



CATHOLIC CHURCH ARMADALE PARISH

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SAINT FRANCIS XAVIER CATHOLIC CHURCH ARMADALE

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Hours: Monday—Friday, 9.00am to 4.00pm

04TH/05TH DECEMBER 2021

SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT - YEAR C

CHURCHES

- **ST FRANCIS XAVIER:** 279 Forrest Rd, Hilbert
- **ST KEVIN:** Richardson St, Serpentine

PARISH TEAM

Fr Mark Baumgarten - Parish Priest
Fr Matteo Verdi - Assistant Priest
Deacon Patrick Moore (Stella Maris Seafarers' Centre - 0414 703 408)
Mrs Karen Daubney - Parish Secretary (Mon & Tue)
Mrs Julie Bogoni - Parish Secretary (Wed to Fri)
Mrs Helen Chew - Parish Finance Officer
Ms Helen Lesniak - Chi Rho Coordinator

WEEKEND MASSES

- **ST FRANCIS XAVIER - Hilbert**
Saturday: 6.00pm Vigil Mass
Sunday: 7.30am, 9.30am, 6.00pm
- **ST KEVIN - Serpentine**
Sunday: 9.00am

WEEKDAY MASSES

- **ST FRANCIS XAVIER - Hilbert**
Monday & Thursday 8.00am
Tuesday 7.00pm
Wednesday & Friday 9.00am
Saturday 8.00am

ADORATION Saturday 8.30am to 9.00am

RECONCILIATION

- **ST FRANCIS XAVIER - Hilbert**
Saturday 8.30am—9.00am & 5.00pm—5.45pm
Sunday 5.15pm—5.45pm
- **ST KEVIN—Serpentine**

First Sunday of the Month after 9am Mass

BAPTISMS Available every Sunday at 11.00am.
Baptism Preparation Meeting 1st Thursday of the month at 6pm. Please contact the parish office to make a booking.

MARRIAGES By appointment please contact the office. Six months notice required.

SCHOENSTATT SHRINE

9 Talus Drive, Mt Richon
Phone: 9399 2349 www.schoenstattwa.org.au

Opening Hours: 7.00am - 8.00pm

Mondays: 6.45pm Rosary Cenacle & Divine Mercy
7.30pm - 8.30pm Silent adoration with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

Fridays: 10.00am Holy Mass, followed by Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament until 8.15pm

XAVIER CATHOLIC SCHOOL

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SALVADO CATHOLIC COLLEGE

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ST JOHN BOSCO COLLEGE

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OR PLACE IN THE BOX IN THE FOYER

READINGS

1st Reading: Baruch 5:1-9

Jerusalem, take off your dress of sorrow and distress, put on the beauty of the glory of God for ever, wrap the cloak of the integrity of God around you, put the diadem of the glory of the Eternal on your head: since God means to show your splendour to every nation under heaven, since the name God gives you for ever will be, 'Peace through integrity, and honour through devotedness'. Arise, Jerusalem, stand on the heights and turn your eyes to the east: see your sons reassembled from west and east at the command of the Holy One, jubilant that God has remembered them. Though they left you on foot, with enemies for an escort, now God brings them back to you like royal princes carried back in glory. For God has decreed the flattening of each high mountain, of the everlasting hills, the filling of the valleys to make the ground level so that Israel can walk in safety under the glory of God. And the forests and every fragrant tree will provide shade for Israel at the command of God; for God will guide Israel in joy by the light of his glory with his mercy and integrity for escort.

Antiphon to the Psalm: Ps 125

*The Lord has done great things for us;
we are filled with joy*

2nd Reading: Philippians 1:4-6, 8-11

Every time I pray for all of you, I pray with joy, remembering how you have helped to spread the Good News from the day you first heard it right up to the present. I am quite certain that the One who began this good work in you will see that it is finished when the Day of Christ Jesus comes. God knows how much I miss you all, loving you as Christ Jesus loves you. My prayer is that your love for each other may increase more and more and never stop improving our knowledge and deepening your perception so that you can always recognise what is best. This will help you to become pure and blameless, and prepare you for the Day of Christ, when you will reach the perfect goodness which Jesus Christ produces in us for the glory and praise of God.

