

SACRED HEART SANDRINGHAM

23rd December 2018

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PARISH NOTICES 4th SUNDAY of ADVENT

SUNDAY MASSES : Vigil Mass 6.00pm Saturday; 9am & 11am Sunday

WEEKDAYS :	<i>Mon</i>	Mass	<i>Christmas Eve</i>	7pm & 9pm
	<i>Tues</i>	Mass	<i>Christmas Day</i>	10am
	<i>Wed</i>		<i>Boxing Day</i>	No Liturgy
	<i>Thurs</i>	Mass		5pm
	<i>Fri</i>	Mass		9.30am

RECONCILIATION : *Monday 24th December at 12 noon*

READINGS next SUNDAY : 30/12/18 *Holy Family*

1st Reading	..	Samuel	1:20-22.24-28
2nd Reading	..	Letter of St John	3:1-2.21-24
Gospel	..	Luke	2:41-52

MYSTERY OF FAITH COMMUNION RITE

In the earliest celebrations of the eucharist the bishop had no fixed formula to say after the people's Amen which concluded the eucharistic prayer. Once the bread was broken, ministers and faithful received the body and blood of the Lord.

The growing desire to express such dispositions as mutual love, unity, and forgiveness resulted in an initial expansion before the reception of the eucharist. By the early fifth century the Lord's Prayer and the sharing of the peace were established parts of the rite. Following centuries saw the addition of other expressive ceremonies and prayers.

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MYSTERY OF FAITH COMMUNION RITE (cont'd)

The actual communion of ministers and people long remained quite simple. From at least the third century a short formula accompanied the faithful's reception of the eucharist, a practice which at Rome seems to have fallen into disuse by the early Middle Ages. By the sixth century a song to accompany the procession was added. It was only outside Rome and beginning about the tenth century that various formulas to introduce and accompany the communion of priest and people gradually entered various liturgical books. But by the thirteenth century communion by the faithful, other than at the moment of death, was on the point of disappearing.

The rites of preparation for communion are a structural link between the eucharistic prayers and the reception of the eucharist. They are to lead directly to the communion of the people. Their purpose is to prepare the whole assembly for its participation in the Lord's body and blood. Mutual love and reconciliation are the seeds and fruits of the sacrament shared in communal fashion by ministers and people.

*"Blessed are you
among women, and
blessed is the fruit
of your womb."*



CONFESSIONS

BEFORE CHRISTMAS:

Monday 24th at 12 noon

VOLUNTEERS FOR MINISTRIES AT CHRISTMAS MASSES

There is a sheet on the white board in the foyer for all three Christmas Masses.

There are still a few ministries that need volunteers, please put your name down where you can help.

This will save many last minute phone calls!

CHRISTMAS LEAFLETS:

There are leaflets for Christmas reflection available this morning in the foyer. They include stories and reflections for Christmas and a prayer to use as Grace before meals for Christmas dinner.

CHRISTMAS TIMETABLES:

Times and dates for all Services leading up to and including Christmas are available in the foyer after Mass

POST CHRISTMAS TIMETABLE

Timetables for Masses for Boxing Day to Mid January are available in the foyer (only concerns weekday Masses and Communion Services).

NEW YEAR MASSES:

On New Years' Eve there will be Mass at 5pm in thanksgiving for 2018.
New Years' Day Mass will be at 12 noon

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)

MELBOURNE CATHOLIC

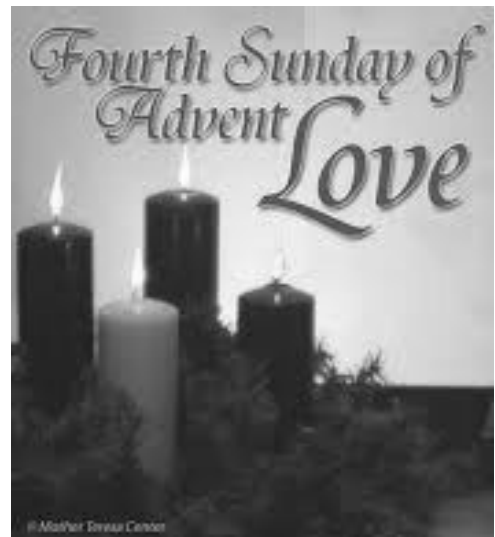
December Edition \$4
available in the foyer of the Church

CHILDREN FOR SACRAMENTS IN 2019

Any children who are due to make their First Reconciliation and First Communion, or then Confirmation in 2019, could they make contact as soon as possible with Anne Locco, the Parish Catechist on 0403 264 540 or contact with the Parish Office on 9598 1511 or domecc.sand@bigpond.com

VOLUNTEERS FOR COMMUNION TO NURSING HOMES:

We need more volunteers to take communion to Karinya Grove and Mercy Fernhill. This requires a commitment of one Sunday morning per month on a roster. A police check is required and the Parish office will assist with this application. Please contact the office on 9598 1511 or by email: domecc.sand@bigpond.com if you are able to help.



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**



**EAST TIMOR COFFEE
makes a wonderful
Christmas / New Year gift**



CAROLS at 8.30pm CHRISTMAS EVE

A lovely way to prepare for 9pm Mass
Please come along and join us

COLLECTION COUNTERS :

THIS WEEK: Team 7: A Power, J Smith, W Bond

NEXT WEEK: Team 1: D Keary, P McAleer, T McKenna, W Tench, M Webb

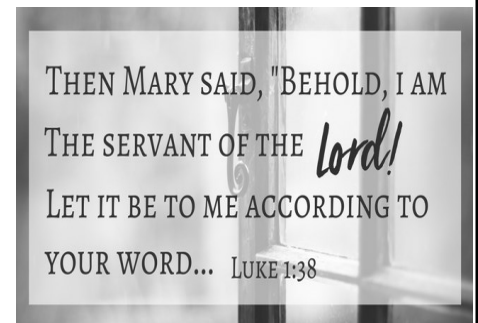
A BIG THANK YOU to all the Volunteers who helped with Church Preparation every week and the beautiful flower arrangements throughout the year.

EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS : *Additional Volunteers needed at all Masses*

23/12 6pm V Langdon, S Bartl, G Glackin
9am J Grimmer, A Stubbs, P Morris
11am S Agostino, B Bracchi

24/12 7pm & 9pm Volunteers as per sheet in foyer

25/12 10am Volunteers as per sheet in foyer



LECTORS & COMMENTATORS :

23/12 6pm H Rolfe & F Meade 9am J Grimmer & W Commins
11am R Smith & C LeGrand

24/12 7pm & 9pm Volunteers as per sheet in foyer

25/12 10am Volunteers as per sheet in foyer

Thanks to all our Lectors, Commentators and Eucharistic Ministers at Mass.

There are no rosters throughout January— we need Volunteers at all Masses please

THE SICK : Julia Oppendsano, Jeremy St John, Domenica Carpenteri, Victor Tonna, Max Ager, Nancy Camera, Maureen Mowat, Alan Fagan, Darl Schiets, Gabriel Quinn, Michelle Norton

RECENTLY DECEASED : Michael Kelly

ANNIVERSARIES : Leah Parker, Carmel Pontell, Bill Moran, John Monaghan, Eileen Shepherd, Sr Declan Whelan, Pamela Holdsworth, Adele McKeown, Bernadette Brady, Marie Murphy, David Fisher, Phyllis McCarthy, Bill Dunn

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