

**ENTRANCE ANTIPHON** (or a hymn) Let us all rejoice in the Lord, as we celebrate the feast day in honour of all the Saints, at whose festival the Angels rejoice and praise the Son of God.

**RESPONSORIAL PSALM** (Ps 23)

**ANTIPHON:** Lord, this is the people that longs to see your face.

**RESPONSE:** Lord, this is the people that longs to see your face.

**LECTOR:** The Lord's is the earth and its fullness, the world and all its peoples. It is he who set it on the seas; on the waters he made it firm. **R.**

**LECTOR:** Who shall climb the mountain of the Lord? Who shall stand in his holy place? The man with clean hands and pure heart, who desires not worthless things. **R.**

**LECTOR:** He shall receive blessings from the Lord and reward from the God who saves him. Such are the men who seek him, seek the face of the God of Jacob. **R.**

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION** Alleluia, alleluia! Come to me, all you that labour and are burdened, and I will give you rest, says the Lord. Alleluia!

**COMMUNION ANTIPHON** (or a hymn) Blessed are the clean of heart, for they shall see God. Blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall be called children of God. Blessed are they who are persecuted for the sake of righteousness, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

**TODAY'S READINGS** Rev 7: 2-4, 9-14; 1 Jn 3: 1-3; Mt 5: 1-12

**NEXT WEEK** (32nd Sunday Year B) Wis 6: 12-16; 1 Thes 4: 13-18; Mt 25: 1-13

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## Saints are the winners



1 November 2020 All Saints Year A

Imagine you're a participant on a Catholic game show. The host flashes a smile.

"This is for the win—no pressure. The final question is ..." The host pauses for dramatic effect and says, "Are ... you ... ready?"

You swallow nervously, hardly believing that you have reached this point because of all those Sunday homilies and years of Catholic schooling. You are one question away from winning. You clench your teeth and nod.

The host says, "The question ... what is a saint?"

You have two minutes to answer. The answer appears simple. "A saint is a holy person and holiness is what God has by nature and what the creature has by participation, by grace."

That's a good start. Extra points for the clarifying distinction between nature and grace. But there's still 1:51 left on the clock. The word saint derives from the Latin sanctus, which means 'holy'. The verb form is sancire, meaning 'to consecrate' or 'to sanctify'. The English of the verb could be 'to saint-ify'. The bread and wine is 'saint-ified'—set apart for a holy use, for administering, becoming a vessel for the divine presence.

A saint is someone who, manifest in their words and actions, has become a vessel of the divine presence in the world. This is going very well but there's something missing in your answer: you better turn to

the bible. Vatican II said somewhere that scripture is "the soul of theology..."

God is called "holy, holy, holy" by the flying seraphim in Isaiah 6 and "the Holy One of Israel" in lots of places (Psalms 71, 78, 89, for example). Not only God, though: Psalm 89 is one place where heavenly beings are called "the assembly of the holy ones ... the council of the holy ones." And in Deuteronomy 33, Moses, blessing Israel before his death, gave them the same title, God's "holy ones." So God, the heavenly beings privy to his inner council, and God's chosen people are all "holy ones." Throughout the New Testament, Jesus's people are called hagioi, "holy ones" or "saints," as it is usually translated in our bibles. That means the baptised, all of us.

A few seconds left! With a flash of insight, you speak up again: "We call 'saint' someone who has realised what is deepest in their humanity, their 'likeness' to God; like angels they have been granted privileged place in God's ruling council. That's why we can pray to them. Saints have been set apart to become a vessel of God's presence, to administer his rule over all things. That makes sense of the miracles! And we are all called saints because that is our calling and destiny in Jesus."

The host clears his throat and smiles.

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**CURRENT PARISH NEWS**

**WEEK START SUN Nov 1, 2020**

**ALL SAINT'S DAY**

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**AT 4PM IN PARISH HALL. NO APPT NECESSARY!**

**Sat ~ 9am, 6pm;**

**Sun ~ 6.30am & 8.30am**

**Mon & Wed ~ 6.30am;**

**Tues & Fri ~ 9am**

**MASS TIMES**

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On Oct 28 2020, **Gloria & Kevin Crawford**, two of our original parishioners of Regina Caeli are celebrating their **70th Wedding Anniversary**. We offer Gloria & Kev best wishes & continued good health in the years to come.



