

ARE WE PREPARED?

When going on a trip, especially overseas, many people spend a good amount of time in preparation. There may be a trip to the doctor, dentist, pharmacy, the supermarket and even the hairdresser. Calls to insurance companies regarding travel and medical cover, requests to neighbours and family members to keep an eye on the house, the dog, the cat ... the list goes on.

Much of the preparation goes into ensuring that when we do leave, there is peace of mind knowing that everything possible has been done. There could also be a last-minute momentary panic. Just as the plane is about to take off, or when the ship is about to leave port, the thought crosses your mind; have I left the kitchen light on?

We hear this in today's gospel. Mark is encouraging his faith community to continue living their lives as best they can in preparation for the second coming of Christ. When Jesus ascended into heaven after Good Friday and Easter Sunday, a lot of the early disciples and followers were left with the impression that Jesus would come back sooner rather than later to usher in a new era of God's Kingdom.

Hence, there was a lot of urgency in the early writings of the early faith communities to encourage one another not to lose faith, not to fall by the wayside and to continue to live their lives in accordance with the teachings of Christ. In other words, to maintain their faith and peace of mind.

For us in the 21st century and reading the words of the gospel, the circumstances of our faith and our journey maybe somewhat different from those early communities in Mark's time. However, the overarching message of being ready and prepared remains the same.

Advent is a 'reminder' time to do our best each day to follow in the footsteps of Christ and loving God and loving our neighbour. To take the journey of the path less travelled. To go against the grain of a world that promotes greed, power, and a focus on the self over others. To have hearts that are open to the mystery of God in our lives, in the lives of others and in the wider world, despite all the uncertainties, doubts, anxieties and even fears around us.

Advent is when we begin to prepare for what is to come: When we plant our faith firmly in God's truth so we can better face up to the delays, the unexpected side trips and dark pathways that our lives can unexpectedly take.

And that truth is that God so loved the world that God gave his only Son to be born as one of us. So let us stay awake and be witnesses to the wonder of God's love that is continuously at work around us as it was then, as it is now, and as it will be for all time.

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3rd December, 2023

1st Sunday of Advent

Year B

Violet

Today's Readings

Isaiah 63:16-17; 64:1, 3-8

Corinthians 1:3-9

Mark 13:33-37

10th December, 2023

2nd Sunday of Advent

Year B

Violet

Next Sunday's Readings

Isaiah 40:1-5, 9-11

2 St Peter 3:8-14

Mark 1:1-8

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Sunday Bulletin

Parish Liturgies	
Weekend Mass	Saturday 6.00pm Vigil Mass, Sunday 7.30am, Sunday 9.30am
Weekday Mass	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
Reconciliation	Saturday 5.00pm - 5.45pm or by appointment
Buckley Caring Centre	10.00am Mass - Second Thursday of the Month
Juniper Aged Care	11.00am Mass - Third Friday of the Month
Rosary	After weekday Masses
Exposition	Tuesday 5.00pm - 6.00pm with Benediction, Sunday 6.00pm - 7.00pm
Charismatic Prayer	Thursday 7.15pm - 9.00pm.
Baptism	Sunday at 11.00am, or by arrangement
Marriage	By appointment - Minimum SIX MONTHS notice for preparation etc

Parish Meetings	
Parish Pastoral Council	Tuesday, 12th December Parish Centre, 6.45pm
Vinnies	Wednesday, 13th December Parish Centre at 7.30pm



The Sign
Advent and Christmas Daily Reflections 2023
Coming soon!

Archbishop's Christmas Appeal for LifeLink

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Paul U Shel Law

Death Anniversary
Darren Vernede

Deceased
Calvin LeGuay, Paul Smith, Erwin Vanstien

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Bethwyn Johnson, Owen D'Souza, Fran Vallis, Pat Simm, Gerry Peters, Ammini Jose, John Breag, Conrad Briggs, Joel Celine, Dennis Ford, Letecia Niembra, Wendy Kraft, Cecilia Lee, Dolly, 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, Mavis Hall, Ian Ballantyne

Feast Days this Week		
Dec 4	Mon	St John Damascene
5	Tue	St John Almond, St Birinus, St Hedda
6	Wed	St Nicholas
7	Thu	St Ambrose of Milan
8	Fri	The Feast of the Immaculate Conception
9	Sat	St Juan Diego Cuauhtlatoatzin

Rosters for 2/3 December, 2023						
Mass	Greeters	Reader	Commentator	Acolyte	Extraordinary Ministers	Altar Servers
Saturday 6.00pm	Sandra Wren Mercy Burton	Angel Donina	Pam Davies	Colin Loh	Tracy van Ingen Sandra Wren	Teron Bouzin, Athena Calupig Jacob Malou, Joshua Manda
Sunday 7.30am	Eric Almen Wendie Almen	Franklin D'Cruz	Greg Drew	Clint Barnes	Chloe Pereira-Smith Inoka Ratnasekera	Diobett Bangayan, Rosemary Saw Aydriel Ratnasekera, Richardson Saw
Sunday 9.30am	Silvana & Andy Sciorilli	Helen Magness	Tiffany Mitchell	Lenny Dcruz	Geraldine Pereira Peta Phillips	Leslie Dcruz, Angel Garavillas John Gilmore, Gabino Htoo Austin Jacob, James Jacob
Tellers this week: Bette Lyra, Clint & Thu Barnes				Tellers next week: Sue & Vincent Frawley, Darryl le Guay		

