



St Anthony's Parish

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St Bernard's Parish

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OUR LADY HELP OF CHRISTIANS, KOROBET
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THE 32nd SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME -YEAR B

10th November 2024

PARISH PRIEST: Fr Alex Clemente
ASSISTANT PRIESTS: Fr Wilford Urmaza and Fr Lucas Kyaw Myint

ST ANTHONY'S PARISH

Parish Secretary: Lesley Morffew
Admin Assistant: Judy Johnson

Parish Office Hours:

Tuesday—Friday 9.30am-4.30pm

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Phone: 8099 7800

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ST BERNARD'S PARISH

Parish Secretary: Dolores Turcsan

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Tuesday—Friday 9.30am-1.30pm

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109-141 Bulmans Rd, West Melton, 3337 / Bridge Rd, Cobblebank 3338 **Website:** www.sfcc.vic.edu.au

In the case of urgent situations-sickness etc. please call 0422 869 646

ST ANTHONY'S PASTORAL COUNCIL

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Council Secretary: Judy Johnson	

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For any queries regarding the newsletter please contact Judy Johnson 0414 007 009 Items for the newsletter must be submitted by Wednesday midnight please email judyparishnews@gmail.com Judy Johnson's office hours are Tue, Wed and Thu 9.30am-1.30pm

MASS AND DEVOTIONS

ST ANTHONY'S MELTON SOUTH 11/11/2024-17/11/2024

MASS TIMES:

Monday	11/11	6.30pm
Tuesday	12/11	9.30am
Novena Mass and Blessing of St Anthony's Bread		6.30pm
Wednesday	13/11	9.30am
Thursday	14/11	9.30am
Friday	15/11	9.30am
Saturday	16/11	9.00am

Rosary **9.00am prior to weekday masses &**

Rosary **8.30am prior to Saturday mass**

Sunday Masses

Saturday Vigil	16/11	5.00pm
Sunday	17/11	8.30am & 10.30am
Rosary 10.00am on Sundays		

Confession is available and begins 30 minutes prior to each Mass and will cease 5 minutes before Mass commences.
No Confession on Monday.

ST BERNARD'S BACCHUS MARSH 11/11/2024-17/11/2024

MASS TIMES:

Monday	11/11	Divine Mercy Chaplet – 3.00pm	No Mass
Tuesday	12/11		7.30am
Holy Hour			7.00pm
Wednesday	13/11		9.30am
Thursday	14/11		7.30am
Friday	15/11		7.30am
Saturday	16/11		9.00am

Sunday Mass

Saturday Vigil	16/11	5.00pm
Sunday	17/11	8.30am & 10.30am
(Rosary in the Chapel 10.00am on Sundays)		

Confession is available and begins 30 minutes prior to each Mass and will cease 5 minutes before Mass commences.

OUR LADY HELP OF CHRISTIANS KOROBET MASS TIMES

Saturday Vigil	2nd & 3rd Saturdays of the month	5.00pm
Saturday 9th & 16th November		

PARISHIONER'S FIRST COLLECTION/SECOND COLLECTION

Parishioners who normally give cash each weekend for the collections, and wish to pay electronically are now able to go to the link below and make their payments online

The link to the St Anthony's Parish : <https://www.melbcatholic.org/s/donate?id=0012w00000LOj5yAAD>

The link to the St Bernard's Parish is: <https://www.melbcatholic.org/s/donate?id=0012w00000LOj42AAD>

REFLECTION 32nd SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME—Fr Alex Clemete RCJ

We are presented with two poor widows in the readings. In the Bible, widows are among the *anawin* (the poor of the Yahweh), which also include orphans and strangers. These are not only economically poor, but also excluded and oppressed in society. That is why God sides with them and uses them to convey a powerful message to all.

The first widow (1 Kings) trusted God totally by surrendering to the prophet all the food she and her child had to live on. After offering food to God's messenger, they were ready to die of hunger until one of the most beautiful prophecies was given her: your jar of flour will never be empty, your jug of oil will never run dry... What an abundance! The promise came not only because she was a widow but because the Lord saw that she was generous!

