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We welcome all new parishioners and visitors to our Mater Christi family.

Fr Peter's Message

Advent: which begins this Sunday is a time of waiting.

Advent is a time of waiting for Christmas, the feast of Christ's birth. For Christians, Advent looks forward both to the coming of God's Son into the world as a child (the one anticipated in the Old Testament) and we look forward to the coming of Christ at the end of time (anticipated by us because Jesus told us he would come again).

So, Advent is a time of preparation to welcome Christ. This season of the Church reminds us to look at our lives once again and look at how we might be "more ready" for Jesus' Second Coming and our judgement day.

This can be a time for confidence in, and gratitude for God's love for us and his desire for us to be with him in happiness, joy, and peace. It is also a time to remember how God reaches out to us through his Son, and how we might imitate this by reaching out to those less fortunate than ourselves.

Liturgy at Mater Christi

Monday	9am	Mass
Tuesday	5pm	Adoration
	6pm	Mass
Wednesday	9am	Mass
Thursday	9am	Mass
Friday	9am	Mass
Saturday	5pm	Confession
	6pm	Saturday Vigil
Sunday	8am	Mass
	9am	Mass (HPCPS)
	10am	Mass
	5pm	Mass



CHRISTMAS Craft Sale


THIS WEEKEND 30TH NOVEMBER & 1ST DECEMBER

AFTER ALL THE WEEKEND MASSES

Our very busy craft ladies have been working feverishly making fantastic handmade gifts just in time for Christmas. We have something to suit everyone, so do come along and show your support please! Purchases can be made using cash or via EFTPOS (with a 10% surcharge.)

HOUR OF GRACE

The Legion of Mary invites all auxiliaries and parishioners to the "Hour of Grace" on **Sunday 8th December at 12 noon**, followed by a cup of tea, in celebration of The IMMACULATE CONCEPTION of the BLESSED VIRGIN MARY which this year falls on Monday the 9th of December.



2nd Rite of Reconciliation

As we are about to enter the season of Advent, the parish is offering the Second Rite of Reconciliation on **Wednesday the 11th of December at 7pm**. Please come along and join the parish community to prepare our hearts in welcoming the birth of Jesus our Lord and Saviour at Christmas.

Monthly Maintenance Crew - Please join our monthly maintenance morning on **Saturday 7th December from 8:30am to 11am**. Main activities will be gardening and window cleaning, so come prepared (clothing and equipment) for these activities or any other maintenance need that you may have spotted.



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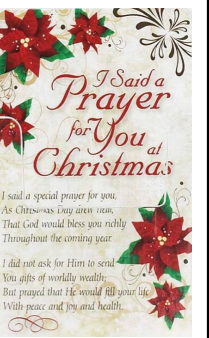
MATER CHRISTI CAROLS ON THE LAWN

AFTER 5PM MASS ON THE 22ND OF DECEMBER. PLEASE JOIN US FOR SOME CAROLS, FUN GAMES, FOOD AND FELLOWSHIP

BYO: Chairs, Mats and Drinks.

Give the gift of Prayer this Christmas

Our Christmas prayer trees are now up and ready for your prayer intention cards to be placed. Place the card with your intention on the tree and give the other half to the people for whom you are offering prayers, so that they know we are keeping them in our prayers.



Please note that on **Thursday 5th December the 9am Mass** will be the MCCPS Graduation Mass and parishioners are more than welcome to attend.

St Vincent de Paul Society

Our **Vinnies Giving Tree** is now up inside the church near the back wall. If you would like to help our *Friends in Need* this Christmas, please take a star and purchase an age appropriate gift (no second hand gifts please). It is important the gifts are NOT WRAPPED and the star securely attached to the gift. Please return the gift ASAP and no later than the 15th of December. Thank you and God bless you for your kindness and generosity.

Simbang Gabi

Mater Christi Catholic Church

Sunday at 5PM, 15 & 22 Dec
 Saturday 7:30PM, 21 Dec
 Monday - Friday 7PM, 16-20, 23 Dec

Please bring a plate to share on 15th & 23rd Dec only

For Mass Sponsorship, please contact:
 Caroline - 0410 031 198
 Jo - 0410 562 019
 Florence - 0451 011 078



Altar Servers and Guild members

I ask parents to access the rosters via the links provided. Please see below a link to the roster till the end of December 2024 (excluding the Christmas roster). Kindly add your names to the roster to confirm which Masses you are available to serve <https://tinyurl.com/49av8se8>. The **Christmas roster** is available via the link <https://tinyurl.com/67kpb7tn>. **A reminder to all new servers** - Please ensure that you have served for 4 consecutive weekends and confirm via return email once served so that the commission ceremony can be organised on the 14th & 15th of December accordingly.

