# BAYSIDE CATHOLICAMISSION

Incorporating the communities of Sacred Heart Sandringham, St James Brighton, St Joseph's Black Rock, St Joan of Arc Brighton, Stella Maris Beaumaris, St Mary's Hampton.

First Sunday of Advent - YEAR C

28 November, 2021

Dear friends,

As we enter the wonderful season of Advent there is a sense of expectancy in the air – for Christmas of course, but also for the long awaited for 'normality' in life and the possibility for resumption of activities and gatherings that we have put on hold for a long time.

It is a busy time in the Mission as we prepare for Christmas, and catch up with things for this year. In particular, we congratulate the children and families who celebrate their sacraments at this time:

Sacred Heart First Communion last Wednesday; Stella Maris last Thursday; St Mary's Confirmation on Friday; our catechetical group First Communion and Confirmation on Saturday and First Communion for St Joseph's next Wednesday. Special thanks to the teachers and catechists for their hard work and patience in waiting all this time.

Our Advent groups commence this week, and details are in the bulletin. Please come along either in person or via Zoom for one of the groups as a way of spiritual preparation for this season.

Our Bayside Pastoral Council will meet this Thursday evening at St Joan of Arc at 7.30pm; at 7.45pm via Zoom there will be a meeting for St James parishioners to look at forming a group to support the interior work on the church and to receive an update on where things are at.

As well as this, we are catching up on many baptisms that have been delayed over the months of lockdowns. It is a busy sacramental time at the Mission, but also a good time to remind us that people are hungering for the Lord and eager to receive the sacraments.

Next Saturday, the Archbishop will ordain five new priests for the Archdiocese of Melbourne. Please keep in your prayers Revs Samuel Pearson, Jaycee Napoles, Hoang Dinh, Alexander Chow and Joseph Nguyen as they prepare for their ordination at the Cathedral at 10am next Saturday. A number of Deacons are also being ordained in parishes at this time.

Next week we will have the Christmas timetable prepared for Christmas Masses and extra times for Reconciliation in Advent. The current government restrictions make it challenging to welcome everyone at all Masses, and unfortunately we find ourselves having to make some restrictions on who can attend some Masses, but there are options for all people to attend several Masses in the Mission over the weekend, and any Mass during the week. As a reminder:

All weekday Masses are open to anyone and no advance bookings required

Weekend Masses:

Saturday 5pm Sacred Heart & 6pm St Mary's open to all, limit of 50

Sunday 8am St Joseph's & 5.30pm St Joan of Arc – open to all, limit of 50

Sunday 9am Sacred Heart, 10.30am Stella Maris and 11am St Joan of Arc, fully vaccinated participants, no limit on attendance. All Masses required a QR check in at the doors.

Bookings for weekend Masses can be made by calling the Mission office on Friday from 10am – 12pm by phone to the Bayside office (9593 1703) and from 12pm Friday until 12pm, Saturday via Trybooking: www.trybooking.com/eventlist/baysidemasses

Fr David Cartwright

### Priests:

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Fr Dean Mathieson

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Hours: Mon-Fri

9.30am-3.30pm

Urgent need for a priest outside office hours- phone office & press option 3.

Bayside Catholic Mission is committed to the safety, wellbeing and dignity of all children, young people and adults. Safeguarding is everyone's responsibility.



## MASS TIMES

Sat 5pm	Sacred Heart, Sandringham 13 Fernhill Rd, Sandringham
Sat 6pm	St Mary's, Hampton 59 Holyrood St, Hampton
Sun 8am	St Joseph's, Black Rock 542 Balcombe Rd, Black Rock
Sun 9am	Sacred Heart, Sandringham 13 Fernhill Rd, Sandringham
Sun 10:30am	Stella Maris, Beaumaris 2 Charlotte Rd, Beaumaris
Sun 11am	St Joan of Arc, Brighton 118 New St, Brighton
Sun 5:30pm	St James', Gardenvale currently held at St Joan of Arc

Mon 9:15am St Mary's
Tues 9:15am Sacred Heart
Tues 7pm St Joan of Arc
Wed 9:15am Sacred Heart
Wed 9:15am St Joseph's
Thur 9:15am St Mary's
Thur 9:15am Stella Maris
Fri 9:15am St Joseph's
Sat 9:15am St Joseph's
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## Sacrament of Reconciliation

Tuesdays 6:30pm-7pm St Joan of Arc

Saturdays 9:45am-10:15am Stella Maris

Saturdays 4:30pm-5pm Sacred Heart

Saturdays 5:30pm-6pm St Mary's

## **Eucharistic Adoration**

Tues 6.30pm-6.50pm (prior to Mass at 7pm) at St Joan of Arc

Sat 9.45am-10.15am (after Mass at 9.15am) at Stella Maris

## Scripture Reflection

Every Advent, the Liturgy of the Word gives our sense of time a reorientation. There's a deliberate tension in the next four weeks' readings—between promise and fulfillment, expectation and deliverance, between looking forward and looking back.

