

GOOD SHEPHERD CATHOLIC PARISH

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THE FOUR MASSES EACH WEEKEND FOR THE LORD'S DAY

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

FIRST READING THIS WEEKEND. The books of Maccabees were written to stimulate the faith of Jews when they were struggling against Syrian conquerors about 150 BC. They show a firm belief in a future resurrection, life after death, among many Jewish people at that time.

GOSPEL READING. A group of hard-headed men from a very conservative society of Jewish priests, called Sadducees, and who did not believe in any resurrection, asked Jesus a mocking question about life after death.

WEEKDAY MASSES THIS WEEK: **MONDAY** (Ordinary Season) **8 a.m.**
TUESDAY (Ordinary Season) **7 p.m** **WEDNESDAY** (Ordinary Season) **9 a.m.**
THURSDAY (Lateran Basilica) **7 p.m.** **FRIDAY** (Pope Leo 1st) **9 a.m.**

NOVEMBER is time of prayer for those we know who have died. Our Faithful Departed Book is on the altar for all to write the names of deceased family & friends for whom November Masses will be offered.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD AT SUNDAY 10 A.M. MASS. They hear the Reading, Gospel, talk and prayers in a simpler fashion. It happens on the 2nd Sunday of each month, **so it will next Sunday.**

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION (confession & forgiveness). Our priest is in the Reconciliation Rooms **Tuesdays & Thursdays 6.20 p.m. to 6.50 p.m.** and **Saturdays 4 to 5 p.m.** At other times by appointment (98258154).

The Parish Pastoral Council will meet this Tuesday at 7.40 p.m.

CHILDREN'S & YOUNGSTERS' RECEPTION OF SACRAMENTS 2023

1. FIRST RECEIVING OF RECONCILIATION (confession and forgiveness).

Children of the Parish in at least **Year 3** in any school can be prepared for this. Church law requires children must have begun receiving Reconciliation before being eligible to begin receiving Communion.

2. FIRST RECEIVING OF HOLY COMMUNION IN 2023

Children of the Parish in at least **Year 3** in any school can be prepared for this provided they have already begun receiving Reconciliation..

3. CONFIRMATION 2023 will take place in **St. Mary's Cathedral** in the last quarter of 2023 for young members of ten Parishes of this area. Candidates need to be **Baptised**, to have received **Reconciliation** and **Communion** and are in at least in **Year 6** or in **High School** in 2023. We plan to have coaches from here to our magnificent Mother Church where our Archbishop & his Assistant Bishops will administer Confirmation.

THERE ARE PAGES ON A TABLE AT THE NOTICE_BOARD IN THE FOYER with details of enrolment, preparations and celebrations of these next year.

THE SEASON OF ADVENT is approaching. Let us make the most of this precious time this year to gather in our parish and prepare for the coming of Jesus. **STAY AWAKE!** is a free Advent booklet which contains Gospel readings for Advent Sundays & Christmas, and spiritual reflections by Bishop Danny Meagher, Mrs Tania Rimac, Sister Mary Julian Ekman RSM, Dr Michael Casey and Rev. Ben Saliba. Have look at or take home one of the copies on the table in the foyer. Next week we will invite you either to host a group at your home (On-line training beforehand is available) or to be part of one of the groups meeting in Church Meeting Room on different days & nights in Advent which begins Nov **26/27**

ROSTER FOR THE NEXT LORD'S DAY

Nov. 12/13	Sat. 5.30 p.m.	Sun. 8 a.m.	Sun. 10 a.m.	Sun. 5.30 p.m.
Commentator Reader	Mark Gates E. Sokwala	Fernanda Soares Louise Doculara	Patrick Palu Mercedes Palu	Raine Dela Cruz Bella Dela Cruz
Communion Ministers	Marque Kane N. O'Donnell	Susan Ives Peta vaiotu	N. Obmasca Sharon Ama	Zelinda Murphy David Di Bartolo
Servers	Jerome Gutierrez K. Villaverde Chloe Nagamine	Michael Bernabe	Jerome Ama S. Riviera Flower Ameya Prince	Anthony Raheem Jessica Sammaan