PARISH NOTICES

- 1. Welcome to Fr. Bartholomew who is temporary residing and assisting in our Parish.
- 2. On the 29^{th of} December which is the Feast of the Holy Family, a newly renovated statue of St Joseph will be blessed and placed into the church before the 9am Mass.
- 3. There will be no 7pm evening services on the 25^{th of} December and 1st January due to both being a public holiday.
- 4.On Wednesday 1st January 2025, a thanksgiving Mass, followed by Rosary, Adoration & Benediction will be held at 9.10AM. There will be no evening services.
- 5. Donna, our Parish assistant administrator/secretary will be on holiday from the 20^{th of} December. She will return on the 22^{nd of} January 2025. The office will be attended for limited hours during this time. Please call and leave a message or email if you need to and you will be contacted as soon as possible. Please note, there will be no weekly Bulletin available until the last weekend in January 2025.



Save the Date:

Sacrament of Confirmation 18th May 2025

at 11am Mass

PRAYERS FOR THOSE IN OUR COMMUNITY:

SICK: Fe Llave, Boyet Llave; Fara Vargas; Maria Llave; Stella Edwards & Maria Belisario; Mila Moser; Dalveno Bronsan; Leonie Baybay

RECENTLY DECEASED:

Theresa Lobo; Sulpicio Jun Santelices Jr; Anthony Giaquinto; Cynch Velecina; Betty Masilang; Patricia Borre; Jachino De Almeida; Norma Labrador; Nieves Arela Empleo **DEATH ANNIVERSARIES:** Irene Villarica; Gertrudes Dela Cruz; Epifania Salazar; Virgilio Espinosa

Edilberto Salazar; Pacita Gonzales; Crescenlina & Jerry Monterio; Louis Pereira; Ivila Pilat; Lorenza Umbao; Jonny Mcleod; Glady Heift; Ana Taateo; Peter Fia; Sheila Harrington; Librada Quijada; Doris Daly; Olive Daly; Clarence Daly; Gordon Hayden; Marie Heift; Letticia Murray; Francis Farquharson; Anthony Fernandez; Vivian Farquharson; Patrick Hamilton; Denis Rule; Mary Brunt Ah-Kau; Allysa Marie Cruz; Johnny Tan; Magdalena Puque; Aurelio Plamenco; Loius Pereira; Crescentina Monteiro; Vicenta Penales; Domingo Penales.



SACRED HEART PARISH

SOUTH MT DRUITT

9 Ropes Creek Road Mt Druitt NSW 2770 <u>tel: 98323896</u> **Fourth Sunday of Advent (C) 22nd December**

From Deacon Rod's desk

Gospel: Luke 1:39-45

Three times in this Gospel Mary is pronounced "blessed" (see also the second verse of the Magnificat; this is the scriptural ground for our calling her the "Blessed Virgin"). Two closely connected reasons are given for Elizabeth's calling her "blessed": Mary's faith (Lk 1:45), which is the same as her obedience (Lk 1:38, the alleluia versicle), and her bearing of the Christ child (Lk 1:42). So, Mary is blessed, not for what she was or is in herself, but only in relation to the incarnation. The Mariology of Scripture is grounded in Christology

For Luke, the miraculous conception is the supreme example of those Old Testament conceptions in which God raises up a person to perform a specific function in salvation history (Isaac, Moses [?], Samson, Samuel). Thus, Mary's miraculous conception of Jesus marks the birth of one who is to perform the eschatologically (relating to death, judgement, and the final destiny of the soul and of humankind) unique role in salvation history (Lk 1:32-33).

In Luke—and the same is doubtless true of Matthew—the infancy narrative is strictly a historical prelude to a unique salvation history that begins with the baptism of Jesus and continues through his exaltation (see the qualifications for apostolic witness in Acts 1:22).

Extract from Reginald H. Fuller – St Louis University.

