

# **CATHOLIC PARISHES OF BONDI**

# St Patrick's and St Anne's Parish Bulletin

#### **MASS TIMES**

#### Monday:

6:30pm Adoration/Confessions at St. Anne's

#### **Tuesday:**

7:15am Mass at St. Anne's

#### Wednesday:

7:15am Mass at St. Patrick's

#### Thursday:

7pm Mass 7:30pm Adoration/Confessions at St. Patrick's

#### Friday:

9:15am Mass at St. Anne's

#### Saturday:

9am Mass at St. Anne's

#### **Sunday:**

8am Mass & 5pm Mass at St. Anne's 10am Mass at St Patrick's

#### **CONFESSION TIMES**

Monday 6:30 - 7:30pm St Anne's

Thursday 7:30 - 8:30pm St Patrick's

Sunday: half an hour before each Mass

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### **THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD**



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#### **PARISH OFFICE HOURS**

Tues, Wed, Fri: 9:30am - 12:30pm, 1:30pm - 4:30pm

Thurs: 10:30am - 2:30pm

#### **PARISH STAFF**

Fr. Anthony Robbie - Parish Priest

Marian Abi Khattar - Parish Manager & Parish Safeguarding Support Officer

Eugene Raggio - Music Director

Verna Wing - Office Administrator

#### **Recently Deceased**

Richard Hart, John Stewart and Amato Majo

#### **Deceased**

All The Holy Souls

#### **Prayers for the Sick**

Mary Powell, Maria Joao Rodrigues de Araujo, Jason Dickson, Maria Barbara, Diana Margaret Duguid and Margaret Murphy

#### **Special Intentions**

Da Costa Family and Allen Family

#### This Week's Mass Intentions:

Tues 26 Dec: Holy Souls

Wed 27 Dec: Holy Souls

Thurs 28 Dec: Holy Souls

Fri 29 Dec: Holy Souls

Sat 30 Dec: Holy Souls

Sun 31 Dec: 8:00am Pro Populo

10:00am Holy Souls5:00pm Holy Souls

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#### From the Archdiocese of Sydney

Child sexual abuse is a crime. The appropriate people to deal with crimes are the police. If you, or anyone you know, have been abused, please contact the police. The Archdiocese has a legal obligation to report crimes to the police.

#### PARISH PRIMARY SCHOOL

Galilee Catholic Primary School 60B Blair Street, North Bondi NSW 2026

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#### **December Feast Days**

#### 11 December:

St. Damasus I, Pope 12 December:

Our Lady of Guadalupe

26 December:

St. Stephen, first martyr

27 December:

St. John, apostle, evangelist

28 December:

The Holy Innocents, martyrs **29 December:** 

St. Thomas Becket, bishop, martyr

31 December:

The Holy Family

#### **Choir Repertoire**

At the 10am Mass, the Choir will sing:

Mass in D Major (Kitson)

#### Offertory:

'Alma Redemptoris Mater' (Palestrina)

#### Communion:

'In the Bleak Mid Winter' (Darke)

'O Holy Night' (Adolphe Adam)

#### **Parish Office**

The parish office has now closed and will reopen on Tuesday 9th of January 2024.

If there are any urgent matters during this period please call the office phone number, leave a message and someone will get back to you as soon as possible.

All non urgent calls will be responded to after the 9th of January 2024.



#### MONDAY, 25/12/2023 | THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD - YEAR B

#### Christmas Reflection from a sermon of St. Leo the Great, Pope

Dearly beloved, today our Saviour is born; let us rejoice. Sadness should have no place on the birthday of life. The fear of death has been swallowed up; life brings us joy with the promise of eternal happiness.

No one is shut out from this joy; all share the same reason for rejoicing. Our Lord, victor over sin and death, finding no man free from sin, came to free us all. Let the saint rejoice as he sees the palm of victory at hand. Let the sinner be glad as he receives the offer of forgiveness. Let the pagan take courage as he is summoned to life.

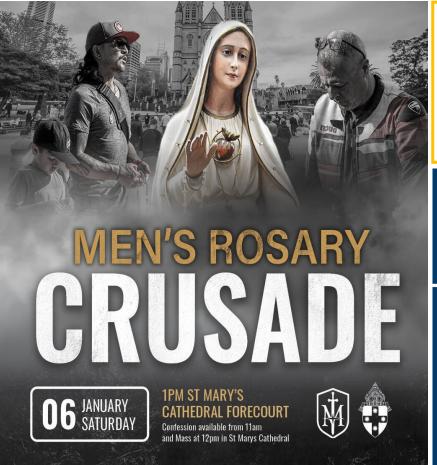
In the fullness of time, chosen in the unfathomable depths of God's wisdom, the Son of God took for himself our common humanity in order to reconcile it with its creator. He came to overthrow the devil, the origin of death, in that very nature by which he had overthrown mankind.

