



Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe, Year C
23rd November, 2025. You're welcome to take this Newsletter with you.

Parishes of St Monica & St Vincent de Paul Moonee Ponds & Strathmore

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<u>Sunday Worship Timetable</u>		<u>Weekday Worship Timetable</u>	
SVdP: Reconciliation	@ 5.30 pm & followed by	SVdP: Tuesday - Friday :	@ 10.00 am
Saturday Vigil	@ 6.00 pm	SM: Tuesday - Friday :	@ 9.15 am
Sunday	@ 9.30 am	Saturday:	@ 8.00 am
SM: Sunday	@ 8.30 am (Italian & English)	followed by Reconciliation:	@ 8.30 am
Sunday	@ 10.30 am &		
Sunday	@ 5.30 pm		
Confession by appointments possible			

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ROSTER FOR NEXT SUNDAY *29th/30th November 2025, 1st Sunday of Advent -Year A*

Mass Times	Readers	Extraordinary Ministers
6.00 pm SM	M Murphy	Fill-in Please
6.00 pm SVdP	P Sequerah	A Lim
8.30 am	S Jackson V Pizzichetta	M Stella K Sherwood
9.30 am	L Delaney	M Gauci
10.30 am	G Mullen J Trethowan	A Briggs C Shiu
5.30 pm	T Wilson	R Legudi T D'Cruze-Fernandes

CHURCH LINEN
 SM November - V Pizzichetta
 SVdP 22/23 November - Shanika Peiris

CHURCH VACUUMING
 SM : TEAM 4 - Thursday 27th November @ 9.45am
 SVdP: GROUP B - Friday 28th November @ 8:30am

Please remember in your prayers.....

Recently Deceased: Peter Green

Anniversaries: Elizabeth DeMaria, Annunziata DeMaria, Pasquale DeMaria, Catherine Caruana, Rosina Haber, Dianne Rabbas, Salvatore Foti

The Sick & Seriously Ill: Please remember in your prayers all those in our Parish who are sick and suffering serious illness, together with their families and loved ones who care for them.


Names for the Parish Weekly Update: If you would like your loved one who has died recently or whose anniversary is occurring to be remembered at Mass and in the Parish Weekly Update, please make sure you have their names into the Parish Office by Wednesday at 3.00pm.

Baptisms this weekend: This weekend for the Rite of Baptism we welcome *Nate Czyczelis*, Son of James and Stephanie, *Lucas & Alicia Ren*, Son & Daughter of Keith and Rachel, and *Massimo Anthony Cavallo*, Son of Anthony and Jenny. They are the newest members of our Parish family of families. Kindly keep the families in your prayers.

Memorial Book For The Deceased: During the month of November we invite you to add the names of your deceased loved ones to our Memorial Book, which is located on the offerings table.

Introducing Mass and Change of Timing: Parishioners please take note that starting from the First Sunday of Advent, November 29th (New Liturgical Calendar Year), the weekday Masses at St Vincent De Paul's Church, Strathmore, will be held at 9:15 am. In addition, we are introducing a Vigil Mass at St. Monica's Church, Moonee Ponds, commencing Saturday, November 29th, at 6:00PM.

Readers & Eucharistic Ministers Needed: With the introduction of our new Vigil Mass at St Monica's Church, Moonee Ponds, we are seeking volunteers to serve as Readers and Eucharistic Ministers. If you are interested in assisting in either of these ministries, please contact the Parish Office.

 **Why not drop by the Piety Stall—a Holy gift shop?—** There is always something for everyone! From Rosary beads, bracelets & rings, to crucifix cross necklace & pendant, children's bible & books & many more!! The **2026 Columban Art Calendar** are available for \$11 each. Also, a pack of 5 **Christmas Cards** for \$4 and a pack of 8 for \$6.

You are warmly invited to join our **Advent Reflections** each Wednesday morning beginning Wednesday, 3rd December from 10:00am to 10:45am at St Monica's Parish Church, Moonee Ponds and St Vincent de Paul Parish Church, Strathmore. **The Promise-Advent & Christmas Daily Reflection Book 2025/26** is available for purchase for \$7 from the Piety Stall at St Monica's Parish Church or from the Sacristy at St Vincent de Paul Parish Church.

"Working Bee At St Vincent de Paul Parish, Strathmore" - On Saturday, 13th December, starting at 9.00am and finishing at approximately at 12.00pm. Works to be undertaken- Garden maintenance, repairs to buildings as required, church cleaning/maintenance. This is a great way to get the Church and surrounds looking their best for the upcoming Christmas celebrations. All parishioners are invited to attend. If you can spare some time on the day, your help would be greatly appreciated. For further information contact Gavin on 0490 022 209 or simply come along on the day.

Liturgical Readings for Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe, Year C

A reading from the second book of Samuel 5:1-3 All the tribes of Israel came to David at Hebron. 'Look' they said 'we are your own flesh and blood. In days past when Saul was our king, it was you who led Israel in all their exploits; and the Lord said to you, "You are the man who shall be shepherd of my people Israel, you shall be the leader of Israel.'" So all the elders of Israel came to the king at Hebron, and King David made a pact with them at Hebron in the presence of the Lord, and they anointed David king of Israel. **The Word of the Lord R/Thanks be to God.**

Responsorial Psalm Ps 121:1-5 R. Let us go rejoicing to the house of the Lord.

I rejoiced when I heard them say: 'Let us go to God's house.'
And now our feet are standing within your gates, O Jerusalem. **R.**

Jerusalem is built as a city strongly compact.
It is there that the tribes go up, the tribes of the Lord. **R.**

For Israel's law it is, there to praise the Lord's name.
There were set the thrones of judgment of the house of David. **R.**

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Colossians 1:12-20 We give thanks to the Father who has made it possible for you to join the saints and with them to inherit the light. Because that is what he has done: he has taken us out of the power of darkness and created a place for us in the kingdom of the Son that he loves, and in him, we gain our freedom, the forgiveness of our sins. He is the image of the unseen God and the first-born of all creation; for in him were created all things in heaven and on earth: everything visible and everything invisible, Thrones, Dominions, Sovereignities, Powers -all things were created through him and for him. Before anything was created, he existed, and he holds all things in unity. Now the Church is his body, he is its head. As he is the Beginning, he was first to be born from the dead, so that he should be first in every way; because God wanted all perfection to be found in him and all things to be reconciled through him and for him, everything in heaven and everything on earth, when he made peace by his death on the cross. **The Word of the Lord R/Thanks be to God.**

Gospel Acclamation: 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.

A reading from the holy Gospel to Luke 23:35-43 The people stayed before the cross watching Jesus. As for the leaders, they jeered at him. 'He saved others,' they said 'let him save himself if he is the Christ of God, the Chosen One.' The soldiers mocked him too, and when they approached to offer him vinegar they said, 'If you are the king of the Jews, save yourself.' Above him there was an inscription: 'This is the King of the Jews.'

One of the criminals hanging there abused him. 'Are you not the Christ?' he said. 'Save yourself and us as well.' But the other spoke up and rebuked him. 'Have you no fear of God at all?' he said, 'You got the same sentence as he did, but in our case we deserved it: we are paying for what we did. But this man has done nothing wrong. Jesus,' he said 'remember me when you come into your kingdom.' 'Indeed, I promise you,' he replied 'today you will be with me in paradise.' **The Gospel of the Lord. R/ Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**