

## WALKING IN THE LIGHT OF THE LORD

The opportunity to make a fresh start is something that we all value, especially if we have been struggling with problems which have weighed us down. The tradition of making New Year resolutions illustrates this deep desire to put the past behind us and move on.

Today, the Church begins another liturgical year. The celebration of the birth of Christ is coming: the season of Advent is here, and now is the time to take stock. Accordingly, the readings for the liturgy guide us to look back on history and learn from it.

The people of the Old Testament were schooled in being able to interpret their story and see the hand of God at work. Put simply, they realised that when they tried to go it alone, they made a mess of things. However, during those periods of their history when they were attentive to the prophets and God's message they seemed to prosper. In today's gospel Jesus was encouraging them to look back by reminding them of the story of Noah and the Flood. That was the point of no return in the early chapters of Genesis, when, as they saw it, God had become utterly fed up with them.

Jesus was reminding them that we don't know what the future holds, so it makes good sense to be attentive and ready for anything. St Paul learnt this lesson and encouraged his friends in Rome to do the same. Once we have discovered the wonder of God's presence, it does not make sense to live chaotic lives, which are self-destructive.

In the midst of all the ups and downs of their experience, the Jewish people clung to the belief that God would eventually redeem them. Interspersed with all the warnings about the dangers of going astray, there were the promises of better times to come. Isaiah, the greatest of the prophets, returns to these promises again and again, which is why we will hear a lot from him throughout the season of Advent. The opening chapter of his book is a heartfelt call to repentance. Later, in chapter two, we hear of his first great vision of redemption: all the nations will stream to the Temple of the Lord and people will learn to live without needing to go to war. The invitation is to "walk in the light of the Lord".

You are reading this because you have been blessed with the gift of faith that Jesus is that light, and he came into the world 2000 years ago, demonstrating how that prophecy of Isaiah can be fulfilled. As we prepare for Christmas this year, listening to and learning from the New Testament writers as they quote the prophets of old, let us pray that the Lord will deepen our faith in his abiding presence with us – Emmanuel.



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Archdiocese of Perth  
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## 27th November, 2022

**1st Sunday of Advent**  
**Year A**  
**Violet**

**Today's Readings**  
Isaiah 2:1-5  
Romans 13:11-14  
Matthew 24:37-44

## 4th December, 2022

**2nd Sunday of Advent**  
**Year A**  
**Violet**

**Next Sunday's Readings**  
Isaiah 11:1-10  
Romans 15:4-9  
Matthew 3:1-12

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# Sunday Bulletin

Parish Liturgies	
<b>Weekend Mass</b>	Saturday 6.00pm Vigil Mass, Sunday 7.30am, Sunday 9.30am
<b>Weekday Mass</b>	Monday 8.00am Communion Service (Mass on Solemnity only) Tuesday 6.00pm Mass - (1st Tuesday Mass of Anointing ) Wednesday, Thursday & Saturday 8.00am Mass Friday 9.00am Mass
<b>Reconciliation</b>	Saturday 5.00pm - 5.45pm or by appointment
<b>Buckley Caring Centre</b>	10.00am Mass - Second Thursday of the Month
<b>Juniper Aged Care</b>	11.00am Mass - Third Friday of the Month
<b>Rosary</b>	After weekday Masses
<b>Exposition</b>	Tuesday 5.00pm - 6.00pm with Benediction, Sunday 6.00pm - 7.00pm
<b>Charismatic Prayer</b>	Thursday 7.15pm - 9.15pm.
<b>Baptism</b>	Sunday at 11.00am, or by arrangement
<b>Marriage</b>	By appointment - Minimum <b>SIX MONTHS</b> notice for preparation etc

## Praying For You



### Recently Deceased

Erinda Agbayani, Jasmine Lyka Pedro

### Death Anniversary

Darren Vernede

### Deceased

All deceased souls of loved ones as per Book of Remembrance and November envelopes

### Our Sick

Conrad Briggs, Joel Celine, Dennis Ford,  
Patricia Majawat, Letecia Niembra,  
Wendy Kraft, Cecilia Lee, Dolly,  
Barbara Ingram, Elvira Panici-Allen,  
Annabelle McNess, Richard Bisnath,  
Wendy Price, Fran Wiffen, Ding Madrigal,  
Zee Pereira, Metilde Warui, Con Farano,  
Rene Priest, Mary Hazel Calupig,  
Margaret Evans, Erika Magness,  
Ian Ballantyne, Mavis Hall

### Baptised Recently

Micah Jerome Burke  
Son of Brendon and Melinda

Luther Alexander Leal  
Son of Daniel and Daniella

### Feast Days this Week

Nov 30	Wed	St Andrew the Apostle, St Cuthbert Mayne
Dec 1	Thu	St Alexander Briant, St Ralph Sherwin, St Edmund Campion
3	Sat	St Francis Xavier

## Incarcate



Advent and  
Christmas  
Daily Reflections  
2022

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## Archbishop's Christmas Appeal for LifeLink

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agencies we do support and all the  
work that they do.