In the gospel, Jesus directs his disciples' attention to a poor widow who approaches the treasury. He observes as the wealthy individuals contribute large sums of money. Yet, it is the widow who catches His eye. With humility and sacrificial love, she places two small coins worth only a few cents into the treasury.

In this encounter, Jesus reveals the true measure of generosity and devotion. It is not the amount of money or possessions that we give but the disposition of our hearts. The widow, though materially poor, offers her entire livelihood, demonstrating a deep trust in God's providence and a willingness to give sacrificially.

Both widows act of giving a become powerful lesson for us all. Despite their poverty, they do not hold back or make excuses. Instead, they offered everything they have, displaying a profound faith and a heart filled with love for God.

Am I like the widow, giving from a place of selflessness and genuine devotion?

How can my offering to the church reflect my faith and trust to God's providence?



PARISH & EVENTS NOTICES

NEWS FROM THE PARISH OFFICES

FAITH FORMATION Sessions are held every **Tuesday at 7.15pm** in the Mackillop meeting room at St Anthony's church. Everyone is encouraged to attend especially those who seek to deepen their faith or learn about the catholic faith or want to receive the Sacraments of the Catholic Church and be baptised a Catholic. Topic Week 12: **The Church, the Mystical Body, the Four Marks of the Church presented by Fr .Wilford Urmaza.**

SAVE THE DATE-3rd DECEMBER 2024 - HOPE DOES NOT DISAPPOINT Please join us for a retreat night ushering Jubilee Year 2025 at St Anthony's Church- Melton South on Tuesday 3rd December 2024 7:15pm-9:30pm. Inspirational speaker: Deacon David Reaves. A night of reflection, prayer & songs on the real value of the sacrament of reconciliation during this 'Year of Hope'

PASTORAL CARE APPEAL 2024 THIS WEEKEND. This weekend is CatholicCare Victoria's annual Pastoral Care Appeal in the Archdiocese of Melbourne. Each year a special collection is conducted in all parishes, so that the vital work of the Catholic Chaplains can continue. The Catholic Chaplains support thousands of Victorians every year in prisons, to help them journey towards a brighter future. Your gift can help people find comfort and hope as they go through some of their darkest times of their life. Please give generously. You can donate using the envelopes available or online

ST ANTHONY'S

OFFERTORY CAMPAIGN REMINDER

All parishioners who have ticked the electronic box on your Pledge Card have been sent an email with a Direct Debit Authority Form. Please print this out and return to the Parish Office via whichever method you are most comfortable with. You may also place it in the collection plate, this goes straight to the Parish Office. Thank you for your generosity.

ANNOINTING MASS

An Anointing Mass will be held on **Thursday 14th November 2024 at 11.00am** at St Anthony's Church. We will have a cuppa after the service. Please bring a plate to share. Thank you.

VOLUNTEERS APPRECIATION LUNCH

Sunday the 24th November 2024 St Anthony's Parish Padua Hall 12pm- 2pm Please add your name to the clip board in the foyer if you are attending for catering purposes. Your Ministry is very much appreciated. Thank you.

THANKSGIVING ENVELOPES

Thanksgiving envelopes are available for collection in the foyer for ongoing cash contributors. Thank you.

BINGO CALLER VOLUNTEER NEEDED

We urgently need a caller for Bingo. This involves a commitment on Tuesdays 5.30pm-10.00pm. If you are able to help please speak to **Rose Ma'ae 0460 672 571.**

MEMORIAL MASS

Our Memorial Mass for Gloria Kolotea Malia Lemana-Tuilaepa will be on Friday 15th November 2024 at 7pm at St Anthony's Church. Light refreshments will follow at Padua Hall. Please bring a plate to share.

PARISH OFFICE CLOSURE: The Parish Office will be closed **Friday 15th November and will reopen on the 19th November.**

MELBOURNE CUP DAY DANCE

Our dance raise \$3,300!! Congratulations and a big thank you to all involved in the organising of this event, your efforts are much appreciated.