Rosters for 9/10 December, 2023						
Mass	Greeters	Reader	Commentator	Acolyte	Extraordinary Ministers	Altar Servers
Saturday 6.00pm	Rosa Ford Theresa Spicer	Carina Limgenco	Lynette Lieveaux	Volunteer	Remi Biju Carina Limgenco	Kyle Marquis, Clinton Matthews Jacob Raymond, Carl Agus
Sunday 7.30am	Jennifer Barnes Jackie Hall	Jenny Mills	Geoff Mills	Larry Cavallo	Pay Tru Diana Chong	Scott Tido, Caleb Watkins Callie Abogado, Jake Antu
Sunday 9.30am	Karen Suarez Robert Szlezak	Ciara Malagui-Hicks	Bec Malagui-Hicks	Phillip Magness	Silvana Sciorilli Robert Szlezak	Liam James, Kripa Jojo Olivia Justin, Aung Kintha Gei Long Ya Kintha, Alisha Liyanage

Vinnies Christmas Appeal

St Vincent de Paul Gosnells Conference will be having our annual Christmas Appeal in church next weekend, 2nd and 3rd December at all three masses. We ask for your support and to give generously as we have so many families in need within our community.



Take Time: Stop for a Cuppa!

Join us for the last cuppa after Mass for 2023. After all Masses this weekend, and the first Sunday of every month. Enjoy the company of other parishioners. Take a moment to get to know someone new! We will recommence in February 2024.

Jesus is the Reason for the Season Advent Sacrament of Reconciliation

Wednesday, 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, Tuesday 12th December, 7.00pm.
St Francis Xavier Armadale, Thursday 14th December, 7.00pm.
Sacred Heart Thornlie, Tuesday 19th December, 7.00pm.

Jesus is the Reason for the Season Our Christmas Celebrations

Sunday, 24th December

5.15pm Carols followed by 6.00pm Family Vigil Mass
11.15pm Carols followed by Midnight Mass

Monday, 25th December

8.30am Christmas Morning Mass

Let's invite our family, friends

and neighbours to our Christmas celebration and share our joy with them.

The overflow carpark for Christmas Masses will be on the St Munchin's School oval, accessed via the Corfield St carpark.



Christmas Rosters

We need your help if you are a Reader, Commentator, Altar Server, Eucharist Minister or Acolyte as many of those who regularly serve will be away for the Christmas Service. If you can help serve at our Christmas Masses please put your name down on the list in the foyer.

St Munchin's End Of Year Whole School Mass



St Munchin's School will be celebrating Mass of Thanksgiving and Graduation on Tuesday, 5th December at 9.30am. All are welcome to come and celebrate the end of the year, leaving students and staff.

Christmas Hamper Raffle

Tickets \$2 each or 3 for \$5. Winners will be drawn after 9.30am Mass, 24th December. All proceeds to aid parish funds. Tickets are on sale from next weekend.



Morning Tea Helpers Are Needed

The new roster for Morning Tea will be drawn up soon for 2023. New volunteers are especially invited to join this ministry and add their names to the list in the foyer.



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

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Golden Age Club



The next Club Day will be in the Parish Centre Tuesday 5th 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 Rose Heald 0418 948 245.

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, Sunday 24th December. Please register in the foyer. Rehearsals will be held in the church on Wednesday 13th and 20th December at 4.30pm.

Youth Night

Thank you to all those who were able to join us last Youth gathering. Our final 2023 youth night is on the 8th of December. Feel free to dress up in something Christmas themed or with Christmas colours. Bring a bean bag or chair if possible so you can be comfortable for our movie night. Please make sure you register in the Church foyer, through email or text before the usual deadline. We hope to see you all there.

2024 Columban Calendar

Support your Vinnies by purchasing a 2024 Columban Calendar at only \$10 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.



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.



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, prophecies, 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 8th -12th January 2024

Are you between 11½ -15yrs or starting Year 7 in 2024?

Come and join us for this 5 day fun filled camp at Nanga Bush Camp, Dwellingup. From only \$270 (less than \$54 a day). Contact Fr Philip, visit the website or contact Graham Maher on 0418 979 600 for more information.

Register now at: www.wayoungsalesians.com



On The Bulletin Board

Various employment opportunities from the Archdiocese of Perth.

Advent Events For Families, Women And Girls At The Schoenstatt Shrine
17th November to 17th December.

Garden of Eden, Young Catholics Ball, 17th February 2024.

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