

Dear parishioners,

ADVENT

Advent transports us back to the longing of the prophets of Israel for the coming of a Saviour. The Saviour has come. But salvation is not complete. We proclaim, 'Christ has died, Christ is risen', and then add, 'Christ will come again.' Why? Because there is so much 'unfinished business' in the work of redemption. Our world and even the lives of believers still appear very 'unredeemed'. Our salvation is still being worked out.

It may be that the Lord will not come tomorrow, next year, or even before this generation dies out. But come he will in a time known only to God (Mark 13:32). Meanwhile, this time of waiting is not without meaning. This 'in-between' time is a sacred time, a time for the Church to proclaim the Gospel to every nation (Mark 13:10; Acts 1:6-8), to make sense of the present, while never giving up the hope that God's Messiah, Jesus, will have the last word.

Advent is the season that honours and celebrates this waiting aspect of Christian life. Because we live in the time following the first coming of the Saviour, the prime focus of our waiting and our expectation is upon the second coming of the Lord. But because salvation is not complete, because we are so conscious of a world still ravaged by suffering and violence, we can identify with the prophets and holy men and women who hung upon the promise of salvation before the first coming of the Lord. Their cries express our own longings and hopes for a liberated and just world. — *Brendan Byrne, S.J.*

PARISH ANNUAL COMMUNITY MEETING

Our Parish's Annual Community Meeting on Monday 26 November was well attended. People found the presentations informative and helpful. People were happy to affirm the priorities of the parish. The vision of our way forward was clarified, and this was thought to be inspiring. After the business part of the meeting there was an enjoyable and relaxed social time. Retiring Parish Pastoral Councillors were thanked and the new member welcomed. The first meeting of the new council will be on 10 December. Thanks to all who attended.

—*Blessings, Greg*

Hello & welcome

A smile is the universal welcome - Max Eastman

Today is Name Tag Sunday

You are invited to fill out a name tag and to wear it during the Mass. Name tags are a very simple way of making ourselves known to one another, and knowing each other is vital in building a true Christian community. So don't be shy, tell us a little about yourself and find out a bit more about someone else.



NEW TO OUR PARISH? — JOIN US FOR MORNING TEA AFTER SUNDAY 9.30AM MASS

All parishioners are invited to come along and meet the new and some "not so new" members of our community and find out more about the many activities held in our parish.

Thank You!

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCILLORS

We thank out-going councillors Jocelyn Versace, Joanne Byrde, Angela Youens and Melissa Trusso for their love and service to our Morley community and welcome

Bob Burns who joins Josephine McManus, Tanya Davies, Tristan Kolay, Redwin Rico, Tessie Baluyot, Nevellene Linquist, Frs Greg, Tadgh and John P on the PPC for 2019.

2nd Rite of Reconciliation for Advent

Wednesday 12th December at 7pm
Infant Jesus Church

(Perpetual Novena is cancelled for the day)

Prepare yourself for the Christmas season by joining your parish family for this communal Rite of Reconciliation as we come together to listen and reflect on the Word of God; to express our sorrow for the times we have failed and to praise our God, whose forgiveness is unfailing.



ST VINCENT DE PAUL CHRISTMAS APPEAL

At All Masses THIS Weekend

Members of the Morley-Dianella Conference will accept your donations after Mass. Envelopes will be available in the pews for those who are unprepared and these can be handed into the parish later or posted directly to SVDP. The demands on our services are ever increasing. We respond to anyone who lives within the Morley and Dianella Parish boundaries without discrimination. Our volunteers provide help 5 days a week. Please pray for the poor and homeless who walk among us.



New or pre-loved toys still needed to give out with SVDP Christmas Hampers this year. Please drop them off to the parish office by 13 December.



Advent is such a busy time of year and we so easily forget that—at its heart—it is meant to be a time of preparation, waiting and hope for the coming of Jesus into our world and lives.

Only a few more copies left of this year's reflection book, *Saviour*, and other Advent reflection books for those wishing a spiritual preparation for the great feast of Christmas.

ADVENT and CHRISTMAS GIFTS FOR YOUR LOVED ONES

If you had missed out on last weekend's stall, all items are still on sale from the piety stall or parish office. Lots of beautiful books and gifts for every age group, Advent calendars, Advent reflection booklets, Lions Christmas Cakes, Christmas cards on sale at fantastic prices.