In today's First Reading, the prophet Jeremiah focuses our gaze on the promise God made to David, some 1,000 years before Christ. God says through the prophet that He will fulfill this promise by raising up a "just shoot," a righteous offspring of David, who will rule Israel in justice (see 2 Samuel 7:16; Jeremiah 33:17; Psalm 89:4–5; 27–38).

Today's Psalm, too, sounds the theme of Israel's ancient expectation: "Guide me in your truth and teach me. For you are God my savior and for you I will wait all day."

We look back on Israel's desire and anticipation knowing that God has already made good on those promises by sending His only Son into the world. Jesus is the "just shoot," the God and Savior for Whom Israel was waiting.

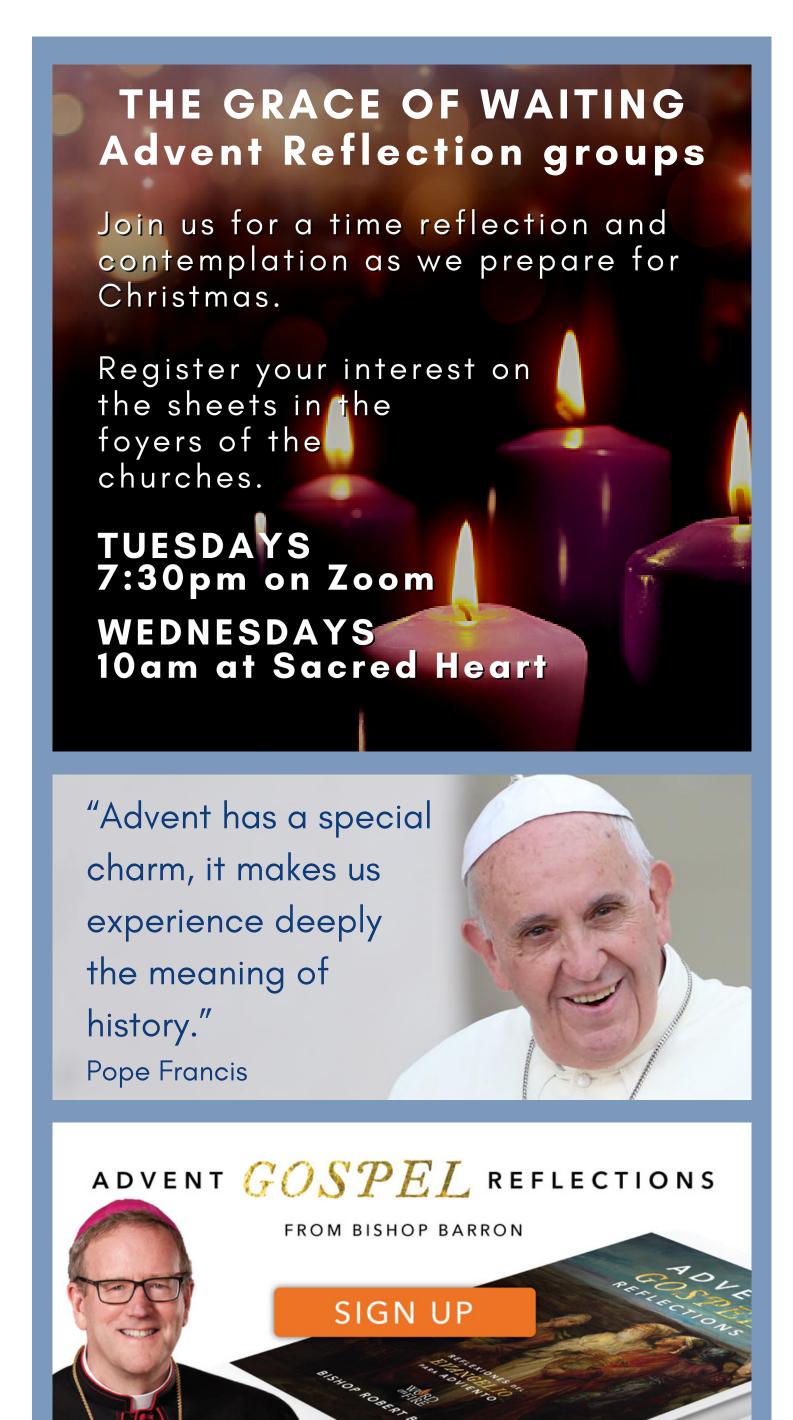
Knowing that He is a God who keeps His promises lends grave urgency to the words of Jesus in today's Gospel.

