

Year C/1  
33rd Sunday in  
Ordinary Time  
17 November 2019  
Liturgical Colour: Green



Roman Catholic Archdiocese of Brisbane  
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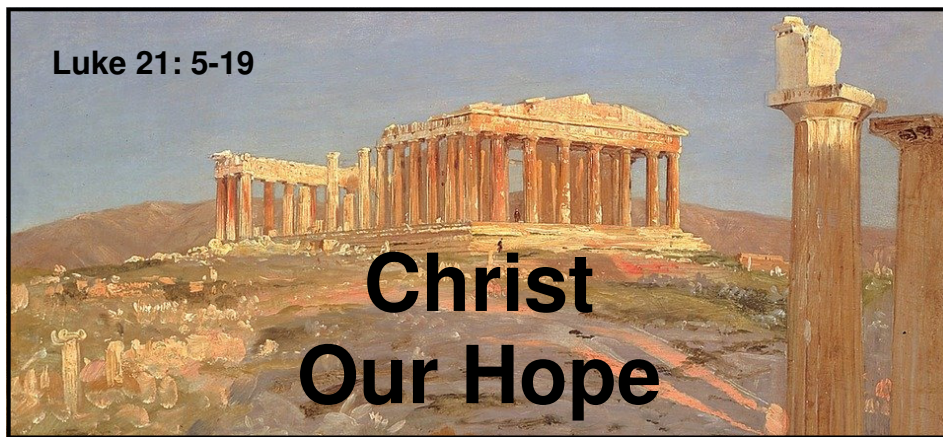
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Luke 21: 5-19



The world in which we live seems to contain its fair mixture of beauty and ugliness. We observe the great goodness of so many people; but we also see wars and evil actions, nations fighting against nations and people against people. We see the beauty of nature all around us but we also experience natural disasters like earthquakes, droughts and cyclones that disrupt and cause so much destruction socially and economically – not to mention the impacts upon the mental health of individuals caught up in the path of such events.

Whilst we long for the complete triumph of God's kingdom, we also recognise that this kingdom has already broken into our world. God is with us now in the struggles of our life.

The choice is ours: we can see only the bad around us and become discouraged, or we can also recognise the good that is present in so many ways. It is often said in times of disaster that neighbours come together and communities respond in times of crisis to help one another. In Australia, we are very fortunate to witness many of these occasions of solidarity.

At the time of Jesus' ministry, the Jewish nation was full of restless expectations. Sometimes this tension would escalate and give rise at times to uprisings as they hoped to be rid of the yoke of Roman occupation.

The Jerusalem Temple not only symbolised the nation's life and hopes; it was one of the wonders of the ancient world, filling the people with pride and joy every time they saw it. The disciples of Jesus would have been shocked when he interrupted their talk of personal admiration to foretell the Temple's destruction. The Jewish people most certainly did not look forward to the end of history, but to an intervention of God that would bring about a whole new era of human history.

In what Jesus says after the prediction of the destruction of the Temple, he anticipates the turmoil that will follow, as people struggle to understand God's will. As he is about to experience a violent rejection by his own people, Jesus prepares his disciples for the persecutions they will experience as they bring his message to the world. But this said, Jesus warns against interpreting the disasters of human history as signs of the end of life as we know it to be. Next Sunday, we celebrate the final Sunday before Advent begins. It is the Solemnity of Christ the King of the Universe. As we recall the passion, Pope Francis invites us to fix our eyes on the merciful gaze of Jesus and for us as a Church to communicate God's tenderness and mercy to all.

