# Banyo Nundah Catholic Parish

Banyo, Nudgee, Nudgee Beach, Nundah, Virginia and sections of Clayfield, Northqate and Wavell Heights



Our mission is to be a welcoming, prayerful, embracing parish, united in Christ, strengthening the faith and transforming the spiritual life of the community. We aim to be caring and responsive, sharing the Good News, and living the values of the Gospel.



Second Sunday of Advent Year C 5<sup>th</sup> December 2021

**Acknowledgement of Country** 

'We, the parishioners of the Banyo Nundah Catholic Parish, acknowledge the Turrbal People who are the Traditional Custodians of this land. We pay respect to the Elders past, present and future and extend that respect to other Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander People present.

**Advent.** During the new liturgical year we will follow the Sundays of cycle C and the weekdays of cycle 2 for scripture readings from the lectionary.

# The Word of God for the 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Advent. Repentance/Forgiveness

Luke uses the technical term 'proclaiming' to describe the preaching of John (3:3), Jesus' preaching in the synagogues (4:44), and Jesus' announcing 'the good news of the Kingdom of God' (8:1). John's exhortations, then, are more than ordinary preaching: his ministry, like the ministry of Jesus, is a proclamation of the gospel. Moreover, his preparatory ministry fulfils Gabriel's prediction to Zechariah ('he will turn many of the children of Israel to the Lord their God. He will go before the Lord in the spirit and power of Elijah'; 1:16-17) and anticipates the ministry of the disciples when the risen Jesus sends them to proclaim 'repentance for the forgiveness of sins' (24:47).

John is proclaiming 'a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins'. Washing in water is both part of traditional Jewish ritual practice (see Leviticus 15) and is generally symbolic of the removal of sin. John's baptism, however, requires that sinners change their ways. Isaiah 1:16-17 is a powerful example of the relationship between washing and a change in behaviour: 'Wash yourselves clean! Put away your misdeeds from before my eyes; cease doing evil; learn to do good'. One is purified by In this way John's baptism changing behaviour. symbolises repentance. In next Sunday's gospel John describes specific concrete changes in the lives of a number of different people. Repentance is real to the extent that it brings about change; such repentance is the precondition for forgiveness.

But baptism is more than an expression of repentance: it is also a ritual enactment of the good news that sin can be taken away. Forgiveness of sins reveals the mercy of God and draws the individual into an experience of salvation. But for baptism to be a saving event, a change of behaviour is necessary. John's baptism ritualises both the repentance of the sinner and God's forgiveness of sin.

Luke understands John's ministry as a fulfilment of the passage from Isaiah which he quotes (Isaiah 40:3-5). The future coming of salvation which Isaiah had foreseen is taking place now in the ministry of John and in the coming of Jesus.

From Archbishop Mark. Congratulations to our students, staff, parents and caregivers on this school year — another year of adjusting to the challenges of COVID-19. And just when we were getting used to this virus, along comes a new variant. Such is life these days, it seems. Amid this we have begun the season of Advent. In a world often stripped of wonder, our sight can grow dull without us realising it. We think we see all there is, when in fact there's a bright and beautiful world "out there", if we have eyes to see. There is the bright and beautiful world of Christmas, the cosmos of God-with-us. Merry Christmas.

Brisbane Catholic Education News: Highly experienced educator Dr Sally Towns has been appointed as the new executive director of Brisbane Catholic Education and will start the role next year. With more than 26 years in teaching and school and system leadership roles, Dr Towns is currently director of Catholic Schools and chief executive officer of Diocese of Lismore Catholic Schools Limited. Current BCE executive director, Pam Betts, will retire on December 10 and Dr Doug Ashleigh will act as executive director until Dr Towns takes over next May.

**Parish Youth** — **The Voice.** Thanks to Joachim and all who helped him organise last Sunday's Christmas event in Nolan Hall. By the looks and sounds of things people had a very enjoyable time.

