

First Sunday of Advent—Year A

# St Patrick's Cathedral Parish Bunbury

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27th November 2022

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Parish Office Hours: Monday to Friday 9.00am to 3.00pm

**Mass Times:**

Weekdays: 7.00am

Saturday: 8.00am, 6.00pm Vigil Mass

Sunday: 8.00am, 10.00am, 6.00pm Dalyellup: 6:00pm

**Filipino Mass:** 12.00 noon every 1st Sunday of the month

**Syro-Malabar Mass:** 12.30pm every 4th Sunday of the month

**Reconciliation:** By appointment, or Saturdays 5.00pm to 5.40pm prior to the 6.00pm Vigil Mass.

**Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament:** Fridays 9.00am to 10.00pm

**Monthly Healing Mass:** 10.30am every 1st Tuesday of the month

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**CLERGY:**

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**Associate Priest:** Rev Fr Roberto Archie Carampatan

**Deacons:** Paul Gee, Ian Lewis & Nathan Barrie

**PLEASE REMEMBER TO PRAY FOR THE INTENTIONS OF THE FOLLOWING...**

Danny Flynn, Denise Thornborough, Niesa-Marie Leher, Kay Perry, Gina Hunt, Bridget Reeve (Waters), Annette Stevenson, Nhung Ngoc Do, Jackie Reid, Kath Haines, Lil Allen, Jaime Harris, Isiah Pearce, Joshua & Janine Towler, Keano Klein, Emma White, Kim Reid, Chris Kelly, Isabella Rowney, Tony Healy, John Healy, Maurice Cook, Joe Obrzut, Don Cook, Steven Della Franca, Desma Brophy, Marlene Mannion, Rebecca Bope, Gay Morey, Linda Htun, Leo Dorlandt, Rosalino Sayawan, Kasia & Douglas Chambers, Pryanga, Deanne Wenn Mayne, Master Force Godfrey, Erin Thornton, Chrissie Riordan, Sheila Barton, Gregory Lewis, Viet Hung Nguyen, Joan Hustler, Gary Stalley, Kath Davidson, Judy Wall, Rita Quartermaine, Lauretta Ball, Jackie Reid, Mary Culph, Deacon Paul Gee, Chris Kelly, Claire Kelly, Peter Buswell Snr, Maria Nani, Robyn Helen Samuels, Frances Gianfrancesco & Gervacio Ramirez.

*(Please let the Parish Office know if you have any family member or relations whom you would like the Parish to pray for them.*

*We advise that their consent be sought prior to the publication of their names. Kindly give us an update of the people we are praying for above.)*

**PARISH HIGHLIGHTS**

**MONTH OF NOVEMBER:** A reminder that there will be no individual Mass intentions for the dead during the month of November. All Masses are offered for all the faithful departed during this month. November Mass Offering envelopes are available in the Cathedral cloister. Please use these envelopes to write the name or names of your departed loved ones whom you wish to be prayed for and place them in the designated box at the Cathedral altar.

**MORNING TEA** is on this weekend after 8.00am and 10.00am Mass. Please join us, everyone is welcome to attend.

**CATHEDRAL CLEANING** takes place this Tuesday at 9am. Help is greatly appreciated.

**RECEPTION OF HOLY COMMUNION:** With the lifting of all Covid restrictions by the State Government, the Diocesan restrictions related to Covid are now lifted also, so we may resume reception of Holy Communion on the tongue. We do ask those receiving Holy Communion on the tongue to approach the priest or minister last out of loving consideration for others who will still be nervous about receiving Communion in the normal way after them.

**COLLECTIONS UPDATE**

20th November 2022 **Week 21: 1st Collection:** \$1,554.40 **Sacrificial Giving:** \$2,554.10

**DON'T HAVE CASH ON YOU FOR COLLECTIONS TODAY?**

Using your mobile phone or computer

simply go to: [www.bunburyparish.org](http://www.bunburyparish.org) or our *Mobile App*

and Select "Online Offering"

**MASSES, LITURGIES & DEVOTIONS**

**FEAST DAYS:** *Wednesday 30th:* St Andrew, Apostle *Saturday 3rd:* St Francis Xavier

**BAPTISM:** This weekend we welcome Lilith Treloar to our family of faith. Congratulations to Lilith and his family.

**WEDDING:** We extend our congratulations to Ryan and Anne Mallaby who received the sacrament of Holy Matrimony on Saturday, 19th November. We wish them all the happiness in their married life together.

