



All Saints & All Souls Day

2 November 2025

Notes from Yukiko's Desk



Greetings fellow pilgrims,

Baptism: Last week, I announced that Bob Coughlan and their daughter Angela were getting baptised on 30th October. It was a joyful occasion. I am excited to let you know that we have the joy this Sunday of welcoming **Jonathan Perratt** into the life of Christ through baptism. The baptism liturgy takes place within our usual Eucharistic worship (after reading the Gospel). Please pray for Jonathan as he prepares to publicly confess his faith in Jesus Christ and to receive the sacrament, and please come to the service on Sunday if you can, to bear witness and pray with him on this special occasion. Jonathan will take part in the confirmation service (done by Bishop Ross) together with Bob and Angela at Holy Trinity Cathedral on Sunday 7th December.

All Saints/All Souls: This weekend are the feasts of All Saints and All Souls. Together with the vigil for All Saints, popularly known as Hallowe'en, they make up a small season that some call "All Hallows-tide". You may notice that Christmas trees are up in the malls and Christmas decorations are in the shops already. But those of us who observe the Christian calendar are instead focusing on important matters of what it means to live and die well, and praying for the ones we love but see no longer.

As is our custom, we are going to merge the observance of All Saints and All Souls together this Sunday, in a service that includes celebrating the saints of God, reflecting on what it means to be one of the saints ourselves, and commemorating those who have died. There will be a part of the service where you can light a candle for your loved ones who have died. I look forward to celebrating this special day with you all.

Yukiko

News and Upcoming Events



This week, our little ones did some painting! It was a lot of fun! The question for sharing was “Do you enjoy painting? What does it mean to you?”

What is your answer?



Morning Tea @ Settler's

Next meeting: Wednesday **19th Nov** at **10 am** at Settler's lounge.

Parish dinner

8th Nov (Saturday) at Holy Cross. Starting at 6:30pm

If you can, bring a plate to share bearing in mind the only things you have to bring are yourself, a good appetite, and a sense of fun! We will provide drinks and some food. There are some nice live music performances during the night.

Please feel free to invite your family, friends, and those who have come to our parishes!

If you haven't done it yet, please fill in the sign-up sheet at both Holy Cross and St. Michael's.



We pray for:

- for the people in Jamaica where Hurricane Melissa hit this week.
- Jonathan, Angela and Bob who are preparing for their new life in Christ
- Global peace in the world, especially in Middle East, Ukraine, Sudan and Nigeria
- Our annual Parish dinner

This Week's Bible Question

With what does Psalm 149 begin and end (Ps. 149:1, 9)?

A: The Lord is good

B: Shout to the Lord

C: Praise the Lord

D: Give thanks to the Lord

This Week's Service Songs at Holy Cross

Opening: Come As You Are

Gospel: Lord of the Dance

Offertory: For All The Saints

Recession: We Sing a Love

Music: Andrew

Sentence for the day

I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love toward all the saints, and for this reason. I do not cease to give thanks for you as I remember you in my prayers. (Eph 1:15)

Readings

	<u>2nd November</u>	<u>9th November</u>
1 st Reading:	Daniel 7:1-3,15-18	TBC
Psalm	Psalm 149	TBC
2 nd Reading:	Ephesians 1:11-23	TBC
Gospel:	Luke 6:20-31	TBC

Liturgical Colour

WHITE

(Not Red as Yukiko Mentioned)

Summary of the Scripture

- 1st Reading: This describes a vision of four beasts emerging from the sea, which represent four successive kingdoms that will rule the earth. Daniel is terrified by the vision.
- 2nd Reading: Means that believers have an inheritance in Christ, guaranteed by the Holy Spirit, which was part of God's predestined plan for His glory.
- Gospel: Known as the "Sermon on the Plain," is a passage where Jesus declares blessings for the poor, hungry, and persecuted, and warns of "woes" for the rich, well-fed, and popular.

Collect for the Day

Almighty God,
your saints are one with you
in the mystical body of Christ:
give us grace to follow them
in all virtue and holiness
until we come to those inexpressible joys
which you have prepared for those
who truly love you;
Amen.

This Week's Bible Question Answer

C: Praise the Lord

Rosters

Holy Cross

	<u>2nd November</u>	<u>9th November</u>
Sacristan	Dorothy Schultz	Val Deas
Welcomer	Trish Duncan	Alison Thompson
1 Readings	Valerie Churchill	Alison Thompson
2 Readings	John Churchill	Linda Wells
Presiding	Yukiko	Les
Prayers	Yukiko	Beatrix
TV Setup & Slides	Karenne West	Graham Wood
Morning Tea	Beatrix & Robert	Dorothy M & Ria
Flowers	Ria Gormley	Diana Harris
Music	Andrew	Karin

St Michaels

	<u>2nd November</u>	<u>9th November</u>
Prayers	Yukiko	Bruce Goertz
Readings	Brian Simpson	Bruce Goertz
Presiding	Yukiko	Bruce Goertz

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PEOPLE STAND UP
FOR THEMSELVES.
BUT THE
STRONGEST PEOPLE
STAND UP
FOR OTHERS.**

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Please Note:

Holy Cross no longer has a telephone connection

Hope The Saints Bless You With Their Grace And
Wisdom. Happy All Saints' Day To You And Your
Family! May God Bless Us, Today And Tomorrow

Happy
All Saints' Day