Season of Joy and Hope - Advent Reflections on the Joyful Mysteries of the Rosary

The Season of Advent is there for us to prepare to celebrate the birth of our Lord at Christmas. Starting on the 6th of December, join us Fridays after the 9am Mass in the Chapel of Innocents to reflect with our Lady on the mysteries we know so well in the Rosary. Let us not allow this Advent to slip past without pausing to consider the awe-inspiring reality of God being born amongst us. For more information, please contact Glynis O'Neill on 0419 952 220 or email glynis.oneill@gmail.com



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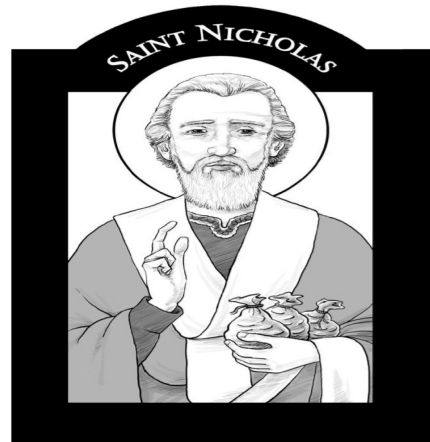
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This Week's Meeting Dates & Times

Date	Time	Group	Venue
Sunday 1st December	11:00	Jesus Youth	Parish Centre
	16:00	Youth Choir Rehearsals	Church
Monday 2nd December	11:00	Jesus Youth	Parish Centre
Thursday 5th December	19:30	Parish Council Meeting	Office Meeting Room
Saturday 7th December	14:30	Youth Choir Rehearsals	Church
	14:45	Bible Study	Office Meeting Room



St Nicholas was a 4th century bishop of Myra in Turkey and little is known about his life other than myths and legends. One such story tells of St Nicholas giving three young women a bag of gold each for their marriage dowries, in order to save them from prostitution. And in another, he is said to have brought back to life three boys who had been murdered. In the low countries of Europe, his popularity as a patron of children led to the custom of giving children presents on his feast day. Then later, Dutch Protestants living in North America combined this custom with the Nordic legend of a magician who rewarded good children with presents and punished those who were naughty. This new super-legend gave rise to the much beloved Santa Claus.



Find the opposite of each word, then use the circled letters to complete the sentence below

MAN ○ _ _ _ _
UNDER _ _ _ ○
OPEN _ _ _ ○ _ _
SAD _ _ _ ○ _ _
ALWAYS _ _ _ ○ _ _

“the Son of Man will be seen, coming in a cloud with great _ _ _ _ and glory.”

Wordsearch

Try to find these words:



- afraid
- brave
- disciples
- escape
- free
- moon
- nations
- pleased
- shaken
- surprise
- trap
- watch

O K T I D Q Y P P H W X C N W C Z
D V V Y Q I G L E S I R P R U S A
B U S E L P I C S I D E S A E L P
A N V V F N S O K J S U A V Q A R
E F M Y R I A I Z F A R B G R U V
S J R A E N C H S D P B T T O S I
B E R A E G F A O M C D R N H I E
P J S J I A N A T I O N S A H B J
V V U C R D A R V U N H K V V Z T
Q I Y J A C J M Y U X E A K G E Z
I Z K A Y P S L B C N R R W L D F
I H T C B C E H A D R F D W A J O
A A F B L J C C C B Y T V C P K C
M G B V K T N I G O N A C T C I X
Y K C G A G V P A O V J J O U U F
L G O W E R X T O S X E R E Y V Z
C F K N I O A M C R N Z Y I V V K

First Reading Jer 33:14-16

I will cause a good seed to spring forth from David.

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.’

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 24:4-5. 8-9. 10. 14. 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 1 Thes 3:12-4:2

When Christ comes may he strengthen your hearts in holiness.

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.

Gospel Acclamation Ps 84:8

Alleluia, alleluia!

Lord, show us your mercy and love, and grant us your salvation.

Alleluia!

Gospel Lk 21:25-28, 34-36

Your redemption is near at hand.

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 suddenly, 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.’



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‘Why do we do that?’

by Fr Nicholas

I have often been asked, “Father, how late is too late for Mass?” This question acknowledges implicitly that it is desirable to be present for the whole duration of the Mass to fulfil the Sunday Obligation. Given that the Gospel is the pinnacle of the first part of the Mass – of the Liturgy of the Word – many will say that we ought to be there at least to hear the Gospel. Interestingly, the Church does not set a ‘cut-off’ time, at which point only those who are present from then on can present themselves for Communion or say they have been to Mass. Why not? we might ask. This is a good example where the Church’s law is very practical and also understanding of the curve-balls we encounter in life. Many things can come up, especially in family life, that can prevent us being on time for the beginning of Mass, and so the Church’s law accommodates this. However, without an imposed a cut-off line, the responsibility is all the more on our shoulders. It should not be the norm for us to arrive late for Mass. “If we are late because of circumstances beyond our control or because of essential responsibilities, then we can be sure we have still fulfilled our obligation. If, however, we are late because of a lack of caring about getting to Mass,” or allowed ourselves to be preoccupied with other activities, then we have certainly not fulfilled our Mass obligation. The question should not be “when is too late” but, “why am I late?” Furthermore, could I perhaps make a greater effort to organise myself and/or my family to arrive on time for Mass?

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