



CATHOLIC PARISHES OF BOND

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

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PARISH AND SPECIAL
COLLECTIONS**

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The Immaculate Conception, Francisco Rizi, 1660



PARISH STAFF

Fr. Anthony Robbie - **Parish Priest**
Marcia da Costa - **Safeguarding Support Officer**
Michael Murphy - **Music Director**

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Tues/Wed: 9.00 - 4.00 pm
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Recently Deceased

William Clements, Anne Boylan, Breda Reddy

Anniversaries

Beatrice Riley, Leo Riley, Helen Colette, Fe Biason, Nemesio Biason, John Ivan Radic, Ramiro Fonseca Useda

Prayers for the Sick

Ricardo Perez, Nicola MacGregor, Fr Pat Keenan, Lolita Herrera, Robert Da Costa,

Special Intentions

Da Costa-Allen Family, Sadek Family

This Week's Mass Intentions

Sun 7 Dec: 8:00am Fe Biason and Nemesio Biason
10:00am Holy Souls
5.00pm Special Intention

Tues 9 Dec: Ramiro Fonseca Useda

Wed 10 Dec: John Ivan Radic

Thurs 11 Dec: William Clements

Fri 12 Dec: Helen Colette

Sat 13 Dec: Beatrice and Leo Riley

Sun 14 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
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Reflection on the Second Sunday of Advent by Father Gabriel of St Mary Magdalen, O.C.D.

O Lord, that I may bring forth fruit worthy of repentance. (Mt 3:8) Christ, says the Apostle, came to save all men; he began his mission first of all among the Jewish people, of whom "he became a servant" (ib. 8) in order to show God's faithfulness to the promises he had made to the Patriarchs; yet he did not reject the pagans, but rather welcomed them so that his immense mercy might be made manifest (ib. 9). He returns again to the theme of reciprocal love: "Welcome one another, therefore, as Christ has welcomed you, for the glory of God" (ib. 7). The example of the Lord who welcomes and saves all men is the basis for the good relations they should have with one another. The love, harmony and peace proclaimed by the prophets as prerogatives of the messianic era are really the center of Christ's message; and yet after so many centuries of Christianity, mankind is still rent by hatred and discord and fratricidal strife.

The world has not yet opened itself up to the Gospel and been converted. The voice of the Baptist which resounds throughout Advent is therefore more than ever timely: Be converted, "for the kingdom of heaven is at hand" (Mt 3:2). All the prophets had preached conversion, but only the Baptist was able to underline its urgency with the imminent approach of the kingdom of heaven through the presence of the Messiah in the world. To the people gathered to listen to him, St. John declares: "I baptize you with water . . . but he who is coming after me, is mightier than I . . . he will baptize you in the Holy Spirit and with fire" (ib. 11). Jesus has come, and has instituted baptism "with the Holy Spirit and with fire," the fruit of his passion-death-resurrection, but how many who have been baptized have been entirely converted to him, to his gospel, to his commandment of love? Advent again calls us all to a deeper conversion "for the kingdom of heaven is at hand!" It is closer today than ever before because Christ has been present and at work in the world now for centuries with his grace, with the Eucharist and with the sacraments; but we have not yet received him fully, we have not yet given him the whole of our hearts and lives.

Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe- 12th December Our Lady of Guadalupe Pray for Us



Christmas

Mass Times

Christmas Vigil: 24th
December

6pm at St Anne's

(There will be no 7.15am Mass)

Christmas Day: 25th
December

8am at St Anne's

10am at St Patrick's

(There will be no 7.00pm Mass &
Adoration)

Friday 26th December
9.00 am Mass at St Anne's



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 Sydney. 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.

CHRISTMAS CONCERT

A symphony of much loved carols and beautiful
Christmas motets and set pieces

Friday 12 December

St Anne's, Bondi

7:00PM | CONCERT

Drinks and refreshments
in the hall afterwards



BONDI CATHOLIC

9TH DECEMBER

23RD DECEMBER



BIBLE STUDY

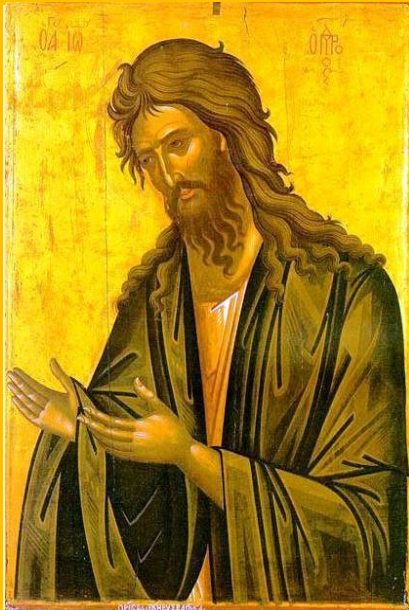
7- 8.30 PM

ST ANNE'S
CHURCH
MEETING
ROOM



"MAN SHALL NOT LIVE ON BREAD ALONE,
BUT BY EVERY WORD THAT PROCEEDS FROM THE MOUTH OF GOD"





A voice cries in the wilderness...
Ioannis Prodromos aka John the Baptist
by Euphrosynos 1542

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 Isaiah 30:19,30

O people of Sion, behold,
the Lord will come to save the nations,
and the Lord will make the glory of his voice
heard in the joy of your heart.

