

Acolytes, Ministers, Readers and Altar Servers, please remember to arrive ready 10 minutes before the beginning of Mass.



OUR LADY OF LOURDES

PARISH OF SEVEN HILLS

"Still a wonderful place to pray & stay."

Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe Year C 24th November 2019

23/24 November	
Acolytes	Vigil 8am 9.30am Abel Do Rosario Terry Jordan Eugene Miu
Ministers	Vigil 8.00am 9.30am James Dinning Christine Menezes Anne McNally Bob McNally Suzy Nemorin Nancy Shami
Readers	Vigil 8.00am 9.30am Crystal Menezes, Stefanie Menezes Pepito Ferriols, Karen Eleazar Erika Hien, Adrian Walker
Altar Servers	Vigil 8.00am 9.30am Shaun Baptist Genevieve Estil Madisen Estil VOLUNTEERS Amelia Herczeg VOLUNTEER VOLUNTEER Rachel Lobo Ethan Neish Jayda-Leigh Neish Jerard Sarmiento
Musicians	Vigil 8am 9.30am Perrys Angels Perry's Angels Maria Baltbat
Children's Rosary	Liturgy 24 November 2nd & 3rd Sunday of the month Only Soares Family 33 Pretoria Road, Seven Hills
Flowers	24 November Priya, Mary B & Annette
Bookshop	Vigil 8am 9.30am Greg Edith Carole
Morning Tea Church Cleaning	9.30am 23 Nov OLOL School Parents Andrew Fedrigo Ramzee Michael
Welcomers	Vigil 8am 9.30am VOLUNTEERS VOLUNTEERS VOLUNTEERS

30 November /December 1	
Acolytes	Vigil 8am 9.30am John Jordan Louis Fernandes Noel Emmanuel
Ministers	Vigil 8.00am 9.30am Edith Gartner Cathy Hutchings VOLUNTEER Lorraine Fernandes Ryan Epondulan Artelle Lenthall
Readers	Vigil 8.00am 9.30am Rob Simpson Alison Punch Karen Eleazar Kathy Walker Erika Hien Ian Epondulan
Altar Servers	Vigil 8.00am 9.30am Erika Naing, Jaylen Naing, Riley Naing, Alexandra Simpson, Mikayla Simpson Diana Park, Philip Park, Sean Park Eric Da, Victor Da, Carl Gallema, Marc Gallema, Sarah Lenthall
Musicians	Vigil 8am 9.30am Youth for Christ Grace Notes Christine Clarke
Children's Rosary	Liturgy 24 November 2nd & 3rd Sunday of the month Only Menezes Family 75 Grantham Road, Seven Hills
Flowers	1 December Fenty & Mimi
Bookshop	Vigil 8am 9.30am VOLUNTEER VOLUNTEER Edmund
Morning Tea Church Cleaning	9.30am 27 November Tongan Choir Sue Abela VOLUNTEERS
Welcomers	Vigil 8am 9.30am VOLUNTEERS VOLUNTEERS Lena

Parish Priest:	Fr Henry Huu Duc Tran	Office Hours: Monday-Friday:	9am - 3.00pm
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WEEKEND MASS	Saturday Vigil 6pm Sunday 8am & 9.30am	HEALING MASS & ANOINTING OF SICK	1st Thursday of the month at 8am. 6th December 2019
WEEKDAY MASS	Tues - Friday 8am	BAPTISMAL PREPARATION	15th January 2020 at 7:30pm
PRAYER AND WORSHIP SERVICE	Monday & Saturday 8am	YOUTH MASS	1st Sunday of the month at 9.30am.
RECONCILIATION	Saturday 4.30pm-5.30pm	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament & Novena to Our Lady of Lourdes	Every Friday after 8am Mass until 9am
Church Open Monday-Friday	8.30am-3pm (for prayer and reflection)	Exposition, Divine Mercy & Mass Friday 6th December	1st Friday of the month 7.00pm

A Blessing for Children is available at all Masses

READINGS This Sunday	1st Reading : 2 Samuel 5:1-3	They anointed David King of Israel.
	2nd Reading : Colossians 1:12-20	He has taken us into the kingdom of his beloved Son
	Gospel : Luke 23:35-43	Lord, remember me when you come into your kingdom.
READINGS 1/12/2019	1st Reading : Isaiah 2:1-5	The Lord will gather all nations in eternal peace in the Kingdom of God.
	2nd Reading : Romans 13:11-14	The time has come, our salvation is near.
	Gospel : Matthew 24:37-44	Stay awake, you must be ready.