Holy Hour of Grace

Feast of the Immaculate Conception of Mary

Saturday 8th December 12 noon -1pm

in the Church followed by lunch in the Parish Hall

All are invited to an hour of Grace in honour of this great Feast Day. Please bring a small plate for a shared lunch.

PARISH LIBRARY opens after the 9.30am Mass on Sundays —except on 3rd Sundays of the month when Personal Advocacy Mass is celebrated. All are welcomed to browse through the wide range of books, CDs, DVDs in the library.





WHAT'S HAPPENING



Parish Prayer Concerns

Recently Deceased: Errol Paranawitane, Rightly Rajeev, Cicily Varghese, Antonio Di Chiera, Phanxico Dung;

Deceased: Teresa Kim Sa, Ingaxio Khoi, Anna Yen, Peter Binh, Anna Maria Sam, Rebecca Yap;

Anniversaries: Alfredo De Filippi, Gino Perlini, Charlie Miranda, Marc Appaoloo, Neil Robinson, Anne Coleman, Andrew Pow;

The Sick of the Parish: Wilma Walker, Mary Joseph, Wally Bamford, Fred Tenaglia, Sharon Rosielle, Lucas Bendotti, Bernard Spears, Edna Ross and all the sick who are in need of our prayers.

"To you, O Lord, I lift my soul."



PILGRIM STATUE: This week in the home of Mrs Dut Fan Chung; 22 Bramwell Rd, Noranda. Ph: 9276 9451

CALENDAR OF SAINTS

3 Dec: St Francis Xavier, priest

7 Dec: St Ambrose, bishop, doctor

8 Dec: The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary

DON'T THROW THAT AWAY!

As the school year comes to a close, please remember the parish when you are cleaning up your unwanted school supplies: pens, pencils, textas and stationery are all useful. What we cannot use, we will pass on to where it is needed. Please drop your donations to the parish office or into the Church foyer.



Plenary Council 2020 Listening and Dialogue Sessions

THANK YOU to all who came along to the nine sessions held in the parish and for your prayerful reflection and friendly conversations on the future of the Church in Australia.

Anyone who still wishes to speak their minds can do so directly to the Plenary Council – www.plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au by 6 March 2019. You may wish to pick up a copy of the parish's *Guide for the Listening and Dialogue Sessions*, available in the foyer, to help you gather your thoughts or to have a discussion with your family, friends or work colleagues or whatever group you belong to!

CATHOLIC WOMENS LEAGUE SOCIAL GROUP CHRISTMAS LUNCH

Members who have put their names down for the Christmas lunch on 11 December at Bayswater Hotel are asked to contact the Parish Office (9.30am-12.30pm) by Monday 10 December IF THEY ARE UNABLE TO ATTEND. The hotel requires confirmation of numbers by this date. Thank you for your assistance.



Thank you to all the wonderful people who came along to help prepare the salads for the Shopfront Christmas luncheon for homeless and disadvantaged. God bless you all!

Son of God: The Daily Gospel Year C-1 by Fr Ted Tyler

Begins from the First Sunday of Advent (Dec 2, 2018)

Download **free of charge** this daily Gospel reflection e-book (with church imprimatur) for computer/tablet/phone from

www.catholic-thoughts.info/ebook/

CHRISTMAS 2018 – NEW YEAR 2019 MASSES

Monday 24 December – CHRISTMAS EVE

7am Mass – Monday of the 4th week of Advent

9am Mass – Monday of the 4th week of Advent

6.00pm Christmas Vigil Mass – Carols from 5.30pm

12.00pm Christmas Midnight Mass – Carols from 11.30pm

Tuesday 25 December – CHRISTMAS DAY

Christmas Masses at 7.30am, 9.30am & 11.30am (Italian Mass). Carols 30 minutes before each Mass.

