

# BEARING WITNESS TO THE TRUTH

**ENTRANCE ANTIPHON APOC 5:12;1:6**

How worthy is the Lamb who was slain, to receive power and divinity, and wisdom and strength and honour. To him belong glory, and power for ever and ever.

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

**A reading from the prophet Daniel**

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, nor will his empire be destroyed.

The Word of the Lord

**All: Thanks be to God**

**RESPONSORIAL PSALM Ps 92:1-2,5**

**RESPONSE:**

**The Lord is king; he is robed in majesty.**

The Lord is king, with majesty enrobed; the Lord has robed himself with might, he has girded himself with power. **R/**

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/**

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

**A reading from the book of the Apocalypse**

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**

Alléluia, alléluia! Blessed is he who inherits the kingdom of David our father; blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Alléluia!

**GOSPEL JOHN 18:33-37**

**A reading from the holy Gospel according to John**

'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

**All: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**



## St Brigid's & St Michael's MIDLAND PARISH

*Our Lord JESUS CHRIST, KING of the Universe*

24th November 2024

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- Reconciliations:** Saturday 11:00 am to 12:00pm  
Saturday 5:00pm to 6:00pm
- Weddings/Baptism:** Only by Appointment

**Parish Calendar — OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE.**

**Sunday, 24<sup>th</sup> Nov 2024**  
8:00am Mass (St Michael's)  
9:30am Mass Remembrance  
Djunandi Widjaja RIP 100 days (yes for Marko Sarich RIP)  
6:00pm Mass

**Monday, 25<sup>th</sup> Nov 2024**  
Catherine of Alexandria, patron of chastity and learning.  
8:00am Mass

**Tuesday, 26<sup>th</sup> Nov 2024**  
8:00am Mass

**Wed, 27<sup>th</sup> Nov 2024**  
9:30am Mass  
11:30am Mass (St John of God Hospital)



**Thursday, 28<sup>th</sup> Nov 2024**  
8:00am Mass  
9:30 am Italian Mass

**Friday, 29<sup>th</sup> November 2024**  
9:30am Mass

**Saturday, 30<sup>th</sup> Nov, 2024**  
St Andrew, apostle, patron of Scotland

8:00am Mass  
11:00am Confessions  
5:00pm Confessions  
6:30pm Mass  
8:00pm Neocatechumenal Community Mass (Parish Hall) everyone is invited

# You say that I am KING

Listen, everyone, Jews and Gentiles, circumcised and uncircumcised. Listen, all kings of the earth. I am no hindrance to your rule in this world, for my kingdom is not of this world. Banish the ground-less fear that filled Herod the Great on hearing that Christ was born. More cruel in his fear than in his anger, he put many children to death, so that Christ also would die. But my kingdom is not of this world, says Christ. What further reassurance do you seek? Come to the kingdom not of this world. Be not enraged by fear, but come by faith. In a prophecy Christ also said: *He, that is, God the Father, has made me king on Zion his holy mountain.* But that Zion and that mountain are not of this world. What in fact is Christ's kingdom? It is simply those who believe in him, those to whom he said: *You are not*

*of this world, even as I am not of this world.* He willed, nevertheless, that they should be in the world, which is why he prayed to the Father: *I ask you not to take them out of the world, but to protect them from the evil one.* So here also he did not say: *My kingdom is not in this world, but is not of this world.* And when he went on to prove this by declaring: *If my kingdom were of this world, my servants would have fought to save me from being handed over to the Jews,* he concluded by saying not "my kingdom is not here," but *my kingdom is not from here.* Indeed, his kingdom is here until the end of time, and until the harvest it will contain weeds. The harvest is the end of the world, when the reapers, who are the angels, will come and gather out of his kingdom all causes of sin; and this could not happen if his kingdom were not here.