ST BERNARD'S

ST BERNARD'S YOUNG ADULTS GROUP.

The next gathering of St Bernard's Young Adults group will be held on **Tuesday, 12th November.**

Holy Hour will begin at 7:00pm and this will be followed by social activities and a formation talk in the hall. A meal will be provided at 6:00pm for those interested. For catering purposes, if you are coming for the meal, please text the number of those in your group to 0423 965 819.

Include the words "Young adults' group" in the text.

ST VINCENTS DE PAUL CHRISTMAS HAMPERS

Bacchus Marsh St Vincent de Paul Conference is providing a hamper of essential pantry items to families we have assisted during the year. Through the generosity of St Bernard's Primary School families, we will have sufficient items to make up the hampers, although we do require funds to purchase additional items and gift cards for the children of the families we are assisting. If you wish to make a contribution, donations can be placed in the poor box in the Church or by contacting President Margot Short 0419 507 438 or Treasurer Peter Kennedy 0407 778 119.

FAREWELL

On Saturday 23rd November after the 5pm Mass St Bernard's parishioners are invited to farewell Fr Alex, Fr Wilford and Fr Lucas at an informal gathering in the Parish Centre. Please bring a plate. On the 9th /10th November weekend a special collection will be taken up for a farewell gift for Fr Wilford and the following weekend 16th-17th November Fr Alex's farewell gift collection will be taken up.

KNIGHTS OF THE SOUTHERN CROSS

The November meeting of the Knights of the Southern Cross will be held in the parish centre meeting room on Monday, November 11 at 8pm.

OUR LADY OF FATIMA STATUE

If anyone is interested in having the statue of Our Lady of Fatima in their house on a monthly roster please contact Colm on 0413 223 400 for more details.

WORSHIP NEWS

ALL VOLUNTEERS IN OUR PARISH MUST HAVE A CURRENT VALID WORKING WITH CHILDREN CHECK AND A CODE OF CONDUCT FORM SIGNED.

ST ANTHONY'S MINISTRIES

NEXT WEEKEND ROSTER: 16th & 17th Nov 2024

Please present yourself to the Mass Coordinator

15 minutes before the scheduled Mass time or a replacement will be found. Thank you.

MINISTERS OF THE WORD

5.00pm: Mary Felix & Lisa Marshall

8.30am: Eva Caliguran & Leonia Jessop

10.30am: Romeo Sacris & Alexandra Gunaratnam

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS

5.00pm: Gavin Pereira & Dolores Turcsan

8.30am: Roa Seufatu & Geoff Sutton

10.30am: Frank Carreon & Cita Carreon

If you are unavailable for these dates please contact Lesley at the Parish Office Thank you

MASS COORDINATORS

5.00pm: Leonia & Julie

8.30am: Josephine & Olen

10.30am: Lillian & Olen

ST BERNARD'S MINISTRIES

NEXT WEEKEND ROSTER: 16th & 17th Nov 2024

MINISTERS OF THE WORD

5.00pm: Maureen Zahra

8.30am: Moira Ross

10.30am: Allan McManus

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS

5.00pm: Colin Remedios

8.30am: Peter McPhan

10.30am: Cheryl Stevens

PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL

November: John Thorne

ST ANTHONY'S PASTORAL CARE

We pray for the recently deceased: Vivian D'Silva

We pray for those whose death anniversaries occur at this time: Karen Micallef, Tony Sciberras, James Tellis and Regina Valencia.

