

NEWSLETTER

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Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph



We acknowledge the traditional owners and custodians, who have walked upon and cared for this land for thousands of years. We acknowledge the continued deep spiritual attachment and relationships of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples to this country and commit ourselves to the ongoing journey of reconciliation.



Liturgy and Prayers this Week 1 January – 7 January 2024

Monday	9:00am	Mary the Holy Mother of God	Mass
Tuesday	-	St Basil the Great and Gregory Nazianzen	-
Wednesday	7:00pm		Mass
Thursday	-		-
Friday	8:00am		Mass + Adoration + Benediction
Saturday	9:00am		Mass
Sunday	5:30pm(Vigil) 8:00am and 5:30pm		Epiphany of the Lord
	Readings – Isaiah 60:1-6 Ephesians 3:2-3, 5-6 Matthew 2:1-12		
Reconciliation	Saturday 9:30am and 5:00pm		
Rosary and Angelus	Saturday before the 9:00am Mass		
Meditation	Tuesday 4pm at the Convent, 50 Hawthorne Road, Hawthorne.		

Pastoral Ministries – Thank you to all those who have contributed in 2023.....

Visitation/Communion to the sick and elderly

Hospitality helpers; supporting parish functions.

Casserole Bank organisers and cooks donating casseroles for the needy.

Bereavement Ministry; support and hospitality for funerals.

Playgroup; bringing parents/carers together for social contact

St Vincent de Paul; offering practical help to the needy especially at Christmas.

Parish Finance Council; overseeing parish expenditure.

Liturgical Ministers; preparing and participating in liturgy celebrations: Readers, Servers, Communion Ministers, Musicians/Singers, Sacristy Washing Team and Sacristans.

Sacramental Preparation Team; children and adults celebrating sacraments.

Baptism Preparation; helping parents with children for Baptism

Social Justice Group; developing awareness of social dimensions of the gospel message.

Christmas Carols Committee; planning and organising.

Sts Peter and Paul's Primary School; staff, parents and friends providing education for children from Prep to Year 6.



Please pray for our departed loved ones, especially Sr Mary Patricia Hickey SGS, Peter Piccone, Janet Simon, Stephen Tait and John Loftus recently deceased and also for Pagliaro, Kauter, Ryan, Backstrom, Tarte and Noonan families, Fr Bryan Lee, Dolores Reyes, Robyn Illett, Bill Hanley, John and Joan Momot, Patrick and Clare Dugger, Begley and Bourke families, Ross, Giuseppe and Francesca Saffiotti, Jarrett Family, John Smith, Mal Thomson, Stan Grzegorzolka, Noel Nicholson, Les and Ruby Richards, Kretschmer, McLachlan and Hanly families, Norma and Katie Timmins, Norman, Patricia and Daniel Timmins, Patrick and Pat Boyle, Karen Baker and Mike West.



Please remember the sick in your prayers – Hazel Langthorne, Joy Ashworth, Pete Waldron, Margaret McLaughlin, Angela Krista, Anita Xavier, Michael (Mick) Shelton, Elaine Howard and Ray Moresi.

DIARY DATE CLAIMERS

Monday 1 January 2024

Feast of Mary, the Holy Mother of God - Mass at 9:00am

PARISH NEWS AND EVENTS


PLEASE CONTINUE TO SUPPORT YOUR PARISH

- **Collection Boxes at the church doors** - cash donations
- **Tap and Go device** – pre-set to \$10 donation at the door
- **Give via direct debit or your Credit Card** - please call the parish office or find the form on the website (*Quick Links*)
- **Direct deposit donation to our bank account** - BSB 064 786 A/C 100016732 (Ref: surname)

Another easy way to support the Parish is by using the Parish Giving App: <http://parishgiving.brisbanecatholic.org.au>

MINISTRY– Now is the time to consider how you will take part in the life of the parish in the coming New Year. Look at the ministry brochure in the church and please contact the parish office to volunteer if you would like to be involved.





This week's goal:
Adoption of Sustainable Lifestyle
Save and recycle greeting cards and gift wrapping paper

A sense of humour is a gift from God. Laughter unites us.

A minister waited in line to fill his car with petrol before the new year weekend. There were many cars in front of him and the wait was long. Finally he filled his car and went inside to pay the attendant. "Sir I am sorry about the delay", said the young man. "It seems everyone waits until the last minute to get ready for a long trip". The minister laughed, "I know what you mean, it's the same in my business."

MUSIC ON SUNDAY

Readings – Genesis 15:1-6, 21:1-3 Hebrews 11:8, 11-12, 17-19 Luke 2:22-40

GATHERING HYMN

ONCE IN ROYAL DAVID'S CITY

Once in royal David's city stood a lowly-cattle shed,
where a mother laid her baby in a manger for his bed:
Mary was that mother mild, Jesus Christ her little child

He came down to earth from heaven, who is God and
Lord of all, and his shelter was a stable, and his cradle
was a stall; with the poor, the scorned, the lowly, lived
on earth our Saviour holy.

And, through all his wondrous childhood, he would
honour and obey, love and watch the lowly maiden in
whose gentle arms he lay: Christian children all must
be mild, obedient, good as he.

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RESPONSORIAL PSALM

The Lord remembers his covenant for ever.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

In the past God spoke to our fathers through the
prophets: now he speaks to us through his Son.
Alleluia!

APOSTLES CREED

I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth
and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, (*all bow*)
born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius
Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried;
he descended into hell
on the third day he rose again from the dead;
he ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right
hand of God the Father almighty; from there he will
come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in
the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and life everlasting. Amen



MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION

Save us, Saviour of the world, for by your Cross
and Resurrection you have set us free.

COMMUNION HYMN

AS THE DEER LONGS

*As the deer longs for running streams,
So I long, so I long, so I long for you.*



A thirst my soul for you the God who is my life!
When shall I see, when shall I see, see the face of God?

Defend me, God, send forth your light and your truth,
They will lead me to your holy mountain,
to your dwelling place.

Then I shall go unto the altar of my God.
Praising you, O my joy and gladness,
I shall praise your name.

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RECESSIONAL HYMN

JOY TO THE WORLD

Joy to the world! The Lord is come!
Let earth receive her king!
Let every heart – prepare Him room
And heav'n and nature sing!
And heav'n and nature sing;
And heav'n and heav'n and nature sing.



Joy to the world! The Saviour reigns!
Let men their songs employ;
While fields and floods, rocks, hills and plains
Repeat the sounding joy;
Repeat the sounding joy;
repeat, repeat the sounding joy.

He rules the world with truth and grace, and makes
the nations prove
The glories of his righteousness, and wonders of his love
and wonders of his love
And wonders, wonders of His love.