But even so, it is not from here, for it is in exile in the world. Christ says to his kingdom: *You are not of the world, but I have chosen you out of the world.* They were indeed of the world when they belonged to the prince of this world, before they became his kingdom. Though created by the true God, everyone born of the corrupt and accursed stock of Adam is of the world. On the other hand, everyone who is reborn in Christ becomes the kingdom which is no longer of the world. For so has God snatched us from the powers of darkness, and brought us into the kingdom of his beloved Son: that kingdom of which he said: *My kingdom is not of this world; my kingly power does not come from here.*

Gospel: John 18:33-37

Commentary: Augustine

**Donations** Please note of collections during the mass; **First Collection** go towards the priest in the parish and to support priests across the Archdiocese who are retired, sick and for those who are in remote areas. **Second Collection** will go towards for the maintenance, expenses of our church and growth for the parish mission. If you wish to make a donation, please find our bank details below.

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**Parish Communities**

 Mary Mother of Perpetual Help Wednesdays 7:00 PM	 Divine Mercy Devotion Fridays 6 PM Benediction 1st Friday of the Month	 Legion of Mary Wednesdays 10:30 AM	 Neocatechumenal Way Mass (Everyone is invited) Saturdays 8:00 PM
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**Next Sunday Readings: FIRST SUNDAY of ADVENT**  
**First Reading** Jer 33:14-16: **Responsorial Psalm** Ps 24:4-5,8-9,10,14 R. To you, O Lord, I lift my soul.  
**Second Reading** 1 Thess 3:12-4:2 **Gospel Acclamation** Ps 84:8 **Gospel** Lk 21:25-28,34-36

## Other News

**St Vincent de Paul**  
 Christmas bags for toys donations will be available at the back of the church, please be reminded of envelopes for the Christmas appeal for 2024 will be available at all masses over Christmas.

## Reader's Roster

This week			
Saturday 6:30 PM	Sunday 8:00 AM (St Michael's)	Sunday 9:30 AM	Sunday 6:00 PM
*Vince	*D Ritchie	*Fe Mari	*Maria
*Justin		*Vanessa	*Liz
*Natalie		*Farida	*Sandro
Next Weekend			
Saturday 6:30 PM	Sunday 8:00 AM (St Michael's)	Sunday 9:30 AM	Sunday 6:00 PM
*Valita	*C White	*Declan	*Maria
*Vince		*Alina	*Liz
		*Nora	*Christina

## PARISH NEWS

### Christmas Raffle Donations

as we approach the joyous season, we are currently organizing our yearly Christmas raffle and we humbly ask for your generosity for donations of items. We are grateful for any contribution big or small. You may bring them to the parish office.

**Raffle Tickets** is on sale next weekend. Tickets are \$1.00 each, or you can buy by booklet \$5.00

**Columban Art Calendar** are now available at the parish office for \$10 each.

### ST Michael's News

#### Christmas Barbeque at St Michael's Hall.

Friday November 29th at 6pm. Meat provided. B.Y.O. Salad, sweets and drinks. Please add your name to the list at the back of church for catering purposes.

**Advent Discussion Group** commences Friday December 6th at 10 a.m. at St. Michael's Hall.

**Meeting of Friends of St. Michael's**, Tuesday November 26th at 7.30 p.m.

**Christmas Breakfast and Christmas Market** on Sunday December 8th



**Carols by Candlelight**  
 Thursday 5 December From 5pm  
 Bring your best singing voice and join us for a community sing along  
 La Salle College Front Oval  
 Gates open 5pm - Carols from 6.30pm  
 Raffles, Glowsticks & Candles available to purchase  
 Gold donation on entry  
 All proceeds go to Vinnies Christmas Appeal

### Our Sick

Please keep those who are sick at home, and in nursing homes and in the general community in your prayers. Let us keep our parishioners in our prayers:

Caty Jones, Phyllis Lee, Marion Sands, Maureen Kenny, Kevin Kenny, Tasha Scala

### Requiescat in Pace

All souls in Purgatory

Eternal rest, grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May the souls of the faithful departed through the mercy of God rest in peace. Amen.



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