

# St Michael's Catholic Parish Nelson Bay

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## 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time, 18 November 2018 (Yr B)

### MASS TIMES

Monday-Friday: No weekday Masses this week

Saturday: 5.00pm Reconciliation  
6.00pm Vigil Mass

Sunday: 8.30am Mass

For urgent contact enquiries this week, please see the parish notice board at the Parish Office.



### A Christmas Choral Group



**Aim:** To swell the numbers involved in music ministry particularly singing.

- re-read the psalm. Our God will show us the path of life today.

**Why?** An expanded choral group contributing before and during Christmas Masses will help all congregations experience the Spirit of Joy of the Christmas Feast and Season.

**When?** Do come this Tuesday, 20th at 7.00pm in the Church to help this Christmas group.

Newcomers and young people are especially encouraged to come and help form this music ministry with a mission - Christmas Joy!

### Visiting Priests

Next weekend Fr Greg Arnold will visit to lead the celebration of our weekend Masses, and the weekend after Fr Arthur Cook will also lead the celebration of those Masses. Fr Arthur will be available for funerals and more urgent needs. Our Deacon, Noel, will also be available to assist. Fr Kevin

### The Teaching of the Catechism of the Catholic Church on the Eucharist and Christ's Self-Sacrifice Offered Once For All

"When the church celebrates the Eucharist, she commemorates Christ's Passover and it is made present: the sacrifice Christ offered once for all on the cross remains ever present..." (1364)

"The sacrifice of Christ and the sacrifice of the Eucharist are one single sacrifice" (1367)

"In the Eucharist, the sacrifice of Christ becomes also the sacrifice of the members of the Body. The lives of the faithful, their praise, sufferings, prayer and work are united with those of Christ and with his total offering and so acquire a new value. Christ's sacrifice present on the altar makes it possible for all generations of Christians to be united with his offering" (1368)



'Those who are wise will shine as brightly as the expanse of the heavens.'

Amid the many devastations occurring in our world we could easily jump to the conclusion that we are living in the end times.

We are reminded in Mark's Gospel that only God the Father knows the day and the hour! It will be of no benefit to dwell on the 'when'. We need to be watchful, but our focus should be allowing God to lead us each day. The psalmist stresses this, writing that walking each day with our maker brings us abounding joy. Today, we could re-read the psalm. Our God will show us the path of life today.

## Parish Social Event - Tea Gardens Ferry - Thursday, 22 November

\$22 per person is the discounted rate for the cost of the ferry only. Payment can be made at Mass this weekend. Meeting this Thursday 22 November at 10.45am at the Public Wharf for the 11am ferry. Arrival at Tea Gardens 12.00 noon for a tour of the Catholic Church and Hall. Lunch is own arrangements, one option is a pub lunch. Return on the ferry at 2.30pm. If you would like to attend, please make arrangements to pay for your ticket this weekend.

## Commencement of Catherine McCauley College, Medowie

- A message received earlier this month from Acting Director of Schools owing to circumstances beyond the control of the Diocesan CSO, the completion of major infrastructure associated with the building of Catherine McCauley College will take longer than anticipated.

The much anticipated 2020 opening will not be possible. The organising committee have worked very hard to progress this project, and share the disappointment felt by future students and families. God bless all at this time. We know sometimes an apparent set back or adversity can paradoxically eventually produce a good outcome. Fr Kevin.

**Donated Toiletries** - Thank you to the many parishioners who have donated toiletries for Orange Sky Laundry over the past 12 months. Orange Sky Laundry appreciate the donations. The Parish Office will no longer be taking donations of toiletries at this time. Thank you.

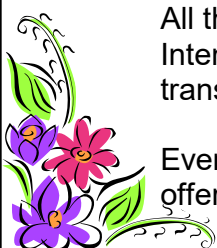
## MINI VINNIES CHRISTMAS GIVING

The Christmas Giving Tree is now in the Church foyer. If you wish to donate a toy/gift, please take a gift tag and kindly return the gift (with the tag attached) by the weekend of 1/2 December. Please do not wrap the gifts. The gifts will be given to our Adult SVDP Conference to be included in their Christmas Hampers for local families. Each year we are very grateful for the generous support of St Michael's Parish for local families in need.



## November Masses:

From November 1st, the Remembrance Book will be in the Church, near the Altar. We invite you to write the names of your deceased relatives and friends in this book.



All the names on the 'November Intention Envelopes' will be transferred into this book for you.

Every Mass in November will be offered for those in this book.

**Youth Group Yr 7-12** - The next meeting will be held in the Church on Thursday, 22 November from 6.00pm - 7.20pm. There will be some fun activities/games, a faith building workshop and a shared supper/meal together. The youth are asked to bring along a gold coin donation. The group will continue to meet once a month. If you are interested in attending, please contact Alison in the Parish Office.

**2017-18 Liturgical Year Celebration** will be held on **Friday 23 November** at 5:00 PM at Victor Peters Suite, 841 Hunter Street. P 4979 1134.

**Vocation Views** - For more information regarding Vocations contact 4979 1112 or [vocations@mn.catholic.org.au](mailto:vocations@mn.catholic.org.au).

**Planned Giving Envelopes** - Please ensure you write the amount of money on the front of the envelopes. This assists the counters. Writing the amounts on the front of so many envelopes causes long delays in the counting process. Thank you.

**The Holy Goods Store is now re-open!** Daily Mass Books 2019, New Community Bibles, Columban Calendars 2019, Christmas Cards and many more goods now available. Also available is the Advent & Christmas Daily Reflections Booklet called "Saviour".

YOUTH IGNITE

**CHILDREN'S LITURGY IS ON AT WEEKEND MASSES DURING SCHOOL TERMS. ALL AGES ARE WELCOME!**

### Are you gluten intolerant?

LOW GLUTEN communion bread is available at St Michael's Church. Please speak with the Computer Operator if you require a low gluten host.

*Please remember in your prayers:*



**Recently Deceased:** Beryl Shanahan, Bill Lukin, Kate Bradley

**Anniversaries:** Virginia Canlas Manlupig

### NEXT WEEK'S READINGS:

*Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe*

*1st Reading: Dan 7:13-14*

*2nd Reading: Apoc 1:5-8*

*Gospel: Jn 18:33-37*

*Next week's readers:*

*Sat: S Hickey & K Locke*

*Sun: P Pidcock & K Schiemer*

### This week's church roster reminders:

**Readers:** 17th C Crowe & J Feenan 18th G Mann & D Mann

**Ministers of Communion:** 17th M Robinson, M Stedman, N Tucker, J Villanueva, A Watt, C Aquilina, C Bergsma, K Bushnell, J Busch, T Campbell, M Carstairs 18th P & T Tobin, A Young, A Basti,

S & T Burgin, A Cunningham, F Duncombe, J Eves, J & H Hope

**Monthly Roster Changeovers: Church Cleaning for Nov: Team 2**  
**Altar Society for Nov: C Crowe & P Douglas**