Please pray for the Sick:

Teresita Arrozal, Nickolia & Klara Butkovic, Maria Caruana, Mary Caruana, Christabelle, Lydia De Vega, Vivian D'Silva, Melanie Fue, Bruce Hynes, Estella James, Kotinis Cornelia Kani, Judy Layton, Faamu Leiataua, Peter Manicaro, Gregory McCutcheon, Pam Meier, Damien Michael, Hazel Michael, Tony Michael, Veronica Michael, Jan Mifsud, Nickol, Caleb O'Brien, John Osborne, Anna Samy, Samantha Smith, Sina, Saleri, Charlie Spiteri, Janko Stojanovic, Uatoa Tuigamala, Clint Abela Wadge, Wai Walsh, Josephine Xuereb and all those who have requested our prayers. **PLEASE LET US KNOW WHEN YOUR LOVED ONE IS NO LONGER REQUIRED ON THIS LIST.**

ST BERNARD'S PASTORAL CARE

We pray for the recently deceased:

Jack Davey

We pray for those whose death anniversaries occur at this time: Grace Green and Lorna Hives.

Please pray for the Sick:

Carmel Berry, Brendan Coburn, Kathleen Dally, Dean Elms, Frances, Caleb Silas Ginger (baby), Michael Johnston, John & Patricia Kelly, Michael Larkin, Joanne Mumford, Peter Roberts, Liz Shelly and all those who have requested our prayers.

PLEASE LET US KNOW WHEN YOUR LOVED ONE IS NO LONGER REQUIRED ON THIS LIST.



NOVEMBER, MONTH OF THE HOLY SOULS MASS INTENTIONS. During November, we have the opportunity to honour our departed loved ones in a special way. We are encouraged to use dedicated envelopes to inscribe the names of our cherished departed family and friends. These envelopes will be placed before the altar, where Masses will be offered for their souls throughout the entire month of November. The envelopes will be blessed with holy water, symbolizing our baptism and our connection to the Church. This tradition provides a beautiful way to honour our departed loved ones and deepen our connection to the Sacraments and to God. It's important to note that public announcement of the names in the envelopes is not necessary for the effectiveness of the prayers. Additionally, we kindly ask for your support in offering mass intentions with a donation, which will concretely show our participation in the celebration. This year, the proceeds of the donation through the November envelopes will go to the Rogationist Mission in Kigali, Rwanda for the construction of a school for underprivileged children in the countryside. We understand that there may be special occasions during November, such as death anniversaries or birthdays of loved ones, and we will still accept separate mass intentions for them. However, for all other intentions for our departed loved ones, we kindly request that they be channelled through the November envelopes. Your participation and support in this meaningful initiative are greatly appreciated. *With gratitude, Fr Alex Clemente RCJ*

SERVICE / COMMUNITY

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ST ANTHONY'S

WEEKEND VOLUNTEERS: 16th & 17th November PIETY STALL VOLUNTEERS

5.00pm Vigil: Julie Sequiera
8.30am: Ineke Allen
10.30am: Gilles Maitre

CHURCH FLOWERS

November: Rosabella

CUPPA VOLUNTEERS

To be advised.

ST VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

Welfare Number: 1800 305 330
The Melton South Conference meet every 1st Tuesday of the month in the Mackillop Room 10.30am.
New members most welcome, training provided.
Non perishable items within the use by date can be left in the 'drop box' in the Church foyer.
We cannot accept re-packaged food.

COMBINED CHURCHES CARING MELTON INC

We're here to support City of Melton residents get ahead through access to our foodbank and other community programs. It's never just about the food or the budget help, it's about recognising the beauty that is in the person and bringing it out so they can be their best. 100 Coburn's Road Melton South 9747 6811.

*The Harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few;
Pray therefore (**Rogate Ergo...**) to the Lord of the
Harvest that He may send Good workers into His vast
vineyard. (Mt. 9:37-38).*

*Prayer is the answer to the perennial
problem of the lack of good evangelical workers.
It is a command and not just a simple request or an
invitation. The Church needs holy workers.*

*She needs committed, faithful, and zealous ministers of
the Gospel. But if we will not beg the Lord, we will never
be blessed with Good and Holy Vocations.*

*St. Hannibal Ma. Di Francia, the Patron of Vocations
said; Vocations come from on High, if we do not pray,
vocations will not come. Let us therefore implore the
Master of the Harvest with this short prayer:*

Send, O Lord, Holy Apostles into Your Church!



