

Alleluia, alleluia! / Live in me and let me live in you, says the Lord; / my branches bear much fruit. / Alleluia!

## GOSPEL

Mt 25: 14-15, 19-21

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew.

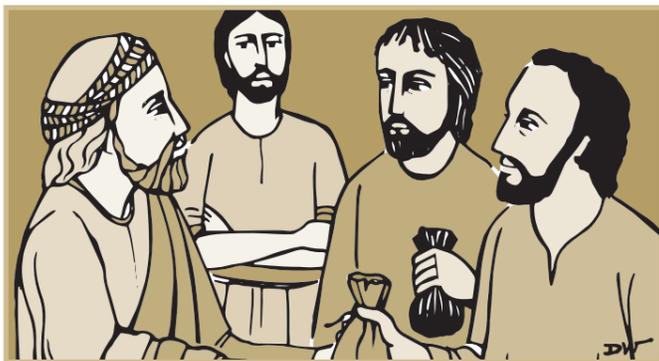
*Because you have been faithful over a few things; enter into the joy of the Lord.*

Jesus spoke this parable to his disciples: 'The kingdom of heaven is like a man on his way abroad who summoned his servants and entrusted his property to them. To one he gave five talents, to another two, to a third one; each in proportion to his ability. Then he set out.

Now a long time after, the master of those servants came back and went through his accounts with them. The man who had received the five talents came forward bringing five more. "Sir," he said "you entrusted me with five talents; here are five more that I have made."

## ■ The Gospel of the Lord.

*Longer form, Mt 25: 14-30.*



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# Reflections on the Gospel



# THE SAVING WORD

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## RISK TAKING FOR GOD

As we approach the end of the Church's liturgical year, the focus remains upon the second coming of the Lord. Once again, the Gospel provides a parable (the Talents) instructing us how to live in view of that expectation.

The master in the parable is pleased with the enterprising first two servants. Having realised substantial gains on the amounts entrusted to them, they are welcomed 'into the joy of their master'—that is, into the banquet of the Kingdom.

But the third servant, who simply hid his single talent in the ground, displeased his master because he didn't do what was expected, namely, trade with the money so that it would increase. He didn't even put the sum in the bank, where it would have at least accrued some interest. Paralysed by a fearful image that he has of his master (an image of God that the parable does not endorse but actually refutes), he sought security in giving back, in strict justice, the exact sum entrusted to him. This, however, was not what the master wanted. Hence the severe penalty.

The parable challenges believers not to rest content simply with not doing anything wrong so that God will not be able to find anything to punish. Such an attitude mistakes the nature of God and neglects what God really wants, which is an enterprising, even risk-taking, practice of the 'weightier matters of the law': 'justice, mercy and faith' (Matthew 23:23). The gifts God has entrusted to us, like our minds and limbs, need active exercise if they are not to atrophy and wither.

Brendan Byrne, SJ

## FIRST READING

Prov 31: 10-13, 19-20, 30-31

A reading from the book of Proverbs.

*Give her a share in what she has worked for.*

A perfect wife – who can find her?

She is far beyond the price of pearls.

Her husband's heart has confidence in her, from her he will derive no little profit.

Advantage and not hurt she brings him all the days of her life.

She is always busy with wool and with flax, she does her work with eager hands.

She sets her hands to the distaff,

her fingers grasp the spindle.

She holds out her hand to the poor, she opens her arms to the needy.

Charm is deceitful, and beauty empty;

the woman who is wise is the one to praise.

Give her a share in what her hands have worked for,

and let her works tell her praises at the city gates.

## ■ The word of the Lord.

## RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps 127: 1-5. R. v. 1

**R. Happy are those who fear the Lord.**

1. O blessed are those who fear the Lord and walk in his ways!

By the labour of your hands you shall eat.

