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Message by Parish Priest



My dear friends!

Pope Francis this week invites us to be people who build bridges with those who do not believe or with those who have a different creed from ours.

“Always build bridges; always reach out, no aggression.” That was the Pope’s invitation during

his weekly General Audience on Wednesday as he continued his Catechesis on the Acts of the Apostles.

The Pope took his cue from St. Paul as he described this great Saint’s preaching before the Areopagus in Athens, the cultural capital of the pagan world. In a city filled with idols, said Pope Francis, Paul proclaims the Gospel by appealing to the religiosity of his hearers and their desire to know the truth.

A call to conversion

The Pontiff explained, that when St Paul sees an altar dedicated to an “unknown god”, he states that God, the transcendent Creator of the world, has indeed made himself known, and sent his Son to call all people to conversion and the fullness of truth. Yet, the Pope notes, that when Paul speaks of Christ’s death and resurrection, his listeners lose interest and his words arouse mockery and derision in the eyes of the Greeks. But as Pope Francis points out, St Paul’s preaching bears fruit in the conversion of some Athenians, including Dionysius the Areopagite and Damaris, who open themselves up to the faith.

Concluding his catechesis, the Pope invited the faithful to ask the Holy Spirit, “for the capacity to delicately inculturate the message of faith, placing a contemplative gaze on those who are ignorant of Christ, moved by a love that warms even the most hardened hearts.”

May we all strive to be builders of bridge between people irrespective of caste, creed and religion. May we be able to foster unity among all the peoples.

SCC MEETINGS

St. Alphonsa SCC meeting on 21st Nov.

(7:30 pm) Thurs. at Mr. Roshan Paul, residence, Block No.9, Flat No. 732, Baba Khark Singh Marg

Parish Priest

Fr. Lawrence PR

Asst. Parish Priests

Fr. John Britto

Fr. Shinil Jacob

Mass Timings

Saturdays

6.00 pm (Eng)

Anticipated Mass

Sundays

6.30 am - English

7.30 am - Malayalam

9.00 am - English

10.15 am - Hindi

11.30 am - English

4.00 pm - Hindi

6.00 pm - English

Weekdays

6.30 am - English

1.00 pm - English

6.00 pm - English

**Tuesday evening
Mass is in Hindi**

*** No mass at 1.00 pm
on Saturdays**

Sunday Liturgy1st Dec. 2019

English 9:00am

St. Alphonsa

SCC Unit

Hindi 10:15am

Our Lady of Mt. Carmel

SCC Unit

(((SUNDAY READINGS & REFLECTION)))

1st Reading: Malachi 4:1-2a

Malachi says that when the Day of the Lord comes the wicked and the evildoers will be burned in the oven, but the sun of justice shall rise on those who fear of the Lord.

Response Ps: 97

The Lord comes to rule the peoples with fairness.

2nd Reading: Thessalonians 3:7-12

Some Thessalonians stop working because they wrongly think that the Day of the Lord has come near. Paul commands these people to work and earn their living.

Gospel : Luke 21:5-19

Standing next to the Temple of Jerusalem Jesus foresees its destruction. He envisions a series of events that will follow his death and resurrection.

Prayers of the Faithful:

Lord, make us your worthy witnesses.

पहला पाठ: मलआकी का ग्रंथ 3:19-20

प्रभु के अन्तिम आगमन का दिन दुष्टों के लिए विनाश और आतंक का दिन होगा, लेकिन धर्मियों के लिए सूर्य प्रकाश के समान सुखद प्रतीत होगा।

अनुवाक्य: स्तोत्र 97

प्रभु निष्पक्ष होकर लोगों का न्याय करेगा।

दूसरा पाठ: थेसलनीकियों के नाम पत्र 3:7-12

संत पौलुस अपने अनुभव से हमें सिखाते हैं कि एक ईसाई को कैसा काम करना है और सुसमाचार का साक्ष्य देना है।

सुसमाचार: संत लूकस 21:5-19

येसु के शिष्यों को सुसमाचार के कारण घोर अन्याय तथा अत्याचार सहना पड़ा। किन्तु वे इससे तनिक भी विचलित नहीं हुए। फलस्वरूप वे जीवन के अधिकारी बन गये।

विश्वासियों के निवेदन

हे पिता, हमारी प्रार्थना सुन।

REFLECTION

In today's Gospel, we are reminded that this world will come to an end one day. We do not know when or how, but that end will come. It will be followed immediately by the general judgment. Christ will come in power and glory to judge the whole human race. Each one will receive the sentence he merited while on earth. The just will enter with Him into eternal glory. The wicked will go to their place of suffering, sorrow and remorse.

Long before that day comes, each of us here present today will already have faced his or her own particular judgment. It is this judgment which will seal our eternal fate. It is on this judgment that we should try to concentrate. It is to help and encourage us to do just that the church brings the thought of the end of the world before our minds. The end of this world will come for each one of us when we draw our last breath. How will we stand in God's sight when that moment comes? An eternity of happiness or grief will depend on our spiritual state at that moment.

The thought of death is a frightening thought for most of us. We would rather put it far from our minds, but of all the other things that can possibly happen to us on this earth, death is the one and only certainty. It would be utter folly then to try to ignore it or forget it. It is not the moment or the circumstances or the fact itself of death that matters. The vast majority, even of those dying of a slow illness, do not know that they are on the point of death. What matters is the judgment which follows death. How will we fare in that?

