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PARISH NOTICES 2nd SUNDAY of ADVENT

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

WEEKDAYS: Mon Mass 5pm

TuesMass9.30amWedMass9.30am

Thurs Mass 9.30am with Anointing of the Sick

Fri Communion Service 9.30am (Mercy Fernhill)

RECONCILIATION: First Saturday of the month at 5pm and other times by appointment

READINGS next SUNDAY: 3rd Sunday of Advent Yr C

1st Reading... Prophet Zephaniah3:14-182nd Reading... St Paul to Philippians4:4-7Gospel... Luke3:10-18

MYSTERY OF FAITH BREAKING OF THE BREAD

Conforming to the rite of the Passover meal, Christ took bread into his hands, pronounced the prayer of praise, and then broke the bread. Primitively this breaking of the bread was the only rite which occurred between the eucharisitc prayer and the communion. The gesture was soon seen as a sign of unity: participating in the one bread which is broken, all form one body in Christ (cf. I Corinthians 10:17). In fact, the eucharist itself was once called "the breaking of the bread" (cf. Acts 2:43). As the numbers of Christians increased, the action became quite elaborate. *Cont'd....*

MYSTERY OF FAITH BREAKING OF THE BREAD (cont'd)

In the papal liturgy the pope presided at his chair while the assisting priest and subdeacons broke the loaves of bread for the communion of the faithful. But with the adoption of unleavened bread in the west and with the subsequent introduction of small hosts for the people, the importance of the rite greatly diminished. The breaking was joined to the commingling, and the priest alone consumed the large host.

The Order of Mass strives to highlight the symbolic meaning of the rite. Although small breads consecrated at the same celebration may also be used, care is to be taken that at least some of the people receive portions from the large host(s) broken at this time. The deacon and other ministers of the eucharist may assist at the breaking. This is also the time for pouring the consecrated wine from a large chalice or a large flagon into the communion cups.

The classic explanation of the breaking and sharing of the one bread is given by St Paul: "And is not the bread we break a sharing in the body of Christ? Because the loaf of bread is one, we, many though we are, are one body, for we all partake of the one loaf" (I Corinthians 10:16-7). Christ gives to all the one bread which is his body. Just as this bread has become the body of Christ, so those who share this one bread, whatever be their diversity, become one body in Christ.



Second Sunday of Advent Prepare the way of the Lord

ADVENT

Last Sunday we began the season of Advent and so look towards the coming of Christ among us—as he did centuries ago in Bethlehem—as he keeps coming into our lives in many ways—as he comes to us in the Eucharist. And so being at Mass is so fitting a way to celebrate this lovely season of Advent.

COMMUNAL CELEBRATION OF

PENANCE: before Christmas will be on Thursday December 20th at 7.30pm.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK:

Will be celebrated during Mass this coming Thursday morning

ADVENT WREATH: each Advent we have the four-candled wreath. One of whose candles is lit on each of the Sundays of Advent. And then a long white candle will be inserted in the middle of it at Christmas, as the "Christ -candle".

CATECHUMENATE:

The next meeting is Monday December 10th at 7.30pm in the Presbytery. It will be the final meeting until mid February.

Funeral for Elsie Joseph

Will be on Wednesday, December 12th at 2pm.

Funeral for Ted Cummins (Fernhill Mercy) will be on Thursday, December 13th at 11am

JESSE TREE or GIFT TREE

Our tree is here on the Sanctuary with tags (done by the school children) indicating gifts to get for those who need help at Christmas.

There are also envelopes for anyone who would like to give cash. These gifts will be distributed by the members of the parish St Vincent de Paul society to their needy friends whom they visit regularly.

Please return the gifts with the tags as they have been coded for distribution.

CAROL SINGING AT AGED CARE HOMES 2018 PLEASE NOTE

<u>Error</u>: Mercy Place and Regis Manor is **WEDNESDAY 12th** NOT

MONDAY 10th

Each year the combined Churches of Sandringham sing carols in nursing homes and hostels.

To join in the singing, please contact
Judy Force on 0435 628 965
More info on flyers in foyer, please take
for correct dates & times

Summer Program VISIONS OF BEAUTY- Russia 5th-15th August 2019

The Centre for Science, Religion and
Philosophy Programs (SRPh) St. Petersburg,
Russia http://www.srph.ru together with
Viriditas Contemporary Art Studio,
Hampton East, Melbourne
will host a 10 Day Program on
"Introduction to Russian Iconography"

During a pilgrimage to the cities of Moscow,
Great Novgorod and St Petersburg.
The Program will be in English.
To apply for the Announcement and
Application please contact
Margaret Broadbent rsm
(Margaret.broadbent@mercy.org.au)

SINGING PRACTICES:

To prepare for Christmas we will have two more practices:

Wednesday December 12 at 7pm and Sunday December 16 at 10am. Please join us to provide some special singing for Christmas.

MELBOURNE CATHOLIC

December Edition \$4 available in the foyer of the Church

CHRISTMAS CARDS

St Vincent De Paul cards at \$3/pkt.

EAST TIMOR COFFEE

Beans & Ground at \$8/pkt will be on sale after Masses each weekend until Christmas

CHRISTMAS CONCERT

At the School.

There will be two sessions of the Concert next Friday December 14th at 11am and 2pm.

CHRISTMAS CLEANING BEE:



Will be on Thursday
December 20th at 2pm. The more
volunteers the quicker and easier it
will be. We will meet in the Church.

COLLECTION COUNTERS:

THIS WEEK: Team 5: L Giacomini, C Claffey-Ross, M Cobal, A Power,

NEXT WEEK: Team 6: J Monahan, J McTeigue, J Noonan, P O'Reilly, J Lamb

CHURCH PREPARATION TEAMS:

9/12 D Weddell & M Fiddes No Flowers during Advent

16/12 K Hardeman & T Fraser

EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS: Additional Volunteers needed at all Masses

9/12 6pm M Burgess, F Meade

9am G Ryan, C Battista, K Charon

11am C Hill, C O'Reilly, C Le Grand

16/12 6pm H McGrath, C Gomez, L Bloye

9am J Tonna, M McCartney, V Pucella

11am J Lamb, D Ridd, J Buck



LECTORS & COMMENTATORS:

9/12 6pm C Dunn & G Glackin 9am M Morris & L Surkitt

11am M O'Brien & M Wright

16/12 6pm M Palmer & H McGrath 9am C Lynch & S Butterly

11am T Sims & J Buck

<u>THE SICK</u>: Peter Roberts, Martin Cassidy, Sandra Moller, Bonnie Palmer, Kim D'Souza, Des Surkitt, Kelvin Shannon, Nancy Camera, Maureen Mowat, Alan Fagan, Darl Schiets

RECENTLY DECEASED: Elsie Joseph, Ted Cummins

ANNIVERSARIES: John Michael Crehan, Catherine Walsh, Russell Eade, Pauline Clayton, Brenda Parker, Tony Lopes, Desmond McCartney, Jock Hawking, Donald Thomas, Tom Maginness, Bill Coady, Leo & Lucy Power, Audrey & Robert Spiers

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.