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PARISH TEAM

Fr Mark Baumgarten - Parish Priest
Deacon Patrick Moore
Deacon Errol Lobo
Mrs Karen Daubney - Parish Secretary
Mrs Julie Bogoni - Parish Secretary
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 and 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

Wednesday 9.30am to12.30pm 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 / MARRIAGES

By appointment please contact the office.

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 7.15pm - 8.15pm Silent Adoration with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

Fridays: 10.00am Holy Mass, followed by

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament until 8.15pm

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18/19 NOVEMBER 2023

33ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - YEAR A

READINGS

First Reading

Proverbs 31:10-13,19-20,30-31

A perfect wife – who can find her? She is far beyond the price of pearls. Her husband's heart has confidence in her, from her he will derive no little profit. Advantage and not hurt she brings him all the days of her life. She is always busy with wool and with flax, she does her work with eager hands. She sets her hands to the distaff, her fingers grasp the spindle. She holds out her hand to the poor, she opens her arms to the needy. Charm is deceitful, and beauty empty; the woman who is wise is the one to praise. Give her a share in what her hands have worked for, and let her works tell her praises at the city gates.

Antiphon to the Psalm:

Psalm 127(128):1-5

Happy are those who fear the Lord.

Second Reading:

1 Thessalonians 5:1-6

You will not be expecting us to write anything to you, brothers, about 'times and seasons', since you know very well that the Day of the Lord is going to come like a thief in the night. It is when people are saying, 'How quiet and peaceful it is' that the worst suddenly happens, as suddenly as labour pains come on a pregnant woman; and there will be no way for anybody to evade it. But it is not as if you live in the dark, my brothers, for that Day to overtake you like a thief. No, you are all sons of light and sons of the day: we do not belong to the night or to darkness, so we should not go on sleeping, as everyone else does, but stay wide awake and sober.

Gospel Acclamation

John 15:4.5

Alleluia, Alleluia! Alleluia!

Live in me and let me live in you, says the Lord; my branches bear much fruit.

Alleluia!

GOSPEL

Matthew 25:14-30

Jesus spoke this parable to his disciples: 'The kingdom of Heaven is like a man on his way abroad who summoned his servants and entrusted his property to them. To one he gave five talents, to another two, to a third one; each in proportion to his ability. Then he set out.

'The man who had received the five talents promptly went and traded with them and made five more. The man who had received two made two more in the same way. But the man who had received one went off and dug a hole in the ground and hid his master's money.

'Now a long time after, the master of those servants came back and went through his accounts with them. The man who had received the five talents came forward bringing five more. "Sir," he said "you entrusted me with five talents; here are five more that I have made."

'His master said to him, "Well done, good and faithful servant; you have shown you can be faithful in small things, I will trust you with greater; come and join in your master's happiness."

'Next the man with the two talents came forward. "Sir," he said "you entrusted me with two talents; here are two more that I have made." His master said to him, "Well done, good and faithful servant; you have shown you can be faithful in small things, I will trust you with greater; come and join in your master's happiness."

'Last came forward the man who had the one talent. "Sir," said he "I had heard you were a hard man, reaping where you have not sown and gathering where you have not scattered; so I was afraid, and I went off and hid your talent in the ground. Here it is; it was yours, you have it back." But his master answered him, "You wicked and lazy servant! So you knew that I reap where I have not sown and gather where I have not scattered? Well then, you should have deposited my money with the bankers, and on my return I would have recovered my capital with interest. So now, take the talent from him and give it to the man who has the five talents. For to everyone who has will be given more, and he will have more than enough; but from the man who has not, even what he has will be taken away. As for this good-fornothing servant, throw him out into the dark, where there will be weeping and grinding of teeth."

WEEKLY CALENDAR

Monday, 20 November -

Tuesday, 21 November - The Presentation of BVM

04.00pm - Chi Rho Teens

04.00pm - Advent & Christmas Craft

05.30pm - Legion of Mary

Wednesday, 22 November - St Cecilia

08.30am - Rosary

09.30am - Adoration

06.00pm - RCIA

Thursday, 23 November - Sts Clement I & Columban

Friday, 24 November - St Andrew Lüng-Lac

08.30am - Rosary

PRAY FOR THE SICK: Please pray for 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.

<u>DEATH & ANNIVERSARY</u>: Prayers this week will be offered for Andrew Crispe, Beth Jeffs, Cyril Rettig, Mary Giles, Patrick O'Connor, Lino Nicolao, Helen Chitty, Adelina Sorgiovanni, Albert Giles, Rose Fegan, Pablo Zingapan Macarubbo 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.

Christmas Eve Nativity Play

Please be part of our Nativity play at the Vigil Mass on Sunday, 24 December at 6pm.

Our first meeting to prepare for this special occasion will be on Saturday, 2 December at 10am.

Rehearsals will be held on Saturdays 9, 16 & 23 December at 10.30am

Children aged 5 - 12 years are invited!