A voice of one calling in the wilderness,

"Prepare the way for the Lord".

Luke 3:4

Second Week of Advent

Peace



GOSPEL

Luke 3:1-6

In the fifteenth year of Tiberius Caesar's reign, when Pontius Pilate was governor of Judaea, Herod tetrarch of Galilee, his brother Philip tetrarch of the lands of Ituraea and Trachonitis, Lysanias tetrarch of Abilene, during the pontificate of Annas and Caiaphas, the word of God came to John son of Zechariah, in the wilderness. He went through the whole Jordan district proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins, as it is written in the book of the sayings of the prophet Isaiah:

A voice cries in the wilderness: Prepare a way for the Lord, make his paths straight. Every valley will be filled in, every mountain and hill be laid low, winding ways will be straightened and rough roads made smooth. And all mankind shall see the salvation of God.

Welcome

Armada Catholic Church
279 Forrest Road, Hilbert
Phone 9399 2143

CHRISTMAS EVE 24TH DECEMBER

6:30pm Family Mass
Nativity play and carols will start at 6:00pm.

7:00pm Outdoor Mass at Serpentine
St Kevin's, Richardson Street, Serpentine.
Carols will start at 6:30pm. Please bring a chair.

9:00pm Vigil Mass
Carols will start at 8:30pm.

12:00am Midnight Mass
Carols will start at 11:30pm.

CHRISTMAS DAY 25TH DECEMBER

7:30am Christmas Mass
9:30am Christmas Mass

SAINT FRANCIS XAVIER
Together in Christ
CATHOLIC CHURCH ARMADALE PARISH

WEEKLY CALENDAR

Monday, 06 December - St Nicholas
01.30pm - RCIA Meeting

Tuesday, 07 December - St Ambrose
02.00pm - Frank Duff pray group

Wednesday, 08 December - Immaculate Conception of the BVM
08.30am - Rosary
06.00pm - Legion of Mary Meeting

Thursday, 09 December - St Juan Diego

Friday, 10 December - Our Lady of Loreto
08.30am - Rosary
07.00pm - Catholic Charismatic Renewal group

PRAY FOR THE SICK: Please pray for all those in our Parish 'Book of the Sick'. You are welcome to add names to this book in the church foyer and cross out names when prayers are no longer required.

DEATH & ANNIVERSARY: Prayers this week will be offered for **Richard Oliver, Michele Trichilo, Lucia Bertinat, Audrey Elliott, Faye Robinson, Dominic Pellegrino, Jakov Zubac** ... and all our dearly departed, those recently deceased and those who have their anniversaries around this time. May all our dearly departed rest in the Lord's peace.

SVDP CHRISTMAS APPEAL

Special thanks to those who have supported the Vinnies Christmas Project by donating vouchers for children's presents, Christmas food vouchers; plus funds to buy these. The number of people we help will depend on the resources Vinnies receive.

For those who would still like to help please put your vouchers and cash donations, no matter how small; in the Vinnies Boxes at the rear of the church as soon as possible. The "Vinnie's Santa Run" starts on Monday 13 December.

It is very likely Vinnies will again go over budget with the Christmas project, so late donations will help cover the expected shortfall ensuring clients do not miss out on receiving emergency help in the new year.

Vinnies sincerely thank you for your generous support throughout the year and wish you a Merry Christmas and a Safe, Happy 2022.

Do you know anyone who needs Emergency or Christmas Help ? If so please ask them to contact the Vinnies Call Centre on **1300 794 054** between 9am and 11am Monday to Friday or leave a message at the Parish Office.

All information is treated as CONFIDENTIAL

Vinnies Christmas Appeal
The Mission of Kindness

A CHRISTMAS WITHOUT JOY IS NO CHRISTMAS AT ALL

BAPTISM: We welcome into God's family through the waters of Baptism this weekend:

- ◆ **Elyse Eva Partridge**, daughter of Stefan Partridge and Miroslava Vajdova.
- ◆ **I Ayla Mae** Dusting, daughter of Justin Dusting and Sophie Stevens.
- ◆ **Eli Elisha Nizigiyimana**, son of Zacharie Nizigiyimana and Pelagie Ndimubandi.