Sunday Masses Saturday 6.00 pm Fourth Sunday of Advent (C) Sunday 7.30 am & 9.00am

Priest:

Weekday Masses & Communion Service (CS)

Monday 9:10am Mon 23rd December weekday of Advent (CS)

Tuesday 9.10 am Tues 24th December weekday of Advent (M)

7.30pm Christmas Vigil Mass Wednesday 7.30am The Nativity of the Lord Day

9:00am The Nativity of the Lord Day

Fr Marcus Hazelman

Thursday 9.10 am Saint Stephen (M)

Friday 9:10am Saint John (M)

Saturday 9.10am The Holy Innocents (M)

Confessions: Saturday: On request 5.30-5.45 PM

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<u>Entrance Antiphon:</u> Drop dew from above, you heavens, and let the clouds rain down the Just One; let the earth be opened and bring forth a Saviour.

<u>Responsorial Psalm:</u> Lord, make us turn to you; let us see your face and we shall be saved

<u>Gospel Acclamation</u>: Alleluia Alleluia! I am the servant of the Lord. May his will for me be done. Allelulia!

<u>Communion Antiphon</u>: Behold, a Virgin shall concieve and bear a son; and his name shall be called Emmanuel.

Readers	6.00pm	7.30am	9.00am
21 st /22 nd December 4 th Sunday of Advent	Edna Gemzon Jeric Salazar	Phil Tonks Elijah Merjudio	Mark Buhagiar Aloysius Wong
24th/25th December The Nativity of the Lord	7:30pm Luisito Villapana Herminia Villarica	Thomas Merjudio Joaquim Mendes	Matthias Wong Fadi Antown
28 th /29 th December The Holy Family	Gloria Cardoza Pio Vergara	Phil Tonks Elijah Merjudio	Agnes Polu Fadi Antown
4 th /5 th January The Epiphany of the Lord	Wendy Farquharson Edna Gemzon	Thomas Merjudio Joaquim Mendes	Jovita Bugayong Bethany Buhagiar



Wishing all Parishioners a Blessed Christmas and a Happy & Prosperous New Year From the Parish Clergy and Staff

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CHRISTMAS RECONCILIATION & MASS TIMES



Reconciliation

Saturday 21ST December- 10-11am & 4:30-5:30pm

Tuesday 24th December -Christmas Eve-10-11am & 6-7pm Reconciliation not available outside these times during this period.

Mass Times:

Tuesday 24th December- CHRISTMAS EVE

Carols 7pm and Mass 7:30pm & Chaldean Mass at 9:30pm Wednesday 25th December - CHRISTMAS DAY

& Chaldean Mass at 11am Mass: 7:30am & 9am

Mass for the Holy Innocents: Saturday 28 December

Join us at Our Lady of the Rosary Parish, Kellyville, on Saturday 28 December at 9.30am Mass to celebrate the Feast of the Holy Innocents. A procession of the Blessed Sacrament will follow Mass to the Shrine of the Holy Innocents. Please bring a plate to share. For more information call Br. Louis 0422 028 647

St Paul Feast Day celebration: 18 January

Come Join the Celebrations at the St Paul's Feast. Saturday, 18 January 2025 at 5.30pm at St Monica's, Richmond. Feast Mass Saturday 18 January St Monica's, Richmond at 5.30pm followed by procession. Other details Lady Queen of Peace band, BBQ, food, drinks, rides and chocolate wheel.

Faith Enrichment Role Vacancy - Our Lady Queen of Peace, Greystanes For more information and details on how to apply, please contact parishoffice@olgp.org.au.

THE COMBINED CHURHCES OF MT DRUITT Invite you to a

Free Christmas Day Lunch

Don't spend Christmas Alone 25 DECEMBER 2024 from 11AM

HOLY FAMILY CATHOLIC PARISH HALL

11 EMERT PARADE EMERTON

RSVP-JOHN 0422 402 021



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