You will be happy and prosper. **R.**

2. Your wife like a fruitful vine

in the heart of your house;

your children like shoots of the olive,

around your table. **R.**

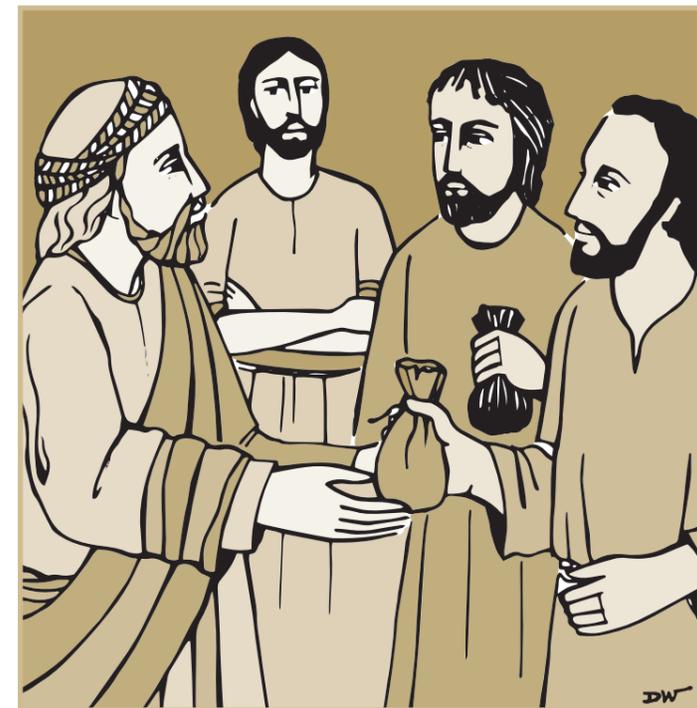
3. Indeed thus shall be blessed

the man who fears the Lord.

May the Lord bless you from Zion

in a happy Jerusalem

all the days of your life. **R.**



## SECOND READING

1 Thess 5: 1-6

A reading from the first letter of St Paul to the Thessalonians.

*The day of the Lord is going to come like a thief in the night.*

You will not be expecting us to write anything to you, brothers, about 'times and seasons', since you know very well that the Day of the Lord is going to come like a thief in the night. It is when people are saying, 'How quiet and peaceful it is' that the worst suddenly happens, as suddenly as labour pains come on a pregnant woman; and there will be no way for anybody to evade it.

But it is not as if you live in the dark, my brothers, for that Day to overtake you like a thief. No, you are all sons of light and sons of the day: we do not belong to the night or to darkness, so we should not go on sleeping, as everyone else does, but stay wide awake and sober.

## ■ The word of the Lord.

## **Brighton Catholic Parish**

### **Church**

St Joseph's,  
22 Strathmore Tce,  
Brighton

### **Parish Priest**

Fr Michael Musyoka Kyumu

### **Priest in Residence**

Fr. Peter Sheedy

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Clare Thewlis

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Jenny McCabe

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www.shc.sa.edu.au

### **Weekly collections**

Letter boxes have been installed in the front & western church foyers for your collection money. We thank you for your ongoing support.

### **Knights of the Southern Cross Empty Cans /Bottle Collection**

For Collection please ring  
Pat Hodgson 0412 259 321

## **Sunday Mass Times**

**6.00 pm** — (Saturday Vigil)

**8.30am** — (Sunday)

**10.00 am** — (Sunday)

## **Weekday Mass/Services**

Monday 16/11 No services

Tuesday 17/11 LOTW 12 noon

Wed 18/11 SHC Mass 7.30am

Thursday 19/11 No services

Friday 20/11 Mass 12 noon

Saturday 21/11 Mass 10am

## **Feast Days this week**

### **Monday 16<sup>th</sup> November**

St Margaret of Scotland &  
St Gertrude

### **Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> November**

St Elizabeth of Hungary

### **Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> November**

Dedication of the Basilicas of Sts  
Peter and Paul, apostles

### **Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> November**

The Presentation of Blessed  
Virgin Mary

## **Reconciliation**

After midday Mass on Fridays

After 10am Mass on Saturdays

## **Baptisms**

are held on the Second and Fourth  
Sundays of each month at 11.15am  
by arrangement through the Parish  
office and with the Baptismal  
Preparation Team.

## **Weddings** - Contact Parish Office

## **Meditation**

The Meditation group meet every  
Tuesday from 11am in the McAuley  
Room

## **Parish library**

Our parish Library is open on Tues  
and Fri mornings from 9.30am to  
12pm. Come and join us for  
Mahjong on Friday mornings. We  
have a great selection of books,  
DVD's and puzzles for you to  
borrow. Enjoy a cup of tea/coffee  
and great company.

## **Popes' Prayer Intentions for November**

We pray that the progress of  
robotics and artificial intelligence  
may always serve humankind.