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON: *How worthy is the Lamb who was slain, to receive power and divinity, and wisdom and strength and honour. To him belong glory and power for ever and ever.*

OPENING PRAYER: Almighty and ever-living God, whose will is to restore all things in your beloved Son, the King of the universe, grant we pray, that the whole creation, set free from slavery, may render your majesty service and ceaselessly proclaim your praise. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

RESPONSE TO PSALM: *Let us go rejoicing to the house of the Lord.*

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!

COMMUNION ANTIPHON: *The Lord sits as King forever. The Lord will bless his people with peace.*

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL MEETING REPORT
In the last extraordinary meeting of the Parish Pastoral Council focussing on our Parish Pastoral Planning and on issues of the Plenary Council 2020 participants of the meeting had a chance to share and listen to one another's thoughts and ideas concerning the question of how to foster and enrich our faith. Following are a few key points coming out from the meeting: Alpha programs for our Sacramental program, Baptismal preparations, and RCIA/ Bible studies & Scriptures reflections/ Prayer & worship to go beyond Sunday mentality/ Small homes-based communities for prayer groups/ the Church needs to be less legalistic, exclusive and more open and inclusive/ Children prayers to be features in our slides.

OUR LADY OF LOURDES PRIMARY SCHOOL is currently accepting enrolments. information pack available to download from the school website or contact Beth in the school office on 8869 6800 between 8.30am-3.30pm Mon to Fri.

NOVEMBER		
	Fr Henry away on Annual Retreat	Mon-Fri
27	Tai Chi	10.30am
28	Christ Community Prayer Group	9am
28	Legion of Mary	1.30pm
DECEMBER		
1	1st Sunday of ADVENT	
2	St Vincent De Paul Meeting	7pm
3	OLOL School Christmas Concert	6.30pm
4	2020 Sacramental Program meeting	6.30pm
5	Healing Mass	8am
6	Advent Prayer Group	9am
6	Thankyou Dinner for Volunteers	6.30pm
7	2020 Sacramental Prog. Meeting RPT	4.30pm
8	Four2Eight — Jnr Youth Group	10.45am

ARE YOU NEW TO OUR PARISH? WELCOME!
If you would like to register with our parish or receive a visit from Fr Henry or a parishioner, please give your name and contact number to Fr Henry after Mass or contact the parish office on 9622 2920 or email secretary@olol7hills.org.au. We look forward to hearing from you!



Let us Pray for the Sick

Leonila Ahillon, Frank Azzopardi, David Barrow, John Bourke, Barrie Chamberlain, Gabriel Chung, Myrna G Cruz, Maureen Daley, Paul Daniel, Andrew Fedrigo, Nazzaro Gatt, Anthony Janicska, Wendy & Klaus, Lawrence Family, Rosalinda Marcelo, Maria V, Laurel Morris, Patricia Oreo, Lekisha Grace & Rommel Panlilio, Debra Price, Rose & Tony Stambouliah, Josette Sultana, Denis Symon, Sue Tipaldo.

If you would like to add to our Sick List or know of any Parishioner that is unwell please contact Father Henry or the Parish Office on 9622 2920. We can also arrange for Holy Communion or a visit if required.

Let us Pray for the Deceased

Recently Deceased: Lawrence Apap, Jovy Blando, Deacon Robert (Bob) Carroll, Maureen Thelma Carter, Errol Fernando, Mary & Frank Gatt, Gordon McLandsborough, Hilda Mead, Romeo Magada-Palmos, Lois Ray, Maria Lorena Troncoso, Lucille Alexandrine Wilson.

Anniversaries: France Anseesing, Eduardo Aure, Fortunata & Frank Baida, Carolina Borg, Lionel Bosen, Samuel Cavallaro, Maria, Gasper & Reggie Dalgado, Gina & Albert Felino, Shanti Fernando, Evangeline Garcia, Martha Joseph, Wilfredo Mendoza, Lourda Motha, John Portello, Natalia Prahinog, Roseline Ratnam, Brian Rolfe, Jose Sanchez, Don Slater, Carmena Vella, Aloysius Welangoda.

Remembrance: Elvina & Giovanni Barnaba, Roy, Mary & Des Barney, Sr Maree Aimee & Clarence Corera, Paul & Simone, Cyril, Patrick John Fischer, VA Francis, Sharon & John Lawrence, Tomasa Maepayo, Apolinario & Felina Maglaya, Pauline Meilak, Manuel Mendiola, Louis & Stephen Mula, Felix & Andriana Muscat, Josephine, Charles, Mary & Muscat Family, Lakshman Perera, Milica Petrunic, Amalia & Dominga Usman.

PRAYER TO GET ALONG WITH OTHERS

O God, bless my dealings with all those I encounter this day. Teach me to greet everything that occurs with peace of soul and the firm conviction that your will governs everything. Instruct me to act with firmness and wisdom, without embittering others or embarrassing them. Grant me the strength to endure the weariness of the approaching day, and all that comes with it. Teach me to pray.

