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### SACRED HEART SANDRINGHAM

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# PARISH NOTICES 1st SUNDAY of ADVENT

SUNDAY MASSES: 6.00pm (Sat) Vigil Mass; 9am & 11am (Children's Liturgy 9am Mass)

WEEKDAYS: Mon Funeral Mass 12noon for Kathleen Thomson (mother of

Sue McFadyen) and 5pm Convent

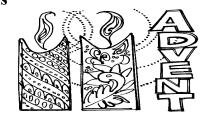
Tues Mass 9.30am Advent School Mass

Wed Mass 9.30am

Thurs Mass 9.30am

Fri Comm Service 9.30am

Sat No Mass / No Comm Service



CONFESSIONS: Each 1st Sat of the month at 5pm or other times by appointment

READINGS NEXT SUNDAY: 1st Reading ....Prophet Isaiah
YR B
2nd Reading ....2nd letter St Peter
Gospel .......Mark
1:1-8

#### **EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS:**

This Week: 6pm J Sexton, B Scott, F Meade

9am T & B Coyne, B Dunne, G Ryan, M Noonan

11am C Hill, B Bracchi, M Whelan, N Camera

Next Week: 6pm H McGrath, S Bartl, Z Burgess

9am D Weddell, J Standish, V Pucella

11am L James, C O'Reilly, A Mandarino, M Nolan

**READERS:** 

This Week: 6pm H McGrath & B Murphy 9am P Commins & D Ryan

11am J Ulbrick & L Warner

Next Week: 6pm H Rolfe & F Meade 9am C Lynch & P Manion

11am K Allen & C Ellingworth

#### **ADVENT** begins TODAY.

The Advent Wreath and Gift Tree (or Jesse Tree) are the signs of this season of expectation and hope!



#### **ADVENT ECUMENCIAL SERVICE:**

This evening at 7pm we will have the Ecumenical Service for advent here at Sacred Heart. this gives us the opportunity to pray together with other Christian believers as we look forward to the celebration of Christ's birth.

## CHRISTMAS SINGING PRACTICES:

The first practice will be this Sunday after 11am Mass in the Church. The practices will be on each Sunday of Advent after the 11am Mass, so Dec 4th, 11th & 18th.

## THE TREE OF GIFTS THE JESSE TREE :



- Jesse Tree is up today with its many tags.....each one indicates to whom to buy a gift.
- The gifts can be returned to either the Church or the School or placed under the tree by Friday 9th December
- St Vincent de Paul organizes the distribution of the gifts which is rather a big job ......hence 9th December.
- If you would prefer to give cash there are envelopes on the tree for this purpose but please return these to the letterbox at the Presbytery.
   DO NOT LEAVE IN THE CHURCH!
- If you are able to take more than one tag that would be terrific!
- NB The tags must come back with the gifts as they are coded for distribution
- Enquiries ......please contact Peta on 9599 3315. Thank you.

#### **RITE OF WELCOME:**

We have the first step in becoming members of the Church, the Rite of Welcome, for Lauren Deligiorgis and Kim Tedford this Saturday night at 6pm.

#### **CHRISTMAS LUNCH:**

The Welcoming Committee has arranged this year's wonderful End of Year Luncheon on this Wed 30th, Sandringham Hotel, at 12.30pm. All welcome!

Ring Mary at the Presbytery (Tues, Wed, Fri 10am—3pm) 9598 1511

#### **NEW BAPTISMAL PROCEDURE:**

There will be a new procedure for those parents seeking the baptism of their children from February next year. It will be as follows:



- A visit from Fr Frank to the family
- A 'Welcoming of the Child into the Church' at Sunday Mass on the 1st Sunday of each month. (This is a simple ceremony of a few minutes duration but it helps to make the point that a core element of baptism is joining the Church)

**VOLUNTEER WELCOMERS:** As an aspect of this new procedure, I am calling for parishioners to volunteer to welcome the parents at the Sunday Masses at which the Welcoming Ceremony occurs. They would simply meet them take them to their seats and make them feel at home.

I am looking for a dozen welcomers so that this mainstay is not too demanding of time and so that there will be plenty of people to swap days when that is necessary. The Welcome rite could happen at the 9am or 11am

#### **REMEXIO CHRISTMAS APPEAL:**

On behalf of the people in Remexio, we would like to thank all those who contributed so generously to the Christmas Appeal this year.

Having recently visited our twin parish, we know how much they will appreciate both our gifts and our thoughts and prayers for them.

The appeal total of **\$7,249** will be used for Education (fees and supplies), musical instruments, sporting goods and Compassionate Care packages (food and household goods).

We will also be sending school uniforms (from Sacred Heart School), beautiful tee-shirts (donated by a parishioner) and two boxes of soccer balls (donated by Sandringham Soccer Club) to Remexio before Christmas.

All of these donations will contribute to the happiness of Christmas in Remexio.

Thank you for your support.

Social Justice Group

#### XMAS CARDS & COLUMBAN CALENDARS AVAILABLE:

THIS WEEKEND along with the Columban Calendars after Masses at the Parish Shop. Variety of cards and prices! Come, see & buy!

#### **HOLY HOUR of ADORATION:**

Friday 2nd December commencing immediately after the 9.30am Communion Service. The Rosary will be recited during the Service.

#### **CUPPAS' NEXT SUNDAY:**

Cuppas' in the foyer after the 9am and 11am Masses next Sunday. *All welcome*! This will be the last one for this year. Many many thanks to all who have helped during this year. It's very much appreciated.

#### **COLLECTION COUNTERS:**

THIS WEEK: Team 2: B Dunne, W Commins, L Roskam, J Macdonald

NEXT WEEK: Team 3: D Pain, L Connors, P Arbon, B Dickinson, G Thomas

#### **CHURCH PREPARATION TEAM:**

26/11 Anne Moran & Gilda Griffiths No Flowers......Advent

3/12 Monica Buxton & Wendy Ashcroft

#### TEA & COFFEE TEAM:

4/12 9am Carmella Battista, Carmella Luppino, Mary Battista11am Ros Cooper, Nancy Camera, Pat Harper, Elizabeth Chedia



THE SICK: Russell Eade, Peter Roberts, Tony Cooper Jenni North, Timothy Sim, Joseph Batour, Linda MacDonald, Fr Adrian Lyons SJ, Anne Thornton, Carl Scholtz, Marie Wood, Graeme Keys, Bill Moran, Peter Brown, John Coburn SJ

**RECENTLY DECEASED:** Colm Glackin, Kathleen Thomson

<u>ANNIVERSARIES</u>: John Bourke, Lorna Young, John Murray, Kathleen Perriam, John Michael Crehan

We respectfully acknowledge the Australian Aboriginal peoples and especially the Boonerwrung people of the Kulin Nation, who are the traditional owners and custodians of the Sandringham area.