**THE SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION** is administered each week from 5.00pm to 5.40pm before the Saturday Vigil Mass in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel. Alternatively, you may ring the Parish Office to make an appointment to see a priest for Confession.

**ROSARY/HOLY HOUR:** All are invited to come and pray the rosary for our families, our country, our priests etc., those needing our prayers and own personal intentions every Tuesday 6.00pm in the Cathedral.

**DALYELLUP MASS:** Please be advised there will not be 6.00pm Mass at Dalyellup on Sunday 4th December as the Community Centre is unavailable to be used.

**ST NICHOLAS** will be in attendance at the 8am & 10am Masses at the Cathedral on Sunday, 4th of December to receive Christmas presents for children in need. Please bring along a wrapped present marked with the gender and age of a child that it would suit e.g. Female, 10yrs of age.

## **THIS WEEK'S STEWARDSHIP MESSAGE**

**FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT:** The Son of Man will come at an hour you do not expect. Good stewards know that they are accountable to God for all they have and are, and they strive to live in readiness for His coming.

## **PARISH NEWS**

### **CHRISTMAS CARDS & 2023 CALENDARS**

Columban & Josephite Calendar, as well as a selection of Christmas cards, ornament small gifts are now available for purchase from the Parish Office.

### **COMMUNITY CHRISTMAS LUNCH**

Please come along to the Community Christmas Lunch on Sunday, 11th December 2022, 12 noon to 2pm at St Mary's Catholic Primary School, 18 Mary Street, Bunbury, WA, 6230. All are welcome to attend.

### **BISHOP GERARD'S CATHOLIC CARE CHRISTMAS APPEAL – "People helping People"**

A reminder if you haven't already done so, to please return your donation envelope and place in the offertory basket. This year's Appeal is for the valuable services of Stella Maris. Donations of \$2 or more are tax deductible. Spare envelopes are available at the back of the Church or contact the Diocese on 9721 0500 if none are available.

### **JOSEPHITE COMPANIONS**



Everyone is invited to attend the Dardanup Josephite Companions AGM and Christmas luncheon  
Place: Bunbury Parish Hall, Cathedral Precinct, Money Street Bunbury

Date: 30 November

Time: 9.30 gathering for a 10am start

11am Liturgy to be followed by lunch.

Bring a friend and a plate of food to share - Bring an item to the value of \$15 for Kris Kringle -

Bring an item for St Vincent de Paul hamper.

Response to this invitation would assist with organization.

Helen: [Helenbrown.hb@gmail.com](mailto:Helenbrown.hb@gmail.com) or Dot : 9791 4008

### **ENCOUNTERING HEAVEN ON EARTH**

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Weekly from 3rd November to 15th December 2022, 6.30pm-7.30pm at St Patrick's Cathedral. Cost for registration is \$25 (course workbook and file) payable upon registration on 3rd November 2022. For more details, please contact Stephen Hinton 0405208067 & Deric Davidson 0408454232.

### **EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION**



DO YOU SEEK PEACE, STILLNESS, COMPANY, BURDENS LIFTED then SEEK no more, COME and SEEK with JESUS who is truly present in the BLESSED SACRAMENT every FRIDAY in the **Blessed Sacrament Chapel** from **9am to 10pm**.

We invite more people to join the adorers' roster each Friday at any time that suits you. Thus having 2 people on each hour makes it easier for all if for any reason one cannot make their allotted hour or are away.

**For more information please contact Barbara Brawls 0409585889 or Rosemary Atthowe 0402459678**

### **FRIENDS IN PRAYER**

There will be a meeting on Friday, 25th November at 4pm-5pm in the Meeting Centre. We will be doing the advent program. Everyone is welcome to attend.—*Kath Fenton for the group.*

## **GENERAL NEWS**

### **PALMS AUSTRALIA: Roll up your sleeves; make a difference overseas**

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Communities in American Samoa, Cambodia, Kiribati, Papua New Guinea, Samoa, Solomon Islands, Tanzania, Thailand, Timor-Leste, and Zambia are seeking to fill a variety of roles.

