



4th SUNDAY of ADVENT

24 December 2023

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Parish Office Hours

Monday and Tuesday:

9.00am - 12.30pm

Closed on Wednesday

Thursday and Friday:

9.00am - 3.30pm

Parish Priest:

Fr Melvin Llabanes

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Sacrament of Baptism

Baptism will be celebrated by appointment following a Baptism Preparation Program.

Sacrament of Marriage

By appointment with at least 6 months notice.

St. Vincent de Paul

If assistance is required, contact SVDP: 1800 305 330 (Free Call)

Catholic Women's League

Please contact the parish office.

Parish Choir

Please contact the parish office.

Mass Times

Saturday: 6.00pm Sunday 9.30am

Tuesday to Friday: 9.30am

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Friday after 9.30am Mass

Saturday 5.30pm until 6.00pm

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

First Friday of the month after 9.30am mass.

Divine Mercy Prayers

Friday 8.30 - 9.25am

PLEASE PRAY FOR:



We pray for all who are sick, especially:

Sr Gabriel, Des Fitzgerald,
Bill Gallagher, Leonie Flint,
Brodie, Nicola, Monica Murphy,
Betty Croker, Olga McDonald,
Michael Westworth,
Edith Moyes, Keith Moyes,
Colleen Skedden,
Ron Buchanan, Lucy Horgan,
Beryl Clark, Verline Moran.

We pray for those parishioners that are unable to be among us this weekend and for those who have died recently, especially:

Mary Pisani

And for those whose anniversary occurs at this time:

Readings for next week:

The HOLY FAMILY of Jesus, Mary and Joseph
Gen 15:1-6, 21:1-3 (yr B) or Sirach 3:2-6, 12-14 (Yr A)
Heb 11:8, 11-12, 17-19 (Yr B) or Col 3:12-21 (Yr A)
Lk 2:22-40

OFFICE CLOSURE

The parish office will close on Friday 22 December and re-open on Monday 22 January.

The office phone will be regularly checked for messages.

ROSTERS:

New rosters for Eucharistic Ministers and Readers (from January 13 until March 17) are now available for you to collect from the narthex.

In the mean time a volunteer sheet has been put up outside the sacristy for you to place your name against the mass you are able to assist at as a reader or Eucharistic minister.

There have been some recent thefts at parishes in the area, please do not leave your belongings unattended before, and after mass. Remember to secure your them when leaving your seat to receive the Blessed Sacrament.

"At this Christmas when Christ comes, will
He find a warm heart?
Mark the season of Advent by loving and
serving the others with God's own love
and concern."

— Mother Teresa

SLIDE PRESENTATION FOR MASS

During the month of January there will not be any slide presentations during Mass.

If you would like to help with the slide presentations in 2024 please contact Lynn in the parish office once she returns from leave.

Christmas Festivities

A huge thank you

To all who helped with the preparations of the food and the nativity play;

To all actors and back stage support for the live
crib;

And to those who came along and partook in
our parish Christmas festivities last weekend.
(more photos on next page)



SPECIAL COLLECTION - Archbishop's Appeal for Ukraine

In response to the continued conflict in Ukraine, Archbishop Peter A Comensoli has launched a special Advent appeal, the proceeds of which will go towards providing aid and practical assistance to those who have been displaced and are without basic supplies, especially as winter approaches. Donation material can be found on the pews or in the foyer of the Church. Thank you for your generosity and supporting those most in need in Ukraine.

Cards for the donations will be handed out today, for you to complete and return using the pre-paid envelope provided.

THE SOLEMNITY OF MARY, THE HOLY MOTHER OF GOD

Fr Mark O'Brian

Prayers for the New Year, 2024.

Prayers for peace in the Holy Land and the world,
For the Church, our families, and for Australia.



Saturday 30th December 2.00 - 4.45pm
Sacred Heart Church, Croydon

All are invited to join for prayers for the New Year, 2024,
through the intercession of Mary, Mother of God.

Commencing with the Rosary at 2.00pm followed by
Adoration with Carols, Hour of Mercy Prayers, Confession, and Benediction.
Concluding with Holy Mass and blessing with a 1st class relic of Pope St John Paul II.
Accomplished musicians, including Celloist from Orchestra Victoria,
will provide music.

We welcome donations for the Holy Land
to support those who are in great need at this time.

Sacred Heart Parish, Croydon Christmas 2023

CHRISTMAS EVE

Sunday 24th December

6.00pm Mass

Midnight Mass

With Carols from 11.30pm

CHRISTMAS DAY

Monday 25th December

9.30am Mass

More photos

