

GOOD SHEPHERD CHURCH: 21 TWENTIETH AVE. HOXTON PARK

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COVID REQUIREMENTS: **1.** All at Church must check-in using phones or signing the page in the foyer. **2.** We must wear masks inside.

MASS TIMES HERE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

SATURDAY 5.30 P.M. SUNDAY 8 A.M. 10 A.M. 5.30 P.M.

FIRST READING TODAY: About 740 B.C. a young married nobleman of Jerusalem had a vision of the grandeur of God. This encounter led Isaiah to his life's work as a prophet. Notice how his first reaction is like Simon Peter's in today's Gospel.

SECOND READING Towards the end of this letter, St. Paul deals with the problem of some people saying "When you're dead, you're dead; there is no resurrection!"

GOSPEL READING. It would seem that these fishermen whom Jesus had first met through John the Baptist at the Jordan River were now called to be his first disciples

WEEKDAY MASSES THIS 5TH WEEK ORDINARY TIME Monday **8 a.m.** Tuesday (MEMORIAL ST JOSEPHINE BAKHITA) **7 p.m.** Wednesday **9 a.m.** Thursday (MASS WILL BEGIN EARLY) **6.45 p.m.** Friday (DAY FOR THE SICK) **9 a.m.**

RECONCILIATION (*The Sacrament of Confession & Forgiveness*). Our priest will be available in the Reconciliation Rooms Tuesday and Thursday 6.30 to 6.55 p.m. (before Mass) and Saturday 4 to 5 p.m. Our priest will be available at other times by appointment (9825 8154).

FIVE DECADES OF THE ROSARY are prayed in the Church at 8.30 a.m. on Wednesdays and before the 8 a.m. Mass on Mondays.

CATECHISTS SUNDAY. Our Catechists teach our children in State schools: (*½ hour a week from the beginning of March until the end of November*) in Middleton Grange, Hoxton Park, Hinchinbrook Public Schools. Our Catechists receive materials, training and guidance. We need several Catechists this year. Please contact our Office on 9825 8154

PARISH CARITAS AMBASSADOR. It would be wonderful to have a parishioner who would be devoted in our Parish to promoting the work of Caritas and encouraging all to give great support to this important relief. This would be especially helpful during Lent when we make a real effort for **Project Compassion**. On our Notice board now is a description of this role. If you would consider taking up this task, please talk to our priest Brother Pat.

PARISH LITURGY HELPERS. All past rosters for **READERS, SERVERS, MINISTERS OF COMMUNION, COMMENTATORS** have gone because of the pandemic. Now that many people are taking part again in Masses each weekend, our Pastoral Council wishes to encourage more people to take up these tasks. If you previously were helping, please volunteer again **OR** if you are willing to start, please indicate in the page on the foyer table.

CONFIRMATION: For youngsters of our Parish in **Year 6** at any school and our students from any **High School** who are not yet Confirmed. **The Parent Meetings** to enroll youngsters in the parish preparation are: **Sunday March 27th (for all fathers)** and **Sunday April 3rd (for all mothers)** at **6.45 p.m.** in Good Shepherd Church.. The meetings are **only** for adults. If your son or daughter received first Communion in Good Shepherd Church, there is no need to bring any certificates. Otherwise the certificates of Baptism and Holy Communion are needed.

COMMEMORATION OF ST. JOSEPHINE BAKHITA THIS TUESDAY FEB 8th Archbishop Fisher joins the Pope in urging every parish to commemorate St Bakhita's Feast Day with a Mass, to distribute Prayer Cards & learn about modern slavery There are an estimated 40 million victims of modern slavery in the world. In Australia there are an estimated 15,000 victims in farms, restaurants, construction sites, brothels and factories. The eradication of modern slavery and pastoral care of victims is a priority for our Church. In our Archdiocese Alison Rahill is contact Anti-Slavery Taskforce 93078464 alison.rahill@sydneycatholic.org.