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All enquiries regarding Funerals and
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SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday 4.00 pm or by appointment

30 Nov / 1 December 2024

FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Let Us Pray:

Lord Jesus, awaken our hearts to Your presence in the Eucharist. Strengthen our faith to embrace hope and victory over life's trials. Amen.

Today's world needs Christians who truly understand that faith gives us hope and victory in the midst of any and all difficulties.

Taking this even further, today's world needs Catholics who truly understand that going to Mass means having faith in miracles—especially the miraculous transformation of bread and wine into the body and blood of Christ. Are you changed by the presence of Christ in the Eucharist? If so, then after you exit the church, others see evidence of this faith—right? There's a difference between "knowing" the truths of our faith and authentically living these truths. What prayer requests have you made in which you're still waiting for God to provide his help?

In today's Gospel reading, Jesus speaks of his Second Coming, but we can also relate it to our daily lives today. We all have new tribulations looming in the future, unknown and unpredictable. That's life on earth! Jesus wants to help us through them. Faith in this gives us hope and victory.

However, when our focus is on our troubles instead of on Christ, we aren't living in faith.

When we ask Jesus to restore us to a life of faith, we become vigilant, expectant, and aware that we can rely on God to help us in whatever comes our way. Our tribulations makes us fearful. Faith gives us reasons to hope in Jesus and to live in joy instead of fear. It takes conscious effort but spiritual drowsiness is a miserable way to live.

Questions for Personal Reflection

What are you waiting for from Jesus? How will you use the Season of Advent to grow in faith by noticing the loving, generous, merciful activities of God?

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PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

We follow the words of our patron,
St John Vianney, who said "He is here."

We recognise Christ is in the Word,
the Eucharist, and in us His people,
with a special reverence for Him
in the poor and marginalised.

We are called to make Christ present through
our prayer and charity.

We seek to grow in our spiritual lives and
create a community
where everyone is welcome;
the young and the old, together to
experience the loving presence of God.

We believe He is here amongst us
and we joyfully go out
to make Him present to all.

We acknowledge and pay respect to Traditional Custodians on whose land we walk, live and worship.

**FOR YOUR DIARY
DECEMBER**

2 Mon No Mass
 3 Tues 6.00pm Mass
 4 Wed 9.00am Rosary
 9.30am Mass
 7.30pm Rosary on-line via ZOOM
 6 Fri 10.30am End of year School Mass
 7 Sat 4.00pm Reconciliation

2ND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Sat Vigil 5.00pm Mass (SJV)
 8 Sun 7:00am Mass (St Jude's)
 9:30am Mass (SJV)

OF YOUR CHARITY, PLEASE PRAY FOR:

RECENTLY DECEASED:

Beth Craig, Helen Armbruster,
 Eva Lisa Alvaro Barot, Leesa Scott, and David Rankin

ANNIVERSARIES: Rose-Marie Dickson, Margaret Ewers, Phillip Hunt, Tyler Whitton, Trevor Alexander, Edmond Baker, Katherine Barton, Fay Bishop, Dean Bramley, Kevin Byrne, Joan Copley, Catherine Dillon, Sylvia Fens, Alan Francis, Kathleen Galea, Meg Griffiths, Stephanie Hankins, Jean Kuter, Jennifer Lynas, Olivia Lewis, Eric Morrison, Gerard Ring, Jean Rosenstengel, Madeline Shenton, Henry Sizeland, Wilma Will, Blanca Wiswell, David Vidler, Greg Selwood, Sr Teresita Ahearn, Phillip Hunt, Tyler Whitton and all those whose anniversaries occur around this time.

PARISH LITURGY COMMITTEE MEETING

The Liturgy Committee recently attended the final meeting for the year. The main discussion centred around the planning of the Advent and Christmas ceremonies.

As we commence and journey through the season of Advent, our church liturgical environment symbolises this journey with music and song chosen for the specific Sundays; the lighting of the Advent candle; and the Nativity scene. The four Sundays in Advent are a prayerful progression to the celebration of Christmas.

This year to emphasize this progression, our Nativity scene will evolve each week to tell the story of the journey towards the birth of Jesus.

Our parish Christmas Mass celebrations:

24th Dec: Christmas Vigil – 5pm at St John Vianney's

25th Dec: Christmas Day – 7am at St Jude's

Christmas Day – 9.30am St John Vianney's



The Christmas Vigil will be a family orientated celebration and will include the involvement of children in a Christmas Play.

Other Matters:

A music workshop conducted recently by the Archdiocese of Brisbane was attended by representatives from our parish.