First Reading

Isaiah 11:1-10

A reading from the prophet Isaiah

A shoot springs from the stock of Jesse,
a scion thrusts from his roots:
on him the spirit of the Lord rests,
a spirit of wisdom and insight,
a spirit of counsel and power,
a spirit of knowledge and of the fear of the Lord.
(The fear of the Lord is his breath.)
He does not judge by appearances,
he gives no verdict on hearsay,
but judges the wretched with integrity,
and with equity gives a verdict for the poor of the
land.

His word is a rod that strikes the ruthless,
his sentences bring death to the wicked.
Integrity is the loincloth round his waist,
faithfulness the belt about his hips.
The wolf lives with the lamb,
the panther lies down with the kid,
calf and lion cub feed together
with a little boy to lead them.
The cow and the bear make friends,
their young lie down together.
The lion eats straw like the ox.
The infant plays over the cobra's hole;
into the viper's lair
the young child puts his hand.
They do no hurt, no harm,
on all my holy mountain,
for the country is filled with the knowledge of the
Lord as the waters swell the sea.
That day, the root of Jesse
shall stand as a signal to the peoples.
It will be sought out by the nations
and its home will be glorious.

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 71:1-2. 7-8. 12-13. 17. R. cf. v.7

**(R.) Justice shall flourish in his time, and
fullness of peace for ever.**

- 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. (R.)
- In his days justice shall flourish
and peace till the moon fails.
He shall rule from sea to sea,
from the Great River to the earth's bounds (R)
- 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. (R.)
- May his name be blessed for ever
and endure like the sun.
Every tribe shall be blessed in him,
all nations bless his name. (R.)

Second Reading

Romans 15:4-9

**A reading from the letter of St Paul to the
Romans**

Everything that was written long ago in the
scriptures was meant to teach us something about
hope from the examples scripture gives of how
people who did not give up were helped by God.
And may he who helps us when we refuse to give
up, help you all to be tolerant with each other,
following the example of Christ Jesus, so that
united in mind and voice you may give glory to
the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ.

It can only be to God's glory, then, for you to
treat each other in the same friendly way as Christ
treated you. The reason Christ became the servant
of circumcised Jews was not only so that God
could faithfully carry out the promises made to
the patriarchs, it was also to get the pagans to give
glory to God for his mercy, as scripture says in
one place: For this I shall praise you among the
pagans and sing your name.

Gospel Acclamation

Luke 3:4. 6

Alleluia, alleluia!

Prepare the way of the Lord, make straight his
paths: all people shall see the salvation of God.
Alleluia!

Gospel

Matthew 3:1-12

**A reading from the holy Gospel according to
Matthew**

In due course John the Baptist appeared; he
preached in the wilderness of Judaea and this was
his message: 'Repent, for the kingdom of heaven
is close at hand.' This was the man the prophet
Isaiah spoke of when he said:

A voice cries in the wilderness:

Prepare a way for the Lord,
make his paths straight.

This man John wore a garment made of camel-
hair with a leather belt round his waist, and his
food was locusts and wild honey. Then Jerusalem
and all Judaea and the whole Jordan district made
their way to him, and as they were baptised by
him in the river Jordan they confessed their sins.
But when he saw a number of Pharisees and
Sadducees coming for baptism he said to them,
'Brood of vipers, who warned you to fly from the
retribution that is coming? But if you are
repentant, produce the appropriate fruit, and do
not presume to tell yourselves, "We have
Abraham for our father," because, I tell you, God
can raise children for Abraham from these stones.
Even now the axe is laid to the roots of the trees,
so that any tree which fails to produce good fruit
will be cut down and thrown on the fire. I baptise
you in water for repentance, but the one who
follows me is more powerful than I am, and I am
not fit to carry his sandals; he will baptise you
with the Holy Spirit and fire. His winnowing-fan
is in his hand; he will clear his threshing-floor and
gather his wheat into the barn; but the chaff he
will burn in a fire that will never go out.'

Communion Antiphon

Baruch 5:5; 4:36

Jerusalem, arise and stand upon the heights,
and behold the joy which comes to you from God.