MONEY MATTERS

Envelopes \$ 2111.00
Loose \$ 704.00
TOTAL \$ 2815.00
WEEKLY TARGET: \$ 3500.00



Your generosity is greatly appreciated.

PARISH PROJECTS

As part of our efforts to raise funds to meet the costs of Parish maintenance and improvements, all members of our parish are invited to join a Direct Debit program by donating the cost of a cup of coffee or a glass of beer either weekly, fortnightly or monthly for this good cause. Keep in mind that though we have some limited funds, we have to meet a long list of costs, including the carpark, the Olive St. pathway, our buildings and properties.

Please add a reference of "Donation". Banking details are below:

DIRECT DEPOSIT:

BSB: 067 950;
Account Number 000552;
Account Name: Seven Hills Catholic Church.

FROM POPE FRANCIS CHAPTER FOUR

The Spirit gives life (continued)

In these three truths – God loves you; Christ is your Saviour; he is alive – we see God the Father and Jesus. Wherever the Father and the Son are, there too is the Holy Spirit. He is the one who quietly opens hearts to receive that message. He keeps alive our hope of salvation, and he will help you grow in joy if you are open to his working. The Holy Spirit fills the heart of the risen Christ and then flows over into your lives. When you receive the Spirit, he draws you ever more deeply into the heart of Christ, so that you can grow in his love, his life and his power.

Ask the Holy Spirit each day to help you experience anew the great message. Why not? You have nothing to lose, and he can change your life, fill it with light and lead it along a better path. He takes nothing away from you, but instead helps you to find all that you need, and in the best possible way. Do you need love? You will not find it in dissipation, using other people, or trying to be possessive or domineering. You will find it in a way that will make you genuinely happy. Are you seeking powerful emotions? You will not experience them by accumulating material objects, spending money, chasing desperately after the things of this world. They will come, and in a much more beautiful and meaningful way, if you let yourself be prompted by the Holy Spirit.

Are you looking for passion? As that beautiful poem says: "Fall in love!" (or "let yourself be loved!"), because "nothing is more practical than finding God, than falling in love in a quite absolute, final way. What you are in love with, what seizes your imagination, will affect everything. It will decide what will get you out of bed in the morning, what you do with your evenings, how you spend your weekends, what you read, whom you know, what breaks your heart, and what amazes you with joy and gratitude. Fall in love, stay in love, and it will decide everything".[70] This love for God, that can approach everything in life with passion, is possible thanks to the Spirit, for "God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit who has been given to us" (Rom 5:5).

He is the source of youth at its best. For those who trust in the Lord are "like a tree planted by water sending out its roots by the stream; it shall not fear when heat comes, and its leaves shall stay green" (Jer 17:8). While "youths shall faint and be weary" (Is 40:30), those who wait for the Lord "shall renew their strength, they shall mount up with wings like eagles, they shall run and not be weary, they shall walk and not faint" (Is 40:31).

{Pope Francis, apostolic exhortation, CHRISTUS VIVIT —to the young people and the entire people of God}

FROM FR. HENRY DUC

'The king must offer France 6 provinces of the South, The king must allow missionaries to evangelize freely, and his people to convert freely, The king must open the city of Hanoi and the Hong River for foreigners to have their trades.'

Obviously this is not the language anyone would use to speak to a king, but the king of Vietnam had to humbly accept it in 1874, because the country had lost the war with France, and as a loser, he was made to eat the humble pie by signing such a pact of peace, forcing him to accept those humiliated clauses.

Humanly speaking, kings and queens of the world always prefer to be admired and respected by people, and tell them what to do, instead of being told.

However, there is only one king, who was prepared to go against such a royal trend by allowing himself to be arrested, ridiculed, abused, cheered and mocked at, scourged, and finally nailed to death on the cross. He deliberately chose to walk the way of the cross to bring pardon and salvation not to a single nation, but the entire world. We all know who he is, and we all know the challenging way he has encouraged us to follow to enter into his kingdom.

He, of course, is the King Jesus, whose feast day we celebrate this Sunday, marking the end of this liturgical year, and he is the key figure Luke means to present to us in the Gospel account today.



It has been 92 years, since the feast of Christ the King was first promulgated worldwide by Pope Pius XI with the intention to counteract atheism and secularism, and also to honor Christ's sovereignty over peoples and nations, and the entire universe.

As we celebrate this feast, we are invited to reflect upon the way of the Cross and embrace its values and virtues, and furthermore, lift up our hearts to the 'paradise' that Jesus promised to one of the criminals hung next to him.

Have a heavenly-oriented week.

Fr. Henry

PARISH NEWS...