### Rosters for 26/27 November, 2022

Mass	Greeters	Reader	Commentator	Acolyte	Extraordinary Ministers	Altar Servers
Saturday 6.00pm	Sandra Wren Mercy Burton	Kaye Cox	Mary Ann Bombita	Martin Loh	Christy Ravanez Bridget Soh	Clinton Matthews, Jacob Raymond Dashiell Van Ingen, Angel Villan Carl Agus, Maria Donina
Sunday 7.30am	Inoka Ratnasekera Sandra Reid	Jeanette Pedulla	Chloe Pereira-Smith	Gerard Peters	Rod McAtee Chloe Pereira-Smith	Tom Antu, Bionney Bangayan Diobett Bangayan, Naomi Kyaw-Tun
Sunday 9.30am	Theresa Walker Hanna Allen	Jerlyn Patrick	Lenny Rodaje	Dan Hewitt	Geraldine Pereira Peta Phillips	Sanjay Jojo, Noel Justin Elain Labrador, Keanu Malagui-Hicks Nicole Oo, Walter Oo
Tellers this week: Sue & Vincent Frawley, Darryl le Guay				Tellers next week: Sidney & Esmie D'Souza, Faye Rodriguez		

### Rosters for 3/4 December, 2022

Mass	Greeters	Reader	Commentator	Acolyte	Extraordinary Ministers	Altar Servers
Saturday 6.00pm	Rosa Ford Theresa Spicer	Pam Davies	Angel Donina	Colin Loh	Mark van Ingen Tracy van Inge	Xyris Madrigal, Abigail Raganas Seren Adams, Emmanuel Armoogum Melanie Beacher, Athena Calupig
Sunday 7.30am	Dion Robson Shania Tido	Ann Ralston	Inoka Ratnasekera	Aruna Ratnasekera	Inoka Ratnasekera Ann Ralston	Aydriel Ratnasekera, Richardson Saw Rosemary Saw, Scott Tido
Sunday 9.30am	Jude Ayeni Veronica Ayeni	Silvana Sciorilli	Robert Szlezak	Phillip Magness	Silvana Sciorilli Robert Szlezak	Patrina Paesu, Yatumika Shelvan Florian Christstar, Carl Borlongan Juan Carlos Borlongan, Able Biju

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## Vinnies Breakfast Today

Your Vinnies, with the support of the Social Committee, will host a pre-Christmas breakfast in the Parish Hall after the Masses today. Our very own St Munchins' Children's Choir will be in attendance at the breakfast session after the 9.30 am Mass. Santa Claus will also drop in at the same time. In the spirit of Christmas, we look forward to your continued support! God Bless.

### Funeral Notice



The Funeral Mass for Rita Murphy will be held here at Our Lady of The Most Blessed Sacrament Church Friday, 2nd December at 10am.



### First Friday Coffee Corner



First Friday of every month in our Parish Centre. 8.30 -11am. For everyone! Treat yourself to some time out, come relax and enjoy! Join us for the last Coffee Corner for 2022. This Friday, 2nd December. We will return 3rd February 2023.

### Take Time: Stop for a Cuppa!



After all Masses next weekend, and the first Sunday of every month. Enjoy the company of other parishioners. Take a moment to get to know someone new! Volunteers, please check the roster to see if you are on. Thanks to all on the Morning Tea Roster.

### Jesus is the Reason for the Season Advent Sacrament of Reconciliation

Tuesday, 13th December at 7.00pm

The Second Rite of Reconciliation will take place with several priests present. Let us prepare for the Season of Peace by reconciling ourselves with God and with one another.

#### Second Rite of Reconciliation will also be celebrated at:

Good Shepherd Kelmscott, Wednesday 14th December, 7.00pm.

St Francis Xavier Armadale, Thursday 15th December, 7.00pm.