Maureen Hassett, Parish Liturgy Committee

THOSE WHO ARE SICK: Sue McDonald, Chris Lee, Francis Raisch, Eric Roberts, John Cliffe, Sue Wynne-Davies, Jack & Mary Beard, Jocelyn Barron, Dell Chapman, Emily de Looze, Anne Dixon, Irene Gavrilla, Carlos Manabat, Maureen Handcock, Richard Pook, Violet Maureen Phillips, Joanne Small, Barry Smith, Emma Walters Patrick Nofokifolau and Brian Prove.

To include a name in our 'Recently Deceased', the Privacy Act requires the permission of a close relative. For those 'Who Are Sick' requires the permission a close relative. Names of the recently deceased, anniversaries and our sick parishioners are reviewed at the end of each month.

MAKING DONATIONS TO OUR CHURCH

The options for electronic donations are:

- Use our EFTPOS machine at the Manly parish church. You can swipe, tap or insert your card for the amount of your choice.
- By direct deposit - parish bank details are BSB: 064-786 Acc No: 100002778 Account Name: St John Vianney's Parish Manly

	Welcomer	1st Reader	2nd Reader	EMHC	Screen	Servers	Counter
Sat 30 Nov	Jen	Colleen	Jane	Mikaela/Denise/Carmel Sk	Carmel	DH	E
Sun 1 Dec	Steve	Bond	Harvey	Jasser/Adeline/Katherine	Donna	Volunteer needed	
Sat 7 Dec	Colleen	Maureen	Jen	Mikaela/Denise/Jane	Anjoline	AG	F
Sun 8 Dec	Trish	Helen	Mark	Margaret/Donna/Carmel	Donna	Volunteer needed	

This parish is Child Safety Aware and complies with Australian Privacy Laws. A copy of the Safeguarding Policy is situated in the foyer of the church. STOPLINE CONTACT: Phone: 1300 304 400 Email AOB@stoline.com.au

St Vincent de Paul Christmas Hamper Appeal 2024

The Annual Christmas Hamper Appeal **concludes NEXT WEEKEND— 7 / 8 December 2024**. Hampers will be delivered on Sat 14th December.

Thank you to those who have already donated. We would appreciate donations of:

1. Christmas fare e.g., tins of leg ham, Christmas cakes, Christmas puddings (individual ones rather than large please), long life custard, nuts & jellies.
2. Tinned / bottled fruit & vegetables,
3. Pasta and pasta sauces.
4. Tins of biscuits, shortbread, fruit mince pies, savoury biscuits (Jatz, water crackers etc.)
5. Bottles of cordial & fruit drinks, packs of poppers, soft drinks.
6. Christmas table items - bonbons, serviettes, decorations
7. Christmas sweets / chocolates
8. Coles, Woolworths, Kmart gift vouchers



St Vincent de Paul appreciates the continuing support of St John Vianney's Parish to assist those in need in our community and to add a little cheer at Christmas time.

Podcast By Archbishop Mark Coleridge— *The Navel of the Earth: Jerusalem in time, theology and imagination*

Episode-4-Jerusalem in Theology and Imagination is now available.

Link to website:

<https://brisbanecatholic.org.au/gods-people/episode-4-jerusalem-in-theology-and-imagination/>



EMMANUEL CITY MISSION SEEKING ASSISTANCE

St Vincent de Paul Society is seeking volunteers to help operate a space providing clothing for members of the street community who attend the Emmanuel City Mission in South Brisbane. At the moment, there are only four SVdP volunteers running the clothing space, which operates Monday to Friday mornings. If you can spare two hours a week or fortnight, please consider joining this ministry to the disadvantaged. Duties include sorting and racking clothing donations, distributing items and chatting to visitors to ECM. If you are interested, please



Advent Resource

The Light: Advent and Christmas Daily Reflections 2024—a comprehensive 88-page book of daily reflections designed to deepen your spiritual journey from the beginning of Advent (1 Dec2024) through to the Baptism of the Lord (12 Jan2025), offering profound insights and contemplative thoughts that invite you to explore the depths of your faith and anticipate the joy of God's presence in the world. Cost is \$5 per copy. Available from Piety Stall.

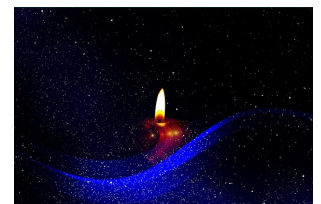
For the Children

FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

LET US PRAY

Today we begin our preparation to celebrate the birthday of our Saviour, Jesus Christ. During Advent we think about the past, our lives today, and what will be in the future.

Lord Jesus, help us to get ready to greet you at Christmas and at the end of time. Amen.



