bernardo Marissa Medilo Owen D'Cruze
Emergencies:	Cathy Downing	Kathy Wale	Marques Navarro	Natalie Anderson
SACRISTY DUTY	Adelina Borja	Pauline Debrincat	Marques Navarro Cecilia Navarro	
COFFEE MAKERS	Marlene Camenzuli Louis Camenzuli	Leon D'Souza Rosemarie Balfour	Daisy Dunag Mario Debono Juliet Garcellano	
COFFEE CLEAN-UP	Fely Baltazar Martine Grech	Nazzarena Renda Oliver D'Souza Valerie Stockbridge	Zeny Vella Emelia Debono Arthur Garcellano	
CHURCH CLEANERS No ROSTER			FLOWERS: Julianna Tusa ALTAR LINEN: Rahab Chege PARISH OFFICE CLEANING : Doris Cauchi	

1st & 2nd December 2018
1st Sunday of Advent

	6 P M	9.00 A M	10.30 A M	
MASS OVERSEERS	Marlene Axiak	Judy Leckie	Marques Navarro	
HOSPITALITY	Rachael Bonavia Amelia Bonavia Grace Eppingstall Anna Wright	Margaret Vella Mario Vella Vilinda Rebustillo	Christine Perram Helen Visperas Nyanrob Mawn	
DATA PROJECTOR	Johann Noronha	Vincent Dizon	Calvin Alderson	
CAMERA OPERATOR	N/A	N/A	Oliver Zipagan	
PROCLAIMERS 1 st Response 2 nd Intercessions	Trinh Duong Cathy Downing Connie Attard Gillian Rodrigues	Nadia Young Oliver D'Souza Emmanuelle Brizuela Rosario De Jesus	Marissa Medilo Vicotria Abrigo Isabella Abrigo Naveen Andrade	
Emergencies	Cristina Salecdo	Rianne Brizuela	Korlu Subah	
COLLECTORS	Ollie Farrugia Charlie Grech Rocky Hughes Stephen Thejage Steve Thejage Tyrone Tallent William Hudson Mary Do	Frank Gatt Aimeree Manabat Louis Manabat Oliver D'Souza Sherlina Vasquez Emmanuel Galea Ian Mc Donald Rosemarie Balfour	Rebekah Vilardo Alberto Dimo Andrew Morrison Brian Briffa Charlie Grima Isidro Asuncion Jonathan Medilo Mario Debono Sacreana Ulugia-Sa'ena	Richard Marshall Royston Du'Pratt Teddy Bernardo Tilo Mataji Tony Tuimauga Josephine Medilo Marta Molina Oliver Zipagan Marlena Ulugia-Sa'ena
SPECIAL MINISTERS OF COMMUNION	Fr Gerard Keith Fely Baltazar Geraldine Holt Marlene Axiak Martess Borg Martine Grech Olga Hughes Rocky Hughes Maria Mai Joyce Zahra	Fr Gerard Keith Colleen Wolfe Rose Gaquit Rosemarie Balfour Vilinda Rebustillo Maryann Psalia Pauline Debrincat Rosario De Jesus Kathy Wale Mauri Sendapperuma	Fr Gerard Keith Christine Perram Cleo Oliveria Dolly Zipagan Enza Fatone Naveen Andrade Korlu Subah Patricia Meyn	Margaret Vilardo Marian Bernardo Mary Rulla Richard Marshall Teddy Bernardo Veronica Santiago Yvonne Du'Pratt Zita Alderson
Emergencies:	Carmen Falzon	Minh Tam Pham	Josephine Medilo	Lilian Libang
SACRISTY DUTY	Melanie Apap	Rianne Brizuela	Dolly Zipagan Marta Molina	
COFFEE MAKERS	Charlie Galea Anna Wright	Margaret Gray Bannerman	Katrina Abagatnan Need Volunteer	
COFFEE CLEAN-UP	Michelle Polidano Mirjana Dutkowsky Tony Zahra Joyce Zahra	Betty Rowe Grace Mifsud Anne Tanti	Jane Inot Need Volunteer	
CHURCH CLEANERS NO ROSTER			FLOWERS: No Flowers during Advent ALTAR LINEN: Joyce Zahra PARISH OFFICE CLEANING : Doris Cauchi	

