



The Word WEEKLY BULLETIN



Parishes of Holy Spirit, St Anne & St Gerard. Under the care of the Pallottines

The Baptism of the Lord, 12-13 January 2019

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HOLY SPIRIT PARISH

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MASS TIMES AT HOLY SPIRIT

Sunday 9.00 am, Church
Monday 9.00am Communion Service, Chapel
Wednesday
Friday
Saturday 6:00 pm Mass, Church

Web: www.cam.org.au/ringwoodnorth/Mass-Times/Weekly-Services

PARISH OF ST GERARD AND ST ANNE

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Ana Saro Tuesday & Wednesday
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MASS TIMES AT ST GERARD'S & ST ANNE'S

Sunday 10.30am Mass, St Anne's Church
Tuesday
Thursday
Sunday 5pm Mass at St Gerard's on the second Sunday of the month.
(Not in January).

BAPTISMS

Baptisms are held every second Sunday at 12 noon alternating between Holy Spirit and St. Anne's

Attending an Information Meeting and Welcoming Ceremony at a weekend mass of choice are required prior to the Baptism.

Web: www.cam.org.au/ringwoodnorth/Sacraments/Baptism

NEXT BAPTISM MEETING:

Holy Spirit 7.30 pm, Tuesday 12th February 2019
St Anne's 7.30 pm, Monday 26th February 2019

To make a booking, please call the relevant office.

WEDDINGS by appointment: 3 months notice required

IN THE PEACE OF CHRIST— RECENTLY DECEASED:

ANNIVERSARIES OF DEATH: Hilda Del Core, Peter Stafford, Ray Bates, Wally Ellul and Geraldine Hortin

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE FOLLOWING SICK:

Danielle Dunne, Kate MacRae, Marlo Graham, Sean Hill, Gerard Stevenson, Hans Kett, Andy Mockler, Finlay Higgs, Maria Mascia, Robert Williams, Neil Kane, Leo Blythe, Ian Delahoy, Sam Maniaci, Donna Zulficar, Heather Doy, Phyllis Adams, Laura Graham, Annabelle, Margaret Dimech, Paul Annetts, Rod Batchelor, Mary Reeves, Margaret Nicholls, Neville Roberts, Marisa Fantin, Joe Maugeri, Isabella and family, Ken McLean, Thomas Vargese, Stella & family, Diana Gay, Claire De Dios, Zdenka Little, Christian Heskett, Ezio Di Tedoro

PLEASE CONTACT THE PARISH OFFICE TO ADD OR REMOVE NAMES FROM THIS LIST. THANK YOU.

SUNDAY COMMUNION VISITS: Lorraine Nipper, Ruby, Sophie, Kevin Gibbon, Stewart, Claire Wilkinson, Zena Laylow, Eileen Gueho, Jean Bailey, Sheila McRoy, Maria Sabatino, Dominica Pezzimenti, Angelo Pezzimenti, Jean Williams, John Kenealy, Bob Vinen, Ben Lobo, Leo Blythe, Helen Elliott, Frances Tosh, Lynn Sidey, Rita, Steph Rowe, Rita Cotte, Jolanda Gale, Karen Waugh

Readings this week: Isaiah 40:1-5, 9-1; Titus 2:11-14,3;4-7; Luke 3:15-16,21-22

The Word and Spirit Magazine are available online at www.holyspiritparish.org.au

EVENTS THIS COMING WEEK - 14th—20th January 2019

MONDAY 9.00am Communion Service, Holy Spirit Chapel
TUESDAY
WEDNESDAY
THURSDAY
FRIDAY
SATURDAY 6.00 pm Vigil Mass, Holy Spirit Church
SUNDAY 2ND SUNDARY IN ORDINARY TIME
9.00 am Mass, Holy Spirit Church
10.30 am Mass, St Anne's Church

HOLY SPIRIT ROSTERS FOR NEXT WEEKEND 19th-20th JANUARY 2019

Web: www.cam.org.au/ringwoodnorth/Parish-Groups/Parish-Rosters

Mass Captain:

6pm: Kevin O'Callaghan **9am:** Ruth Frangeskakis **10.30am:** No Mass

Lectors:

6pm: Monica Howgate **9am:** Tiziana Dodds **10.30 am:** No Mass

Welcomers:

6pm: Shirley Graham, Marita North-Coombes, Robin Walsh, Jean Smith

9am: Shelah Batson, Maryann Street

10.30am: No Mass

Altar Servers:

6pm: Beth & Ella Stone

9am and 10.30am: Volunteers

Ministers of Communion:

6pm: Chris Dalton, Marisa Smeed, Lawry & Frances Ceconello

9am: Gloria Thomas, Andrew Lannen, Ray Nemece, Kate Graham, Maria Moscatelli

10.30am: No Mass

Home Communion (after 9am Mass): Ron & Jean Smith

Children's Liturgy: Saturday 6 pm: Resumes February 2019

Sunday 10.30 am: Resumes February 2019

Piety Stall: 6pm: Not Open **9am:** Not Open

Tea & Coffee: 6pm: Clare Attale **9am:** Amelia Martini & Anna Fantin

Garden Maintenance: Not required

Church Set-up Steward (Saturday mornings at 8.30am): Dominic North-Coombes

Chapel Cleaning (this week): Not required

9.00 am Monday Communion Service (this week): Shelah Batson

Counters (this week): Joy & Michael

SPIRIT MAGAZINE.

The Christmas edition of The Spirit Magazine is now available. Great news from around the Parish and other articles of interest. So please make sure you take a copy home. The magazine can also be accessed on line at:
www.holyspiritparish.org.au

*****Spirit Magazine - Christmas Season photos*****

Please Just a quick ask/reminder to all to pass on any photos and stories of Christmas Liturgies for the next edition of The Spirit. Send them through to me anytime - Please don't wait until next year, send them straight away & I can begin setting them up already.

Thank you for all your help and I hope you are enjoying the current edition of The Spirit. helen@konynenburg.com

Collection Notice

For information on the Parish's policies regarding information collection and privacy please refer to www.holyspiritparish.org.au

Body of Christ Prayer Group

Please note that the prayer group will not be meeting again until Tuesday 5February 2019.

ROSARY

Parishioners gather to say The Rosary together in the Holy Spirit Chapel:

Usually on Wednesday at 9:30 a.m., Friday morning after the 9:00 a.m. Mass, Saturday after the 9:30am Mass and Thursday at 7:00 p.m. Divine Mercy Chaplet follows the Friday morning Rosary.



HOLY SPIRIT THANKSGIVING OFFERINGS:

Envelopes: \$ 911.10
 Credit Cards: \$2,463.85
 Direct Debits: \$ 622.23
TOTAL LAST WEEK: \$3,997.18

PRESBYTERY COLLECTION:

Envelopes: \$ 403.30
 Loose collection: \$ 202.25
TOTAL: \$ 605.55

THANK YOU to everyone who supports Holy Spirit Parish financially. PLEASE ADVISE THE PARISH HOUSE IF YOUR CREDIT CARD IS LOST/STOLEN OR YOUR CREDIT CARD NUMBER HAS CHANGED.

Holy Spirit Parish Vision

At Holy Spirit Parish, we are an inviting community inspired by the Holy Spirit; welcoming everyone to worship, grow, belong and serve together as Disciples of Christ.

NEW PARISHIONERS

Holy Spirit Parish is very keen to welcome new parishioners. We are a vibrant parish with plenty to offer. Please fill in the New Parishioners Book (red book on the table at the entrance of the Church) or register at www.cam.org.au/ringwoodnorth/New-Parishioners. We will be in touch with you shortly thereafter.

Holy Spirit Web Site**Recent Updates to www.holyspiritparish.org.au (Refer News / Events in the menu)**

- Renovation @ Holy Spirit. Find out what we are up to in this major Church changing project.
 - Introduction to the program “Renovation @ Holy Spirit - It’s Divine!”: www.cam.org.au/holyspirit/Divine-Renovation
 - What we are planning: www.cam.org.au/holyspirit/Parish-Groups/Renovation-Holy-Spirit. Updates, news and plans will be posted here.
- For the Extraordinary Jubilee Year of Mercy 2015 -2016 Holy Spirit built the "Wall of Mercy". This can now be seen, with its associated stories on the parish web site at: www.cam.org.au/holyspirit/Year-of-Mercy/Wall-of-Mercy.