Urging us to keep watch for His return in glory, He draws on Old Testament images of chaos and instability—turmoil in the heavens (see Isaiah 13:11, 13; Ezekiel 32:7–8; Joel 2:10); roaring seas (see Isaiah 5:30; 17:12); distress among the nations (see Isaiah 8:22; 14:25) and terrified people (see Isaiah 13:6–11). He evokes the prophet Daniel's image of the Son of Man coming on a cloud of glory to describe His return as a "theophany," a manifestation of God (see Daniel 7:13–14).

Many will cower and be literally scared to death. But Jesus says we should greet the end-times with heads raised high, confident that God keeps His promises, that our "redemption is at hand," that "the kingdom of God is near" (see Luke 21:31).

Scott Hahn

The annual 'Fathers Day Appeal' to support our retired and sick priests was not able to be conducted in September as usual. The envelopes will be available in the churches for the next two weekends if you wish to contribute to this important appeal to support the priests who have generously cared for our parishes for many years. In particular, we pray for and support the priests who have cared for us in Bayside in recent times: Fr Frank O'Loughlin, Fr Martin Dixon, Fr Anjou Soares, Fr Barry Tobin, Fr Kevin Burke, Fr Barry Moran, Mgr Tom Doyle and others who have helped us. Please pray for them. Your support is much appreciated. The envelopes with your contribution can be placed in the collection at Mass.



## ADVENT GOSPEL REFLECTIONS

Daily Meditations from Bishop Barron
Sign up at
adventreflections.com
to receive daily Gospel reflections.

## MASS READINGS NEXT WEEK

First Reading - Baruch 5:1-9

Responsorial Psalm: Psalms 125

Second Reading - Philippians 1:4-8-11

Gospel Reading - Luke 3:1-6

## VOLUNTEERING

As well as the weekly Advent group meetings, we wish to extend our Advent offering 'The Grace of Waiting' to those who are sick, housebound or are in aged care. We will have the sheets/readings we will be using for the sessions available for all to take, especially for those who can't attend the sessions. It would be greatly appreciated if you could take the weekly handout from the Christmas baskets located in the Church foyers from Sunday 28th November and distribute them accordingly.

Safeguarding is everyone's responsibility
Please feel free to contact me at Lynda.Rawlins@cam.org.au

## Soul Food Christmas Break Up

All young adults 18-35 welcome

Join us for the final session of our formation program,

followed by our Christmas break-up

Saturday 11 December, 5:30pm Stella Maris

The memorial mass for Bob Semmel will be held at St Joan of Arc on Saturday December 11 at 11am.

The St Joan of Arc meditation group is happily meeting face to face once more at 10 am on Mondays the Bayside Catholic Mission offices, 118 New Street Brighton. Please join us!

Contact Helen on 0418 999 800 for more details.

## Update on St James Church

Zoom meeting on **Wed 1 December at 7.45pm** for St James parishioners to update on the progress of the building and to look at forming a working group to take on several projects with regard to the interior of the church. A zoom link will be posted on the website in due course.

## Please pray for...

## ST JAMES & ST JOAN OF ARC

ILLNESS: Anne Forest, Giovanni Sabato, Lois White, Lynn Batten, Angela Boston, Helen Clarke, Maureen Daly, Brian Taylor, Glenys Severin, Walter Uhlenbruch, Joanne Turner ANNIVERSARIES: Fr George Maher (PP at SJA, 1977 to 1991)

## **SACRED HEART**

ILLNESS: Suzanne Ryan, Ann Pierce, Kate Greenwood, Michael O'Brien, Carmel Hill, Noni Ryan, Nancy Camera, Louise Tonna, Victor Tonna, Conall Westcott, Joan Mason, Roger Picking, Joseph Manitta, Peter Girotto RECENTLY DECEASED: Elaine Joyce Barker (nee Stoppard), John Monahan (Jnr), Edna Gaffney ANNIVERSARIES: James Patrick Norton, Mavis Wassell, Iris Henderson, Peter Acott, Ron Collins, Colm Glackin, John McClusky, Maria Guastella, Francis Murray, Audrey Monaghan