ST BERNARD'S

WEEKEND VOLUNTEERS : 16th & 17th November PIETY STALL VOLUNTEERS

Saturday: 5.00pm: Carmel Shea
Sunday: 8.30am: Margot Short

CHURCH FLOWERS

November: Tup Shea

PRESBYTERY & CHURCH GROUNDS-MOWING

Colm Carragher, Ron Geurts and Michael Love.

ST VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY:

Welfare number 1800 305 330.
Bacchus Marsh Vinnies Store 164-190 Main Street is in
urgent need of donations. All donations gratefully
appreciated and can be dropped at the Store 7 days a
week. Any enquiries please contact the Store Manager
on 8199 4205

THE NEIGHBOURS PLACE

The Neighbours' Place is a Christian not-for-profit
organisation whose aim is to serve people of the
Moorabool Shire, west of Melbourne Australia, who are
disadvantaged, at risk or temporarily unable to feed
themselves or their family and who are in need of
emergency food relief.

NILS is a **No Interest Loans Scheme** for assistance of
up to \$2000 for things like white goods, furniture and minor
car repairs to keep life going.

We are located at [77 Main Street, Bacchus Marsh](#)
Phone: 03 5367 6222

Email: neighbourspl@iinet.net.au

Hours of Operation: Monday, Wednesday and Friday
9.30am-12.30pm. Closed on public holidays.

SOUL FOOD

Soul Food provides a free community meal each
Wednesday (excluding school holidays), in the Uniting
Church Hall, Gisborne Rd, Bacchus Marsh. Meals are
served up at 12noon. All are welcome and this is a free
event. No need to book, just come along.

PARISH CENTRE BOOKING

Tel: 5367 3427 Mon—Fri 9.00am to 6.00pm
Hall Managers: Marie & Terry Casey

All use of the Parish Centre must be authorised by either the
parish office or by contacting Marie Casey.
Mass coordinators will unlock & lock the Parish centre before
& after masses so that the toilets can be accessed.

FAITH FORMATION

ST ANTHONY'S AND ST BERNARD'S

BAPTISM PREPARATION PROGRAM– ST ANTHONY'S AND ST BERNARD'S

Baptisms will be held at St Anthony's on the 1st & 3rd Saturdays of the month at 11.00am
and Baptisms will be held at St Bernard's on the 2nd & 4th Saturdays of the month at 11.00am.

Please go to:

[St Anthony of Padua Catholic Parish | Melton South](#)

[Baptism of Infants | St Bernard's Catholic Parish \(stbernardsbacchusmarsh.com.au\)](#)

click on 'Faith Formation' and then 'Baptism of Infants' for all the information and the application form.

Please contact the Parish Offices if you need any assistance. Thank you.

ADULT PREPARATION Adult preparation for the Sacraments of Baptism, Reconciliation, Eucharist or Confirmation are through the R.C.I.A Program. Please see Fr Alex, Fr Wilford, Fr Lucas or Naim Chdid .



FATIMA STATUE—ST ANTHONY'S

These families are praying together for the mission of the Parish:

Group 1:	Shane & Dolly Barrow	0424 080 822
Group 2:	To be advised	
Group 3:	Josephine German	0478 288 761



DIVINE MERCY NOVENA

1st Sunday of the month 3pm.

NEO-CONSTANTINOPOLITAN CREED

I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible.

I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages.

God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father; through him all things were made.

For us men and for our salvation he came down from heaven,

[bow during the next line]

and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and became man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate, he suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures.

He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and his kingdom will have no end.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.

I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church.

I confess one baptism for the forgiveness of sins and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen

Lord, we ask you to continue

to be with us as we

' TAKE THE WAY OF THE GOSPEL '

together in prayer.

May we open ourselves to you

with a new depth of trust and conviction

in your guiding hand,

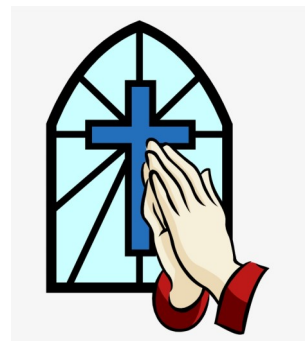
so that we may discern our journey

with compassionate and humble hearts

and come to know your Holy Spirit

Moving within and amongst us,

And so be transformed Amen.



