

GOOD SHEPHERD CATHOLIC PARISH

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MASS TIMES FOR THE LORD'S DAY IN GOOD SHEPHERD PARISH

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

THE FIRST READING TODAY is from the second of *the Suffering Servant Songs*. Composed at least 500 years BC, the prophet writes of the mysterious figure of the Servant of God. He seems to represent both the people of Israel and the Messiah, the Christ who is to come, bringing God's help to people.

THE SECOND READING TODAY. Corinth was a busy, multi-cultural, port city, with a reputation for sleaze. Paul wrote a few letters to the Church there; two have survived. They combine beautiful reflections on the Faith with advice on some serious practical problems facing Christians there. Today's reading is the prayerful greeting that begins the first of these letters.

GOSPEL READING TODAY: In Ordinary Time this year we will normally read from the Gospel according to Matthew. But today we dip into the Gospel according to John. In it, John the Baptist is the first of the witnesses who tell us just who Jesus is.

WEEKDAY MASS THIS WEEK: Monday 8 a.m. Tuesday 7 p.m. (Feast St. Anthony of Egypt) **Wednesday NO PARISH MASS TODAY, BUT FUNERAL MASS 10 a.m. FOR BERNADETTE HART, Thursday 7 p.m. Friday 9 a.m.**

RECONCILIATION (*Confession & Forgiveness*) Our priest is available in the Reconciliation Rooms Tuesday and Thursday from **6.20 p.m. to 6.50 p.m.** (before 7 p.m. Mass) and Saturday from **4 p.m. to 5 p.m.**

OUR CATHOLIC CHILDREN IN OUR 3 STATE PRIMARY SCHOOLS NEED CATECHISTS AND HELPERS. Perhaps God is calling **you** to this privilege teaching our Faith. Religion classes (*½ hour*) are at Middleton Grange School 10.45 a.m. Wednesdays, Hoxton Park School 10 a.m. Thursdays, Hinchinbrook School 11.10 a.m. Thursdays. Catechists are given materials & training; Helpers assist Catechists. If you are willing to see if you could do these, please contact our Coordinator CYNTHIA 0431 640 922 or our Parish Office 9825 8154.

FIRST RECEIVING OF RECONCILIATION (*Confession & Forgiveness*) Children of the Parish in Year **3** or a higher class in any school can be prepared for this. Church law requires children must have begun receiving Reconciliation before eligible to begin receiving Communion. **ENROLMENT EVENINGS** when parents include children in the preparation: **for all Catholic fathers:** Saturday Feb. 11th at **6.45 p.m. in Church.** **for all Catholic mothers:** Sunday Feb.12th at **6.45 p.m. in Church.** Parents who are not Catholic are very welcome. The meetings are definitely **not** for the children and will take place in the Church after 5.30 p.m. Mass. The child's **Baptism Certificate** is needed, unless the Baptism took place here.

MESSAGE FROM SYDNEY ARCHDIOCESE (appears regularly). Child sexual abuse is a **crime**. The appropriate people to deal with crime are **police**. If you, or anyone you know have been abused, please contact the police. Or there is the Safeguarding & Ministerial Integrity Office **9390 5810** 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.

ROSTER FOR THE NEXT LORD'S DAY

Jan. 21/22	Sat. 5.30 p.m.	Sun. 8 a.m.	Sun. 10 a.m.	Sun. 5.30 p.m.
Commentator Reader	TJ Bruce Angela Agius	Riona Jaison Maria Gatto	Anna Obmasca Abdon Diaz	Tristan Dela Cruz Bella Dela Cruz
Communion Ministers	Maria Doculara Genevieve Bruce	Vincent Ogu Susan Ives	Norberto Obmasca Angela Agius	E. Rodriguez Yohan Perrera
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