And so at the birth of our Lord the angels sing in joy: Glory to God in the highest, and they proclaim peace to men of good will as they see the heavenly Jerusalem being built from all the nations of the world. When the angels on high are so exultant at this marvellous work of God's goodness, what joy should it not bring to the lowly hearts of men?

Beloved, let us give thanks to God the Father, through his Son, in the Holy Spirit, because in his great love for us he took pity on us, and when we were dead in our sins he brought us to life with Christ, so that in him we might be a new creation. Let us throw off our old nature and all its ways and, as we have come to birth in Christ, let us renounce the works of the flesh.

Christian, remember your dignity, and now that you share in God's own nature, do not return by sin to your former base condition. Bear in mind who is your head and of whose body you are a member. Do not forget that you have been rescued from the power of darkness and brought into the light of God's kingdom.

Through the sacrament of baptism you have become a temple of the Holy Spirit. Do not drive away so great a guest by evil conduct and become again a slave to the devil, for your liberty was bought by the blood of Christ.



#### **Christmas Envelopes**

The Christmas offering envelopes are now available for people wishing to make a donation for Christmas. Money raised will go towards supporting the priests of the Archdiocese. Please note that Christmas donations are not tax deductible.



#### **GLORIA**

Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to people of good will.

We praise you, we bless you, we adore you, we glorify you, we give you thanks for your great glory, Lord God, heavenly King, O God, almighty Father.

Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son, Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us; you take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer; you are seated at the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us.

For you alone are the Holy One, You alone are the Lord, You alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father.

#### Amen

#### **NICENE CREED**

I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible. I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages. God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father; through him all things were made.

For us men and for our salvation he came down from heaven, (all bow) and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and became man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate, he suffered death and was buried. and rose again on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and his kingdom will have no end.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.

I believe in one, holy, Catholic and apostolic Church. I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come.

#### Amen

#### **CHRISTMAS VIGIL**

#### **Entrance Antiphon** Cf Exodus 16:6-7

Today you will know that the Lord will come, and he will save us, and in the morning you will see his glory.

#### First Reading

Isaiah 62:1-5

A reading from the prophet Isaiah The Lord takes delight in you.

#### Responsorial Psalm

Ps 88:4-5. 16-17. 27. 29 R. see v.2 (R.) For ever I will sing the goodness of the Lord.

- I have made a covenant with my chosen one; I have sworn to David my servant: I will establish your dynasty for ever and set up your throne through all ages.' (R.)
- 2. Happy the people who acclaim such a king, who walk, O Lord, 2. in the light of your face, who find their joy every day in your name, who make your justice the source of their bliss. (R.)
- 3. 'He will say to me: "You are my father, my God, the rock who saves me." I will keep my love for him always; for him my covenant shall endure.' (R.)

#### **Second Reading**

Acts of the Apostles 13:16-17. 22-

#### A reading from the Acts of the **Apostles**

Paul spoke of Christ, the son of David.

#### Gospel Acclamation Alleluia, alleluia!

Tomorrow the wickedness of the earth will be destroyed: the Saviour of Gospel Acclamation the world will be our king. Alleluia!

#### Gospel **Matthew 1:1-25** A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew

A genealogy of Jesus Christ, son of David.

#### **Communion Antiphon** Cf Isaiah 40:5

The glory of the Lord will be revealed, and all flesh will see the salvation of our God.

#### **CHRISTMAS DAY**

#### Entrance Antiphon Cf Isaiah 9:5

A child is born for us, and a son is given to us; his sceptre of power rests upon his shoulder, and his name will be called Messenger of great counsel.

#### First Reading

Isaiah 52:7-10

A reading from the prophet Isaiah All the ends of the earth shall see the saving power of our God.

#### Responsorial Psalm Ps 97:1-6. R. v.3 (R.) All the ends of the earth have seen the saving power of God.

- Sing a new song to the Lord 1. for he has worked wonders. His right hand and his holy arm have brought salvation. (R.)
- The Lord has made known his salvation;m has shown his justice to the nations. He has remembered his truth and love for the house of Israel. (R.)
- All the ends of the earth have seen the salvation of our God. Shout to the Lord all the earth. ring out your joy. (R.)
- Sing psalms to the Lord with the harp, with the sound of music. With trumpets and the sound of the horn acclaim the King, the Lord. (R.)

#### Second Reading

#### **Hebrews 1:1-6** A reading from the letter to the Hebrews

In our own time, God speaks to us through his Son.

## Alleluia, alleluia!

A holy day has dawned upon us. Come you nations and adore the Lord. Today a great light has come upon the earth. Alleluia

#### Gospel

John 1:1-18

#### A reading from the holy Gospel according to John

The Word of God became flesh and dwelt among us, and we saw his glo-

#### Communion Antiphon Cf Psalm 97:3

All the ends of the earth have seen the salvation of our God.