Sacred Heart Thornlie, Tuesday 20th December, 7.00pm.

## Christmas Choirs



Please join us on Mondays at 7pm in the church if you would like to sing with the Christmas Choirs. Don't wait until the last moment.

It puts us in the 'mood' for Christmas, and we give to each other, and to the Lord, by sharing time together for the benefit of others. We would love some more male voices. Children are welcome to join in as well, with their parents. Enquiries Brenda 0414 098 705 or Dan 0409 849 049.

## Flowers for Christmas

We once again are asking parishioners to help with the purchase of flowers for our Christmas decorations. There is a container in the foyer to take your donation. May God bless you and your family as we prepare to celebrate the birth of Christ.

## Christmas Family Mass Acting out the Nativity Story



We invite all children in primary school to participate in acting out the story of the birth of Jesus at the Family Christmas Mass at 6pm on Christmas Eve, Saturday 24th December. Please register in the foyer. Rehearsals will be held in the church on Wednesday 14th and 21st December at 4.30pm.

## Parish Safeguarding Officers



The Perth Catholic Archdiocese is committed to the safety and security of all children and young people. If you have any safety concerns about a person in the parish or about a child protection or child safety issue, you can discuss it with the Parish Safeguarding Officers. Phone 0432 398 973 or email [safeguarding@gosnellsparish.org.au](mailto:safeguarding@gosnellsparish.org.au)

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The 2023 Book for Readers is available for Proclaimers of the Word to borrow to help prepare for their reading ministry. All copies are 'Parish' stamped and should be held by the Readers for just one week at a time.

## Golden Age Club



The next Club Day will be in the Parish Centre Tuesday, 6th December from 9.00am. BYO lunch. Bingo from 12.15pm. For all parishioners 50 years and over to enjoy card games, carpet bowls, fellowship. New members are always welcome.

Attendance Fee \$2.00. More information from Brian 9459 7697 or 0417 924 580.



Invites you to bring your family & friends to enjoy this evening of songs of praise "Christmas Carols", thanksgiving holy mass celebrated by Fr Richard Smith followed by fellowship & light supper. Friday, 2nd December from 7.30pm at St John & Paul's Church, Pinetree Gully Rd, Willetton.

## New Rosters - Tellers

Please collect your copy from the church foyer today. Remember to make your own swaps from the list when necessary. Thank you to all those who serve their parish through this ministry.

## The Jesse Tree

The Jesse tree helps us connect the custom of decorating our Christmas trees to the events leading to the birth of Jesus. The Jesse tree is named from Isaiah 11:1: "A shoot shall come out of the stock of Jesse, and a branch shall grow out of his roots." Jesse was the father of King David. We adorn a Jesse tree with illustrated ornaments that represent the people, prophesies, and events leading up to the birth of Jesus. The ornaments of the Jesse tree tell the story of God in the Old Testament, connecting the Advent season with the faithfulness of God across four thousand years of history.



## WA Young Salesian - Summer Camp 9<sup>th</sup>-13<sup>th</sup> January 2023

Are you between 11½-15yrs or starting Year 7 in 2023? Come and join us for this 5 day fun filled camp at Nanga Bush Camp, Dwellingup. From only \$280 (less than \$56 a day). Contact Fr Philip, visit the website or contact Graham Maher on 0418 979 600 for more info or pick up a flyer. Register now at:

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## 2023 Columban Calendar

Support your Vinnies by purchasing a 2023 Columban Calendar at only \$8 each. Calendars are available in the Church foyer. Please place your contribution in an envelope before placing in the SVDP poor box in the church next to the sliding doors.



## Synod Of Bishops - Continental Stage

The Church around the world has entered the Continental Stage for the Synod of Bishops on Synodality. Groups around the country are praying with and responding to the Document for the Continental Stage, which was published recently. Download prayer resources, including for use in liturgies, read the document and access the submission portal at: [www.catholic.org.au/synodalchurch](http://www.catholic.org.au/synodalchurch)

## Archdiocese of Perth Employment Opportunities

The Catholic Archdiocese of Perth has a number of employment opportunities available for suitably qualified persons to join their team and continue the good work of the Church. See bulletin board for list of jobs. For further details, visit <https://www.perthcatholic.org.au/Employment.htm>. For a copy of job description and to submit your application please email: [recruitment@perthcatholic.org.au](mailto:recruitment@perthcatholic.org.au)

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A sacred place for all parishioners and former parishioners and their families. Brochures are available in the foyer.