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### Dear Friends,

When we think of a King, we usually envision someone who rules a kingdom, has a throne and lives in a castle. He is also well protected and defended by his subjects. They honour, submit themselves to him and fight to the death for him. A king is known to be rich and powerful and has authority of life and death over his subjects. But when we compare him with Jesus, we see he is a different kind of a king. His throne is the cross and his power is his merciful and redeeming love. He rules by serving with humility. Hence he describes himself as a "Good Shepherd" who protects us, defends us and dies for us. His will is to give us eternal life and so offers his life for our salvation. His authority is to show mercy and lead us back to the loving and merciful Father.

In today's gospel we see that in Jesus' trial, Pilate is described as a ruler who only protects his career and his position. He has a chance to witness the truth and to stand up for what is right. But Pilate opts for his own self-interest. He gives in to popular demand. He compromises himself and looks for an easy way out, hence sacrificing principle and moral value.

In the face of death and before a worldly power, Jesus remains serene and composed. He accepts everything for our sake. He takes everything in silence and in humble submission. He lives what he has preached. Let us reflect ourselves, are we like the king Pilate who looked out for his self-interest or Jesus who stood firm in his beliefs and sacrificed himself for us. -Neville

**Our Sick:** Pat Thornton, Bernadette Moloney, Gina Vogels

Anniversaries In November: Anthony Allan, Frank Fleming, Ben Tannahill, Lucy Dwyer, Carolina Gagel, Joe Vogels, Corry Vogels, Margaret Dundon, Ted Stokes, Jack Hunt, Trudy Arnold, Paul Brick, Haigh Smethurst, Pat Delaney, Matthew Hunt.



Recently Deceased: Peter Dillon

#### COVID RESTRICTIONS UPDATE:

From 11:59 p.m. Thursday 18th November 2021 the following restrictions apply to religious gatherings—if everyone present is fully vaccinated you can host or attend weddings, funerals and religious ceremonies at places of worship with no capacity limits or density limits.

If vaccination status is not being checked these events are restricted to one person per 4 square metres up to a maximum of 50 people per facility (our situation).

Masks are not required. Thank you.

**Praying with Pope Francis:** Each month, the Pope puts forward a prayer intention and asks Catholics around the world to join him in prayer. These intentions cover all sorts of areas of life, encouraging faith, renewing hope and calling us to loving service. Praying each month 'The Pope Video' forms part of the Pope's Worldwide Prayer Network – view at <a href="https://www.thepopevideo.org">www.thepopevideo.org</a>. Pope's intention for November: **Universal intention – people who suffer from depression:** We pray that people who suffer from depression or burn-out will find support and a light that opens them up to life.

# LITURGY OF THE WORD

**Sunday 21 Nov 2021** 

# Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe Year B

# First Reading Dn 7:13-14

A reading from the prophet Daniel

His sovereignty is eternal.

I gazed into the visions of the night.
And I saw, coming on the clouds of heaven,
one like a son of man.
He came to the one of great age
and was led into his presence.
On him was conferred sovereignty,
glory and kingship,
and men of all peoples, nations and languages became his servants.
His sovereignty is an eternal sovereignty
which shall never pass away,

The Word of the Lord... Thanks be to God

nor will his empire be destroyed.

# Responsorial Psalm Ps 92:1-2. 5. R.v.1

(R.) The Lord is king; he is robed in majesty.

- 1. The Lord is king, with majesty enrobed; the Lord has robed himself with might, he has girded himself with power. (R.)
- 2. The world you made firm, not to be moved; your throne has stood firm from of old. From all eternity, O Lord, you are. (R.)
- Truly your decrees are to be trusted. Holiness is fitting to your house, O Lord, until the end of time. (R.)

# Second Reading Rv 1:5-8

A reading from the book of the Apocalypse

The ruler of the kings of the earth ... made us a line of kings, priests to serve his God. Jesus Christ is the faithful witness, the First-born from the dead, the Ruler of the kings of the earth. He loves us and has washed away our sins with his blood, and made us a line of kings, priests to serve his God and Father; to him, then, be glory and power for ever and ever. Amen. It is he who is coming on the clouds; everyone will see him, even those who pierced him, and all the races of the earth will mourn over him. This is the truth. Amen. 'I am the Alpha and the Omega' says the Lord God, who is, who was, and who is to come, the Almighty.

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# Gospel Acclamation Mk 11:9, 10

Alleluia, alleluia!
Blessed is he who inherits the kingdom of David our Father;
blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Alleluia!

# Gospel Jn 18:33-37

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John

You say that I am a king.

'Are you the king of the Jews?' Pilate asked. Jesus replied, 'Do you ask this of your own accord, or have others spoken to you about me?' Pilate answered, 'Am I a Jew? It is your own people and the chief priests who have handed you over to me: what have you done?' Jesus replied, 'Mine is not a kingdom of this world; if my kingdom were of this world, my men would have fought to prevent my being surrendered to the Jews. But my kingdom is not of this kind.' 'So you are a king then?' said Pilate. 'It is you who say it' answered Jesus. 'Yes, I am a king. I was born for this, I came into the world for this: to bear witness to the truth; and all who are on the side of truth listen to my voice.'