CHRISTMAS MASS ROSTERS: Are now in the foyer. Please add your name to a space if you are able to assist at one of our Christmas Masses this year.

PIETY STALL: Religious items suitable for **Advent** and **Christmas** are now on sale following Saturday 6.00pm and Sunday 9.30am Mass.

EL SHADDAI: Please join us this **Sunday 5 December** in Xavier House from **11am** for joyful worship, talks and fellowship. *Children's activities are provided.* Please bring some snacks to share. **All welcome!**

FEAST OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION: All are welcome to join us this Wednesday at 8.30am for Rosary. *Mass will be celebrated at the usual time of 9am.*

FAREWELL TO OUR STUDENTS: Congratulations to the students at our parish schools who are celebrating their graduation this week. As the school year comes to a close, we wish all our students and their families a safe and happy Christmas holiday season.

'MIDNIGHT MASS CHOIR: If anyone is interested in joining the choir at the **Midnight Mass**, please come to our weekly practise sessions on **Tuesdays at 7.30pm** in the church.

NEW ROSTERS: If you didn't pick up a roster last weekend, please take home your copy from the rack in the passageway today!

ALTAR SERVERS: Thank you for serving on the altar so faithfully each week. **Please remember to collect a copy of the new roster from the foyer.**

CHRISTMAS FAMILY BRUNCH: **Last chance to buy tickets!** All parishioners are invited to join us for our Annual Christmas Family Brunch on **Sunday, 12 December** after the 9.30am Mass in the Betty Knight Hall. Cost is \$5.00 per person or \$20 per family, children under five are free. **Tickets on sale after all Masses this weekend.** *Please note: There will be no morning tea on this day.*

ADVENT RECONCILIATION: *Save the date!* The Parish 2nd Rite of Reconciliation will be held on **Thursday 16 December at 7pm.** Please come along and celebrate the Sacrament as a community. There will be several priests available. We are all in great need of forgiveness!

Individual confession is available on Saturdays at 8.30am or 5pm and on Sunday evenings at 5.15pm. Prepare Ye!

ADVENT PREPARATION AT HOME: *Selling fast!* For your convenience for sale in the foyer are copies of:

- **'The Spirit of God Dwells within you'** \$15.00
Personal Advent Journal from CMLF
- **'Blessed'** \$5.00
Advent & Christmas Daily Reflections

And as a great Christmas gift idea:

- **'God's Word 2022'** \$15.00
For all purchases, please return the envelope provided with the money in one of the weekend collection baskets or to the parish office during office hours.

CHRISTMAS BEGINS WITH CHRIST! Posters promoting the true meaning of Christmas are available in the foyer. Please take one and display this reminder in your home and your neighbourhood. *A project of KSC Branch 34*

CHRISTMAS NATIVITY & CAROLS

Friday December 24 at 6pm

Mass at 6.30pm

- ◆ All primary-aged children are invited to participate in this year's Christmas Eve Nativity play.
- ◆ Secondary-aged children are invited to join the Youth Music Group and sing carols on the night.

NATIVITY REHEARSALS: Enquiries Carol 0409 826 145

Saturday 4 December 10.30am - 11.30am
Saturday 11 December 10.30am - 11.30am
Saturday 18 December 10.30am - 12pm *
Friday 24 December Arrive at the Church by 5.30pm

MUSIC REHEARSALS: Enquiries Angelique 0497 158 032
Sunday 5 December 3.30pm - 5.30pm
Saturday 18 December 9.30am - 12pm *
Sunday 19 December 3.30pm - 5.30pm
Friday 24 December Arrive at the church by 5.30pm

****The final dress rehearsal for all participants will include morning tea, please bring a plate of Christmas Fare to share!**

Flyers are available from the foyer

Our Parish Safeguarding Officers:



ATU AMATO 0430 336 594
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We share a commitment to safeguard our children and vulnerable adults and make our Church safe for everyone

