



St Michael's Parish



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Parish Support Centre

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The Centre is closed from December 22th and reopens January 8th

The Good News

The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph - Year B - 30th/31st December, 2017

SUNDAY MASS TIMES: SAT 6PM, SUN 9AM, 10:30AM & 6PM

NEW YEARS EVE MASS: 11:30PM-12AM ADORATION, 12AM MASS

WEEKDAY MASS TIMES: MON 9:30AM & 6PM, TUES 9:30AM, WED-SAT 9:30AM

PLEASE PRAY FOR: Sr Joy Hanrahan PBVM, Maureen Keohane & John Sweeney, who died recently, and all those whose anniversaries occur at this time.

WE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO SUFFER AT PRESENT IN BODY MIND OR SPIRIT: Fr Tim O'Toole CP, Gill, Stephanie Maujean, Jill Coote, Jamie & Maria Tierney, Trevor Wishart, Sione Hehea, Stanislaw Tekin, Maria Colina, Ira Silvapulle, Sonia Kelly, Patrick Taylor, Cedric Wilson, Gordon Clark, Kevin Clarke, Victoria Bonicelli, June Gameau, Teresa Kelly, Ryan Devane, Neville White, Therese Quinn, Eliza Jayalath, George Falzon, Ryan Devane, Angelica Tan, Brittany Long, Ciara Nelson, Annabelle Wallace, Aldo Petrini, William Mcann, Emelda Moore, Sonia Rowstron.

SAVE THE DATE: Sunday January 21st Volunteers Lunch. More information to follow.



Fr. Jeff, Fr. Hilarion, Liz and all the Parish staff would like to wish all parishioners and their loved ones a safe, happy and healthy New Year.

May your 2018 be filled with the many blessings of the Holy Spirit.

DEC 30/31	READERS	EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS
Sat 6pm	Liz Hansen Edwin Machado	Maree Raftery, Corry Van Diemen, Carolyn Johnson, Bev Kuster, Terry McKertish, Bernie Ludekens, Lorraine Ludekens
Sun 9am	Veronica Beavis Damian Bayard	Mike Ferey, Larry Larkins, Kevin Fewster, Irene Fewster, John Hughes, Karen Hughes, Anne Hassall
Sun 10:30am	Sina & Faith Laulou	Rachael Brown, Mary Clarke, Judy Burmas, Margaret Clayton, Bill Clayton, Audrey Delaney, Justin Delaney
Sun 6pm	Michelle Cafini Christine Homewood	Heathcote Family, Diana Tan, Louise Van Greunen

JAN 6/7	READERS	EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS
Sat 6pm	Ron & Pam Bertoncello	Bev Custer, Jenny Benbow, Nymia Moss, Cesar Guajardo, Gordon Hughes, Liz Hansen, Jamie Hansen
Sun 9am	Nato Azzopardi Miranda Barron	Veronica Beavis, Bernadette Byrne, Kevin Fewster, Irene Fewster, Marita Crilly, Maria D'Elia, Peggy Harvey
Sun 10:30am	Margaret Clayton Helen Comport	Audrey Delaney, Justin Delaney, Sarah Johnson, Bill Murphy, Michael O'Shea, Joan O'Shea, Miryam Prasetyo
Sun 6pm	Maria Crestani Mario De Costa	Mario De Costa, Paul Crestani, Sue De Costa, Gail Hall

The St Michael's Catholic Parish acknowledge the Bunurong People; the traditional owners of the land upon which our buildings stand and we are committed to achieving Reconciliation.

Entrance Antiphon:

The shepherds went in haste, and found Mary and Joseph and the Infant lying in a manger.