Knights of the Southern Cross Silver Circle—The winner for Draw 7 of the current Silver Circle was Leon Thomas with Ticket No 76. Congratulations to the winner, and thanks to those who support Wynnum Branch of the Knights Silver Circle..

**PLEASE JOIN US FOR
MORNING TEA AFTER THE
9.30AM MASS TODAY**



FIRST READING: *Jeremiah 33:14-16*

A reading from the prophet Jeremiah
I will cause a good seed to spring forth from David.

See, the days are coming - it is the Lord who speaks - when I am going to fulfil the promise I made to the House of Israel and the House of Judah: 'In those days and at that time, I will make a virtuous Branch grow for David, who shall practise honesty and integrity in the land. In those days Judah shall be saved and Israel shall dwell in confidence. And this is the name the city will be called: The Lord-our-integrity.'

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: *Ps 24:4-5, 8-9, 10, 14*

R. To you, O Lord, I lift my soul.

Lord, make me know your ways.
Lord, teach me your paths.
Make me walk in your truth, and teach me:
for you are God my Saviour. **R.**

The Lord is good and upright.
He shows the path to those who stray,
he guides the humble in the right path;
he teaches his way to the poor. **R.**

His ways are faithfulness and love
for those who keep his covenant and will.
The Lord's friendship is for those who revere him;
to them he reveals his covenant. **R.**

SECOND READING: *1 Thessalonians 3:12 - 4:2*

A reading from the first letter of St Paul to the Thessalonians
When Christ comes may he strengthen your hearts in holiness.

May the Lord be generous in increasing your love and make you love one another and the whole human race as much as we love you. And may he so confirm your hearts in holiness that you may be blameless in the sight of our God and Father when our Lord Jesus Christ comes with all his saints. Finally, brothers, we urge you and appeal to you in the Lord Jesus to make more and more progress in the kind of life that you are meant to live: the life that God wants, as you learnt from us, and as you are already living it. You have not forgotten the instructions we gave you on the authority of the Lord Jesus.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: *Ps 84:8*

Alleluia, alleluia!
Lord, show us your mercy and love,
and grant us your salvation.

Alleluia!

GOSPEL: *Luke 21:25-28, 34-36*

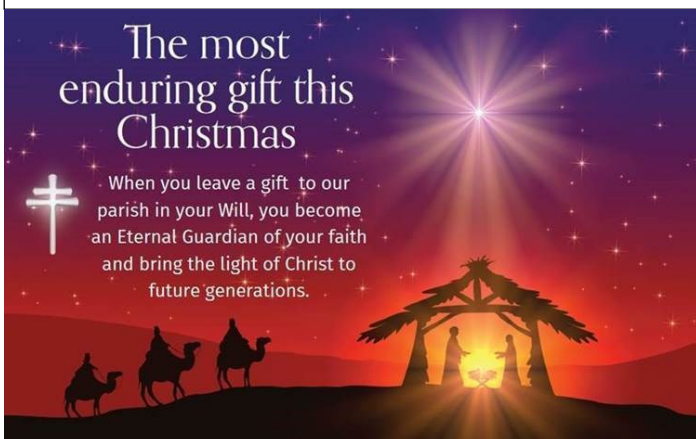
A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke
Your redemption is near at hand.

Jesus said to his disciples: 'There will be signs in the sun and moon and stars; on earth nations in agony, bewildered by the clamour of the ocean and its waves; men dying of fear as they await what menaces the world, for the powers of heaven will be shaken. And then they will see the Son of Man coming in a cloud with power and great glory. When these things begin to take place, stand erect, hold your heads high, because your liberation is near at hand.'

'Watch yourselves, or your hearts will be coarsened with debauchery and drunkenness and the cares of life, and that day will be sprung on you suddenly, like a trap. For it will come down on every living man on the face of the earth. Stay awake, praying at all times for the strength to survive all that is going to happen, and to stand with confidence before the Son of Man.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise be to you, Lord Jesus Christ.



PIETY STALL The Piety Stall is open before and after each weekend Mass at SJV church for your convenience. Please stop by and look at the beautiful gifts available: books, bracelets, rosary beads, Columban Art calendars and copies of the new *God's Word Daily Reflections for 2025*.

TOY DRIVE

George Hartnett Metropolitan Funerals are collecting toys in collaboration with Children's Hospital Foundation to bring happiness to children in our local community. Donations to the office at **57 Bay Terrace, Wynnum**.



**NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS
SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT**

First Reading: Baruch 5:1-9
Responsorial Psalm: Ps 125
Second Reading: Phil 1:4-6, 8-11
Gospel Acclamation: Lk 3:4, 6
Gospel: Lk 3:1-6