

# ST JEROME'S CATHOLIC PARISH

*Incorporating the Community of the Order of the Clerics Regular of Somasca - CRS*

VISION: "To be an active faith community centred on Jesus Christ, which unites everyone to build a better world"



**1<sup>st</sup> SUNDAY OF ADVENT- Year C – 27<sup>th</sup> & 28<sup>th</sup> November 2021**

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**FIRST READING** *Jeremiah 33:14-16*

'See, the days are coming – it is the Lord who speaks – when I am going to fulfil the promise I made to the House of Israel and the House of Judah:  
'In those days and at that time,  
I will make a virtuous Branch grow for David, who shall practise honesty and integrity in the land.  
In those days Judah shall be saved and Israel shall dwell in confidence.  
And this is the name the city will be called:  
The Lord-our-integrity.

The Word of the Lord. **R. Thanks be to God.**

**RESPONSORIAL PSALM** *Ps 24: R v.1*

**R: To You, O Lord, I lift my soul.**

Lord, make me know your ways.  
Lord, teach me your paths.  
Make me walk in your truth, and teach me:  
for you are God my Saviour. **R.**

The Lord is good and upright.  
He shows the path to those who stray,  
He guides the humble in the right path;  
He teaches His way to the poor. **R.**

His ways are faithfulness and love  
For those who keep His covenant and will.  
The Lord's friendship is for those who revere Him;  
to them He reveals His covenant. **R.**

**SECOND READING** *Thessalonians 3:12-4:2*

May the Lord be generous in increasing your love and make you love one another and the whole human race as much as we love you. And may He so confirm your hearts in holiness that you may be blameless in the sight of our God and Father when our Lord Jesus Christ comes with all His saints.  
Finally, brothers, we urge you and appeal to you in the Lord Jesus, to make more and more progress in the kind of life that you are meant to live: the life that God wants, as you learnt from us, and as you are already living it.

You have not forgotten the instructions we gave you on the authority of the Lord Jesus.

**The Word of the Lord. R Thanks be to God.**

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION** *Ps 84:8*

**Alleluia, Alleluia!**  
**Lord, show us your mercy and love,**  
**And grant us your salvation.**  
**Alleluia!**

**GOSPEL:** *Luke 21:25-28. 34-36*

Jesus said to His disciples: 'There will be signs in the sun and moon and stars; on earth nations in agony, bewildered by the clamour of the ocean and its waves; men dying of fear as they await what menaces the world, for the powers of heaven will be shaken. And then they will see the Son of Man coming in a cloud with power and great glory. When these things begin to take place, stand erect, hold your heads high, because your liberation is near at hand.'

'Watch yourselves, or your hearts will be coarsened with debauchery and drunkenness and the cares of life, and that day will be sprung on you like a trap. For it will come down on every living man on the face of the earth. Stay awake, praying at all times for the strength to survive all that is going to happen and to stand with confidence before the Son of Man.

The Gospel of the Lord.

**R. Praise to You, Lord Jesus Christ.**



**The Divine Mercy devotion will be held on Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> December at 2.15pm in our Parish**

**WEEKDAY MASS:** Monday to Friday - 7am and 9am

Saturday - 9am

**WEEKEND MASS:** Saturday - 6pm Vigil

Sunday - 8am, 10am and  
6pm (Youth Mass)

**RECONCILIATION:** Saturday 10.00 – 11.00am and  
5pm -5.30pm

Or on Request at any time

**Parish Office Hours: Tuesday to Friday 9am to 2.30pm**

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## Father's Message

The word Advent — it's a Latin word, "*advenio*" — means "*the coming.*" Not "he came" but "the coming."  
There are really three Comings of the Lord and each one in its own way is very important for us to understand.

The First Coming, of course, is the coming of the child, the coming of the Saviour, the coming of Emmanuel, God with us, and he comes in Bethlehem, and this is an historical coming.

The First Coming is God comes in weakness, God comes in the quiet of the night, God comes like a helpless child, in need of men and women to take care of him, to watch over him, to feed him, to do all these unbelievable things when you think that the Blessed Mother and Joseph are raising a child who is God Himself.