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### **CARITAS AUSTRALIA**

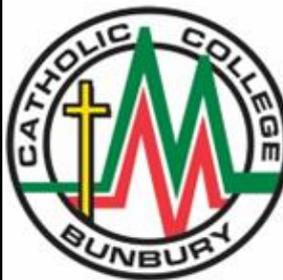
Journey through Advent with Caritas Australia's new Parish Resource, useful for small groups or individuals. Exploring seasonal themes of peace, hope, joy and love through a social justice lens, this resource offers Gospel readings, stories of people Caritas Australia serves, reflection questions, prayers, song suggestions and ideas for putting faith into action. Visit [www.caritas.org.au/advent](http://www.caritas.org.au/advent) to download the resource.



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## **FAITH EDUCATION CORNER**

### **The Season of ADVENT**

Today is the first Sunday of Advent, which is also the first Sunday of a **new liturgical year** for the Church. The word 'advent' comes from the Latin for 'coming'. The Advent season includes the four Sundays that precede Christmas. It is a time of **preparation for the coming of the Lord**. In this season, we recall **two central elements of our faith**: the **final coming of the Lord** in glory, and the incarnation of the Lord in **the birth of Jesus**. Key themes of the Advent season are **watchful waiting, preparation, and justice**.

The first reading invites us to go with God – 'let us go up to the mountain of the Lord ... that we may walk in his paths.' This is echoed in the psalm: 'let us go to God's house'.

In this new liturgical year (Year A), the **Gospel of Matthew** will be the primary Gospel proclaimed. In today's Gospel, we hear Jesus speak about the need for wakefulness, for watchful waiting, for the coming of the Son of Man.

Matthew's Gospel is dated by most scholars after 70 A.D. Most believe that Matthew **wrote for a primarily Jewish community**, but one that was **no longer centered on the Temple in Jerusalem**. These were Jewish Christians trying to come to terms with their relationship to Judaism in a new situation: after the destruction of the Temple. There may have been Christians who believed that the events of the world around them gave evidence of the imminent return of the Lord in glory.

The passage from Matthew we read today is rather straightforward. No one knows the precise time of the coming of the Lord in glory, so **watchful waiting and vigilance** are required. The question for us as members of the Christian community, then, is **how do we prepare** for this? Today's passage speaks more about **the manner of waiting**.

We need to develop our relations with God and with our brothers and sisters, based on unconditional love for all. We need to learn to find God, to find Jesus **in every person, in every experience**. If, in our words and actions, our daily lives are full of the spirit of Jesus, then we have prepared. Respond in the present moment in truth and love, and the future will take care of itself.

Combined thoughts from **Living Space** <https://livingspace.sacredspace.ie/aa011/> and **The Sunday Connection** from Loyola Press <https://www.loyolapress.com/catholic-resources/liturgical-year/sunday-connection/>

*Compiled by Sr Christine Clarke PBVM*

## **SOCIAL JUSTICE SNIPPETS**

**Friday of this past week was International Day for the Elimination of Violence Against Women. It is a good time for us to reflect on this year's Social Justice Action Plan.**

### **Action**

#### *How Church Communities Can Confront Violence and Abuse*

- **Listen to, support, and believe** those who are experiencing violence and abuse.
- **Speak out** about the sinfulness of family and domestic violence and the responsibility of perpetrators to change.
- **Publicise the support** available in your area for victim-survivors and for perpetrators who want to change their behaviour.
- **Reflect together** on how we might be caught up in structural and cultural violence.
- **Reject spiritual abuse** by debunking the misuse of faith sources to justify violence, abusive behaviour or to coerce women to stay in unsafe situations.
- **Connect with programs**, ensuring our responses are evidence-based and trauma-informed.
- **Promote resources** on responding to family and domestic violence produced by dioceses e.g. Perth, Broken Bay and Parramatta.

*Compiled by Ray Lowe (Diocesan Social Justice Committee)*

### **MEMORIAL WALL & COLUMBARIUM**



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