Advent and Christmas are special times of grace as we focus our faith and lives on the incarnation. "The Word was made flesh and dwelt among us." (John 1:14a) The incarnation gives Christians a totally new way of understanding what it means to be human — how special it is. Having been made in God's image (Genesis 1:26) we see, in Jesus Christ, the God who has made Himself in our image. We hold in balance the idea of God totally different from us and deserving of reverent worship and God totally the same in all things but sin. At the same time, we worship and walk-with our creator and brother in humanity. During Advent and Christmas may we grow in our relationships with God, with fellow humans and with fellow creatures of all kinds.

School. It was good to spend extra time at both our parish schools this past week. The annual highlight is attending the graduation celebrations for our year 6 students. Many were completing seven years of primary education (Prep to Year 6) in the one school. I like to think that the friendships made will endure even if students move to different secondary colleges and schools. We wish our departing students every blessing for their futures. I wish them, their families and our departing teachers and school staff happy, healthy and holy days ahead and I thank them and all in our schools' communities for their generous support of the parish through St. Joseph's and St. Pius V schools.

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### LITURGY TIMES

## SUNDAY MASSES — Use Check In Qld app

Holy Trinity, Banyo 7.30am

5pm

Corpus Christi, Nundah 6pm Saturday evening

9.30am

## WEEKDAY MASS — Use Check In Qld app

Monday 6 December

St Nicholas, bishop

7am Mass at Corpus Christi, Nundah

Wednesday 8 December

The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin

Mary

9am Mass at Holy Trinity, Banyo

Thursday 9 December

St Juan Diego Cuauhtlatoatzin, hermit 6.30pm Mass at Holy Trinity, Banyo

Friday 10 December

Our Lady of Loreto

9am Mass at Corpus Christi, Nundah

# **SACRAMENTS**

### SACRAMENT OF MERCY (PENANCE)

Please contact Fr Bernie at the Parish Office to arrange a time.

#### **BAPTISM**

2nd & 3rd Saturday of the month Please contact the Parish Office during office hours. At least THREE months notice is required.

# FIRST PENANCE, CONFIRMATION, FIRST COMMUNION

Annually. Please contact the Parish Office

# **MARRIAGE**

Please contact the Parish Office. At least SIX months notice is required.

#### SICK CALLS, COMMUNION TO THE SICK

Please contact the Parish Office.



# **EUCHARISTIC ADORATION**

Nundah: Sun, Mon, Tue & Wed

5pm to midnight Banyo: Thu, Fri & Sat

7am to 11am

Roster Co-ordinator: Rob 0401 685 447 banyo.nundah.adoration@gmail.com

Vacancies at Nundah this week:-

Monday 6th at 11pm; Tuesday 7th at 10 and 11

pm; Wednesday 8th at 10 and 11pm.



# Please Pray for Those who are sick:

Peter Ham, Justin Carr, Harry White, Dale Brown, Emilia Long, Alexander Diestel, Kateri Byrnes, Rod Perry, Lynette Bevis, Marie Hetherington, Gordon Elsmore, Graham Byrnes, Cyril O'Sullivan, Sanjay Kumar, Norm Mansini, Philip Kerr, Kurt Lucas, Hugh Hamilton, Neil O'Connor, Marian Fernando, Robbie Mins, Karen Kelly, Martha Ochoa

Lord, show them your loving care

(If you know someone who no longer requires to be included on this list, please contact the Parish Office. Thank you.)

# 'The Voice' Youth Ministry

#### **Youth Led Mass:**

This Sunday 5 December, 9.30am
Corpus Christi Church, Nundah
Next Sunday, 5pm, Holy Trinity Church, Banyo

# The Holy Father's Intentions for December

Intention for evangelisation – Catechists Let us pray for the catechists, summoned to announce the Word of God: may they be its witnesses, with courage and creativity and in the power of the Holy Spirit.





The month of December is dedicated to Advent and Christmas.