The Second Coming is more dramatic. The Second Coming is the end of the world, as described in the Gospel (Luke 21:25-28, 34-36) The Second Coming, when will it come? No one knows. Jesus says, "*Only the Father knows*" (Mt 24:36). Jesus reminds us of our readiness to welcome him; "*When these things begin to take place, stand erect, hold your heads high, because your liberation is near at hand.*" (Luke 21:28)

The Third Coming is that Jesus is with us. The Risen Lord will be with us on the journey, down through the years, no matter how long it takes, will be at our side, never abandon us. And, of course, this is the real joy of Advent: the knowing of, and the loving of, this Messiah who comes to lead us safely home.

Our waiting for Jesus is a moment of joy and expectation and not a tension-filled situation. Therefore, here in the season of Advent let us live by faith, walk in hope, and are renewed in love so that when Jesus comes at the end time to be our judge, we shall not merely know him, but come to him as a friend.

Thus, Jesus gives us the warning: "*Stay awake, praying at all times.*" (Luke 21:36). He does not want us to be caught unawares.

### ADVENT

Advent has a twofold character, for it is a time of preparation for the Solemnities of Christmas, in which the First Coming of the Son of God to humanity is remembered, and likewise a time when, by remembrance of this, minds and hearts are led to look forward to Christ's Second Coming at the end of time. For these two reasons, Advent is a period of devout and expectant delight. Advent begins with First Vespers (Evening Prayer I) of the Sunday that falls on or closest to 30 November and it ends before First Vespers (Evening Prayer I) of Christmas. The Sundays of this time of year are named the First, Second, Third, and Fourth Sundays of Advent. The weekdays from 17 December up to and including 24 December are ordered in a more direct way to preparing for the Nativity of the Lord. (The Roman Missal)

### EMILIANI INTERCESSORS FOR RENEWAL

**The Emiliani Intercessors for Renewal will meet Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> December 2021 6.00pm** to pray together with Our Blessed Mother for Parish, Families and Personal renewal of Our Church back to the holiness of apostolic times, together with offering intercessory prayers for specific needs and requests within our parish community.

All are invited to send any specific prayer requests that you or someone you know who is in need of prayer intercession to [renewal@somascan.org.au](mailto:renewal@somascan.org.au) or to Maria De Sousa on **0421 079 818**.

## St Lucy's Feast Day (Festa solenne di Santa Lucia)

In preparation of the Feast Day the Triduum will be on—

**Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> December 2021, 7.00pm Confession and 7.30pm Mass**

**Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> December 2021, 7.00pm Confession and 7.30pm Mass**

**Friday 17<sup>th</sup> December 2021, 7.00pm Confession and 7.30pm Mass**

**Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> December 2021, 2.00pm Mass and 3.15pm the procession and benediction followed by refreshments.**



## CHRISTMAS HAMPER

### COLLECTION BOX

Children in our St Jerome's Parish RE Program and Sunday Children's Liturgy are making up Christmas hampers to share within our local community.

We invite all our families and children to support us by donating some non-perishable food (for a Christmas meal) or a small toy/gift to put in the hampers. Please leave your donations in the Church foyer. THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!

### Preparing through Advent

Thinking about how to prepare spiritually during Advent? The Centre for Life, Marriage and Family produces an annual Advent journal with daily readings, reflections, and contributions from spiritual leaders, these can be purchased online at: <https://CLMFjournal.ecwid.com/>

Alternatively, while the journals are \$15 to purchase individually, a discount is available for parish bulk orders and can be collected from our office in Doubleview. Please contact CLMF for more information by email [projects.clmf@perthcatholic.org.au](mailto:projects.clmf@perthcatholic.org.au) or call (08) 92780253

The team at CLMF hope this resource leads people into a deeper reflection of their own personal dignity and the incomparable worth of every human person as they journey with the Magi to find Christ in the manger.