Keep updated with our  
parish through our

facebook page:

**Brighton Catholic Parish**

I am taking leave for the next 2  
weeks and plan to catch up on  
some much needed rest. See you  
all in December. Pat

## **Direct Giving App**

You can now contribute to the first  
and second collections via your  
mobile phone. Download the  
Adelaide Archdiocese Find a Mass  
app or go to  
[https://adelaide.goodgiving.com.au/  
/app-home](https://adelaide.goodgiving.com.au/app-home) to make a one-off  
donation or set up recurring  
donations to the parish and for the  
support of the clergy.

## **Brighton Parish Pastoral Council Members**

Fr Michael Kyumu,  
Christina Jonas (Chairperson),  
Emmy Smyk (Dep Chair),  
Monica Conway (Secretary),  
Clare Thewlis, Graham Workman,  
Helena Card, Amanda Parslow,  
Keith Moorman, Chris Nell,  
Mary Hyland, Di O'Neill,  
Frank Verrall, Margaret Senyszyn,  
Cara McGlaughlin (SHC Youth  
Minister)

## **Readings for next weekend**

**21<sup>st</sup> /22<sup>nd</sup> November, 2020**

**Our Lord JESUS CHRIST,**

**KING of the UNIVERSE, Yr A**

**1<sup>st</sup> Reading: Ezekiel 34:11-12,  
15-17**

**2<sup>nd</sup> Reading: 1 Corinthians 15:20-  
26, 28**

**Gospel: Matthew 25:31-46**

## **Please pray for:**

### **Recently Deceased**

Kathleen Lock,  
Margaret Nicholls, Joe Schembri

### **Deceased**

Raymond Ross

### **Anniversaries**

Mary Hurley, Gerald Tellis,  
George Tellis, Frank Scriva

### **Sick**

Lauren Eblen, Regina Mahon,  
Tibor Ferencz, Gabrielle Adolph,  
Jimmy Ryan, Marilyn Huddleston,  
Frances McKenna, Peter Paige,  
Robyn Williams, Pam Wallman,  
Barbara Driscoll, Jim McClafferty,  
Peggy Traynor (Ireland),  
Robert Wolf, Kevin Pardon, Pam Wynn,  
Leon Greal, Chris Boast, Bob McEvoy,  
Rachel Bainbridge, Taylor Keen,  
Charlie Hamblen, Duncan Booth,  
Fr Peter Dunn, Pat Donnelly,  
Eileen Paige, Betty Fowles, Mr Biro,  
Margaret Mary Roche,  
Debbie Canino, Sr Marietta Green,  
Margaret Doyle, John Wallace, Carol  
Swavley, Aoibhinn Delaney

**Privacy Laws.** All parishioners are encouraged to pray  
for the sick. Masses will be offered on request. Due to  
privacy laws, names will **not** be published on the sick  
list in the bulletin without prior permission of the person  
involved.

## **COVID Safe**

We are all reminded to keep  
ourselves and each other safe whilst  
in our church and offices. Please  
maintain a safe social distance  
(currently 1.5m) between each other,  
use the hand sanitiser, remember to  
sign in (BYO Pen/ use wipes on pens  
provided) whenever on the premises,  
and if you are not well or  
immunocompromised, DO NOT  
come to Mass at this time.  
We would respectfully ask that you  
comply with any requests asked of  
you by the COVID Marshal.

**Please note that the midday Mass  
this Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> November will  
be Liturgy of the Word with  
Communion.**

**Join us after Sunday Masses this  
weekend for morning tea in the  
McAuley Room.**

## **November Remembrance Month**

There is a Remembrance Book in  
the front foyer where you can write  
the names of loved ones who have  
passed, and they will be included in  
our prayers at all Masses in  
November. November Mass  
envelopes are available if you  
would a Mass said for a departed  
loved one. The envelopes may be  
returned in the letterboxes in the  
foyer.

## **Reaching Beyond 2020**

People of all trades and  
professions are being  
requested by communities abroad  
seeking to build the capacity of their  
organisations and the skills of their  
people. Restrictions this year have  
made communities' needs acute.  
[Palms Australia](http://www.palms.org.au) will provide you  
with thorough preparation to ensure  
your readiness as travel resumes,  
and support on assignment.