To register interest or for more information, please call Carol on 0409 826 145 or Helen on 0429 312 831





NOVEMBER MASS OFFERINGS:

During the month of November, we Catholics are encouraged to pray in a special way for the dead, and the greatest prayer we can offer is the sacrifice of the Mass.

If you would like to have a Mass offered for your deceased family & friends, you may **use one of the envelopes provided** on the pews and **place it in a collection box.**

Fr Mark will be sure to have Mass offered for your intention at some point during November.

ARCHBISHOP'S CHRISTMAS APPEAL FOR LIFELINK

THANK YOU to all of our parishioners who have already given generously to the Archbishops Appeal. If you still have to return your donation envelope it can be left in the special box provided at the rear of the church.



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

- Theo Andrew Hill, son of Brett and Brianna Hill.
- **Logan Matthew Walker,** son of David and Chelsea Walker.
- Keanah Hallett, daughter of Ryan Hallett and Miki Yoshimi.

WELCOME AND THANK YOU: To Fr Garner and Fr Grant who will be celebrating Masses this weekend at SFX and St Kevin's.

CATHOLIC CHARISMATIC RENEWAL: We welcome members as they celebrate their anniversary and receive a blessing this Sunday at 9.30am Mass. Please join them in the hall afterwards for tea and coffee.

STAINED-GLASS PROJECT UPDATE - A huge thank you to those who have already contributed to our stained-glass project fundraiser: last weekend we received \$2,407, which leaves \$4,593 to go! If you would like to help beautify our church for future generations, you can do so via the donation box at the rear of the church, or via direct deposit: BSB: 086-006 Account: 670 197 818 Reference: Stained Glass

CHILDREN'S LITURGY: Every Sunday during 9.30am Mass during term time. Registration is essential.

SAUSAGE SIZZLE: After the 9.30am Mass this Sunday, please support our parish youth!

ADVENT & CHRISTMAS CRAFT FOR CHILDREN: The first of our annual Christmas Craft afternoons for primary schoolaged children will be held this Tuesday 21 November from 4pm to 5.30pm in the parish hall. The second session will be held on 28 November. A light afternoon tea will be served and parents are most welcome to stay and assist with the activities. Please add your child/children's details to the sign up sheet in the fover.

'THE SIGN' ADVENT & CHRISTMAS REFLECTIONS: Personal daily reflection booklets are on sale in the foyer of the church for \$5 each. Please place money in the envelope provided and drop into one of the collection baskets.

BUSY BEE NEXT WEEKEND: The parish busy bee is this coming Saturday 25 November at 9am. Jobs will be allocated and we will be enjoying morning tea by 10am. All cleaning items will be provided, please bring a vacuum cleaner and extension cord if possible. We invite everyone to come along and help, please give an hour of your time to make our *church sparkle for Christmas!*

EL SHADDAI: Will be gathering **next Sunday** for praise, prayer and fellowship at **11am** in Xavier House. All welcome!

24:7 YOUTH: Last week at Armadale we had a blast exploring the power of our choices! We had an amazing time choosing between soccer and football, Spiderman and Batman, and whether pizza should have pineapple on it or not! We also had a brilliant talk given by Fr Mark, about how God's all powerful and all knowing nature ties in to the gift of freewill. Out of love, God gives us the opportunity to choose righteousness and to form a relationship with him. Join us on 26 November and will feature another incredible talk given by a very special leader!

PARISH SURVEY: Thank you to all those who participated in the recent survey. We received some excellent feedback and positive suggestions. If you indicated that you may be willing to assist with a ministry, you may be contacted in the next couple of weeks.

ADVENT: It's not too late to sign up to an Advent Group! The sessions continue weekly and will focus on the four Sundays of Advent. Cost \$5.00. Sign up sheets are in the fover.

Parish Office 1.30pm (commences 28 November) Tuesday: Wednesday: Mundijong 10am (commences 29 November)

CHRISTMAS EVE NATIVITY PLAY: Primary school aged children are invited to join in our annual Nativity Play, which will be held on Sunday 24 December at 6pm, prior to the 6.30pm Christmas Eve Vigil Mass. The first meeting will be held on Saturday 2 December at 10am in the parish hall. Rehearsals will be held on 9, 16, 23 December at 10.30am. **Enquiries to Carol: 0409 826 145**

ADVENT RECONCILIATION: Save the date! The 2nd Rite of Reconciliation will be held on Thursday 14 December at **7pm**. Reconciliation is available every Saturday at 8.30am & 5pm and on Sunday evening at 5.15pm. Come along and prepare well for Christmas!

GOD'S WORD 2024: Includes daily readings and a short reflection and would make a great Christmas gift. On sale in the foyer at \$20 each. Please return the envelope provided with the money in one of the collection baskets or to the parish office during office hours.