### Church Cleaners Roster:

**4<sup>th</sup> December 2021 – Group 3:** L Kingsley, M Palmer, L Odegaard, M De Gois, T Fasolo, A & T Allison-Forest

**11<sup>th</sup> December 2021 – Group 4:** R Palos, G Taag, A Abalos, L Dumapit, J Mercado, M Monzon

### **ST. JEROME'S PRIMARY SCHOOL PRESENTS CAROLS BY CANDLELIGHT ON 3rd DECEMBER 2021**

All students from Pre-Primary to Year 6 will be singing some traditional Christmas music, as well as performances from the junior and senior Choirs and the Drama Company.

**Time: 5.00pm Sausage Sizzle, BYO Picnic chairs or blankets.** Concert starts at **6.00pm**

### **2021 St. Jerome's Art Exhibition:**

Opening night Tuesday 30th November from 5.30pm to 7.00pm pre-kindergarten through year 6. All are welcomed

### **FREE FAMILY FRIENDLY EVENT - CHRISTMAS CAROLS ON THE GREEN AT EMMANUEL CATHOLIC COLLEGE**

The students at St. Jerome's Primary School and Emmanuel Catholic College presents Christmas Carols

Date: **08 December 2021** Time: arrival at **6.00pm** start time **6.30pm**

**Book your tickets/ Pizza:** <https://www.trybooking.com/BVNDY>

Bring a picnic rug, low chairs welcome, highchairs must be seated at the back.

**Pizza is available for pre-purchase (until 03 December).**



Synod of Bishops: On Sunday, October 17, dioceses around the world will launch local preparations for the Synod of Bishops, which has the theme: "For a Synodal Church: Communion, Participation and Mission". The Catholic Church in Australia will invite the People of God to make submissions via an online portal that will open on October 17. Those submissions will help the bishops develop a national report to support the global process leading to an international gathering in 2023. Find out more at:

<http://www.catholic.org.au/synodalchurch>

### **Invitation to 44th Annual Rosary Procession Sunday 5th Dec after 9am Mass**

**St Joseph's Catholic Parish, 20 Hamilton Street, Bassendean** would like to invite you to join us in our 44th Annual Rosary Procession in honour of Our Lady of the Immaculate Conception on **Sunday December 5th after 9 am Mass**, followed by Benediction and refreshments. Please bring a plate to share. A Triduum of Rosaries will be held at the parish from Wednesday, 1st Dec to Friday, 3rd Dec at 7pm. Enquiries 9379 2691.



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### PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK OF OUR PARISH:

Ellen Breen, Jim Hill, Matilda De Santos, Sister Renee Quadros, Salvatore Lazzara, Marina & Rita Papalia, Lucia Merenda, Madeleine Lombardo, Maria Fernandez.  
(Please advise the parish office if any of these names need to be removed.)

**Recently Deceased:**  
**Mrs Maria Nazare Do Conceicao**

### MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS

Sat 27/11/21	6pm	Soul of Ken Orr Soul of Laretta Yon Soul of Sergio & Maria De Ceglie Souls of Charles Sweeney & Robert Pereira Int. for the intercession of Our Lady of the miraculous medal
Sun 28/11/21	8am	For the Forgotten Souls in purgatory Souls of the deceased members of the Bishop & DeBrincat families Special Int Soul of Elio Boni Soul of Horacio Malho Soul of Gaetana & Giuseppe Belfiure Soul of Vincenza Monastra B'Day Int. Chris Sparkes
	10am	Soul of Tindara Merenda Soul of Maria Basilio Soul of Maria Nazare Do Conceicao Soul of Maria Lanza-Volpe Soul of Grazia Curcuruto
	6pm	
Mon 29/11/21	7am	Special Int Soul of Danko Jelincic
	9am	Souls in Purgatory B'Day Int. Linda Coelho
Tues 30/11/21	7am	Special Int
	9am	Souls of the deceased members of the Bishop & DeBrincat families  Souls in purgatory
Wed 01/12/21	7am	Special Int B'Day Int. Barbara Bosnich
	9am	Int. of Freitas & Yukos families Soul of Antonio Loreto Jnr
Thurs 02/11/21	7am	Special Int
	9am	Soul of Virgilio Rodrigues Loreto
Fri 03/12/21	7am	Special Int Soul of Norah Churchill
	9am	
Sat 04/12/21	9am	Special Int Soul of Giuseppe Antonio Merenda & family

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