

FIRST READING

A reading from the book of Exodus 17:8-13

The Amalekites came and attacked Israel at Rephidim. Moses said to Joshua, 'Pick out men for yourself, and tomorrow morning march out to engage Amalek. I, meanwhile, will stand on the hilltop, the staff of God in my hand.' Joshua did as Moses told him and marched out to engage Amalek, while Moses and Aaron and Hur went up to the top of the hill. As long as Moses kept his arms raised, Israel had the advantage; when he let his arms fall, the advantage went to Amalek. But Moses arms grew heavy, so they took a stone and put it under him and on this he sat, Aaron and Hur supporting his arms, one on one side, one on the other; and his arms remained firm till sunset. With the edge of the sword Joshua cut down Amalek and his people.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

R./ Our help is from the Lord, who made heaven and earth.

SECOND READING

A reading from the second letter of St Paul to Timothy 3:14-4:2

You must keep to what you have been taught and know to be true; remember who your teachers were, and how, ever since you were a child, you have known the holy scriptures – from these you can learn the wisdom that leads to salvation through faith in Christ Jesus. All scripture is inspired by God and can profitably be used for teaching, for refuting error, for guiding people's lives and teaching them to be holy. This is how the man who is dedicated to God becomes fully equipped and ready for any good work. Before God and before Christ Jesus who is to be judge of the living and the

dead, I put this duty to you, in the name of his Appearing and of his kingdom: proclaim the message and, welcome or unwelcome, insist on it. Refute falsehood, correct error, call to obedience – but do all with patience and with the intention of teaching.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!

**The word of God is living and active,
It probes the thoughts
and motives of our heart.
Alleluia!**

GOSPEL READING

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke 18:1-8

Jesus told his disciples a parable about the need to pray continually and never lose heart. 'There was a judge in a certain town' he said 'who had neither fear of God nor respect for man. In the same town there was a widow who kept on coming to him and saying, "I want justice from you against my enemy!" For a long time he refused, but at last he said to himself, "Maybe I have neither fear of God nor respect for man, but since she keeps pestering me I must give this widow her just rights, or she will persist in coming and worry me to death." And the Lord said, 'You notice what the unjust judge has to say? Now will not God see justice done to his chosen who cry to him day and night even when he delays to help them? I promise you, he will see justice done to them, and done speedily. But when the Son of Man comes, will he find any faith on earth?'

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TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
YEAR C - 15th / 16th OCTOBER, 2022



Congratulations

Congratulations to our young parishioners from both St Agnes and Our Lady of the Assumption, celebrating the Sacrament of Confirmation on Saturday 15th and Tuesday 18th October respectively. We pray that God's Holy Spirit will encourage and strengthen them throughout their life's journey.

The idea of prayer changing us, changes our prayer – giving it greater dynamism and urgency. While we may not know the mind or will of God, we often know our own thoughts and desires. We can usually pinpoint what needs recrafting or reshaping in us so that we may live out the goodness and love of God more clearly. Confronting and converting these obstacles, with God, can see our prayer at its boldest and bravest. At these times we can enjoy God's healing and forgiveness. And because conversion is a lifetime process, Jesus encourages us not to lose heart but to pray always and hold on to faith even when the going gets tough. May this Eucharist help us to move away from demanding that God change his mind or will, to allowing his love to keep converting and changing us.

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MASS TIMES – CHELTENHAM & HIGHETT
SATURDAY VIGIL & SUNDAY MASSES:
Saturday [St Agnes Church] 6:00 pm
Sunday [OLA] 9:00 am, 11:00 am

WEEKDAY MASS TIMES:
Tuesday [St Agnes Church] 9.00 am
Tuesday [OLA Church] 6.00 pm
Wednesday [OLA Church] 9.15 am
Thursday [OLA Church] 9.15 am
Friday [St Agnes Church] 9.00 am
Saturday [OLA Church] 9.00 am

COMMUNION SERVICE (except Public Holidays)
Monday [OLA Church] 9.15 am

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION:
Wednesday 9:45 am
Saturday 9.30 am
i.e. following Mass (COVID-safe protocols apply)

BAPTISMS: Contact Parish Office: 9583 6161.

WEDDINGS: By appointment, 6 months' notice required. Saturdays or weekdays (not Sundays).

