

Thought for the week



Quotes from the readings this weekend



1st Reading: “Make a straight highway for our God...”

Psalm: “His help is near for those who fear him...”

2nd Reading: “The Lord is not being slow to carry out his promises...”

Gospel: “I have baptized you with water, but he will baptize you with the Holy Spirit.”

Weekly Diary : 7th December—13th December 2020

- Monday 7th : 8.00 am. Mass Memorial St Ambrose, bishop, doctor
- Tuesday 8th : 8.00 am. Mass Solemnity of The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary
- Wednesday 9th : 9.30 am. Christ Catholic Community Prayer Group — Parish Meeting Room
- Thursday 10th : 9.30 am. Mass
- Saturday 12th : 4.30 pm. + 5.30 pm. : 3rd Sunday of Advent Year B/I
- Sunday 13th : 7.00 am. + 9.00 am. : 3rd Sunday of Advent Year B/I

Christmas

Christmas Masses available for booking :

Christmas Day: Mass 7am.

School quad. 100 people. Must register.

Christmas Day: Mass 9am.

School quad. 100 people. Must register. **Live Streamed**

*** Arrive early—at least 15 minutes. Everyone must complete registration on arrival—standard process for COVID19. Bookings are done through the Parish Office.**

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK AND DECEASED

PRAYER: O Lord Jesus Christ, rest your weary ones, bless your dying ones, soothe your suffering ones, pity your afflicted ones, shield your joyous ones, and all for your love’s sake. Amen. (St Augustine)

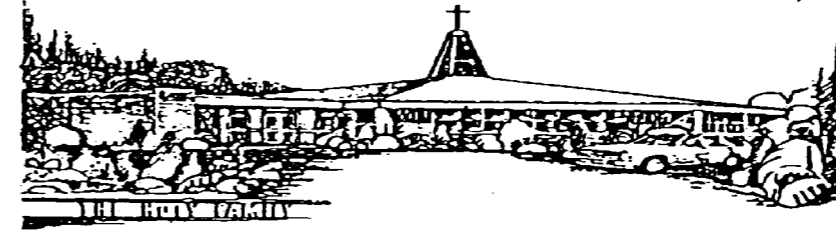
Prayers have been requested for the following :

RECENTLY DECEASED: John Anable, Frances Vella, Moyia Annette Cowan, Leslie Michell

ANNIVERSARIES: Ross Michael Bycroft, Olga Agnes Smith, Gilbert Smith, Brian Dwyer, Elizabeth Turnbull, John Turnbull, Muriel Gallagher, Robert Gallagher, Harry Gallagher

SICK LIST: Tom Edgar, Elaine Nunis, Christine Kyriakides, George Kyriakides, Morris Lynch, Zaldy F Cadayona, John Lynch, George Docherty, Christina Ang, Colleen Waddel, Jake Bartley, Sofia Bean, Vivienne Mitchell, Shingo Sawabe, Sonia D’Angiolo, Riany Chandler, Juliet Wee, Jean Di Benedetto, Marie Dupois, Abigail O’Donell, Terry Owsnett, Ronald Sincock, Dolares Kelly, Mary McDonnell, Irene Warde, Ron Sincock, Val Mai McErlean, Bill Walker, Courtney Blount, Reginald Cox, Simon Stretton, Philomena McAloon, Margaret Kwong, Letty O’Sullivan, Tony Collett, Ben Cebuliak, Marilyn Rodgers, Frank Hewitt, Anthony Donellan, Dolores Kilian, Mary Ann Boeheme, Maureen Currie, Harry Hunter, Margaret Wiersma, Madeline Hodgetts, Nancy Kelly, Tamara Toms, Baby Charlie Shirran, Bernie Pack, Elizabeth Norris, Stephen Deshaies, Ken Hannam, Gail Callaghan, Pistang Retute, Vanessa Pritchard, Carol Johnston

HOLY FAMILY PARISH, RUNAWAY BAY



2nd Sunday of Advent Year B/I

Sunday 6th December 2020

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Hours:
8.30am—3.00pm
Monday—Tuesday
8.30am-1.00pm
Wednesday-Thursday
(closed FRIDAY)

Reconciliation:
Please contact the Parish Office.

Baptisms
Every 2nd & 4th
Saturday & Sunday at 11am.
Please contact the Parish Office.

St Francis Xavier School:
Principal : Kathy Fuller

2nd Sunday of Advent Year B/I
6th December 2020

Ist Reading : Is 40:1-5,9-11
2nd Reading : 2 Pet 3:8-14
Gospel : Mk 1:1-8

3rd Sunday of Advent Year B/I
13th December 2020

Ist Reading : Is 61:1-2,10-11
2nd Reading : 1 Thess 5:16-24
Gospel : Jnl:6-8,19-28

HELLO! From Fr Marty



Plan for the Advent/Christmas season

Here is a schedule for the next month.