First Reading: Ecclesiasticus 3:2-6. 12-14

The Lord honours the father in his children, and upholds the rights of a mother over her sons. Whoever respects his father is atoning for his sins, he who honours his mother is like someone amassing a fortune. Whoever respects his father will be happy with children of his own, he shall be heard on the day when he prays. Long life comes to him who honours his father, he who sets his mother at ease is showing obedience to the Lord. My son, support your father in his old age, do not grieve him during his life. Even if his mind should fail, show him sympathy, do not despise him in your health and strength; for kindness to a father shall not be forgotten but will serve as reparation for your sins.

Responsorial Psalm 127:1-5.

Happy are those who fear the Lord and walk in his ways.

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.

Your wife like a fruitful vine
in the heart of your house;
your children like shoots of the olive,
around your table.

Indeed thus shall be blessed
the man who fears the Lord.
May the Lord bless you from Zion
all the days of your life!

Happy are those who fear the Lord and walk in his ways

Second Reading Col 3:12-21

You are God's chosen race, his saints; he loves you and you should be clothed in sincere compassion, in kindness and humility, gentleness and patience. Bear with one another; forgive each other as soon as a quarrel begins. The Lord has forgiven you; now you must do the same. Over all these clothes, to keep them together and complete

them, put on love. And may the peace of Christ reign in your hearts, because it is for this that you were called together as parts of one body. Always be thankful. Let the message of Christ, in all its richness, find a home with you. Teach each other, and advise each other, in all wisdom. With gratitude in your hearts sing psalms and hymns and inspired songs to God; and never say or do anything except in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him. Wives, give way to your husbands, as you should in the Lord. Husbands, love your wives and treat them with gentleness. Children, be obedient to your parents always, because that is what will please the Lord. Parents, never drive your children to resentment or you will make them feel frustrated.

Gospel Acclamation Col 3:15. 16

Alleluia, alleluia!

May the peace of Christ rule in your hearts,
and the fullness of his message live within you.
Alleluia!

Gospel Lk 2:22-40

When the day came for them to be purified as laid down by the Law of Moses, the parents of Jesus took him up to Jerusalem to present him to the Lord. When they had done everything the Law of the Lord required, they went back to Galilee, to their own town of Nazareth. Meanwhile the child grew to maturity, and he was filled with wisdom; and God's favour was with him.

Communion Antiphon

Our God has appeared on the earth, and lived among us.



Jesus, Mary
and Joseph
Pray for Us



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Epiphany of the Lord - Year B - 6th/7th January, 2018

SUNDAY MASS TIMES: SAT 6.00PM, SUN 9.00AM, 10:30AM & 6.00PM

WEEKDAY MASS TIMES: MON 9:30AM -THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD,
TUES 7.00PM, WED-SAT 9:30AM

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The baptism of Jesus is reported in each of the three Synoptic Gospels. Jesus' baptism was an event of great significance for Jesus and for the early Christian community. Mark and Luke report the story from Jesus' perspective; the voice from heaven is addressed to Jesus. In Matthew's Gospel, the voice from heaven speaks to all who are present. The descent of the Holy Spirit on Jesus at his baptism shows that something new is beginning through the baptism and ministry of Jesus.

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Sun 9am	Nato Azzopardi Miranda Barron	Veronica Beavis, Marita Crilly, Bernadette Byrne, Kevin Fewster, Irene Fewster, Maria D'Elia, Mary McGrath
Sun 10:30am	Margaret Clayton Helen Comport	Audrey Delaney, Justin Delaney, Sarah Johnson, Bill Murphy, Michael O'Shea, Joan O'Shea, Miryam Prasetyo
Sun 6pm	Maria Crestani Mario De Costa	Mario De Costa, Paul Crestani, Sue De Costa, Gail Hall

JAN 13/14	READERS	EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS
Sat 6pm	Francis D'Souza Derek D'Souza	Terry McKertish, James McKee, Larry Larkins, Corry Van Diemen, Maree Raftery, Bernie Ludekens, Lorraine Ludekens
Sun 9am	Damian Bayard Veronica Beavis	Peggy Harvey, Josie Mastroianni, Peter Cahill, Kathleen Cahill, Paula Rebeiro, John Hughes, Karen Hughes
Sun 10:30am	Audrey Delaney Phillip Delaney	Rachael Brown, Judy Burmas, Jenny Prince, Bill Clayton, Margaret Clayton, Helen Comport, Mary Hoogwerf
Sun 6pm	Gail Hall Emma Jelavic	Thomas Jelavic, Katherine Jelavic, Natasha Fox, Nanda Jaymanne

Entrance Antiphon:

Behold, the Lord, the Mighty One, has come; and kingship is in his grasp, and power and dominion.