LITURGY OF THE WORD

ENTRANCE PROCESSION

Let my prayer come into your presence.
Incline your ear to my cry for help, O Lord

FIRST READING: 1Kings 17:10-16

Elijah the Prophet went off to Sidon. And when he reached the city gate, there was a widow gathering sticks; addressing her he said, 'Please bring a little water in a vessel for me to drink.' She was setting off to bring it when he called after her. 'Please' he said 'bring me a scrap of bread in your hand.' 'As the Lord your God lives,' she replied 'I have no baked bread, but only a handful of meal in a jar and a little oil in a jug; I am just gathering a stick or two to go and prepare this for myself and my son to eat, and then we shall die.' But Elijah said to her, 'Do not be afraid, go and do as you have said; but first make a little scone of it for me and bring it to me, and then make some for yourself and for your son. For thus the Lord speaks, the God of Israel:

"Jar of meal shall not be spent,
jug of oil shall not be emptied,
before the day when the Lord sends
rain on the face of the earth."

The woman went and did as Elijah told her and they ate the food, she, himself and her son. The jar of meal was not spent nor the jug of oil emptied, just as the Lord had foretold through Elijah.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM 145

Commentator: Praise the Lord, my soul!

All: Praise the Lord, my soul!

It is the Lord who keeps faith for ever,
who is just to those who are oppressed.
It is he who gives bread to the hungry,
the Lord, who sets prisoners free.

It is the Lord who gives sight to the blind,
who raises up those who are bowed down.
It is the Lord who loves the just,
the Lord, who protects the stranger

The Lord upholds the widow and orphan
but thwarts the path of the wicked.
The Lord will reign for ever,
Zion's God, from age to age.

Praise the Lord, my soul!

NEXT WEEKEND'S READINGS

33rd SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

FIRST READING: Dan 12:1-3

SECOND READING: Heb 10:11-14

GOSPEL: Mk 13:24-32



SECOND READING Hebrews 9:24-28

It is not as though Christ had entered a man-made sanctuary which was only modelled on the real one; but it was heaven itself, so that he could appear in the actual presence of God on our behalf. And he does not have to offer himself again and again, like the high priest going into the sanctuary year after year with the blood that is not his own, or else he would have had to suffer over and over again since the world began. Instead of that, he has made his appearance once and for all, now at the end of the last age, to do away with sin by sacrificing himself. Since men only die once, and after that comes judgement, so Christ, too, offers himself only once to take the faults of many on himself, and when he appears a second time, it will not be to deal with sin but to reward with salvation those who are waiting for him.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!

Happy the poor in spirit;
the kingdom of heaven is theirs.
Alleluia!

GOSPEL Mark 12:38-44

In his teaching Jesus said, 'Beware of the scribes who like to walk about in long robes, to be greeted obsequiously in the market squares, to take the front seats in the synagogues and the places of honour at banquets; these are the men who swallow the property of widows, while making a show of lengthy prayers. The more severe will be the sentence they receive.' He sat down opposite the treasury and watched the people putting money into the treasury, and many of the rich put in a great deal. A poor widow came and put in two small coins, the equivalent of a penny. Then he called his disciples and said to them, 'I tell you solemnly, this poor widow has put more in than all who have contributed to the treasury; for they have all put in money they had over, but she from the little she had has put in everything she possessed, all she had to live on.'