Week 7/12-13/12

MONDAY 7TH December 8AM MASS
TUESDAY 8TH December 8AM MASS
(Solemnity, the IMMACULATE CONCEPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY)
THURSDAY 10TH December 9.30AM MASS
Weekend Masses Sat 4.30pm, 5.30pm, Sun 7 and 9am

Week 14/12-20/12

MONDAY 14TH December 8AM MASS
WEDNESDAY 16TH December **2nd Rite of Reconciliation 6PM**
THURSDAY 17TH December 9.30AM MASS
Weekend Masses Sat 4.30pm, 5.30pm, Sun 7 and 9am

Week 21/12 -27/12

MONDAY 21ST December 8AM MASS
THURSDAY 24TH December ~~No morning mass~~
THURSDAY 24TH December (Christmas Eve) 4.30PM MASS
6PM MASS
8PM MASS
FRIDAY 25TH December 7AM MASS & 9AM MASS

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SATURDAY 26TH December ————— No morning mass
 SATURDAY 26TH December Vigil of HOLY FAMILY
Weekend Masses Sat 4.30pm, 5.30pm, Sun 7 and 9am

Week 28/12/2020-3/1/2021

MONDAY 28TH December ————— No morning mass
 THURSDAY 31ST December ————— No morning mass
(Office will be closed from Mon 28th Dec- 05th January and there will be no newsletter)

FRIDAY 1ST January 8AM MASS NEW YEARS DAY
 (Solemnity, MARY THE HOLY MOTHER OF GOD)
Weekend Masses Sat 4.30pm, 5.30pm, Sun 7 and 9am

Week 4/1/2021-7/1/2021

MONDAY 4TH January ————— No morning mass
 THURSDAY 7TH January 9.30am mass.

How to live the Gospel out this weekend.



Laurie Woods (2020) reminds us that we need to see the revelation of God as coming from biblical times. Connecting Jesus back to his ancestors and then making the connection that he is the Messiah. The one who comes to set us free. One thing we notice in the Advent readings today and in the next few Sundays, perhaps more so than in the readings for other seasons is the connection between the passages from the Hebrew Bible, which contain prophecy, and the gospel readings that show fulfilment. In John the Baptist, we see the one who heralds the person of Jesus as coming forth. John's message was that the messiah could be properly welcomed only by people who had tuned up their lives and returned to God in their hearts.

John's person and message certainly had an impact on his contemporaries. One of his most powerful statements was that he immersed people in water but the one to come would immerse people in the Holy Spirit. In other words, those who sign on to Jesus would be immersed in the Spirit of God; the transforming Spirit of God would wash over them and fill their whole lives with empowering goodness. Imagine walking through a mist and your whole being is immersed in this misty atmosphere. Walking in the way of Jesus is being immersed in a Spirit atmosphere where the values of the Spirit fill and inspire our thoughts and actions.

TASK:

What values do you live by in this Advent season? What values bring you light and hope and peace?

The sacrament of Reconciliation

Date : Wednesday, 16th December, 6pm, Holy Family Catholic Parish. Please contact the Parish Office and register your attendance.



St Vincent de Paul Society 2020 Christmas Appeal.

During December, the Holy Family Conference will be conducting our annual Christmas Appeal. This appeal is an important source of funding for the conference as it enables us to carry out our vision of "providing a hand up not a hand out" to the people in need in our area, especially during the Christmas season. This year we will be conducting the Appeal over three weekends, 28/29 Nov, 5/6 Dec and 12/13 Dec. You can donate in any one of the following ways.

1. Pick up an Appeal Envelope from the Church or the Parish Office and return it with your donation to the office or put it on any of the collections at Mass. If required, please include details for the receipt.
2. Direct Debit to the Conference bank account; BSB : 064-786, Account Number : 525860100, Account Name : SVDP Holy Family Runaway Bay, Reference : Christmas Appeal and your name. If you require a receipt please Email your details to our conference email HF4216@svdpqld.org.au

Thanks to all Parishioners for your generosity and thanks to students and staff at St. Francis Xavier for donations of groceries for our Christmas Hampers. May God bless you all.

Peter Fox
President

2nd Sunday of Advent - B

A VOCATION VIEW: The cry of the people: "Lord, let us see your kindness". Who will prepare the way of the Lord coming to us today? To talk to someone about your vocation, contact Vocation Brisbane: 1300 133 544 vocation@bne.catholic.net.au vocationbrisbane.com.au

Year 6 SFX students graduate!



Congratulations on graduating this year! I am not going to focus on what hasn't been, yet rather to the possibilities which await you as you seek out new paths for 2021. You came back strong in the final two terms and are now ready to take the next step. Big thanks to the leadership team and the year 6 teachers and support staff. May you all enjoy a break and get ready for the Christmas season.

What are you grateful about today/this week?



I am blessed to announce we have been added as a parish to the St Francis Xavier Legacy Path at the school. The school kindly donated two bricks on behalf of the parish. You can see the Holy Family brick here. Thank you SFX for your generosity and for your support.