PRAYERS MOTHERS **AUSTRAILIA:** Mothers Australia invites all mothers, grandmothers and spiritual mothers to a Mass to celebrate its 20th anniversary on Wednesday 22 November at 10am at Our Lady Queen of Apostles Church, Riverton. Please come early to place the names of your children and grandchildren in the basket which will be brought up to the altar at the start of Mass, signifying our surrender of these children into Jesus' care. Mass will be followed by morning tea. Enquiries: Su Goh perth@mothersprayers.org

ARCHDIOCESAN ADVENT EVENT ON MODERN SLAVERY: An Advent Reflection on Modern Slavery will be held at the Redemptorist Monastery Church, North Perth from 7pm to 8.15pm on Saturday, 2nd December 2023 to coincide with the International Day for the Abolition of Slavery. You are warmly invited to this evening of beautiful Advent sacred music. Entry is FREE but registration is essential, register online at: www.trybooking.com/CNDPT

SERVICE OF SOLIDARITY WITH GAZA & THE HOLY LAND: In a time of deep sorrow and anguish for us all, we look for hope and healing. Let us come together in love, prayer and support. Let us acknowledge the reality that impacts us all as we share messages of hope. The Australian Catholic Bishops have said: 'Peace can come only from justice. We call people of faith to pray with us for a lasting peace and the triumph of human dignity.' Please join us on Monday 27 November 4:30 to 5:00 pm AEDT. Please register in advance for this webinar: https://caritas.zoom.us/webinar/ register/WN DWj-zzzhRoGN8QOifg61Zg

After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the webinar.



details to the sign up

sheet in the foyer.



ST VINCENT DE PAUL ANNUAL CHRISTMAS APPEAL

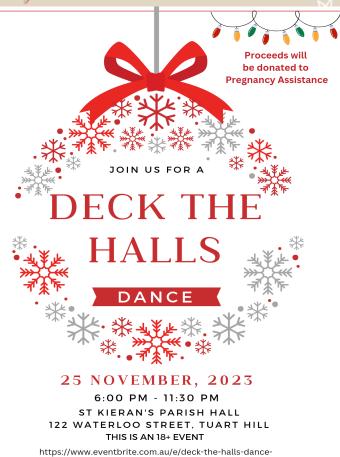
Christmas is approaching and Vinnies hope to provide gift cards for a special Christmas Meal and children's presents for at least 60 of the neediest families in our local community.

You can support them by:

- Buying Christmas Cards at 5 for \$3.50, part proceeds will go towards helping even more needy people in an Indian Conference area. 2023 calendars will also be on sale for \$8.50.
- Take a card or envelope decoration from the Gifting Christmas Tree in the church foyer. On it will be written a boy or girl's age. Please purchase a suitable present to the value of \$30 and return by 4 December.
- As an alternative gift cards or cash donations to purchase presents would be welcome. Donations even the smallest amount, can at any time be put in the Vinnies' boxes at the rear of the church.

If you know anyone who needs emergency assistance suggest they phone 1300 794 054 between 9am—1pm Monday to Friday. Requests will be passed on to members. All information is treated as confidential.

Together we can make a difference!



Our Parish Safeguarding Officers:

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ANY QUESTIONS PLEASE CALL OR MESSAGE ELIZABETH 0458 101 384

St Francis Xavier Parish is committed to the fundamental belief that all children, young people and vulnerable adults have the right to feel safe at all times.

ST JOHN BOSCO COLLEGE

Term Four is moving along very quickly at St John Bosco College, with only four weeks until our 2023 students finish the year. Bosco students continue to excel in the many ways that this term has offered so far and experienced plenty of "Joy in Learning" thanks to our talented staff. Our 2023 Calendar is available at https://www.stjohnbosco.wa.edu.au/calendar/

Our Sacrament of Confirmation with the Vicar General, Fr Peter Whitely was very special for our Year 6 students. Our final Fruits of the Holy Spirit Assemblies for this year on "Kindness" were very joyful and we also had a beautiful Remembrance Day Liturgy in the Assembly Space.

We look forward to the many exciting events to still occur this term including: our Thanksgiving Mass and Awards for our Graduating Year 6 Class celebrated by Father Mark, our Secondary Bosco Awards Assembly, our inaugural Art and Technology Exhibition and Gala Night, Bosco Class Celebrations and Year 10 River Cruise. Our Christmas Carols and Nativity will be a great community evening to celebrate the "Joy Gelato" moments of 2023 at the College.

Our current building program that consists of Mazzarello Sport and Recreation Centre and twelve Secondary classroom studios will be completed in time for the 2024 College year. We have also received approval from CECWA and a grant from the Australian Government Capital Grants Program to build a Canteen in 2024 at St John Bosco.

We are accepting enrolments for Kindergarten for 2025, as well as Year 8 to Year 11 for 2024. Further details can be obtained from our *Dean of Community and Engagement, Mrs Maggie Burton* on 92349600 or admin@stjohnbosco.wa.edu.au

For enrolment information, visit our website at: https://www.stjohnbosco.wa.edu.au/enrolment-process/

Our Bosco Community are always grateful for your prayers and support and wish the St Francis Xavier Community every blessing.

Yours in Christ Kevin Sheehy, Principal





