

FIRST READING

A reading from the book of Wisdom
1:13-15; 2:23-24

Death was not God's doing, he takes no pleasure in the extinction of the living. To be – for this he created all; the world's created things have health in them, in them no fatal poison can be found, and Hades holds no power on earth; for virtue is undying. Yet God did make man imperishable, he made him in the image of his own nature; it was the devil's envy that brought death into the world, as those who are his partners will discover.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

R./ I will praise you, Lord,
for you have rescued me.

SECOND READING

A reading from the second letter of St Paul
to the Corinthians 8:7.9. 13-15

You always have the most of everything – of faith, of eloquence, of understanding, of keenness for any cause, and the biggest share of our affection – so we expect you to put the most into this work of mercy too. Remember how generous the Lord Jesus was: he was rich, but he became poor for your sake, to make you rich out of his poverty. This does not mean that to give relief to others you ought to make things difficult for yourselves: it is a question of balancing what happens to be your surplus now against their present need, and one day they may have something to spare that will supply your own need. That is how we strike a balance: as scripture says: The man who gathered much had none too much, the man who gathered little did not go short.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, Alleluia!
Our Saviour Jesus Christ has done away
with death and brought us life
through his gospel.
Alleluia!

GOSPEL READING

A reading from the holy Gospel according
to Mark 5:21-43

When Jesus had crossed in the boat to the other side, a large crowd gathered round him and he stayed by the lakeside. Then one of the synagogue officials came up, Jairus by name, and seeing him, fell at his feet and pleaded with him earnestly, saying, 'My little daughter is desperately sick. Do come and lay your hands on her to make her better and save her life.' Jesus went with him and a large crowd followed him; they were pressing all round him. Now there was a woman who had suffered from a haemorrhage for twelve years; after long and painful treatment under various doctors, she had spent all she had without being any the better for it, in fact, she was getting worse. She had heard about Jesus, and she came up behind him through the crowd and touched his cloak. 'If I can touch even his clothes,' she had told herself 'I will be well again.' And the source of the bleeding dried up instantly, and she felt in herself that she was cured of her complaint. Immediately aware that power had gone out from him, Jesus turned round in the crowd and said, 'Who touched my clothes?' His disciples said to him, 'You see how the crowd is pressing round you and yet you say, "Who touched me?"' But he continued to look all round to see who had done it. Then the woman came forward, frightened and trembling because she knew what had happened to her, and she fell at his feet and told him the whole truth.

(Gospel reading continued overleaf...)

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THIRTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME YEAR B - 29th / 30th JUNE, 2024



The little girl got up at once and began to walk about.

Mark 5:42

God's graciousness toward us should prompt us to be generous toward others. What we receive as life-enhancing gifts, we must share with those in need, those to whom life has not been kind. As we have been favoured by the healing touch of God, so we must extend that same loving touch to others. The love of Christ impels us to be openhanded as we approach those in need. Following Jesus' lead, we must not only give to them, we must also allow them to take from us. At times this will require that we share material resources; at other times it might mean that our energy will be drained in our service of them. In all of this, Jesus has set the example for us to follow.

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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.

THIRTEENTH SUNDAY
IN ORDINARY TIME
YEAR B – 29th / 30th June, 2024

PRAYING FOR:

Kevin Kelly, Joe Baldacchino,
John Wareham,

...and all those who died recently.

WE ALSO REMEMBER:

Damiano Morabito, Rosa Trantino,
Patrick McGannon, Martin Nombrodo,
Robert O'Connor, James Brooks,
Mavis D'Souza, Mick Sullivan,
Nellie Andrews, Jesse Bird, John Noal,

...and all who we remember at this time.
...additionally, we keep in our prayers all
who are currently unwell.

Readings for this liturgical year from Advent
2023 to Christ the King 2024 are taken from
Year B in the Lectionary cycle

Should you wish to view the Scripture
Readings for Daily Mass (Australian Liturgical
Calendar) please visit:
universalis.com/australia.melbourne/1000/Mass

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.

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>



St Vincent de Paul Winter Appeal

St Vincent de Paul are having their Winter Appeal. This is the major appeal made by the local conference to generate funds to enable us to support local needy families.

The Winter Appeal remains our major source for funds, enabling us to do good works on behalf of you, our fellow parishioners.

This weekend, conference members will be in the foyer at Masses to collect and provide receipts for donations made.

UPCOMING FUNERAL †

Monday 1st July at 11 am (OLA)
Kevin Kelly (RIP)

Rosary on Sunday 30th June at 5pm (OLA)

May his soul and the souls of all our faithful departed, rest in peace.

WE EXTEND OUR GRATITUDE TO FR
LAURIE MCNAMARA CM for filling in
for Fr Alan while he was on annual leave.

PETER'S PENCE COLLECTION There will be a special collection for the intentions of the Holy Father this weekend. The Peter's Pence offerings are designated to support the Holy Father's apostolic and charitable activities in favour of the universal Church and the entire world. Helping the Holy Father exercise his universal mission, you join with others across the world in supporting urgent projects including emergency assistance to those in need due to natural disasters, communities impacted by coronavirus, conflict, oppression and disease. Our generosity allows the Holy Father to respond to those suffering with love and compassion. Each donation, small or large, also has a powerful symbolic value – it is a concrete sign of communion with the Holy Father.

Gospel reading continued...

'My daughter,' he said 'your faith has restored you to health; go in peace and be free from your complaint.'

While he was still speaking some people arrived from the house of the synagogue official to say, 'Your daughter is dead: why put the Master to any further trouble?' But Jesus had overheard this remark of theirs and he said to the official, 'Do not be afraid; only have faith.' And he allowed no one to go with him except Peter and James and John the brother of James. So they came to the official's house and Jesus noticed all the commotion, with people weeping and wailing unrestrainedly. He went in and said to them, 'Why all this commotion and crying? The child is not dead, but asleep.' But they laughed at him. So he turned them all out and, taking with him the child's father and mother and his own companions, he went into the place where the child lay. And taking the child by the hand he said to her, 'Talitha, kum!' which means, 'little girl, I tell you to get up.' The little girl got up at once and began to walk about, for she was twelve years old. At this they were overcome with astonishment, and he ordered them strictly not to let anyone know about it, and told them to give her something to eat.



Next Sunday 7th July,
you're invited to stay and
join fellow parishioners
for a cuppa **after the 9am
& 11am Masses**, in the OLA Church Meeting
Room.



OLA KNITTING GROUP will
next meet on Tuesday 9th July at
1pm in the Church Meeting Room.
All are most welcome. The
upcoming **Knitting Stall** will be
held at OLA on Sunday 14th July after the
9am and 11am Masses. All proceeds will go
towards SVDP 2024 Winter Appeal.