### The Gospel of the Lord...Praise to You Lord Jesus Christ

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### A Day of Prayer for Myanmar

Pax Christi and friends invite you to remember Myanmar in a Day of Prayer on Sunday, November 28, 2021. Suffering and trauma have accompanied the people of Myanmar for decades. On February 1 military government was reimposed. This day is an opportunity to pray with Myanmar in its yearning to be free. An online prayer service is being organised for Advent Sunday, November 29 at 7.30pm Melbourne time. To register for this service and receive the link, and other information, please email Harry Kerr, <a href="mailto:ahmkerr@hotmail.com">ahmkerr@hotmail.com</a>. For further information contact Caesar D'Mello, Pax Christi Victoria, <a href="mailto:caesarmdm@gmail.com">caesarmdm@gmail.com</a>. For further information contact Caesar D'Mello, Pax Christi Victoria, <a href="mailto:caesarmdm@gmail.com">caesarmdm@gmail.com</a>, ph. 0451911941, Sr Geraldine Kearney, Good Samaritan Sister, <a href="mailto:gkearney@goodsams.org.au">gkearney@goodsams.org.au</a>, ph. 0438465668, Ko Naing Saulsman, Spokesman CRPH/NUG, <a href="mailto:kdrsaulsman@gmail.com">kdrsaulsman@gmail.com</a>, ph. 0438826511, Harry Kerr, Pax Christi Victoria, <a href="mailto:ahmkerr@hotmail.com">ahmkerr@hotmail.com</a>, ph. 0424950852, Denise Nichols, Peacebuilding Initiative, University of Melbourne, <a href="mailto:Denisenichols69@gmail.com">Denisenichols69@gmail.com</a>, ph. 0432378893.

### **ACU EthicsFinder**

EthicsFinder is a user friendly, expertly curated ethics search engine database intended to be a one-stop-shop for ethics inquiry, with a particular focus on ethical thought within the Catholic intellectual tradition. EthicsFinder links to thousands of influential and reputable articles, books, and videos which have been curated by an international network of close to 100 academics. From bioethics to environmental ethics, EthicsFinder spans a range of popular topics in life, love, politics, ethics, philosophy and culture, seeking to bring Catholic positions into dialogue with reason-based critique of those positions. EthicsFinder also arranges and collates Church teaching by topic and magisterial authority, offering users a unique and accessible way to navigate the vast breadth of Church teaching. It is our great hope that EthicsFinder will be immensely useful for students, scholars and anyone seeking to nourish their mind and their faith in these highly topical areas. You can view the EthicsFiner video launch at <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Dy6\_YVIk2X0">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Dy6\_YVIk2X0</a>. Go to the EthicsFinder homepage at <a href="https://ethics.acu.edu.au">https://ethics.acu.edu.au</a>

### For a Synodal Church: Communion, Participation and Mission

The period of local consultation as part of the global journey to the 2023 XVI Ordinary General Assembly of the Synod of Bishops has commenced. The online portal is now open to receive responses to 10 key questions the Synod documents pose. Reflection guides and prayer resources have been created to support engagement with the Synod journey. Resources available include a media release regarding the consultation process, reflection guides, prayers and the Synod logo at <a href="https://catholic.org.au/synodalchurch">https://catholic.org.au/synodalchurch</a>.



St Joseph's Parish Timboon Invites you to the annual Ecumenical Advent Service Sunday 5th December 7:30 p.m. Please bring a plate of supper to share. RSVP—Katrina Currell 5598 3443—0439 995 010

**Novel coronavirus (COVID-19)** Keep up-to-date with the latest COVID-19 restrictions on the government website <a href="https://www.coronavirus.vic.gov.au/religion-and-ceremony-regional-victoria">https://www.coronavirus.vic.gov.au/religion-and-ceremony-regional-victoria</a> and the diocesan website <a href="https://www.ballarat.catholic.org.au/coronavirus-the-churchs-information-and-advice-2/">https://www.ballarat.catholic.org.au/coronavirus-the-churchs-information-and-advice-2/</a>.

Timboon	21st November 9:00 a.m. Mass	28th November 9:00 a.m. Assembly W&C	6th December Closed
Welcome	L Tregea	K Currell	
Leaders		E & T O'Connor	
Statue	G Townsend	P Haugh	
Reader	O Muliawan	R Hoffmann	
POF	C Marr	G Vogels	
E.M.H.C.		C Bullen	
Bulletin	G Swierczek	G Swierczek	
Slides	A Vogels	A Vogels	
Cleaners			
Simpson	Closed	Assembly W&C 9:00 a.m.	Mass 9:00 a.m.