Marian Movement of Prayer for Priests

*More than ever today priests everywhere need our prayers to uphold the dignity and power of priesthood .
 Priests are our shepherds, and the Catholic Church teaches us that they are
 “Living Instruments of Christ the Eternal Priest.”*

*Pope John Paul II described the priesthood as “a gift and mystery”. A cenacle of prayer for priests is held in the Holy Spirit Chapel at 10:00am each Saturday morning with the exception of the 1st Saturday of the month.
 Please come along and pray with us through the Immaculate Heart of Mary.*

CHRISTIAN MEDITATION

Through the ancient practice of meditation we come in contact with our true inner self, nature and with God. Two groups meet regularly for meditation :

- Tuesday mornings during school terms: 9.15 — 10.00 am, Holy Spirit Chapel.
- First & third Monday evenings of the month (next meeting 4 Feb 2019): 8-9pm, Holy Spirit Chapel.
Everyone is most welcome to join us, especially beginners. NO COST.

**LAPTOP/DATA PROJECTOR OPERATORS NEEDED!**

If you can press an arrow button on a computer, you can operate the church laptop! We would like to build up a list of people who can assist with this role at weekend Masses. Please let Jenny or Ruth know if you would like to be part of this. Call the parish office on 9876 3077. Thank you.

HOLY SPIRIT COMMUNITY DANCE.**FRIDAY 1st MARCH 2019****7:30 - 11:30PM**

**FEATURING “BAND ON THE RUN”
 GREAT MUSIC & GREAT FUN FOR ALL
 \$15 PER PERSON**

**BYO DRINKS, NIBBLES & GLASSES
 TEA/COFFEE & SWEETS PROVIDED.**

BOOK THROUGH PARISH OFFICE 9876 3717



PARK ORCHARDS & WARRANDYTE

Parish of St. Gerard + St. Anne

Copies of the St Gerard/
St Anne's newsletter are
available from the word
table.

IMPORTANT NOTICE

Please note that during January there will be no 10.30 am Sunday Masses at Holy Spirit. There will however, be 10.30 am Sunday mass available at St Anne's, Knees Road, Park Orchards. Also as Father Jose will be away in India for all of January, there will be no weekday masses at either Holy Spirit or St Anne's. There will also be no Reconciliation or Saturday morning masses in the Chapel. Father Jose will return to Melbourne on Thursday 31st January and will celebrate mass on Friday 1st February at 9.00 am in the Chapel. All masses and Reconciliation will resume on the weekend of 2nd-3rd February.



What is God asking of us in Australia at this time?

The Plenary Council is a gathering of the Church in Australia to make decisions for the future. All people are invited to contribute to the Plenary Council agenda by sharing their experience of faith and of the Church. The Plenary Council agenda will be developed from the stories you share and the questions you raise. Our questions about our hopes for the Church will arise from hearts that listen to the Spirit.

Plenary Council 2020 Parish Listening & Dialogue Encounter

Thank you to all those who participated. Approximately 90 people shared with each other their thoughts and hopes about what God is asking of us in Australia at this time and developed questions they would like to see added to the Plenary agenda. This data will now be collated and used for further discussions in February, before the Parish submission is completed by 6th March 2020.

Further listening and dialogue Encounters will be notified. These will be open to everyone to keep engaging in the process up until March 6th 2018, Ash Wednesday, when the current phase of the Plenary ends and the Discernment phase begins.

Please continue to think, pray and address the Plenary question....

“What do you think God is asking of us in Australia at this time?”

Please join us to celebrate St. Valentine's Day with friends, family and loved ones at the Park Hyatt in Melbourne. Catholic Mission would like to invite you to attend St. Valentine's Day High Tea. All funds raised and donations received from this event will assist and help children in a Northern Region of Ghana where about 80% of people live on less than \$2 a day.

There is a common belief among natives of this area that children born with defects like epilepsy, down syndrome, hydrocephalous conditions or physical or mental disabilities are “spirit children” and thus are a “bad omen” to the family and community at large. For members of this community, the fate of such children is death, either through lethal concoction, contract killing or throwing the babies into the bush to perish.

Your support will help the Nazareth Home for God's Children that is a safe space for all children born with defects and disabilities. Sister Stan and her network of women in the community help to rescue, care for and protect “rejected” and “spirit children” by providing them with a home, protection, access to education and all basic necessities of life, including love and acceptance.

Let us bring love and laughter into their lives by attending this event.

Thursday 14th February 2019

Park Hyatt Melbourne 3pm-5pm.

\$35 per person

Bookings will be available via: www.trybooking.com/ZIFN on January 9th 2010.