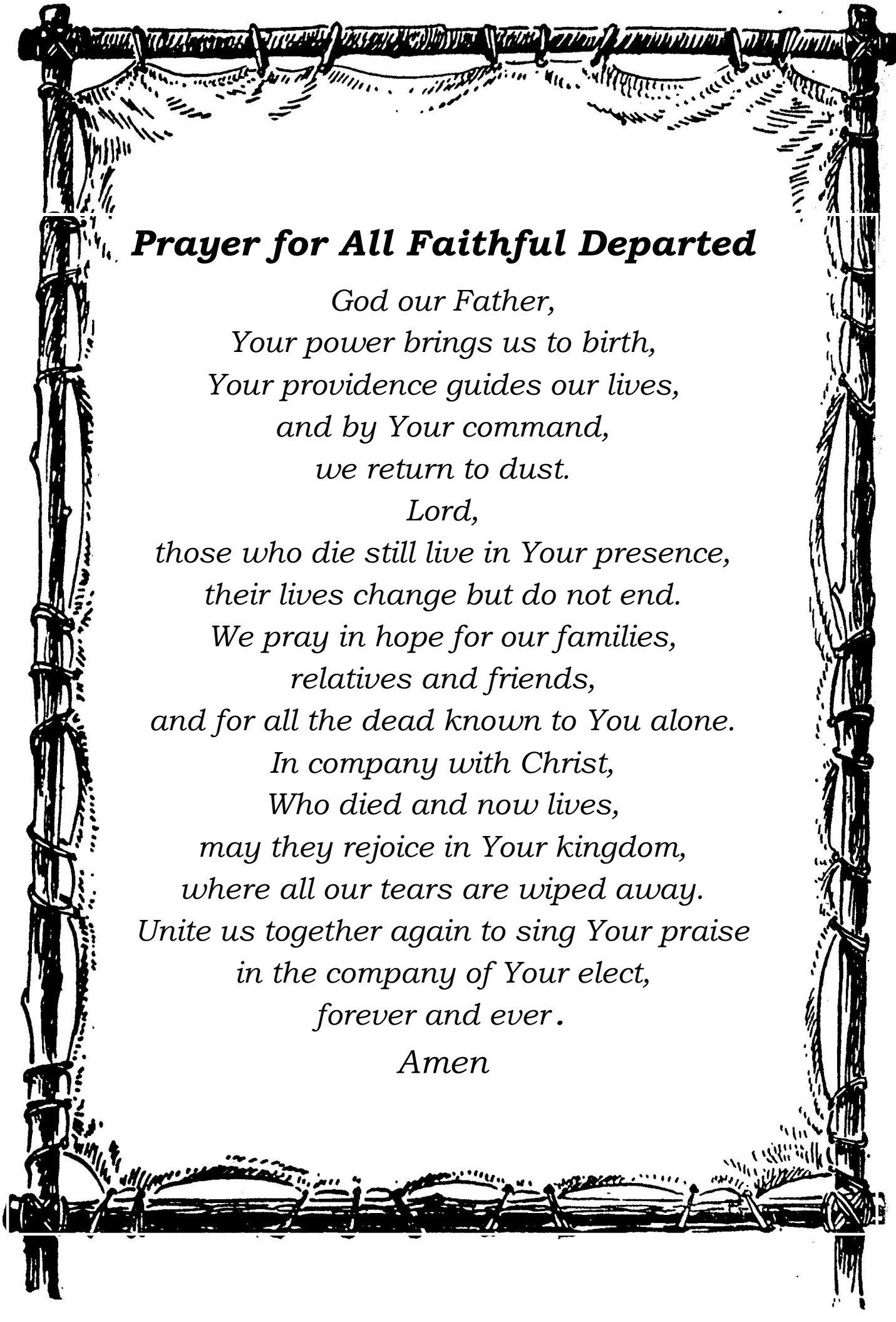
The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.



COMMUNION ANTIPHON

The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.
Fresh and green are the pastures where he gives me repose,
near restful waters he leads me.



Prayer for All Faithful Departed

*God our Father,
Your power brings us to birth,
Your providence guides our lives,
and by Your command,
we return to dust.*

*Lord,
those who die still live in Your presence,
their lives change but do not end.
We pray in hope for our families,
relatives and friends,
and for all the dead known to You alone.*

*In company with Christ,
Who died and now lives,
may they rejoice in Your kingdom,
where all our tears are wiped away.
Unite us together again to sing Your praise
in the company of Your elect,
forever and ever.*

Amen