*Fr. Damien*

**Change of Mass Times at Our Lady of Dolours - Meeting**

After reviewing the feedback regarding the change of Mass times at Our Lady of Dolours, I feel it is best that we meet after the 8 am Sunday Mass on November 24. *Fr. Nigel*

## LITURGY TIMES

18th - 24th Nov

Grovely	St William's
Monday	9:15am Mass <i>Dedication of the Basilicas of Saints Peter and Paul</i>
Wednesday	6:00pm Adoration 7:00pm Mass
Thursday	9:00am St William's School and Parish Mass Prep & 6F
Friday	7:00am Mass
Saturday	7:00am Mass 5:00pm Reconciliation <i>Saints Clement &amp; Columban</i>
<b>Next Weekend's Sunday Masses</b>	
Saturday:	6:00pm Vigil
Sunday:	6:30am, 8.00am, 9.30am, 5:30pm

Oxford Park	St. Joseph's
Sunday:	9:30am Mass

Mitchelton	Our Lady of Dolours
Monday	8:30am <i>Mass cancelled</i> 11:00am Mass of Anointing, Moonah Park <i>Dedication of the Basilicas of Saints Peter and Paul</i>
Tuesday	8:30am Mass
Friday	9:00am Our Lady of Dolours School and Parish Mass
Saturday	3:45pm - 4:15pm Reconciliation <i>Saints Clement &amp; Columban</i>
<b>Next Weekend's Sunday Masses</b>	
Saturday:	4:30pm Vigil
Sunday:	8:00am

Samford	Sacred Heart
Thursday:	6:00pm Mass
<b>Next Weekend's Sunday Mass</b>	
Sunday:	8:00am Mass

**Sacramental Program:**  
First Communion workshops for Parents:  
 November 19, 9:30am & 7:30 pm  
 November 20 & 21  
 at The Daley Centre 7:30 pm  
*Marie-Louise F. Singson*

### This Week's Readings 33rd Sunday of Ordinary Time

Mal 3: 19 - 20  
 2 Thess 3: 7 - 12  
 Lk 21: 5 - 19

### Next Week's Readings Our Lord Jesus Christ, King Of The Universe

2 Sam 5: 1 - 3  
 Col 1: 12 - 20  
 Lk 23: 35 - 43

## GROVELY

### Counters this week:

Dermott O'Moore, John & Marie Rooney, Damien Carter, Tris van Twest, Leo Brown

**Meditation Group:** 7pm Tuesday in the Church, in the Benedictine Fr. John Main OSB tradition. Enquiries Bob 0428813483.

### Baptism:

We joyfully announce the baptism of Rowan McCallum, Amanda Vanderzee, Bonnie Begg and Stevie Pope and welcome them into our faith community.

## MITCHELTON

### Counters this week:

Group D: Dermott O'Moore

### Counters next week:

Group E: Leo Brown

### Family Rosary:

This week: Hazel Balitactac

Next week: Helen Erilla

## SAMFORD

### For Sale today, for Advent & Christmas:

- Perpetual Calendar published by Timor Leste Companions with artwork by children from our 3 schools, \$25 each.

- Little Blue Advent Books \$4
- Wollongong (Art) Advent Books \$4
- SVDP Christmas cards 8 pack \$4

- Majellan Christmas cards 10 pack \$6.50
- Columban Calendars for 2020 \$9 each

### Baptism:

We joyfully announce the baptism of Alexander Reilly and welcome him into our faith community.

## COMBINED COMMUNITIES' NEWS

### Parish Christmas Hamper Appeal: This Weekend!

Our Christmas Hamper Appeal will be held at all masses at Grovely, Samford and Mitchelton this weekend.

Hampers of all sizes are needed, as well as individual items. Cash donations are also appreciated as these will be used to make up the extra hampers needed. Thank you for your support!

Enq. Grovely & Samford:  
 Hugh & Maria 3351 1020  
 Mitchelton: Mary 3355 5875



### PROJECT CHRISTMAS CARD It's on this week!

We are enthusiastic to extend our outreach to housebound parishioners and those we visit in local care facilities.

To achieve this, there will be a craft workshop **Thursday November 21 at 10am in the Daley Centre** to make Christmas Cards from St William's and Our Lady of Delours' Parishioners.