CATHOLIC MISSION'S 2021 CHRISTMAS REFLECTION:

on Modern Slavery will be a live-streamed YouTube event from **7pm to 8.30pm (AWST) on Friday 10 December**. A recording will be available for those who wish to view it at a more convenient time. Students from 10 Catholic colleges will be involved in the readings, music, artwork and keynote address. These young & passionate voices will provide us with a beautiful & thought provoking experience during this Advent Season. For information on how to attend the event online or in person, scan the QR code or email Francis director.cm@perthcatholic.org.au



NATIONAL EUCHARISTIC CONFERENCE: Presented by the Apostles of Perpetual Adoration on **Saturday 11 December**, this One-day Conference, from 9am to 9pm, is aimed at helping you to learn more about Perpetual Eucharistic Adoration, and how to start it in your own parish. *The National Eucharistic Conference will be held St Bernadette's Parish, Glendalough* and will be LIVE STREAMED across the world via Zoom - **Meeting ID: 895 6108 1518 Passcode: 623822** Enquiries: Viv 0418 921 797 Please register online at <https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/national-eucharistic-conference-tickets-199583287987>

CHRISTMAS CAROLS BY CANDLELIGHT: *The Vincentian Fathers*, warmly invite you, your loved ones, and friends to join them for a joyful evening of **Christmas carols by candlelight** held at the retreat centre (625 Nettleton Road, Karrakup) on **Saturday 18 December** from **5.30pm** onwards and thereafter for fellowship with a shared meal. Sing along to your traditional carols and welcome the approaching birth of our Saviour.

AID TO THE CHURCH IN NEED AUSTRALIA: ACN is running an advent appeal to help Christian refugees who are suffering due to persecution, conflict and violence. To read stories and watch videos of how ACN is helping our suffering brothers and sisters and to make a donation please visit www.aidtochurch.org/adventappeal.

ACCOMMODATION REQUIRED: The West Australian Catholic Migrant & Refugee Office (WACMRO) is looking for accommodation to provide for vulnerable persons seeking asylum in Perth. If you have a property to lease or a room to rent, please contact: Grace Kurniawan 9220 5950 or wacmro@perthcatholic.org.au

PARISH GIVING

To ensure our Church and offices are properly maintained we rely on financial support from parishioners. The first collection supports our priests, as well as retired priests and seminarians, and the second collection our parish. As many of us no longer carry cash, one simple option is to set up a regular contribution via Electronic Funds Transfer.

SFX Parish - 1st Collection
BSB: 086006 A/C: 851712575
SFX Parish - 2nd Collection
BSB: 086006 A/C: 852006613

COVID-19 : As directed, we are required to maintain a sign-in record of our visitors and patrons **at all Masses and events**. Please log in your visits by **scanning the QR codes in the foyer** via the **SafeWA app** or **leave your contact details on the sign up sheets in the foyer**.

Please use the hand sanitizer provided and ensure safe distancing – family groups may sit together.

XAVIER CATHOLIC SCHOOL

As we draw near to the end of Term 4, I would like to thank our students for all their hard work, the staff for their dedication and commitment to a supportive learning environment and finally, to all our families for their continued support throughout the year. It has been a very productive year at Xavier with much to give thanks for.

This week, the school held its Carols Night for all students in Pre Kindy to Year 6. This was a wonderful opportunity for the community to come together and join in celebrating the Christmas season. The school also gave thanks to our departing staff and students at the St Francis Xavier Feast Day Mass. All grades celebrated the day with a 'Slime Fun Run,' courtesy of our P&F.

The school recently held its Annual General Meeting in which we acknowledged the work of so many in enabling the school to continue its improvement journey across a multitude of areas.

Next week, we celebrate and give thanks to the 42 Year 6 students who will graduate from Xavier, for what they and their families have given to this community during their time at the school.

I would like to wish the school and parish communities a very safe, happy and Holy Christmas season.

God Bless
Travis Bienkowski
Principal



PEACE – SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Jesus, you are peace even when there is hatred.
Teach us to be gentle and patient with ourselves.
Help us to forgive like you
and work for peace in our world.
Bring peace into our hearts we pray.

Amen.



Hope | Peace | Joy | Love