Each one of us can put the following simple question to ourselves this very moment. How would I fare if I were called before the judgment seat of God today? The best of us would certainly prefer to be better prepared. There is so much good I have left undone, so many faults for which I have not atoned properly, so many uncharitable thoughts about my friends and neighbours in my mind, so many acts of charity I kept postponing, so many acts of thanksgiving and praise I have not made to my loving God.

"Today if you hear God's voice harden not your heart" the scripture warns us. Today you have heard Him speak to you. He has reminded you that your end is coming, that you should put your spiritual accounts in order. This is an act of God's mercy. He does not need you, it is you who need Him. Your eternal future will depend on whether you listen to His call today, as tomorrow may be too late. You can put your accounts straight this very day. Why take a risk with your own eternal welfare?

Those who want to die in the state of grace, that is, in the friendship of God have but one way of making sure of this. They have to try to live always in God's friendship. Those who do this by living their Christian life daily need not fear death even if it is a sudden death.

READINGS OF THE WEEK

18/Mon: 1 Macc 1:10-15,41-43,54-57,62-63/
Ps 119/Lk 18:35-43

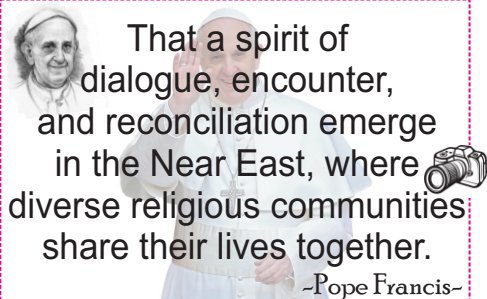
19/Tue: 2 Macc 6:18-31/Ps 3/Lk 19:1-10

20/Wed: 2 Macc 7:1,20-31/Ps 17/Lk 19:11-28

21/Thu: 1 Macc 2:15-29/Ps 50/ Lk 19:41-44

22/Fri: 1 Macc 4:3-37,52-59/ 1 Chr 29/
Lk 19:45-48

23/Sat: 1 Macc 6:1-13/Ps 9/Lk 20:27-40



That a spirit of
dialogue, encounter,
and reconciliation emerge
in the Near East, where
diverse religious communities
share their lives together.

-Pope Francis-

PARISH NEWS

1. Thanks to all the people who came to help in cleaning the Church on last Tuesday.
2. Next Sunday we celebrate the Solemnity of Christ the King. As you are well aware, we will have the Solemn Holy Eucharistic celebration at 9am at St. Columba's School ground followed by the Annual Eucharistic Procession. Kindly note that on that day, we will have no other Mass in the Church except for the one in the evening at 6pm. There won't be any mass in the mass centers too. Parking on that day will be outside. Please remember to bring along with you a bottle of water when you come for the celebration on that day in order to reduce the use of single use-plastic. Water will be served at the entrance and exit point of the procession.
3. We request you all to come on 23rd November, next Saturday in the morning at 9.00 to prepare the buntings and decorate the Cathedral Campus and prepare the ground for the celebration.
4. CCBI celebrates the 'Communio India Sunday' on the first Sunday of Advent. Our Family's contribution for the Church in India. Kindly support and pray for Communio India.
5. All SCC units are requested to elect the representatives of the Parish Council by the end of December.
6. Thanks to the St. Thomas SCC Unit and St. Mother Teresa SCC unit for animating the 9.00 am and 10.15 Holy Mass respectively.
7. On 1st December, 2019, Sunday's Liturgy for 9.00 am Mass will be animated by St. Alphonsa SCC unit and 10:15 am mass will be animated by Our Lady of Mt. Carmel SCC unit respectively.
8. We have already shifted to the Winter Mass timings. Please refer the Notice board or the parish website.
9. Kindly pay your Church Support Fund regularly at the Help Desk.

Fr. Lawrence PR
Parish Priest

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Archdiocese of Delhi

Sunday, Weekday Winter Mass Schedule (1st November, 2019 to 31st March, 2020)

Sunday Masses - Mass Centres

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| 07:30 am | CARMEL | HINDI |
| 07:30 am | I.S.I | HINDI |
| 07:30 am | MATER DEI | HINDI |

SATURDAY : ANTICIPATED SUNDAY MASS 06:00 pm

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| SUNDAY | 06:30 am | ENGLISH |
| | 07:30 am | MALAYALAM |
| | 09:00 am | ENGLISH |
| | 10:15 am | HINDI |
| | 11:30 am | ENGLISH |
| | 04:00 pm | HINDI |
| | 06:00 pm | ENGLISH |

Weekday Masses- Chapels

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| 06:30 am | CARMEL | ENGLISH |
| 07:00 am | JMC | ENGLISH |
| 06:15 am | MATER DEI | ENGLISH |
| 06:30 am | CJM | ENGLISH |

Tuesday : Tuesday evening Mass is in Hindi.

Wednesday: Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Help following evening Mass.

Friday : Devotion to the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus following evening Mass.

First Friday of the month : Divine Mercy Devotion and Mass at 03:00 pm

FEASTS OF THE WEEK

Mon: 18th Nov. 2019
**Dedi. of the Churches of
Peter & Paul**

Tue: 19th Nov. 2019
St. Agnes of Assisi

Wed: 20th Nov. 2019
St. Felix

Thu: 21st Nov. 2019
Presentation of the BVM

Fri: 22nd Nov.. 2019
St. Cecilia

Sat: 23rd Nov. 2019
St. Celestine I

Christ the King

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