

CATHOLIC PARISHES OF BONDI

St Patrick's and St Anne's Parish Bulletin

MASS TIMES

Monday - St Anne's No Mass 6.30pm Adoration & Confessions

> Tuesday - St Anne's 7:15am

Wednesday - St Patrick's 7:15am

Thursday- St Patrick's 7.00pm 7.30pm Adoration & Confessions

> Friday - St Anne's 9.15am

Saturday - St Anne's 9.00am

Sunday:

St Anne's - 8.00am & 5.00pm St Patrick's - 10.00am

CONFESSION TIMES

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

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

Sunday: half an hour before each Mass





PARISH STAFF

Fr. Anthony Robbie - Parish Priest Marcia da Costa -Safeguarding Support Officer

Michael Murphy - Music Director

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

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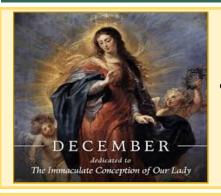
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SUNDAY 30/11/2025 | FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT YEAR A



O Mary, conceived without sin, pray for us who have recourse to you

Recently Deceased

Anne Boylan, Breda Reddy, Paul Christie, William Clements, Fr Chris Riley, Margaret Singer, Mitchell Irvine, Donald MacDonald, Mary Philomena O'Haire, Bishop Peter Elliott

Anniversaries

Pat King, Augusto Gaspar Duarte, Bemvinda De Almeida, Ann Geary, Mary Murphy, Moira Sime, John Grainger, Farid Beani, Nabil El Bety

Prayers for the Sick

Ricardo Perez, Nicola MacGregor, Fr Pat Keenan, Lolita Herrera, Robert Da Costa, Marija Family Barclay, Sarena McKinney, Paul Joseph Christie, Juan Carlos Venegas

Special Intentions

Da Costa-Allen Family, Sadek Family

This Week's Mass Intentions

Sun 30 Nov: 8:00am Pro Populo

10:00am Holy Souls

5.00pm Special Intention

Tues 2 Dec: Holy Souls

Wed 3 Dec: Holy Souls

Thurs 4 Dec: Holy Souls

Fri 5 Dec: Holy Souls
Sat 6 Dec: Holy Souls

Sun 7 Dec: 8:00am Pro Populo

10:00am Holy Souls

5.00pm Special Intention

Accommodation

From time to time the office receives requests to find rooms to share or offers of rooms available.

We have several requests from young Catholic men and women looking for flatmates at the moment. Please contact the office if you have a room or are looking for a room and we will try to put people in touch with each other.

Parish Primary School

Galilee Catholic Primary School 60B Blair Street, North Bondi

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Christmas Confessions!

Next Sunday 7th December Fr Hugh, who is visiting from Douai Abbey in the UK has kindly offered to make himself available in the confessional during the Sunday Masses. Please prepare yourself for Christmas in the best possible way by making a good confessions.

Reflection on the First Sunday of Advent by Father Gabriel of St Mary Magdalen, O.C.D.

O Lord confirm our hearts without blame, in holiness . . . at the coming of our Lord Jesus (1 Thess 3:13)

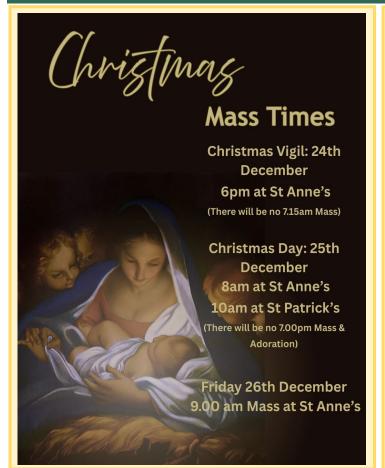
"Behold the days are coming—says the Lord—when I will fulfill the promise I made to the house of Israel . . . I will cause a righteous branch to spring forth for David" (Jer 33:14-15). Jeremiah announces God's intention of fulfilling the promise of the Savior who is to be born from the seed of David, here symbolized as a "righteous branch." He will reestablish "justice on earth," that is, he will save men from sin and lead them back to God. The realization of the great event which was accomplished through the birth of the Savior by the Virgin Mary is one of the focal points of Advent.

The Church is concerned that the people of God do not limit themselves to a superficial commemoration; instead she wants them to prepare themselves to relive in depth the ineffable mystery of the Word of God made man "for our salvation" (Creed). And since salvation will be completed, or will have reached all mankind, only at the end of time, when "they will see the Son of Man coming . . . with power and great glory" (Lk 21:27), the faithful are urged to live in a continual Advent. The remembrance of our Lord's birth must be lived "in the expectation of the blessed hope and coming of our Savior Jesus Christ" (RM).

