

CATHOLIC PARISH OF MELBOURNE and CASTLE DONINGTON

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Sun: Melbourne 10:00 am

21 November 2021

LITURGICAL YEAR: SUNDAY B / WEEKDAY 1

READINGS: This Week: Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe (Solemnity): Daniel 12: 1-3; Ps. 15; Hebrew 10: 11-14. 18; Mark 13:24-32.

Next Week: First Sunday of Advent C: Jere 33: 14-16; Ps. 24; 1 Thess 3: 12-4:2; Luke 21: 25-28. 34-36.

Weekly Masses

Sunday 21 November	9.00am	Castle Donington	Wellbeing of Jean Wilson
Christ the King	10.30am	Melbourne	Deceased members of Kirk & Walsh Families
Monday 22 November	9.20am	Melbourne	
St Cecilia, Virgin & Martyr			
Tuesday 23 November	6.00pm	Castle Donington	The McGuckin Family (RIP)
Feria			
Wednesday 24 November	No Mass		
St Andrew Dung-Lac, priest & companions, martyrs (memorial)			
Thursday 25 November	5.00pm	Castle Donington	Holy Hour*
Feria	6.00pm	Castle Donington	Wellbeing of Helen Watts
Friday 26 November	9.20am	Melbourne	
Feria			
Saturday 27 November	5.00pm	Castle Donington	Michael Donovan
Vigil			
Sunday 28 November	9.00am	Castle Donington	Tommy Reilly (RIP)
1 st Sunday of Advent Year C	10.30am	Melbourne	

All Masses in the Melbourne Church incorporate zoom technology until further notice
If you test positive for Covid-19 after attending a mass, please contact Fr Joel immediately on mcd.joel@outlook.com or 01332862631

We Need Volunteers – your chance to get involved – please discuss with Father Joel:

- Counters
- Welcomers
- Coffee morning

Key Information

Parish Account - for donations Sort code: 30-96-18; Account Number: 00347882

Hall Rental Contacts - Melbourne: Rosemary Smith (email: rosemarysmith34@btinternet.com)
Castle Donington: Rachel Hallam (email: themattingleyfamily@gmail.com)

Coming Events

Coffee Morning - Castle Donington 4th December; Melbourne 27th November. Please we need raffle prizes and homemade cakes for Melbourne coffee morning Saturday 27th November. Kindly donate.

Children's Liturgy - We are planning on starting Children's Liturgy beginning 17/10. Because of Covid still being around we will hold C/L on alternate Sundays. The dates are 17/10, 31/10, 14/11, 28/11, 12/12, & 26/12. We would find your suggestions and comments helpful. Please contact Meryl Baldwin acting on behalf of the Children's Liturgy team on meryl.brown.baldwin@gmail.com or on 01332 865352.



Extra-ordinary Sunday Coffee Morning at Melbourne

On the 21st of November 2021 we will be having a coffee morning after the 10.30am Mass in the St Mary's Church Hall. There will be bacon, sandwiches, cake, and a raffle with some great prizes. Please come along and enjoy a fun time.



Tombola and Raffle Prizes

We are in need of tombola and raffle prizes for our 'Christmas Cracker' coffee morning in December. We would like them to be Christmas treats, decorations, candles, wine or spirits, or stocking fillers. Please leave them in the basket by the entrance to the church or contact Linda Wordsworth 07967380135 for collection.



Afghanistan Appeal

As you all know, there is a crisis in Afghanistan affecting families.

Our **Advent project** is aimed at raising money to help feed children in this war-torn country. **£33 will feed a child for 3 weeks.** All through the Advent Season, we will have a second collection to be donated to this Unicef project. Please be generous.



And today's Gospel leads us to contemplate Jesus as he introduces himself to Pilate as king of a kingdom that "is not of this world" (Jn 18:36). This doesn't mean that Christ is the king of *another world*, but that he is king in *another manner*, but he is king in this world. It is a contrast between two types of logic. Worldly logic is based on ambition, competition, it fights using the weapons of fear, extortion, and the manipulation of consciences. On the other hand, the logic of the Gospel, that is, the logic of Jesus, is expressed in humility and gratuitousness. It is silently but effectively affirmed with the strength of truth. The kingdoms of this world at times are sustained by arrogance, rivalries and oppression; the reign of Christ is a "kingdom of justice, love and peace" (*Preface*) – **Pope Francis**.

The Prayer to the Holy Spirit for the Synod: Adsumus Sancte Spiritus

We stand before You, Holy Spirit, as we gather together in Your name. With You alone to guide us, make Yourself at home in our hearts; Teach us the way we must go and how we are to pursue it. We are weak and sinful; do not let us promote disorder. Do not let ignorance lead us down the wrong path nor partiality influence our actions. Let us find in You our unity so that we may journey together to eternal life and not stray from the way of truth and what is right. All this we ask of You, who are at work in every place and time, in the communion of the Father and the Son, forever and ever. Amen.