No great creative or artistic ability required - just the desire to put this project into action so our elderly residents receive the blessing and good wishes of our community at Christmas.

All materials will be available and templates ready to follow. Bring scissors, craft knife, double-sided tape, etc. if you have one or any.

**All Welcome. Bring a Friend**  
 Morning tea provided

Enquires to Jan Whiteway 3351 3430



### Our Lady of Dolours Primary School

There is currently a collection of furniture including tables, chairs and desks, stored beneath the old Convent across the road. It is our intention to dispose of these items as we prepare for our building works. If you have any interest in taking pieces of this furniture or for further information, please contact the school office 3355 7763.

### ADVENT PRAYER WALL

The season of Advent is nearly here! This year we are having an

#### *Advent Prayer Wall*



There will be a wall hanging on the wall near the choir. It will have smaller pockets where we can place our prayer requests. These prayers will be prayed for during the Prayer of the Faithful

### Book of Life

Every November, Catholics have a grand tradition of remembering the dead in prayer. It is a core belief we profess each Sunday in the Creed that we are joined in the "communion of saints" - linking the living and the dead in the family of God.



We have a "Book of Life" in each of our Parish communities where parishioners may write down the names of their deceased relatives and friends. These books will remain on public display throughout November. You are invited to add names to the Book of Life as they come to mind.



## Faithful Departed

### Recently Deceased:

Margarita Mendoza, Philomena Brady, David Raymer

**Anniversaries:** Rodney Fahey, Kit



## We pray for the Sick

### We pray for:

Rebecca Agar, Vincent Arthur, Maureen Campbell, Fr David Catteral, Dominic Condon, Kathleen Edden, Kieran Hogan, Jen Nilon, Joyce Powell, Cindy Roberts, Rudi Wagenwood, Bev Fraser, Carina Venning, Tom Moore

**Please note** All requests to have a Mass offered for someone, or newsletter requests for the name of recently deceased family members, prayers for the sick and anniversaries, need to be given to the parish office in writing. Forms and Mass request envelopes are available from the sacristy at all 3 churches, or from the Parish Office. Completed forms/envelopes can be given to the priest or handed in at the office.



## BREAK OPEN THE WORD 2020

Copies now available at the Parish Office  
\$18 per copy  
(correct change appreciated)

### Grovelly Church Shop

The following Christmas items are now available at the Church Shop:  
(Advent begins Dec 1)

- Little Blue Advent Books: \$4
- Wollongong (Art) Advent Books: \$4
- SVDP Christmas cards: \$6.50 for a pack of 10
- 2020 Columban calendars: \$9 each



*"The hope of the poor shall not perish for ever"*  
(Ps 9:19)



## FAITH MATTERS—GSM



**Faith Matters** [www.faith-matters-gsm.com.au](http://www.faith-matters-gsm.com.au) and  
**Plenary Council** [www.plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au](http://www.plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au)

You may have heard of a group called "**Concerned Catholics Canberra - Goulburn**". This group made a significant contribution to the facilitation team for the Plenary Council during the "Dialogue" phase. Now, during the "Discernment" phase, the group is conducting a forum in Canberra on "Governance in the Australian Church" on Nov 28. This is but one of many meetings conducted by this group re possible change in the operation (governance) of the Australian Church.

Now that our parishes have completed their "Discernment" meetings for the Council, most parishioners are probably content to wait and see what develops as we move closer to the first meeting of the Council in October 2020. However, there may be some who wish to be informed at a much deeper level about the intricacies of the changes in Australian Church structures and culture being sought in this Council.

One way to do this is to go to "Concerned Catholics Canberra Goulburn" on the net and explore this site. But for a look at all their thoughts over the last few years, go to <https://www.concernedcatholicscanberra.org/media-releases/> and then click on the CONTEXT PAPER link.

