

Jubilee Catholic Parish

EMBRACING THE COMMUNITIES OF:

St Ambrose's, Newmarket ~ St Brigid's, Red Hill ~ St Finbarr's, Ashgrove ~ St Joan of Arc, Herston ~
St Mary Magdalene, Bardon ~ St Thomas More's, Petrie Terrace ~ Sacred Heart, Rosalie

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3rd Sunday of Advent



Have you noticed that our advent wreath has four candles? One for each of the four weeks of Advent. There are three purple candles and one pink. This weekend, marking the third week of Advent, the pink candle is lit. The pink candle is there not just because we ran out of purple candles, it signifies that this weekend we celebrate Gaudette Sunday – Joyful Sunday.

The first reading this weekend is peppered with calls to be joyful. We are encouraged to 'shout with joy', 'rejoice with all your heart', and to 'have no fear' for the Lord is near. Similarly, in the second reading St Paul tells us to 'always be happy in the Lord' and that 'there is no need to worry'. He calls us to be tolerant towards one another, to pray for what we need and give thanks for what we have. The 'peace of God' will protect and care for us.

It tends to get lost in our modern Christmas silly season, but Advent was originally intended as period of penance and contemplation as we await the birth of Christ. The third Sunday of Advent was intended to provide a brief respite from this period of penance.

Even if you haven't been undertaking a deliberate period of solemn penance these last few week of Advent, it is quite likely you have been very busy, distracted and perhaps a little stressed in the preparations for Christmas. Gaudette Sunday reminds us to take a breather and remember that the real joy of Christmas is to be found in the coming of our saviour Jesus Christ. So take a deep breath, do not worry. The Good News is the Lord is very near. *Gina Clare*

Third Sunday of Advent

Priest: Shout for joy, daughter of Zion, Israel shout aloud.
Come, Lord Jesus.

Response: Come, Lord Jesus.

Priest: Rejoice in the Lord always; again I say rejoice!
Come, Lord Jesus

Response: Come, Lord Jesus.

Priest: 'There stands among you unknown to you the one who is coming; and you are not fit to undo his sandal-strap.' *Come, Lord Jesus.*

Response: Come, Lord Jesus.

The Third Advent candle is lit.



Congratulations to **Charles Davis, Ruby Hrstich, Frances Gould, Valentina Menadue & Chelsea Morrison** who celebrated their reception of First Holy Communion this weekend. Charles, Ruby, Frances, Valentina & Chelsea are welcomed into the common union we share in at the table of the Lord. May they always know, experience and live our communion with Christ. Thanks to their parents for their ongoing formation of their children in the faith.

THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT – 12 DECEMBER 2021 (YEAR C)

Proper of the Mass

First Reading: Zephaniah 3:14-18 **Second Reading:** Philippians 4:4-7

Response: Cry out with joy and gladness: for among you is the great and Holy One of Israel.
Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia! The Spirit of the Lord is upon me; he sent me to bring Good News to the poor. Alleluia!

Gospel: Luke 3:10-18



Jubilee Parish Vinnies conferences launched their annual Christmas Appeal at last weekend's Masses. Vinnies are experiencing a heavy workload in emergency relief requests in our community and expect demand to increase into

2022 - our conferences will also distribute scores of Christmas hampers to needy families and individuals in the next week or two. We again humbly appeal to the enormous generosity of our community to support Vinnies' 'Good Works' and encourage parishioners to petition family, friends and neighbours of like-minded charitable spirit to also contribute. Our Vinnies conferences are also actively recruiting members who can give from just 3-4 hours a month to meet the rising workload in the distribution of emergency relief to our 'companions'.

Rosalie Region President, Richard Robinson: 0434072049

Archbishop's appointment: Archbishop Coleridge has appointed Fr Dang Ngoc Hai Nguyen OSA as Associate Pastor in Jubilee Parish with effect from 1 January 2022. "I am sure that Fr Gerard Kalinowski and the parishioners will welcome your appointment".



Greetings to all: My name is Fr Dang Nguyen. I was born and raised in the countryside of Vietnam, the middle child of five. Both my parents were farmers, now retired, and my whole childhood was closely connected with rice and sugar cane farms.

My parents brought me up well, in a loving and devoted catholic family, and instilled and nourished my faith. For them, faith is always the centre of their lives, so, we as children did not have much of a choice. I still remember that my parents forcefully dragged us every night to pray the rosary. Honestly, I once thought that was the worst thing that a parent

can do to their children. However, looking back, I believe that the experience gave me a sense of faith and this kindled my love for my priestly vocation.

In late 2008, I joined the priesthood with the Order of St Augustine in Sydney. After ten years of religious formation, I was ordained on the 22nd September 2018 by Archbishop Mark Coleridge. I was then assigned as an Associate Pastor of St James parish, then briefly at the Cathedral of St Stephen, before my year serving at Caloundra Parish.