# Stewardship

"And this is my prayer: that your love may increase ever more and more in knowledge and every kind of perception, to discern what is of value..."

(PHILIPPIANS 1:9-10)

During the Christmas shopping season it is easy to get caught up in the frenzy of buying gifts. But, is that "gift" truly an expression of your love for the other person. Or, are you just fulfilling your "obligation" to give them something? To grow in friendship with someone, you need to spend time with them, learn what is of value to them. Maybe this year, buy less "stuff" and spend more time with those you love.

### A Vocation View

Second Sunday of Advent - C

A VOCATION VIEW: Who, today, is willing to make ready the way of the Lord to clear Him a straight path?











#### **CHRISTMAS MASSES**

#### **BOOKINGS ARE ESSENTIAL**

Holy Trinity Church, Banyo

Christmas Eve: 5.30pm Carols; 6.00pm Mass

Christmas Day: 7.30am Mass

Booking details: https://www.trybooking.com/BWARL

Corpus Christi Church, Nundah

Christmas Eve: 8.00pm Carols; 8.30pm Mass

Christmas Day: 9.30am Mass

Booking details: https://www.trybooking.com/BWARX

Online and phone bookings will open on Friday 17<sup>th</sup> December at 11am. If you are unable to book online,

phone the parish office on 3324 3870.

# **COMING TO CHRISTMAS MASS**

When arriving for Mass you will need to check in using the Check in Qld App and show the Welcomer you have done so. The Welcomer will then mark your name off our bookings list. Please be patient and remember to arrive in plenty of time. And remember, if you are unwell, please stay at home.

#### **WELCOMERS REQUIRED FOR CHRISTMAS MASSES**

Welcomers are required for Christmas Masses. For Christmas Eve Masses you will be required to be at the church one hour before Mass starts and for Christmas Day Masses you will be required at the church 45 minutes before Mass starts. If you are able to assist in being a Welcomer, please contact the parish office on 3324 3870.

#### SACRAMENT OF PENANCE

Friday 17<sup>th</sup> December: 5pm - 7pm at Holy Trinity Church, Banvo

Tuesday 21st December: 6pm - 8pm at Holy Trinity Church, Banyo

Thursday 23rd December: 6.30pm Mass with Reconciliation

Communal Rite at Holy Trinity Church, Banyo

Friday 24<sup>th</sup> December: 9am Mass with Reconciliation Communal Rite at Corpus Christi Church, Nundah

### THE CATHOLIC LEADER DECEMBER 2021 ISSUE.

Yours to take home for \$4 from the Piety Stall

- Men of God join ministry new deacons ready to serve God
- Archbishops Coleridge speaks of Advent's first call to us
- A time to pray Pope Francis' prayer intention for December
- Thinking shifts on safeguarding of the vulnerable
- New Catholic education executive director Dr Sally Towns announced
- Brisbane women from religious communities want people working together within the Church
- God sustains Dinh and Phien Nguyen through 70 vears of marriage
- Dominican Father Karl Emerick called home to God
- How parents pass their religion on to the next generation
- Words of wisdom Joyful expectation builds in Advent
- The powerful reality of parents' prayer can help us understand St Joseph's role as intercessor
- Christmas pudding recipe, puzzles, trivia and colouring competition

# <u>CHRISTMAS MULTI DRAW RAFFLE - SUPPORT THE YOUTH MISSION FUND</u>



The Youth will commence selling tickets on the weekend of 20/21 Nov to the 11/12 Dec 2021. Tickets will be \$2. The raffle will be drawn at the Youth Mass of December 12<sup>th</sup> at 5pm in Holy Trinity

Church Banyo.