**Next Sunday is the feast of Christ the King** - the end of the Church's liturgical year. The 2020 liturgical year starts on Dec. 1 with the first Sunday of Advent, as we start the run to Christmas.



## Social Justice Group



With the catastrophic bushfires in QLD and NSW this week, the issue of climate change has been prominent in the media. You could be forgiven for thinking it's a political issue, but ultimately it's one of social justice. Increased temperatures, rising sea levels and changes in rainfall are impacts of climate change, and they affect people living in poverty the worst – even though these people contribute the least to climate change. In many poor countries, these impacts of climate change have led to increasingly limited access to water, reduced crop yields, more widespread disease, increased frequency and intensity of natural disasters and conflict over declining resources – making the lives of the world's poorest people even more precarious. What's one thing you and I can change this week? Consume less and waste less! Rather than buying more, try sharing, making, fixing, up-cycling, repurposing and composting.

We hold all those who are suffering from bushfires, storms and droughts intensified by climate change in our hearts and prayers.

It's creeping up on us...Christmas. The department stores have a head start, but we'd like to ask if anyone in our community would be interested in being a part of the 'St William's Merry Little Christmas Day lunch' planning team? We are looking for all sorts of talents - chefs, musicians, decorators and just people who love being involved in our wonderful community. If you have an interest in being involved please email [sjg.grovelly@bne.catholic.net.au](mailto:sjg.grovelly@bne.catholic.net.au)

### Faith Circle

Everyone is welcome to join us on a Monday morning 10am in the Daley Centre. We meet to share friendship over a cup of coffee and discussion of Sunday's gospel. See you there!

**There will be a Mass for Anointing the Sick at Moonah Park Retirement Village, Mitchelton on Monday 18 November commencing at 11:00 am.**



## EVERGREENS

### UPCOMING EVENTS:

Meeting after 9:30am Mass Sunday November 17 in the Daley Centre

Exercise classes each Wednesday in November in the Daley Ctr. 9:45am for 10:00am start. Contact Alison Fernan: [aandr@internode.on.net](mailto:aandr@internode.on.net)

Contact John & Joan Broderick for further info: [jobrod@bigpond.net.au](mailto:jobrod@bigpond.net.au)



### Would You Bake A Slice For Verses For Vinnies?

On **Sunday November 24**, renowned Australian poet Rupert McCall is guest artist at our **last Verses for Vinnies for 2019**. It will be our biggest concert and we really need people to help by making sandwiches or a slice for the ever popular morning tea. All proceeds go to Vinnies and at this time of year we need all the financial help we can get to tide us over until New Year. Help us to help them!  
If you can help, contact Denise Quinlan: 0417 631 194

# COMBINED COMMUNITIES' NEWS

## GROVELY 18th - 24th Nov

Monday	10:00am 7:00pm 7:45pm	Daley Centre Library Church	Faith Circle RCIA Grovely Choir
Tuesday	9:30am 7:00pm 7:30pm	Daley Centre Church Daley Centre	Communion Workshop St W Christian Meditation Communion Workshop
Wednesday	9:45am 7:30pm 7:30pm	Daley Centre Daley Centre Library	Evergreens Exercise Class Communion Workshop Social Justice Group
Thursday	10:00am 7:30pm	Daley Centre Daley Centre	Project Christmas Card Communion Workshop

## SAMFORD 18th - 24th Nov

Monday	6:30pm	Church	Samford Choir
Friday	9:00am	Church	John Main Meditation Prayer Group

## MITCHELTON 18th - 24th Nov

Tuesday	7:00pm	Church	Treble M Choir
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### National Prayer Campaign

The Catholic Bishops of Australia have announced a National Prayer Campaign for Drought to take place during November. People across the country are encouraged to pray for the gift of rain, for people affected by the drought and to provide practical support, where possible. The Bishops note that large parts of the country are directly affected by the drought, but the impact is national – and so should the response be national. Access resources and find out more at: [www.catholic.org.au/drought](http://www.catholic.org.au/drought)

### Pope's Prayer Intentions November Dialogue and Reconciliation in the Near East

*That a spirit of dialogue, encounter, and reconciliation emerge in the Near East, where diverse religious communities share their lives together.*



Thank you for supporting this year's Catholic Mission Church Appeal through your kind gifts and prayers, and for reaching out to children and communities in need in Ghana and throughout the world.