The clergy, employees and volunteers of our two parishes are committed to upholding a duty of care to all children, young people and vulnerable adults, taking all reasonable steps to protect children, young people and vulnerable adults from all forms of abuse and harm and commit to safeguard their health and well-being.

TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY IN
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15th/16th October, 2022

PRAYING FOR:

Ian Munro

...and all those who have died recently.

WE ALSO REMEMBER:

Michael McGurn, Florence Driscoll,
Sara Paredes, Molly Kelly,
Donald McDonald, Hendrika Cox
and Betty Duke.

....and all who we remember about this time.

...and we keep in our prayers all who are currently unwell.

VOLUNTEERS: Please make sure that your WWCC/POLICE CHECK documents are current, that is, have not expired, and copies made available to the Parish Office.

UPDATE ON COVID RESTRICTIONS: General Guidelines from the Archdiocese (Update #60: 20th July, 2022) are available online at:

melbournecatholic.org/covid-19-guidelines

PARISH STEWARDSHIP: Thank you to all parishioners who continue to support both the Thanksgiving and Presbytery collections through your generous contributions. Both OLA & St Agnes are now registered for online contributions.

The **CDF Pay** link for **OLA, Cheltenham** is:
<http://bit.ly/CDFpayCheltenham>

The **CDF Pay** link for **St Agnes, Highett** is:
<http://bit.ly/CDFpayHighett>

Readings for this liturgical year from
Advent 2021 to Christ the King 2022 are
taken from Year C in the Lectionary cycle
universalis.com/australia.melbourne/1000/Mass



PARISH RENEWAL PROGRAM

For those who contribute to our parishes via envelopes, new sets of envelopes for the period 8th/9th October, 2022, through to the weekend of 11th/12th March, 2023, are available for collection from our respective church foyers. Thank you once again for your ongoing practical and financial support for the mission of both our parishes.

BUILD BRIGHTER FUTURES FOR FAMILIES IN EMDIBIR CATHOLIC MISSION
Next weekend, as we celebrate World Mission Month, Catholic Mission will invite you to partner with Fr Habte and the Church in Ethiopia as they provide the community with the opportunity to build brighter futures.

Fr Habte has seen firsthand the benefits the current farm provided for his community in accessing nutritious milk and its by-products. Now, he believes that together, the Church and community can make a real difference for people seeking agricultural training and employment.

We hope you will join us in partnering with this life-changing program. A special collection will be taken up at all Masses next weekend.



The **Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults** is a “journey” designed for people who feel a call to know more about Jesus Christ and the Catholic faith. You are most welcome to participate in the RCIA with your questions, your insights and your faith story. If you’re aware of anyone who may wish to know more about the faith we share, within the Catholic Church, please consider inviting them to take up the ‘journey’ to the Easter Sacraments. For more information, please contact the **Parish Office on 9583 6161.**

OLA FETE - NOVEMBER 2022

CAN YOU DONATE?

Any donations to the following stalls will be greatly appreciated:

CHOC-O-BLOCK AND CUPCAKE DECORATING STATION:

We need chocolate blocks (any size or flavour), lollies (for decorating cakes) and wrapped lollies (eg minties, sherbies, starburst etc), Betty Crocker vanilla frosting, cupcake toppings (sprinkles, sour straps, mini marshmallows etc). Please drop your donation into the choc o block box in the school office.

PLANTS

Donations of potted plants for the hugely popular plant stall are always welcomed.

PRESERVES

Can you make jam, preserves, sauces, or oils for the preserves stall? This is always so popular but we’d love a few more contributions. Please contact Kara on 0409 353 957 if you can contribute.

OLA FASHION OP SHOP

Good quality second hand clothes for the OLA Fashion Op Shop. There’s inspiration to do a wardrobe clean out over the holidays. Just drop your pre-loved clothes at the school office.



OLSH COLLEGE, BENTLEIGH

Join us for Open Morning on **Tuesday 25 October, at 9.15am.**

Limited places for Year 7 2024. Pick up a flyer in the church foyer.

ST PATRICK’S CATHEDRAL ‘A light into the city’ – 125th Anniversary of Consecration 1897-2022. Most Rev. Peter A. Comensoli, Archbishop of Melbourne, warmly invites you to join in the celebration of St Patrick’s Anniversary Mass on **Thursday 27th October at 1pm.** For more information on anniversary concerts and celebrations extending from Friday 28th to Sunday 30th October, visit:

www.facebook.com/StPatricksMusicMelbourne