# **ST JAMES COLLEGE, SPRING HILL ENROLMENTS**



St James College is a progressive multicultural Catholic Co-Educational Secondary College in the tradition of Edmund Rice (EREA) is still welcoming enrolment enquiries for vacancies in 2022

in Years 7 – 12. Welcoming students from diverse backgrounds and abilities so they can flourish in their learning and realise their potential. Enquire now online or call Maria Young, Enrolments Officer on 3230 8600, MYoung@stjamescollege.qld.edu.au - the college office closes Friday 10 December and reopens Monday 10 January. www.stjamescollege.qld.edu.au. Applications can also be submitted to school@stjamescollege.qld.edu.au

# **POSITIONS VACANT**

- Youth Ministry Coordinator, Cleveland Contract
- Parish Secretary, St Mary's Full Time Please see the Archdiocese of Brisbane website for further information on these and other opportunities.

#### **SIMBANG GABI 2021**

A Filipino tradition of 9day pre-Christmas celebration in joyful waiting and preparation for Jesus' birth in our hearts, will be on 15 to 23 December 2021 at Our Lady, Queen of Apostles church, 70 Appleby Rd. Stafford (6:45pm-Rosary; 7:00pm-Carols; 7:30pm-Holy Mass). We use the 'Check in Qld' app to attend. Further info: Jima 0432374239; Zara 0487435315

#### The Green Corner

The UN Climate Change Conference COP26 (Conference of the Parties) concluded on 13th November 2021 with Parties, representing almost 200 countries, agreeing to the Glasgow Climate Pact. credibility that have kept

The UK as the incoming Presidency of the Conference, focussed on delivering on four goals. Mitigation, Adaptation, Finance and Collaboration.

This article looks at Mitigation., a goal aimed at reducing emissions. The point of reducing emissions is to limit the temperature rise. The goal from the Paris Agreement in 2015 was to limit the rise in temperature to 1.5 degrees until such time as there were zero emissions likely to be 2050. At COP26, 153 countries put forward new 2030 emissions targets. Countries agreed to review and restrengthen their current emission targets to 2030 in 2022. To reduce emissions, countries must take concerted and immediate action by phasing down coal power, halting deforestation, speeding up the switch to electric vehicles and reducing methane emissions. At COP26, Australia agreed to cut emissions by 35% in 2030, about half of what the US, the European Union and the UK committed.

For more information on the goals and outcome of COP26 click here.

# PROPER OF THE MASS

# **Introductory Rites**

# Liturgy of the Word

## Responsorial Psalm

(R.) The Lord has done great things for us; We are filled with joy.

## **Gospel Acclamation**

Alleluia, alleluia!

Prepare the way of the Lord, make straight his paths: All people shall see the salvation of God. Alleluia!

**Profession of Faith** Apostles' Creed

# **Liturgy of the Eucharist**

**Eucharistic Prayer II** 

Memorial Acclamation II We proclaim your death, O Lord

# **Communion Rite**

# Readings—Sunday 12th December 2021 Third Sunday of Advent

Zephaniah 3:14-18 Philippians 4:4-7 Luke 3:10-18

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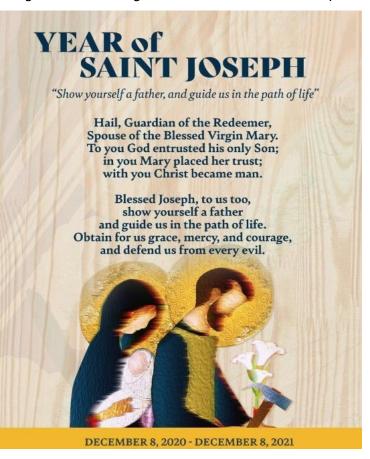


#### ARCHDIOCESAN PRIVACY POLICY

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Year of St. Joseph. Last year on the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Pope Francis opened the Year of St. Joseph. The year of devotion concludes on Wednesday, December 8th 2021. Of course, our devotion to St. Joseph continues as we pray for his intercession especially for our families, for refugees and for his guidance of those in leadership.



Keep in Touch. Thank you everyone for your Coronavirus patience. **Every Advent Blessing.** Fr. Bernie.

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