



4TH DECEMBER 2016
2ND SUNDAY IN ADVENT- YEAR A

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 Our Lady of the Assumption Church, Park Ridge
 St. Catherine's Church, Jimboomba

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*The name of Jesus is the glory of preachers,
 because the shining splendour of that name
 causes God's word to be proclaimed and heard.*

GOSPEL REFLECTION

Today's liturgy brings together readings from very different backgrounds, as it gives expression to the Advent message of hope.

The prophetic vision of Isaiah reflects his familiarity with the king's court in a period of dramatic international developments in the region. He links the fulfilment of God's designs for the nation with the rule of a new David (Jesse is the father of David) whose rule will contrast with that of many of David's unworthy successors. He will be filled with the gifts of the 'spirit of the Lord', ruling with wisdom and integrity, and showing himself a forthright champion of the oppressed and the poor of the land. The peace established by his rule is graphically portrayed as like a new paradise - as the whole country is 'filled with the knowledge of the Lord' and lives according to God's ways. For those who know the blessings brought by the true 'Son of David', the themes of the Christmas celebration that awaits us at the end of our Advent preparation are not difficult to recognise.

- From a homily on the Gospel by Fr John Thornhill sm



Gathering Hymn

GA279 Advent Litany

Psalm Response

Justice shall flourish in his time and fullness of peace for ever.

Recessional Hymn

GA285 O Come, O Come Emmanuel

My grace is sufficient for you, for power is made perfect in weakness (2 Corinthians 12:9)

MASS TIMES

ST. BERNARDINE'S CHURCH

25 Vergulde Road, Regents Park



Mon 5th Dec 7.30am
Wed 7th Dec No Mass
Sat 10th 5.15pm Reconciliation
 6.00pm
Sun 11th Dec 7.30am, 9.00am

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Thus 8th Dec 8.00am
Sun 11th Dec 5.30pm

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Wed 7th Dec 9.00am
Thurs 8th Dec 8.00am
Fri 9th Dec 9.00am

WHAT'S HAPPENING THIS WEEK

Sunday 4th December

Second Sunday in Advent— Year A

Monday 5th December

10am-11am Prayer Group ~ St Bernardine's Church
 9.30am- 12pm- Arts and Crafts

Tuesday 6th December

9.30am Advent Program ~ St Bernardine's Church
 10.00am Legion of Mary ~ The Hut
 7.00pm Flame of Love Prayer Group

Wednesday 7th December

PARISH OFFICE CLOSED

Thursday 8th December

9.30am Craft Group ~ Logan West Library
 12pm- **HOUR OF GRACE** ~ St Bernardine's Church

Saturday 10th December

Sunday 11th December

3rd Sunday in Advent— Year A

MARANTHA - is an Aramaic word that means
 "the Lord is coming" or "Come, O Lord."

Today's Readings:	Next Week's Readings:
Is 11:1-10	Is 35:1-6
Rom 15:4-9	James 5: 7-10
Mt 3:1-2	Mt 11:2-11



2ND SUNDAY OF *Advent*

The Advent Program will be held on
 Tuesday 6th / 13th of December at 9.30am at
 St Bernardine's Church.

CHRISTMAS MASS TIMES

St Bernardine's Church

Saturday 24th December

Carols from -5.30pm
 Christmas Eve -6.00pm Children's Mass
 Midnight Mass- 12.00am
 Carols from 11.30pm

Sunday 25th December

Christmas Day - 9.00am

St Catherine's Church

Saturday 24th December

Christmas Eve- 8.00pm
 Carols from 7.30pm
(No Mass Christmas Day)

Our Lady of the Assumption Church

Sunday 25th December

Christmas Day - 7.30am

*Isaiah 9:6 ⁶ For a child has been born for us, a son
 given to us; authority rests upon his shoulders;
 and he is named Wonderful Counsellor, Mighty
 God, Everlasting Father,
 Prince of Peace.*

PARISH NOTICES

PLEASE NOTE There will be no Wednesday morning Mass at St Bernardine's Church during the School holidays. Thank you.

"Simbang Gabi" (Misa de Gallo)

The Catholic Filipino Australia Chaplaincy invites you to the annual Filipino tradition of

"Simbang Gabi" from:

6.30pm Sunday 18th December 2016 at St Bernardine's Church. Please bring a plate of food to share. Thank you

DINNER Ladies Night Out Christmas Break Up

The CLEO (Catholic ladies Eating Out) DINNERS, are held monthly, providing an opportunity for ladies in our community to meet informally in a friendly, supportive group.

Everyone welcome, especially new faces.

RSVP would be appreciated

Please contact Michelle Smith for more information 0421216395 or the Parish Office

Wednesday 7th December at 6.00pm

Venue: Middle Green— Sports club
720 Middle Road, Greenbank

St Catherine's Christmas Dinner

Those attending Mass on **Sunday 11th December at 5.30pm** are invited to stay after Mass to join in the Christmas dinner. A small plate of food is welcomed. We look forward to seeing many families stay to share in a meal.

Christmas Eve Children's Mass

(Saturday 24th December)

We invite all children to come along dressed in nativity character – angels, shepherds, sheep, stars etc...

Primary school aged children are welcomed to join the Children's Choir. There will be a practice session after the 9.00am mass on Sunday 11th and 18th December. Any questions please contact the parish office.

HOUR OF GRACE 12PM-1PM

THURSDAY 8TH DECEMBER

Feast of Immaculate Conception
prayers and benediction.

"Our Lady says no request in this hour
will be refused"

Please come to this Hour of Grace all are
welcome.

Arts and Craft weekend stall and Raffle

The Winners of the Raffle organised by the Arts and Crafts Group are

Maree Bertic

Shirley Jensen (F 94 Purple)

M Heggeron (A 20 Green)

D McDonald (F 07 Purple)

Inga Christensen (C14 Green)

Jen Flanagan (C52 Green)

Congratulations to all the winners and a BIG THANK YOU to everyone who supported the raffle and to all who generously made / donated the items for the raffle.

A total of \$533 was raised through the sales of the raffle tickets.

Thank you to all who supported the A & C weekend stall. On behalf of the Parish Community we thank all the ladies of the Arts and Craft Group who made all the items for the stall. They generously gave their time, resources, talents and creative abilities and energetically "manned" the stalls over the weekend masses with such joy and enthusiasm.

Total sales amounted to **\$ 754.20.**

**All monies will be equally shared amongst
BlindEye Ministries; CentaCare's Program for
Homeless Women and St Vincent de Paul.**

Farewell to Fr John

Parishioners will be able to express their thanks and gratitude to Fr John in the next couple of weeks. The Christmas Masses / 4th Sunday of the month - will be the final masses which Fr John will celebrate with us. Fr John will be at our regular morning tea after the 7.30am Mass on Sunday 18th December you are invited to join him for a cuppa then.

VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY - GIFTING TREES

'Help Complete Their Christmas'

It's a tradition at St. Bernardine's and Our Lady of the Assumption Churches for a Christmas Gifting Tree to be placed in the church by the St. Vincent de Paul Society. The Christmas Tree will be up next weekend. It is to help families in the local area who will have an otherwise bleak Christmas. If you would like to participate, please take a tag from the tree, buy and wrap your gift, re-attach the tag, and place your gift under the tree by 10th/11th **December.**

The parish has been very generous in past years, and we look forward to your generosity again.

Cash donations are welcome with envelopes available under the St Vincent de Paul Christmas Tree. There will also be Christmas baubles for sale at \$2 each. You can write the name of a deceased loved one and place it on the Christmas tree.

All proceeds will go to St Vincent de Paul.



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