

November 27 and 28, 2021

<u>Mass Times</u>:

Vigil mass Saturday 6pm

Family mass Sunday 10am

Student mass Sunday 5pm

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## ST CARTHAGE'S NEWSLETTER





**#53 General Liturgical Guidelines** 

## FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT YEAR C

First Reading: Jer 33:14-16. The day is coming when the Lord will fulfil his promises.

Response: To you, O Lord, I lift my soul.

**Second Reading:** 1 Thes 3:12 – 4:2. Conduct yourself in a way pleasing to God.

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia. Lord, show us your mercy and love, and grant

us your salvation. Alleluia!

Gospel: Lk 21:25-28. 34-36. Be ready for the second coming.



The official welcome for Fr Joe to our parish will be held after the 10 am Mass this Sunday, 28 November. We will have tea/coffee and some eats. It will be great to see as many as can make it! (St Carthage's PC)



Congratulations to Our Confirmation Candidates who were very happy to have finally become certified Roman Catholics. Families expressed much joy in the occasion, feeling welcomed by Fr Joe and relaxed during the service. Their over-whelming gratitude was humbling and their reverence during the service sincere.

Well-done to these remarkable SEVEN Candidates!



### Parish Discussion Group with Susan Pascoe on Synodality



St Carthage's parish has been most fortunate to have Susan Pascoe generously provide her time to lead our parishioners in discussions of "Synodality in the Life and Mission of the Church." For the notes on this parish meeting, which took place in the parish office last Tuesday  $23^{\rm rd}$  November, provided by Parishioner Constant Mews,

please access through the following link Report on Parish Synodality meeting with Susan Pascoe November 2021

You can find the Power Point shared by Susan on the evening by visiting St Carthage's Parkville Website, posted under the title "Synodality."

Susan's credentials have also been updated on the website under "Getting to know our Parishioners."

## St Carthage's Finance Council – September Year to Date **Report & 2022 Budget Report**

For a full financial report please click on the following link;

St Carthage's Finance-Budget report

Several hard copies will also be available in the Church foyer this weekend.

Thanking you for your continued support of our Parish and wishing you all a safe and fruitful 2022. Carthage's Finance Council, November 2021.



A message from Aid to the Church in Need Australia: ACN is running an advent appeal to help Christian refugees



who are suffering due to persecution, conflict and violence. This year share the hope of Christmas with Christian refugees and help ease their burdens. To Church in Need read stories and watch videos of how ACN is helping our suffering brothers and sisters and to make a donation please

visit www.aidtochurch.org/adventappeal.



## International Day for the Elimination of Violence against Women 25th November

Pope Francis invites us to pray "for a generous welcome of the victims of human trafficking, of enforced prostitution, and of violence." Abuses and violence against women are "acts of cowardice and a degradation of all humanity," Pope Francis said. "We



must not look the other way. Let us pray for women who are victims of violence, that they may be protected by society and have their sufferings considered and heeded by all," he said... "For the financial year 2020/2021, the AFP (Australian Federal Police) received 224 reports of human trafficking, slavery and slavery-like offences. So far this financial year the AFP has received 111 reports," said Detective Inspector Staunton.

Human trafficking, a \$150 billion global industry, is one of the greatest examples of violence against women and girls.

You can help eliminate Human Trafficking by supporting ACRATH!

#### Fr. MICHAEL's TRIBUTE BOOK - Only a few left now!

If you missed out earlier or would like another copy before Christmas before they are all gone, please contact Dennis Green at <a href="mailto:greenden125@gmail.com">greenden125@gmail.com</a>, or by mobile 0438 571 835, or approach him with your request after 10am Mass. Cost of the book is \$25, but postage can also be arranged.



# Advent Reflections on sale now. For a sample view of this Calendar please see link below

https://documentcloud.abode.com/link/track?uri=urn:scds:US:61aed601-51db-4bcc-8760-b4d3d221d978



#### Last reminder about the Long-awaited IRISH POETRY and MUSIC DAY

Featuring Chris Watson Poetry & Catherine Connelly Harpist 5 December, 2021, 2pm. Mercy Hub, 607 Nicholson St, North Carlton.





#### **Christmas services**

**Christmas Eve masses**: 6pm Children's mass, 8pm mass, 11.30pm carols followed by midnight mass. **Christmas Day**: 10am mass (no evening mass)

As part of St Carthage's commitment to the safety and well-being of all vulnerable people, just a friendly reminder to observe the signs around the Church grounds. All Children must be accompanied by an adult at all times.