November 2018

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
			1 All Saints Mass 7.00pm RE Level 1 @ 4pm	2 All Souls day Mass 8.30am Station of the Cross 9.00am All Souls Day Mass 7pm	3 Reconciliation 9.30am Mass 6.00pm	4 31st Sunday in Ord Time Mass 9.00am & 10.30am Baptism Celebration 12.15pm <div>Bereavement Mass</div>
5 Office Closed No Mass or Communion Service	6 Melbourne Cup Public Holiday (No Mass or communion service)	7 Parish Meeting Night 7.15pm Communion Service 9.30am	8 Mass 7.00pm RE First communion Practice 4pm	9 Dedication of the Lateran Basilica Mass 8.30am Station of the Cross 9.00am	10 Reconciliation 9.30am Baptism Meeting @ 10.30am Mass 6.00pm <div>RE First Communions 2nd Collection - Church</div>	11 32 nd Sunday in Ord Time Mass 9.00am & 10.30am Car Boot Sale 11.30am to 3pm
12 Office Meeting Mass 6.00pm	13 Mass 9.20am 55 + Movie & Bingo (in-house)	14 Communion Service 9.30am Parish Office closed due to planning 2019 day.	15 Mass 7.00pm RE Level 1 @ 4pm	16 Mass 8.30am Station of the Cross 9.00am	17 Reconciliation 9.30am Mass 6.00pm Sinulog Fundraising 7.00pm <div>Presentation of Reconciliation Children at all Masses</div>	18 33rd Sunday in Ord Time Mass 9.00am & 10.30am Baptism Welcome Mass 10.30am
19 Mass 6.00pm School Reconciliations 7pm	20 Mass 9.20am School Reconciliations 7pm	21 Communion Service 9.30am	22 RE Level 3 @ 4pm School Reconciliations 7pm	23 Mass 8.30am Station of the Cross 9.00am	24 Reconciliation 9.30am Mass 6.00pm	25 Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe Mass 9.00am & 10.30am Samoan Celebration at 10.30am Mass
26 Mass 6.00pm	27 Communion Service 9.20am Fr Gerard at Port Phillip Prison	28 Communion Service 9.30am	29 Mass 7.00pm	30 St Andrew Mass 8.30am Station of the Cross 9.00am Reconciliation Reflection Day		

Next Week's Readings—4th November 2018
Thirty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time



Reading 1

Dt 6:2-6

Moses spoke to the people, saying: "Fear the LORD, your God, and keep, throughout the days of your lives, all his statutes and commandments which I enjoin on you, and thus have long life. Hear then, Israel, and be careful to observe them, that you may grow and prosper the more, in keeping with the promise of the LORD, the God of your fathers, to give you a land flowing with milk and honey.

"Hear, O Israel! The LORD is our God, the LORD alone! Therefore, you shall love the LORD, your God, with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your strength. Take to heart these words which I enjoin on you today."

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 18:2-3, 3-4, 47, 51

R. (2) I love you, Lord, my strength.

Reading 2

Heb 7:23-28

Brothers and sisters: The levitical priests were many because they were prevented by death from remaining in office, but Jesus, because he remains forever, has a priesthood that does not pass away. Therefore, he is always able to save those who approach God through him, since he lives forever to make intercession for them.

It was fitting that we should have such a high priest: holy, innocent, undefiled, separated from sinners, higher than the heavens. He has no need, as did the high priests, to offer sacrifice day after day, first for his own sins and then for those of the people; he did that once for all when he offered himself. For the law appoints men subject to weakness to be high priests, but the word of the oath, which was taken after the law, appoints a son, who has been made perfect forever.

Gospel

Mk 12:28b-34

One of the scribes came to Jesus and asked him, "Which is the first of all the commandments?" Jesus replied, "The first is this: Hear, O Israel! The Lord our God is Lord alone! You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind, and with all your strength. The second is this: You shall love your neighbor as yourself. There is no other commandment greater than these." The

scribe said to him, "Well said, teacher. You are right in saying, 'He is One and there is no other than he.' And 'to love him with all your heart, with all your understanding, with all your strength, and to love your neighbor as yourself' is worth more than all burnt offerings and sacrifices." And when Jesus saw that he answered with understanding, he said to him, "You are not far from the kingdom of God." And no one dared to ask him any more questions.



Reflection

Bearing the fruits of love

If only the heart was right we could give so much more. Lord, open our hearts when they are closed, soften them when they are hard, warm them when they are cold, brighten them when they are cold, brighten them when they are dark, fill them when they are empty, calm them when they are troubled, cleanse them when they are sullied, heal them when they are wounded, and mend them when they are broken, so that we, your disciples, may bear the fruits of love. Amen

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