



St Paul Apostle Catholic Community

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Second Sunday of ADVENT Year B, 5-6 December, 2020

Dear Parishioners,

It was wonderful to celebrate the Eucharist with so many of our community last weekend and please God this is a sign of things to come. Do not forget to book your place at the weekend Masses during the week, but remember that you are welcome at any weekday Mass without the need to book. While the first three Masses are proving to be very popular the Sunday evening Mass (6.00 pm) has available places so take the opportunity to bring your family to that Mass.

Many people are inquiring about Christmas Masses but we are yet to finalise the Christmas timetable. We are hoping to see an increase in numbers by then but rest assured whatever the guidelines are we will provide as many opportunities as possible for you and your family to attend Christmas Mass. The Christmas timetable will be made available around December 15/16.

While we have returned to Mass there are still guidelines we must follow so please continue wearing your masks and **also remember the protocol for receiving communion. The following are the instructions we have received from the archdiocese:**

The following information is designed to allow for the distribution of Holy Communion at Mass in a safe manner for both ministers and communicants. All liturgical norms that govern the ordinary distribution of Holy Communion are observed in these norms, preserving the integrity of the celebration and distribution of the Eucharist.

In light of this, and as a provisional measure for the time-being only, the Archbishop asks that Communion be distributed in the hand only (and not directly on the tongue), as a precautionary step to protect against COVID-19. This is not done lightly,



because in normal circumstances the Church in Australia does not limit reception of the Sacrament to one way or another. This is not a permanent situation, and will be reviewed at each significant change in the Victorian Roadmap. The Archbishop will lift this requirement at the earliest opportunity. Catholics who do not feel able to receive the Sacrament in this way due to personal devotion or piety are to be respectfully encouraged to make a spiritual communion. You are reminded that in the case of serious sickness or end of life the Sacrament is available without restriction. In particular cases in which a communicant has some difficulty managing the face covering and receiving Communion in the hand, please show pastoral care and utmost regard for them.

- All worshippers are to wear a face covering or face covering throughout the celebration of Mass and the other Sacraments.

- Instructions on receiving Holy Communion should be given to communicants at the time of the Fraction Rite.

I realise that many wish to receive communion on the tongue but I would ask you to consider all people and accept the diocesan regulations. If you do insist on receiving communion on the tongue, please see Fr Brendan before Mass and he will make alternative arrangements. It is unfair for your particular belief to dictate the actions of our communion ministers who may feel uncomfortable giving communion on the tongue. Their own faith beliefs as well as their safety and the safety of the whole congregation need to be respected.

In the next two weeks we are having multiple ceremonies for our children who have had an interrupted preparation for the sacraments of reconciliation and confirmation. Please keep them in your prayers.

Blessings

The Parish team

Weekday Masses

(No booking is required to attend Weekday Masses)

Monday
9am Mass

Tuesday
9am Mass

Wednesday
7pm Mass

Thursday
9am Mass

Friday
9am Mass

Weekend Masses

"Weekend Masses are for maximum of 100 people. Booking is essential"

Saturday
6pm Mass

(will also be live streamed)

Sunday
9am, 11am & 6pm Mass
(11am Mass will also be live streamed)

Parish Reconciliation:

Saturdays 10am - 10.30am

Please contact Parish Office on 97003781 if you wish to book any of the weekend Masses

*please go into our website:
stpaulapostle.com.au*

Priests:
Fr Brendan Connell CP (PP)

Parish Staff:
Gillian Velupillay (Bursar)
Didi Karkas (Secretary)

Passionist Community
Fr Brian Gleeson CP
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Parish Calendar, News & Events

CONGRATULATIONS to **DANIEL** and **HÉLÈNE KELLY** who celebrated their 15 Year wedding anniversary on Thursday, 3rd December. In that time they have grown from a couple to become a family of 6. Not long after they arrived in Endeavour Hills, they quickly immersed themselves into our parish family. Daniel sings with 9am choir and the family have become members of the Family Group.

FAREWELL JOSEPH 'JOE' CHADWICK

This week we were saddened to hear that Joe Chadwick had passed away. Joe was a very highly respected and loyal member of our Parish for many years. He was a regular at 9am Mass, a reader and Eucharistic Minister. He also regularly visited Viewhills Aged Care and always made sure they had a remembrance day service and he brought Communion to those who wished to receive Communion every month. He will be remembered by many for reciting the Ode at the Remembrance day and ANZAC day Mass which he never missed. Sadly, when Joe was no longer able to drive he was not able to come to Church and reconnected with Doveton as it was nearer to where he lived but his heart was always at St Paul Apostle. Joe was a person of great integrity and his faith was everything to him. Joe's funeral will be on Friday, 11 December at 1pm. Booking through TOBIN Brothers is necessary if you wish to attend. We pray for his family in their time of grief.