I am thrilled that God has now brought me to be part of the Jubilee parish family. I am excited about sharing my journey of faith with you and look forward to meeting you all.

Have a blessed Christmas, *Fr. Dang*

Rejoicing always: In the spirit of today's readings Jubilee Parish is rejoicing in the appointment of Fr Dang as associate pastor in our parish from 1 January 2022.

Jubilee has been blest with the youthful vibrant laughter of Fr Rony and we will continue to enjoy his presence through to Christmas.

Fr Dang is from the Augustinian order and so will nurture a different flavour within the breadth and depth of our Catholic Tradition. Again youthful, energetic and excited to be coming to Jubilee.

Jubilee parish does rejoice and will warmly welcome Fr Dang as he comes within the Christmas Season on the feast of the Epiphany. A revelation indeed! *Fr Gerry*

PARISH DIARY



Monday 13 December
Mass (Red Hill) 6:30am

Tuesday 14 December
Mass (Newmarket) 9:00am

Wednesday 15 December
Mass (Rosalie) 6:30am
Mass (Bardon) 9:00am

Thursday 16 December
Mass (Red Hill) 6:30am
Mass (Ashgrove) 9:00am

Friday 17 December
Mass (Bardon) 9am

Saturday 18 December
Individual Reconciliation
(Rosalie) 4:00pm-4:20pm
(Ashgrove) 5:15pm-5:45pm

4th Sunday of Advent
19th December 2021

Saturday Vigil
Mass (Rosalie) 4:30pm
Mass (Ashgrove) 6:00pm

Sunday
Mass (Herston) 7:30am
Mass (Bardon) 8:00am
Mass (Ashgrove) 8:30am
Mass (Newmarket) 9:30am
Mass (Red Hill) 10:00am
Korean Mass (Rosalie) 10:00am
Mass (Rosalie) 5:30pm



Carols on Clyde

All parishioners and friends are invited to join the community of St Joan of Arc for a short interlude of Christmas carol singing and reflections, followed by Christmas cheer!

Where: St Joan of Arc Church, Clyde Road, Herston

When: Sunday 19 December, 7pm

Why: Because we all deserve to sing and celebrate together

Everyone is welcome!

COVID safety at Christmas Masses

Currently, COVID vaccination is not mandatory for parishioners and visitors at Masses and funerals. The only exception is weddings, which require 100% vaccination if more than 20 attendees.

With higher than average attendances expected during Christmas, it is essential to remember that the 2 square metre rule applies. This allows for appropriate social distancing and for most churches, caps attendance at around 50% capacity.

Christmas Eve Masses attract large crowds. At these Masses, full capacity is allowed as long as seats are ticketed. The following Masses will be ticketed, without prior booking:

- St Finbarr's Ashgrove 6pm
- St Ambrose's Newmarket 7pm
- St Brigid's Red Hill 8pm

ALL other masses will NOT require ticketing. QR check-in is required and 2 sqm rule applies

- St Mary Magdalene school hall Bardon 4.30pm Christmas Eve
- Sacred Heart Rosalie 7pm Christmas Eve
- St Finbarr Ashgrove 9pm Christmas Eve
- St Brigid Red Hill Midnight Mass
- ALL Christmas morning masses

All parishioners are urged to:

- Fully vaccinate for your protection and the safety of others in your community
- Consider attending a Christmas mass that may have spare capacity
- Arrive early to your mass to avoid being turned away
- Continue to use the Check in Queensland app when entering the church
- Be patient and follow the instructions of the marshal and ushers at your mass
- Follow the 2 square metre rule at unticketed Masses.



Calling all Actors, Singers, Musicians, Angels and Shepherds

St Ambrose's Nativity Pageant St Ambrose's Christmas Eve Mass 2021

St Ambrose's Christmas Eve Mass features a nativity play and we are inviting all members of our parish and school communities to take part.

It is a simple enactment featuring our children in the roles of Narrator, Joseph, Mary, the Angels and Shepherds while the Christmas Gospel is read and carols are sung during St Ambrose's Christmas Eve Mass, on Friday 24 December.

Mass commences at 7pm and all participants need to arrive by 6.30pm, please, in particular those with major roles. We also ask participants to attend the rehearsal after Mass on Sunday 19 December from 10:30am.

Children who are unable to attend the rehearsal are still welcome to join in as angels or shepherds on the night.

Costumes

The children wear very simple costumes and we can assist with providing some of the elements for these if required.

Music

We're very fortunate that Catherine is available to coordinate the music and singing for us and we welcome all musicians and singers to join Catherine.

Resources

The Gospel drama and music can be emailed to you in plenty of time for you to practice for the rehearsal.

RSVP

Please let us know as soon as possible if you would like to participate in any way. If you need assistance or have any questions please contact Lorna at pyele8j@gmail.com or 0407 016 526.

