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.

SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT (A)

THE ADVENT SEASON is a time of preparation for Christmas BUT

in the Scriptures in Advent we look <u>ahead</u> beyond Christmas this year to the next coming of Jesus: either at our death (when we come to him) or at the end of the world as we know it. Advent (as an active season of expectation, preparation and waiting) becomes for us all a dress rehearsal for whenever is that next coming of Jesus

In the Scriptures in Advent we look <u>back</u> beyond the first Christmas to the Old Testament longing for the coming of the Messiah (Christ). This helps us to appreciate our privilege in knowing Jesus and in sharing his life, his worship and his loving work.



WEEKDAY MASS THIS SECOND ADVENT WEEK MONDAY 8 a.m. NO FURTHER WEEKDAY MASS UNTIL DEC.19 MONDAY 8 a.m. as Brother Pat will be in hospital for surgery and then convalescencing.. Carmelite priests from Varroville will celebrate Lord's Day Masses.

THE SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION (Confession and Forgiveness) When he returns our priest will be available each evening the week before Christmas; so Monday 19th to Friday 23rd from 6.20 to 6.50 p.m. SATURDAYS a priest available at Holy Spirit Carnes Hill 10.30 - 11.30 a.m. SATURDAYS priest is available at St. Francis Xavier Lurnea 4.00- 4.30 p.m.

CHILDREN'S AND YOUNGSTERS' RECEPTION OF SACRAMENTS 2023

There are **changes** because Cathedral Confirmations are much earlier.

- 1. FIRST RECEIVING OF RECONCILIATION IN 2023
- 2. FIRST RECEIVING OF HOLY COMMUNION IN 2023
- 3. RECEIVING OF CONFIRMATION 2023

THERE ARE NEW PAGES UNDER OUR NOTICEBOARD WITH THE DETAILS OF ENROLMENT, PREPARATIONS, AND CELEBRATIONS.

ADVENT FRIENDSHIP DAY FOR ALL KIDS IN THE PARISH. It's more fun if we're together! Kids aged 5-12 are invited to a time of discovering our Faith through friendship, games, songs, stories & prayers. Please join us <u>next Sunday 11 Dec.</u>, 11:AM-12:30 PM. Refreshments provided plus gifts and prizes for kids. Registration sheet is available at the church foyer. Organised by our Catechists & helpers. Others welcome to assist. (WWCC may be needed) Please contact our Parish Secretary Tracey 98258154 or Cynthia, our Cathechist Coordinator on 0431640922

GOOD SHEPHERD CHRISTMAS MASSES WE NEED

CHRISTMAS EVE (Saturday 24th) 5.30 p.m. Altar Servers

CHRISTMAS EVE (Saturday 24th) 7.30 p.m. screen operators

CHRISTMAS (Midnight Mass) 12 Midnight collectors

CHRISTMAS DAY(Sunday 25th) 8 a.m. ushers

CHRISTMAS DAY(Sunday 25th) 10 a.m. Offertory

No Mass here Christmas Night (Sunday) see foyer roster

ROSTER FOR THE NEXT LORD'S DAY

Dec. 10/11	Sat. 5.30 p.m.	Sun. 8 a.m.	Sun. 10 a.m.	Sun. 5.30 p.m.
Commentator	Mark Gates	Louise Doculara	Anna Obmasca	Linda Ryzak
Reader	E. Sokwala	Tivoli Vaiotu	Aurora Nicolls	Alestaire Albarico
Communion	Joe Zammit	Vincent Ogu	Angela Agius	B. Di Bartolo
Ministers	M. Samonte	Peta Vaiotu	Norberto Obmasca	D. Di Bartolo
Servers	K. Villaverde Chloe Negamine Jerome Gutierrez	Michael Bernabe	Ameya Prince Jerome Ama Chiara Beretta	Emilio Petkovic

MESSAGE FROM SYDNEY ARCHDIOCESE (This will appear regularly). Child sexual abuse is a **crime**. The appropriate people to deal with crime are the **police**. If you, or anyone you know have been abused, please contact the police. Or there is the Safeguarding & Ministerial Integrity Office 93905810 which has a legal obligation to report crimes to police. Our Parish Safeguarding Support Officer MAJA PETKOVIC is also available through the Parish Office for support and guidance.