The Lord has come, is coming, and will come; we need to thank him, welcome him and wait for him. If the life of a Christian deviates from this orbit, it fails. When the Church begins Advent by reading the Gospel that speaks of the end of the world and of the parousia of the Lord, her intention is not that of frightening her children, but of warning them that time is fleeting and earthly life is temporary; that the object of our hope and desire cannot be the earthly city, but the heavenly one. If the present world is convulsed by war, disorders, false philosophies and depraved customs, all this should be a warning that in rejecting God man perishes; by him alone can we be saved. Therefore, "look up, and raise your heads, because your redemption is drawing near" (Lk 21:28).

We need therefore to pray and "to watch at all times" (ib. 36) and make use of time to progress in love toward God and toward our neighbor. This is what St. Paul desires when he exhorts: Brothers, "may the Lord make you increase and abound in love to one another and to all men . . . may he establish your hearts, unblameable in holiness. . . at the coming of our Lord Jesus" (1 Thes 3:12-13). The justice and holiness which the Lord came to bring upon earth must take root and grow in the heart of the Christian and from there spread over the world.





Christmas gifts for the Sudanese Catholics

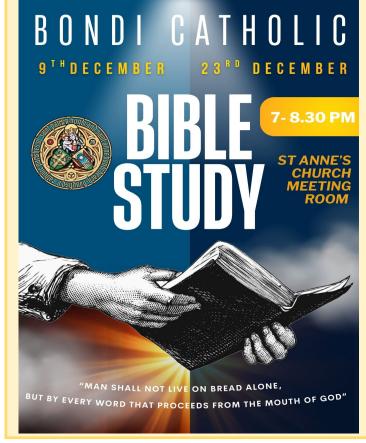


Each year our parish generously collects gifts for the needy which are distributed to the St Bakhita Centre, the Archdiocesan charity which supports the Catholic Sudanese Refugee community in Syd-ney. These people have suffered terribly for their faith and have sought a new home in Australia, but come here without anything.

Please bring along a wrapped gift if you can for the poor refugees, remembering to include a label to tell if the gift is for an adult or a child, a boy or girl, man or woman as necessary. Please place this gift under the Christmas tree.

God bless you all at this generous season of the year.





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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

Entrance Antiphon

Cf Psalm 24:1-3

To you, I lift up my soul, O my God. In you, I have trusted; let me not be put to shame. Nor let my enemies exult over me; and let none who hope in you be put to shame.

First Reading

Isaiah 2:1-5

A reading from the prophet Isaiah

The vision of Isaiah son of Amoz, concerning Judah and Jerusalem.

In the days to come the mountain of the Temple of the Lord shall tower above the mountains and be lifted higher than the hills. All the nations will stream to it, peoples without number will come to it; and they will say:

'Come, let us go up to the mountain of the Lord, to the Temple of the God of Jacob that he may teach us his ways so that we may walk in his paths; since the Law will go out from Zion, and the oracle of the Lord from Jerusalem.'

He will wield authority over the nations and adjudicate between many peoples; these will hammer their swords into ploughshares, their spears into sickles. Nation will not lift sword against nation, there will be no more training for war. O House of Jacob, come, let us walk in the light of the Lord.

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 121:1-2. 4-5. 6-9. R. see v.1.

(R.) Let us go rejoicing to the house of the Lord.

- I rejoiced when I heard them say: 'Let us go to God's house.'
 And now our feet are standing within your gates, O Jerusalem. (R.)
- It is there that the tribes go up, the tribes of the Lord.
 For Israel's law it is, there to praise the Lord's name.
 There were set the thrones of judgement of the house of David. (R.)
- 3. For the peace of Jerusalem pray: 'Peace be to your homes!
 May peace reign in your walls, in your palaces, peace!' (R.)
- 4. For love of my brethren and friends I say: 'Peace upon you!'
 For love of the house of the Lord I will ask for your good. (R.)

Second Reading

Romans 13:11-14

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Romans

You know 'the time' has come: you must wake up now: our salvation is even nearer than it was when we were converted. The night is almost over, it will be daylight soon – let us give up all the things we prefer to do under the cover of the dark; let us arm ourselves and appear in the light. Let us live decently as people do in the daytime: no drunken orgies, no promiscuity or licentiousness, and no wrangling or jealousy. Let your armour be the Lord Jesus Christ.

Gospel Acclamation

Psalm 84:8

Alleluia, alleluia! Lord, show us your mercy and love, and grant us your salvation. Alleluia!

Gospel

Matthew 24:37-44

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew

Jesus said to his disciples: 'As it was in Noah's day, so will it be when the Son of Man comes. For in those days before the Flood people were eating, drinking, taking wives, taking husbands, right up to the day Noah went into the ark, and they suspected nothing till the Flood came and swept all away. It will be like this when the Son of Man comes. Then of two men in the fields one is taken, one left; of two women at the millstone grinding, one is taken, one left.

'So stay awake, because you do not know the day when your master is coming. You may be quite sure of this that if the householder had known at what time of the night the burglar would come, he would have stayed awake and would not have allowed anyone to break through the wall of his house. Therefore, you too must stand ready because the Son of Man is coming at an hour you do not expect.'

Communion Antiphon

Psalm 84:13

The Lord will bestow his bounty, and our earth shall yield its increase.