CONGRATULATIONS

This week 2 groups of children have completed their First Sacrament of Reconciliation. Another group will be doing their's on Monday. We thank all the teachers who have helped them with their workbook and getting them prepared for this day. We congratulate the children and pray for them that they will keep growing in their faith. They are:

Patrick Fudalinski, Lucas Wawrzenkiewicz,
 Andre Anthony Misso, Jordan Pecar,
 Aleksia Pecar, Shanelle Dias,
 Bentley Lucas Rohan, Siarna Dianne Martino,
 Nicholas Avdihodzic, Savannah Izebella Daniels,
 Crystal Reyes, Grace Belle,
 Lucas Gresseux, Jake Kyle Allegany,
 Malakai Philippe Gentil-Thelemaque,
 Nadia Eve Mauceri, Athvika Kamalageethan,

Sophia Ravanal, Olivia Mary Arena,
 Christian Denzel Fernando, Lucas Tran Mac,
 Noel Sebastian, Xavier Kelly,
 Uswatta Linayage Ranuja Kalhan Perera,
 Sarona Tauiiili Jey Mari Aguda,
 Annabelle Bouquet, Jason Fernandez,
 Samantha Corfee, Christian Di Somma,
 Thomas Jake Herchenroder, Jazmin Ashby,
 Olivia Gardner, Noah Lauretta,
 Koyuki Kate Park, Mattis Robert Filip Raimbert,
 Luke Luan The Pham, Alissa Bevacqua,
 Shiloh Aroha Brown, Tatyana Planko,
 Aydin Antonio Ucar, Madison Aaliya de Kauwe,
 Jack Edmond Kennedy, Benjamin Rafferty,
 Aayla Rose Pureau, Jessica Le Boeuf,
 Zyon Planko, Chloe Mia Mutthumani,
 Jemma Louise Witts.

Next week our older children will be receiving their Sacrament of Confirmation. We will keep them in our prayers during this preparation period.

This week we also congratulate **Hui Teng** who is being welcomed into the Catholic community through the Sacrament of baptism. We keep her in our prayers as she prepares herself to complete the Sacrament of Initiation next year.



CHRISTMAS HAMPERS

Thank you to all the families who have committed to make hampers for those who need our help, especially at this difficult time. At this stage there is no family left on the list, however if you wish please feel free to make a hamper for a family of 4 and mark it as 'SPARE', we have no doubt we can find it a worthy home. We ask you to send the hamper to the church by Sunday 13th December, before 6pm Mass. The agencies will be picking them up on Monday 14th December morning. Please remember to mark your hamper with the correct CODE. If you wish to deliver them after office hours, please ring our office and leave a message, we will return your call in order to arrange the time

Second Sunday of Advent:

Is 40: 1-5, 9-11;
 2 Pet 3: 8-14;
 Mk 1: 1-8

Third Sunday of Advent:

Is 61: 1-2, 10-11;
 1 Thess 5: 16-24;
 Jn 1: 6-8, 19-28

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This weekend we pray for:

Those whose sick

Camilla D'Rozario, Angela Ameruso, Sr. Serafina, Andre Machado, Yvette Woods, Bryony, Findlay Lawless, Betty Evans, Danny Sugunasekera, Gaetan Clark, Ismael Bermudez, Cyril Hendricks, Lawrence de Alwis, Kevin Passanise, Claudia Cunanan, Jack Scanlan, Domenica Lombardi, Denham Juranasz, Dwayne Edmonds, Anne Ghatt, Milica Andreevska, Chase McCarthy, Irma Aiello, Sonny Tupai, Graham Hawkesworth, Esric Jackson, Emily Broadbent and All those in aged care or home-bound with chronic health issues

Those who have died

Joseph Chadwick, Julia Finn, Seaton D'Rozario, Russell Sugunasekera, Rudolph Brendan Sutton, Mauri Sendapperuma, Vinni Lobo, Frank Bonnefin, Claudia Bonnefin, Serge Dada, Rosantina Vieira, Julio Barbosa, Celina Dacosta, **and all who are named in our church memorial book and in the November Memorial book**

May they rest in peace



We are committed to the safety, wellbeing and dignity of all children and vulnerable adults