For further information please contact Catholic Mission on (03) 94128412.



21 BAPTISM OF THE LORD

SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY - YEAR C

FIRST READING

Isaiah 40:1-5, 9-11

*The glory of the Lord shall be revealed,
and all people shall see it.*

A reading from the book of the prophet Isaiah.

- 1 Comfort, O comfort my people,
says your God.
2 Speak tenderly to Jerusalem,
and cry to her
that she has served her term,
that her penalty is paid,
that she has received from the Lord's hand
double for all her sins.
- 3 A voice cries out:
"In the wilderness prepare the way of the Lord,
make straight in the desert a highway for our God.
4 Every valley shall be lifted up,
and every mountain and hill be made low;
the uneven ground shall become level,
and the rough places a plain.
5 Then the glory of the Lord shall be revealed,
and all people shall see it together,
for the mouth of the Lord has spoken."
- 6 Get you up to a high mountain,
O Zion, herald of good tidings;
lift up your voice with strength,
O Jerusalem, herald of good tidings,
lift it up, do not fear;
say to the cities of Judah,
"Here is your God!"
- 7 See, the Lord God comes with might,
and his arm rules for him;
his reward is with him,
and his recompense before him.
- 8 He will feed his flock like a shepherd;
he will gather the lambs in his arms,
and carry them in his bosom,
and gently lead the mother sheep.

The word of the Lord.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Psalm 104. 1b-2, 3-4, 24-25, 27, 28, 29-30 (R. 1)

R. O bless the Lord, my soul!

- 1 O Lord my God, you are very great.
You are clothed with honour and majesty,
2 wrapped in light as with a garment.
You stretch out the heavens like a tent. R.
- 3 You set the beams of your dwelling place on the waters,
you make the clouds your chariot,
you ride on the wings of the wind,
4 you make the winds your messengers,
fire and flame your ministers. R.
- 24 O Lord, how manifold are your works!
In wisdom you have made them all;
the earth is full of your creatures.
25 Yonder is the sea, great and wide,
creeping things innumerable are there,
living things both small and great. R.
- 27 Living things all look to you
to give them their food in due season:
28 when you give to them, they gather it up;
when you open your hand, they are filled with good things. R.
- 29 When you take away their breath,
they die and return to their dust.
30 When you send forth your spirit, they are created;
and you renew the face of the earth. R.

SECOND READING

Titus 2.11-14; 3.4-7

*God saved us through the water of rebirth
and renewal by the Holy Spirit.*

A reading from the letter of Paul to Titus.

- 1 The grace of God has appeared, bringing salvation to all,
12 training us to renounce impiety and worldly passions,
and in the present age to live lives
that are self-controlled, upright, and godly. 20
- 2 while we wait for the blessed hope
and the manifestation of the glory of our great God and Saviour,
Jesus Christ.
- 3 He it is who gave himself for us
that he might redeem us from all iniquity
and purify for himself a people of his own
who are zealous for good deeds.
- For when the goodness and loving kindness of God our Saviour appeared,
he saved us,
not because of any works of righteousness that we had done,
but according to his mercy,
through the water of rebirth and renewal by the Holy Spirit.
This Spirit he poured out on us richly
through Jesus Christ our Saviour,
so that, having been justified by his grace,
we might become heirs according to the hope of eternal life.
- The word of the Lord.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

See Luke 3:16

This verse may accompany the singing of the *Aleluia*.
If the *Aleluia* is not sung, the *Alleluia* can be omitted.
John said: He who is to come is mightier than I;
he will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and with fire.

GOSPEL

Luke 3:15-16, 21-22

*When Jesus had been baptized and was praying, the heaven was opened
and the Holy Spirit descended upon him*

✠ A reading from the holy gospel according to Luke.

The word of God came to John son of Zechariah in the wilderness.
He went into all the region around the Jordan,
proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins.

3 As the people were filled with expectation,
and all were questioning in their hearts concerning John,
whether he might be the Messiah,

5 John answered all of them by saying,
"I baptize you with water;
but one who is more powerful than I is coming;
I am not worthy to untie the thong of his sandals.
He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire."

21 Now when all the people were baptized,
and when Jesus also had been baptized and was praying,
the heaven was opened,

22 and the Holy Spirit descended upon him in bodily form like a dove.
And a voice came from heaven,
"You are my Son, the Beloved;
with you I am well pleased."

The gospel of the Lord.