See [www.palms.org.au](http://www.palms.org.au) and talk to  
Roger on 0431 995 058, or email  
[palms@palms.org.au](mailto:palms@palms.org.au)

## **Tutti Twilight Arts Market**

Fri 20<sup>th</sup> Nov,  
5-9pm

Join us for the  
inaugural Tutti  
Twilight Arts Market at the Tutti  
Arts Centre!

The event will feature:

- Art and craft market stalls
- Live music
- Art exhibition
- Food stalls

## **VINNIES CHRISTMAS APPEAL**

This weekend is our Christmas  
Appeal. Donation envelopes are in  
the bulletin. There will also be a  
leaving collection after all Masses.  
Your donations will be used to  
support those who are desperately  
trying to make ends meet in this  
extraordinary year. Requests for  
assistance are increasing and we  
are trying to meet this demand.  
Thank you for your support.  
We will be selling Christmas cakes,  
cards and calendars after all  
Masses beginning next weekend  
(21<sup>st</sup>/22<sup>nd</sup>Nov).

Cost:

Christmas cards: \$5 per pack of 10

Cakes: Large (\$17), Small (\$13)

Puddings (\$13)

Columban Calendars; \$9

These will be cash sales only.  
Please try to have correct money if  
possible to minimise handling of  
cash.

## **Thanksgiving Masses for our Volunteers**

Weekend of 21/22 November  
Please join us in thanking all our  
wonderful volunteers whose  
dedication and commitment to our  
parish make it the vibrant,  
connected community it is. Much of  
their work goes unseen and  
unknown and for this reason we'll  
come together at all our Masses on  
the weekend of 21/22 Nov to  
acknowledge their contributions  
and to say a big 'Thank you' to  
them. Everyone is invited to a  
cuppa and muffins after each  
Sunday Mass or wine & cheese  
after the Sat Mass which will be  
served by members of the Brighton  
Antioch group.

## **SA ABORTION TO BIRTH BILL**

The "Pregnancy Termination Bill  
2020" allowing Abortion to Birth is  
now before the SA Parliament. The  
Bill allows late-term abortion of  
viable babies who could otherwise  
be delivered alive and also allows  
drug-induced abortions to be  
carried out by other than doctors.  
In his letter of 29th Oct, Archbishop  
O'Regan strongly encouraged us to  
contact our local MP, urging them to  
reject this ill-conceived Bill.

Information is at the doors of the  
church to assist you to contact MPs.  
We urge you to make use of these  
resources after Mass today. Enq  
Alan & Helen Tyson 8364 4516,  
0412 389 875. [itm54au@gmail.com](mailto:itm54au@gmail.com)

## **Annual Mass For Deceased Members and Friends of the Irish Community**

The Annual Mass for Deceased  
Members and Friends of the Irish  
Community will be celebrated in the  
upstairs clubroom at the Irish Club,  
13-15 Carrington Street, Adelaide  
at 7pm on Wednesday November  
18 followed by refreshments.  
COVID-safe observations will be in  
place. All are welcome. For further  
details contact Stan O'Loughlin via  
E: [stan@oloughlins.net](mailto:stan@oloughlins.net).

## **Blessing of the Cribs**

The weekend of the 28<sup>th</sup>/29<sup>th</sup>  
November - Bring along your  
Nativity Scene or part of it to be  
blessed during our weekend  
Masses. See flyer with today's  
newsletter

## **Advent Collections**

This Advent we will be collecting  
items for the homeless or  
disadvantaged. We will be  
supporting the Moore St and Hutt St  
centres along with Vinnies and  
Backpacks4kids. See the flyer with  
today's newsletter. All items must  
be new and un-used. Please place  
your items in the boxes in the foyer.

### **28th/29th November:**

Toys from newborn to 18 year  
olds. Max cost \$30

### **5th & 6th December:**

Stationery ie color pencils,  
crayons, textas, rulers, pencil  
cases, books

### **12th & 13th December:**

Toothbrush, toothpaste,  
shampoo,

conditioner, soap or bodywash

### **19th & 20th December:**

Sanitary Products or Shaving  
Products,

Socks or Underwear

Thank you for supporting these  
worthy causes.

## **Ceasing Of Broadcast On Channel 44**

Sunday Mass will be streamed on  
the Archdiocese's YouTube  
Channel, with the assistance of a  
more permanent system in the  
Cathedral. If you know of any  
friends or family that have been  
accessing C44 for Mass, please  
share this message.

Your talent is God's gift to you.  
What you do with it is your gift  
back to God.