## NAZARETH (STELLA MARIS & ST JOSEPH'S)

ILLNESS: Sebastian Wolfenden, Allison Leicester, Liz Docker, Peter Plumridge, Lucy Menezes, Aliai Coyle-Madut, Lucy Bueno, Faye Fong, Kosta Mihos, Megan Jenkins, Paul Dear, Anne Jenkins, Tony Waller, Edwinda Fitsimon

ANNIVERSARIES: Wally Jilek, Thomas Brian Horan

## ST MARY'S

ILLNESS: Clare Curry-Harris, Tom Van Kampem, Maria Reilly, Delia Burns, Mick Zuccala, Rupert Arnold, John Curry

From Sacred Heart Social Justice Group a very warm and heartfelt thank you for your generous donations to our Remexio Compassionate Care Christmas Appeal.

We are able to send \$3800 to the Dominican sisters for their wonderful work in caring for the poor

## **Advent Wreath Making Workshop**

Sunday 28th November 2021, 2pm – 5pm Cost \$30

Location: Stella Maris Multi-Purpose Room

Come and create beautiful wreaths to display on your front doors.

Cost includes all materials; focal flowers, foliage, florist wire and wreath frame. I encourage you to find foliage in your gardens to bring to the table.

No experience necessary. Please contact Sarah 0403 960 465 to confirm and pay for your place, limited spaces.



## **Catenians Christmas Picnic**

5th December 2021

All Catenians and Parishioners of Bayside Mission are welcome to join together and celebrate the Christmas season on Stella Maris Oval. Come along and enjoy the outdoors and Christian fellowship Sausage Sizzle available or BYO picnic. BYO chairs as well.

WHEN: Sunday 5th December 2021

TIME: After 10.30am Mass Stella Maris

LOCATION: Stella Maris Oval (MPR if Rain)



## Saturday Night Meal

Saturday 4th December, 7pm Hampton R.S.L. in Holyrood Street

Please be aware of the RSL regulations to have proof of double vaccinations. Children under 12 may also come along (without vaccinations)

Please Contact Michele Connell on 0427 508 003
Leave a message with your details, and your name will be added to the list.

## First Saturday Devotions

at Stella Maris, Beaumaris

8:45am: Rosary

9:15am: Holy Mass

9:45am - 10:30am: Adoration of the

Blessed Sacrament and Confessions

followed by Benediction

## St Vincent de Paul Soup Van Christmas Hampers 2021

Items needed are toiletries, non-perishable food items and lovely Christmas gifts. Baskets will be placed at the back of St Joseph's and Stella Maris churches. Donations can also be made directly to the Nazareth Parish Christmas Hamper Account:

BSB: 083-347 Account Number: 249 672 590

We will pack hampers Sat 11 December 9:00am - 5:00pm in the Multipurpose Room at Stella Maris and St Vincent de Paul will pick them up Sunday 12 December for delivery with the weekly food.

If you would like to help pack, due to COVID you will need to:

- Be double vaccinated
- Have proof of your vaccination certificate to show prior to entering the MPR
- 13 years & above (NO primary school age group children)

  If you can assist for a few hours on the day please call Maree Clarke on 0412-115-116 or email maree@gigglepot.com with your available times.

  If you are experiencing any form of illness or flu-like symptoms, then please cancel your shift via the email/mobile number attached below

  It has been a very tough year but if you can support the hampers in any way it would be greatly appreciated. Many thanks. Michele McNamara 0407-529-499





Dear Parishioners, the Conferences of Brighton and Gardenvale are asking that you continue to support their work to help the less fortunate.

Please reference the conference when making your donation.

You can donate
Online: Visit our website vinnies.org.au
By mail: Use the envelope at the Church

St Joan of Arc, Brighton

St Mary's, Hampton

## Supporting Your Parish



• St Joan of Arc BSB: 083 347 Account: 643419112 Account Name: St Joan of Arc Church

• St James BSB: 083 347 Account: 663309906 Account Name: St James

• St Mary's BSB: 083 347 Account: 646546643 Account Name: St Mary's Parish Hampton

• Sacred Heart BSB: 083 347 Account: 646745079 Account Name: Sacred Heart Parish Sandringham

• Nazareth BSB: 083 347 Account: 686478067 Account Name: Nazareth Catholic Parish

• Presbytery Account BSB: 083 347 Account: 133742729 Account Name: Bayside Mission House Account

Please include your name and envelope number if you are transferring to one of the Church Accounts.

Many thanks.