First Reading: Isaiah 60: 1-6

Arise, shine out, Jerusalem, for your light has come, the glory of the Lord is rising on you, though night still covers the earth and darkness the peoples. Above you the Lord now rises and above you his glory appears. The nations come to your light and kings to your dawning brightness. Lift up your eyes and look round: all are assembling and coming towards you, your sons from far away and your daughters being tenderly carried. At this sight you will grow radiant, your heart throbbing and full; since the riches of the sea will flow to you; the wealth of the nations come to you; camels in throngs will cover you, and dromedaries of Midian and Ephah; everyone in Sheba will come, bringing gold and incense and singing the praise of the Lord.

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Responsorial Psalm:

Lord, every nation on earth will adore you.

O God, give your judgement to the king,
to a king's son your justice,
that he may judge your people in justice
and your poor in right judgement.

In his days justice shall flourish
and peace till the moon fails.
He shall rule from sea to sea,
from the Great River to earth's bounds.

The kings of Tarshish and the sea coasts
shall pay him tribute.
The kings of Sheba and Seba shall bring him gifts.
Before him all kings shall fall prostrate,
all nations shall serve him.

For he shall save the poor when they cry
and the needy who are helpless.
He will have pity on the weak
and save the lives of the poor.

Lord, every nation on earth will adore you.

Second Reading: Ephesians 3: 2-3, 5-6

You have probably heard how I have been entrusted by God with the grace he meant for you, and that it was by a revelation that I was given the knowledge of the mystery. This mystery that has now been revealed through the Spirit to his holy apostles and prophets was unknown to any men in past generations; it means that pagans now share the same inheritance, that they are parts of the

same body, and that the same promise has been made to them, in Christ Jesus, through the gospel.

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, alleluia!

We have seen his star in the East; and have come to adore the Lord.

Alleluia!

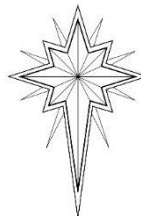
Gospel: Matthew 2: 1-2

After Jesus had been born at Bethlehem in Judaea during the reign of King Herod, some wise men came to Jerusalem from the east. 'Where is the infant king of the Jews?' they asked. 'We saw his star as it rose and have come to do him homage.' When King Herod heard this he was perturbed, and so was the whole of Jerusalem. He called together all the chief priests and the scribes of the people, and enquired of them where the Christ was to be born. 'At Bethlehem in Judaea,' they told him, 'for this is what the prophet wrote: And you, Bethlehem, in the land of Judah, you are by no means least among the leaders of Judah, for out of you will come a leader who will shepherd my people Israel.' Then Herod summoned the wise men to see him privately. He asked them the exact date on which the star had appeared, and sent them on to Bethlehem. 'Go and find out all about the child,' he said 'and when you have found him, let me know, so that I too may go and do him homage.' Having listened to what the king had to say, they set out. And there in front of them was the star they had seen rising; it went forward and halted over the place where the child was. The sight of the star filled them with delight, and going into the house they saw the child with his mother Mary, and falling to their knees they did him homage. Then, opening their treasures, they offered him gifts of gold and frankincense and myrrh. But they were warned in a dream not to go back to Herod, and returned to their own country by a different way.

The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.**

Communion Antiphon:

We have seen his star in the East,
and have come with gifts to adore the Lord.



**Guide Us to Thy
Perfect Light**