Your generosity makes it possible for programs such as the Nazareth Home for God's Children to provide love and support for children to be rescued from life threatening situations. Thank you also to so many parishioners who have become monthly giving partners through our Ghana Mission Partners Program.

For more information about the work of Catholic Mission please contact our friendly team at the freecall number 1800 257 296 or go to our website [catholicmission.org.au](http://catholicmission.org.au)



### Visitor From Our Sister Parish

Juliao Hornai (Jay) is visiting our Parish for the next few weeks. You may see him at Mass or around the schools.

Please say "g'day", and make him feel welcome whist in and around our Parish.

### "Dying Peacefully - No Euthanasia" Sunday

The Brisbane Archdiocese has released pamphlets and literature to educate parishioners on the Catholic position on these issues, which can be found at the back of the church:

- Ten Facts You May Not Know About Euthanasia And Assisted Suicide Around The World
- Facts You May Not Know About Palliative Care
- For The Common Good - Love Is Stronger Than Death

### Love to the End

Heavenly Father,

We pray for all who suffer in body, mind or spirit. We ask that You may grant them the grace to endure their trials and receive the reward of their faithfulness. Show us how to care for those at the end of life with loving patience.

We pray for all doctors, nurses and care givers who answer the call to serve You in the sick and dying. May they be strengthened to continue to use their gifts in the service of life.

We pray for our law and policy makers, may they always seek to serve the common good and respect the dignity of all, especially the most vulnerable.

We pray for the freedom of all to act in accordance with their conscience

We make this prayer through Christ our Lord,

Amen

November 17, 2019 -

### 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

*"...Rather, we wanted to present ourselves as a model for you, so that you might imitate us."  
(2 Thessalonians 3:9)*

Most people who live a grateful and generous lifestyle don't go around bragging about it. But through their actions and words, others do take notice. They notice because of the joy and peace that results and other people desire this in their own life. Know that the way you live your life may be the only interaction others have with our Catholic faith.

### Bible Quiz

Where did Jonah go after being thrown overboard and reaching dry land?


Answer next Week

Last Week's question:

What are the names of Lazarus' sisters?

Answer:

Mary and Martha (John 11:1-3)

Where are average things manufactured? 

The satisfactory

### Brisbane Sings Messiah

The Queensland Choir with more than 150 choristers, the Sinfonia of St Andrews Orchestra as well as 4 highly talented professional soloists will perform this magical masterpiece by Handel. Every ticket sold at our concerts helps us to keep alive the art of choral music in South East Queensland.

**When:** Sunday December 1 2:45pm

**Where:** Brisbane City Hall

For more information contact:

[bsm@qldchoir.com](mailto:bsm@qldchoir.com) or 0491 654 134

### Verses For Vinnies - Rupert McCall

On November two-four we have **Rupert McCall** who's a bloke that you folk love to hear.

For when Rupert recites he inspires and excites, for his words bring a laugh or a tear.

And it's not just in Aus 'cause in '05 it was at Gallipoli's Dawn Service scene, that our Rupert was proud when he gave to that crowd, his own verse of how war then had been.

So this concert's a show where you really should go, as not everyday we get to see,

a performer renown with an OAM crown he received in the year of one-three.

Rup's a dinky-di bloke who'll relate with you folk, so please come and be part of the fun, and the fifteen buck fee goes to battlers you see, so you're helping those folk who have none.

**1:30pm 67 Dawson Parade Grovely November 24**