NO EVENING MASS

Wednesday 26 December – Boxing Day Public Holiday

8.30am Mass of the Feast of St Stephen, the first martyr

Saturday 29 December – 6pm Feast of the Holy Family of

Jesus, Mary and Joseph

Sunday 30 December

Feast of the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph

Masses at 7.30am, 9.30am, 11.30am (Italian Mass) & 6pm

Tuesday 1 January – New Year Public Holiday

8.30am Mass of the Solemnity of Mary, the Mother of God

Raffle for Don Bosco Salesians - 15th and 16th December

for food assistance and medical support of undernourished babies and families in Kolkata, India.

In Our Church

Morning Prayer of the Church: Mon-Fri, 6.40am; Sat 8.00am

Morning Mass: Mon-Fri: 7am & 9am, Sat and Public Holidays: 8.30am

Sunday Masses: 6pm (Saturday), 7.30am, 9.30am (Children's Liturgy during school terms), 11.30am (Italian), 6pm (Youth Mass 2nd Sundays)

Reconciliation: Saturday 10 - 11am and 5pm - 5.30pm

Perpetual Novena in Honour of Our Lady of Mt. Carmel: Wednesday 7.00pm

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament: Friday 9.30 - 10.30am

Eucharistic Prayer: Friday 7.00 - 8.00pm

Baptisms, Weddings & Sacraments: Please contact the Parish Office.

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ADVENT WREATH PRAYER – FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

The Priest blesses the wreath and the assembly with the sprinkling of holy water, using these or similar words: Let us pray: May the sprinkling of this water remind all of us gathered here of our first sharing in the grace of baptism. During this time of Advent may we prepare for the Lord's coming with open hearts and minds. May this wreath be a symbol to us of this time of prayerful watching and waiting for the coming of the Lord now and for all time.

The Priest or an assistant lights the first candle.

Priest: Lord Jesus, your coming was proclaimed by the prophets of old.

All: Come, Lord Jesus.

Priest: Lord Jesus, you come among us now as we read the prophet Jeremiah's words "the Lord our integrity".

All: Come, Lord Jesus.

Priest: Lord Jesus, you will come again as the fulfillment of all prophecy with power and great glory.

All: Come, Lord Jesus.



THIS WEEKEND— 1/2 December—1st Sunday of Advent

Ministry	Sat 6pm	Sun 7.30am	Sun 9.30am	Sunday 6pm
Acolytes	Jeremy Nicoletto	Paul Wachtel	Naveen Joseph	Tung Nguyen
Altar Servers	Elysha; Carmen; Brian and Abigail	Bao; Marcus and Cyril	Allan; Akash and Waleska	Alexander; Aimee; Royce and Shaun
Proclaimers	Chris A and Donna-Marie	Sacred Heart and Stella & Fleur	Sylvia and Mark	Fely and Rita
Extr. Ministers Of Communion	Team A—Lenna; Rosemary; Chris A; John T and Larissa	Team C—Tony; Roma; Brian; Debbie; Carl and Josie	Team B—Patrick; Annette; Eunice; Naveen and Shiny Anna	Team B—Ivor; Rita; Tristan; Teresa; Josephine and Anna
Hospitality	Rose and Milly	Mavis and Nancy	Emily and Haydee	Rennet and Mercedes
Church Cleaning	Team B—Thursday, 6th December @ 10.30am			

NEXT WEEKEND—8/9 December—2nd Sunday of Advent

Ministry	Sat 6pm	Sun 7.30am	Sun 9.30am	Sunday 6pm
Acolytes	Hari Geigenmuller	Chris Wray	Chris Yapp	Chris Lambert
Altar Servers	Josemiguel; Angel and Aleena	Jamie; Mary and Madeleine	Conan; Ruben; Lyn and Jules	Tim; Dylan and Dan
Proclaimers	Marie M and Nikita	Joanne and Sjen	Pat and Barry	Maureen and Anna
Extr. Ministers Of Communion	Team B—Chris A; William; John T; Thelma and Tracy	Team A—Mike; Frank; Andrew; Anna; Lesley and Bernadette	Team C—Evelyn; Denise; John J; Josephine and Aileen	Team A—Ivor; Rita; Marie M; Maureen; Luisa or Glenn and Thuy
Hospitality	Tracy and Stella	Barb and Veronica	Josephine and Joshila	Joanne and Anne
Church Cleaning	Team C—Saturday, 15th December @ 9.30am			

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