CHRISTMAS PAGEANT – St Mary Magdalene's Church

Baby Jesus lying in the hay, Mary and Joseph, the stable, the Angels, the donkey – these are all facets of Christmas that appeal to the minds and the hearts of children. Being a part of the Christmas Pageant allows children to fully appreciate the *real* Spirit of Christmas.

Christmas Present is made of memories of Christmas Past

Christmas Eve Service will be held in the School Assembly Hall. The Service will begin at 4.00pm with the Christmas Pageant and Carols, followed by Mass at 4.30.

Children of all ages can be involved. Costumes are basic (no sewing required).

Rehearsals will be held on:

- Thursday 16th December
- Dress Rehearsal on Tuesday 21st December in the School Assembly Hall at 9.00am.

If you can't make it to both the first and second, then make the one that suits you, but please let me know of your intentions. Attendance at the Dress Rehearsal is essential.

Anyone interested please contact Therese Beavis on 0403 784 778 or email on mtbah@optusnet.com.au

A big thank you to all who attended the end of year First Friday Mass and Christmas lunch. A great time was had by all.

We wish to acknowledge all those who assisted us to make this such an enjoyable event. Our gratitude goes to all helpers, the staff of Cafe 107 and the Brisbane City Council.

Wishing everyone a happy and holy Christmas and many blessings for the New Year

Joyce and Susanne



International Migrants Day: December 18, 2021

What is International Migrants Day? International Migrants Day began on the 18th December 1990, when The International Convention on the Protection of the Rights of All Migrant Workers and Members of Their Families was created. It is the aim of the United Nations to make sure that all migrants and their families are looked after properly.

What is a migrant? A migrant is someone who has chosen to leave their own country to seek a better life in a different country. This could be due to a variety of reasons including wanting a new job, to study at school or university, or to move closer to family.

However, not everyone chooses to leave their country. Sadly, many countries are experiencing war and conflict, and people are forced to leave their country for their own safety. These people are called refugees. For some families, it's safer to flee their country to have a safe, peaceful life in another country. There are also many other reasons why people are forced out of their homes, such as natural disasters. Earthquakes, hurricanes and tsunamis can destroy people's lives and towns, forcing them to start their life again in a safer country.

"On this International Migrants Day, I call on the international community to act on the global compact on safe, regular and orderly migration as an important contribution to building a world of peace, prosperity, dignity and opportunity for all." , UN Secretary-General, Ban Ki-moon

Advent Prayer

Lord Jesus,

Master of both the light and the darkness, send your Holy Spirit upon our preparations for Christmas.

We who have so much to do seek quiet spaces to hear your voice each day.

We who are anxious over many things look forward to your coming among us.

We who are blessed in so many ways long for the complete joy of your kingdom.

We whose hearts are heavy seek the joy of your presence.

We are your people, walking in darkness, yet seeking the light.

To you we say, "Come Lord Jesus!"

Amen.

Henri J.M. Nouwen (1932-1996)



Fruits of First Plenary Council Assembly published

The fruits of the first general assembly of the Fifth Plenary Council of Australia have been gathered together in a new report.

The document was published Thursday 9 December.

The proposals already put forward will be used to identify thematic focuses for the second general assembly of the Council in July 2022.

Access the document at: <https://bit.ly/FirstAssembly>

Christmas Ceremony Times

Christmas Eve:

St Mary Magdalene's Bardonia - Fr Ray Lyons Hall - 4:00pm Christmas Pageant | 4:30pm Mass

St Finbarr's Ashgrove - 5:30pm Carols | 6:00pm Mass | 8:30pm Carols | 9:00pm Mass

Sacred Heart Rosalie - 7:00pm Mass

St Ambrose's Newmarket - 7:00pm

St Brigid's Red Hill - 7:30pm Carols | 8:00pm Mass | 11:30pm Carols | Midnight Mass

Korean Community Rosalie - 9:30pm-11:00pm Mass

Christmas Day:

St Joan of Arc Herston - 7:30am Mass

St Mary Magdalene's Bardonia - 8:00am Mass

St Thomas More, Italian Community - 8:30am Mass

Sacred Heart Rosalie - 9:00am Mass

Korean Community Rosalie - 11am-1pm Mass



JUBILEE CATHOLIC PARISH

2022 Calendar

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Apostles Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,

(all bow)

born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried; he descended into hell; on the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of God

the Father almighty; from there he will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and life everlasting.

Amen.

BREAK OPEN THE WORD



Parish again subsidising purchase, \$10 for Ministers of the Word

In Transition

The funeral of Shirley Elizabeth Coman will be held at 10am, St Finbarr's Church on Thursday 16th December 2021. Shirley is the beloved wife of Terry and loving mother of Dianne, Julie, Helen & Steven

WE PRAY FOR THE SOULS OF ALL THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED; MAY THEY REST IN PEACE.