**YEAR A**



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**Archbishop Mark's message for you...**

Football is over, so it's time for that other sport that we call elections. Q'ld will vote this w/e & a few days later US will do the same. I mention the US because, for better or worse, what happens in the election there will affect us. Closer to home we have our decisions to make. The key decisions are not about leaders & parties but about policies which make for a stronger, more united & more genuinely human Q'ld. That will mean a community where the most vulnerable are given the most care. That in turn will have to mean policies which look to the interests of First Nations peoples, those whose life is beginning, those whose life is coming to an end, those who are refugees & asylum seekers, those struggling with mental health, the victims of family & sexual violence & so on. There's no shortage of human need. It will mean electing members of parliament who know there's more to life than politics & more to governing than power, leaders more interested in people than in polls. The Queensland bishops have had our say in the statement "The Common Good in a Covid World"; it's now time for the people of Q'ld to have theirs. The Sermon on the Mount, aka, The Beatitudes, is 1 of the most well known Gospel passages. In this week's reflection Elizabeth Fort invites us to take the first steps towards having **kingdom** attitudes. [Read the reflection here.](#)

**REFLECTION:** Today we reprint A'bishop Mark's Foreword of the Bishops' 2020 Social Justice Statement to revise key ideas. Please Google *Social Justice Statement 2020*. **COVID-19** has pressured people's mental health in ways, seen & unseen. People – workers, businesses, people isolated, those suffering family strife or in care - have been at high risk. Decision-makers have had to balance care for public health, social connection, the economy & other essential activities, including worship. **Mental health may be a problem for us sometime in our lives. People of any age or socioeconomic background can be unwell. They are not 'other' people; they are 'us.'** Full reflection in newsletter insert...

**The 'New Norm'**

1. Sanitise your hands
  2. Sign In
  3. Sit on stickered seats only
  4. Social Distancing enforced (1person or family/4m<sup>2</sup>)
  5. Sanitise your space with wipes on exit
- ◆ Only Priests to distribute Communion
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  - ◆ Sign of Peace spoken greeting only
  - ◆ Gifting boxes available at all doors for donations
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  - ◆ No Hymn books used.



**RECENTLY DECEASED:** JOYCE BYRNE, BIANCA CAPELLI, DAN EGAN, BART GAFFNEY, FT 'BILL' HANLEY, LUCY HOUGHTON, DOMINIC VU, *In Our Thoughts & Prayers*  
**ANNIVERSARIES:** MR & MRS ANDRUCZYK, LOUISE & MAURICE CHAPPUIS, NILSEN & JOHNSON FAMILIES, OLEK LAJOC, JACK & JOY McNAMARA, DIANE McNAMARA, SOPHIE GARRETT'S ORGAN DONOR, JACK & PAT O'CONNOR, LEO & GAY RYAN, IVAN, NANCY & STEPHEN GARRETT, GLORIA & ANNE-MARIE McMAHON, JOHN SCOTT, JACK & MARGARET ALTHAUS, KAZIMIERA LYP, TOM STERNFELDT, HELEN SHAW  
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November being the month of All Saints & Souls, for those nearest & dearest & for those who have no-one to remember them, we pray...



**Joyce Byrne (rec dec.), McKenny, Sternfeldt, Francesco & Maria D'Allura & Mattiuzzo families. Mass will be celebrated for Mon Nov 2, on All Soul's Day 6.30am & 9am**

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**PROCESSIONAL SONG**

**GATHER US IN**

**V1** Here in this place, new light is streaming. Now is the darkness vanished away. See, in this space, our fears and our dreamings, brought here to you in the light of this day. Gather us in the lost and forsaken. Gather us in the blind and the lame. Call to us now, and we shall awaken. We shall arise at the sound of our name.



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**OFFERTORY HYMN**

**COME TO ME ALL WHO LABOUR**

**Refrain:** Come to me, all who labour and are heavy burdened, and I shall give you rest. Take up my yoke and learn from me, for I am meek and humble of heart. And you'll find rest for your souls. Yes, my yoke is easy and my burden is light.

**V1** The Lord is my shepherd, I shall never be in need. Fresh and green are the meadows where he gives me rest. R/.

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**COMMUNION HYMN**

**WE REMEMBER**

**REFLECTION HYMN**

**BLEST ARE THEY**

**V1** Blest are they, the poor in spirit, theirs is the kingdom of God. Blest are they, full of sorrow, They shall be consoled.

**Refrain:** Rejoice and be glad! Blessed are you; holy are you! Rejoice and be glad! Yours is the Kingdom of God!

**V2** Blest are they, the lowly ones, they shall inherit the earth. Blest are they, who hunger and thirst, they shall have their fill. R/.

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**RECESSIONAL HYMN**

**LET HEAVEN REJOICE**

**Refrain:** Let heaven rejoice and earth be glad; Let all creation sing. Let children proclaim through ev'ry land: "Hosanna to our King".

**V1** Sound the trumpet into the night; the day of the Lord is near. Wake His people, lift your voice, Proclaim it to the world. R/.

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