November Mass Donation Envelopes can be placed in Collection plate during mass or brought to the parish office. **Please do not put in Parish Letterbox.**

BOOK OF ETERNAL LIFE IN THE MONTH OF REMEMBRANCE. Please remember to enter the book of Eternal life the names of all the deceased you like to pray for throughout this month of November. It is placed at the baptismal font before Mass for your registration, and moved to the front of the Altar during Mass.



MINISTERS - NEW ROSTER
Forms are now available at the back of the church for ministers to renew their information for the next rostering period January - June 2020. You can either complete the form

and leave it in the box at the back of the church or, if you received an email last week from the MSP rostering program, you can either send a reply email with your availability or use the online portal of the program to update your information. If you are not currently registered with the rostering program and would like to, please complete a form at the back of the church and print your email address clearly. You will receive an email outlining how to use the online rostering program. **All updates must be received by Wednesday 4th December** so the roster can be completed and published by 18th December.

THANK YOU EVENING FOR ALL VOLUNTEERS
Are you involved in one of the very many volunteer ministries in our parish? If so, you are invited to a

THANKYOU DINNER on FRIDAY 6th December in the **PARISH HALL** from **6.30pm** Food and drinks will be supplied **so for catering purposes it is very important for you to please write your name, phone number and numbers attending** on the sheets at the **BACK** of the church.



SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM 2020 An information meeting will be held on **Wednesday 4th December** with a repeat of this meeting on **Saturday 7th December** for any parents wishing to enrol their child to celebrate the



Sacraments of Reconciliation and First Holy Communion in 2020. For more information, please contact Artelle in the parish office on 96222920 or email artelle@olol7hills.com.au

⌚ **four2Eight** ⌚ Will be on the **8th December** instead of the 1st December.

TAI CHI & QIGONG for health and well being
Wednesday 10:30-11.30am in the Parish Meeting Room.
Cost:\$10.

PIETY SHOP. CHRISTMAS CARDS and COLUMBAN CALENDARS are now available from the piety shop at the back of the church. **COMING SOON** Advent and Christmas items to give as gifts to spread the Spirit of Christmas.



More **VOLUNTEERS** are also needed for the Piety Shop. Please contact the Parish Office if you are able assist. Thank you to all those currently helping on the roster.



VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR WELCOMING & CHURCH CLEANING:

To reduce the load on existing ministers, we are in need of at least 12 more Welcomers to greet people attending our Weekend Masses. This is proving to be a vital and heartwarming ministry.

Church Cleaning: Volunteers are urgently needed to help vacuum the church ONCE a month with either a Wednesday, Thursday or Saturday group. Please assist in this weekly activity which takes less than an hour.

Please add your name to the Clipboard at the back of the Church at times you wish to attend even if you can only volunteer for 6 months.



BISHOP'S CHRISTMAS APPEAL- next weekend. Help vulnerable people in crisis turn their lives around, recover and thrive. Your compassionate gifts and prayers will help Catholic Care to connect people with support and services to build strong foundations for self-sufficiency, fulfilling family relationships and brighter futures. Please give generously to the Bishop's Christmas Appeal your-catholicfoundation.org.au/appeal



FR. HENRY'S ANNUAL RETREAT Due to his annual retreat, Fr Henry will be away from Monday 26 to Friday 29 November, and Fr Ed will say Mass during that time. For emergency please contact our Parish office for either Fr Ed or other clergy in our local area.

THE LITTLE BLUE BOOKS FOR ADVENT & CHRISTMAS

The popular Little Black Books are back under the form of these new Little Blue Books, please get one for yourself and another for your companion to start your own Advent Prayer Group anywhere and anytime you like. They are \$2.00 each

ADVENT PRAYER GROUP John Jordan is happy to host a home-based Advent Prayer group, please contact John on 98963711 for further information.

For the parish-based Advent Prayer group, Fr Henry is going to lead the group on every Friday after Mass and Benediction from 9.00am-10.00am, and all are warmly welcome to join it for a friendly discussion throughout Advent.

WORDS OF THANKS TO JUDY BARDEN AND OF WELCOME TO ARTELLE LENTHALL

Due to personal needs, Judy had to tend her resignation unexpectedly from the position as our Parish Sacramental co-ordinator after many years of faithful service. I am very grateful to her for her generosity to provide supports whenever she was needed especially in the post-Debra time, and thank her for her precious contributions to enrich our Parish community in many ways. Due to her wish, no formal farewell activities should be carried out. So, I would like to thank Judy once again and wish her a refreshing time ahead.

In her absence, Artelle Lenthall is very kind to accept my invitation to co-ordinate our Sacramental program. I like to welcome Artelle to our Parish team and wish her many successes in her position to serve our community.