



The Word WEEKLY BULLETIN



Parishes of Holy Spirit, St Anne & St Gerard.

The Epiphany of the Lord, 4-5 January 2020

HAPPY NEW YEAR!

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MASS TIMES AT HOLY SPIRIT

Sunday	9:00am	Holy Spirit Church
Monday	9:00am	Communion Service, Holy Spirit Chapel
Wednesday		
Friday		
Saturday	6:00 pm	Mass, Church

5pm Mass **not** celebrated at Holy Spirit during January.

RECONCILIATION Resumes 1st February 2020.

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

IN THE PEACE OF CHRIST— RECENTLY DECEASED:

ANNIVERSARIES OF DEATH: Allan Barr, Greg Ryan, Betty McKenna, Frances Dawson, Dot Bresnan

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE FOLLOWING SICK:

Danielle Dunne, Kate MacRae, Marlo Graham, Sean Hill, Gerard Stevenson, Hans Kett, Andy Mockler, Finlay Higgs, Maria Mascia, Ian Delahoy, Sam Maniaci, Donna Zulficar, Heather Doy, Phyllis Adams, Laura Graham, Margaret Dimech, Rod Batchelor, Lindsay & Mary Reeves, Margaret Nicholls, Joe Maugeri, Ken McLean, Thomas Vargese, Stella & family, Diana Gay, Claire De Dios, Zdenka Little, Christian Heskett, Ezio Di Tedorio, Carol Flynn, Pauline Curlis, Marie Cridland, Neville Benedict, Denise Delaney, Aileen Hally, Ben Lobo, John, Robert Williams, Angela Damora, Warren Darbyshire, Claire Snaidero

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

SUNDAY COMMUNION VISITS: Lorraine Nipper, Sophie, Stewart, Claire Wilkinson, Eileen Gueho, Jean Bailey, Sheila McRoy, Maria Sabatino, Dominica Pezzimenti, Angelo Pezzimenti, Jean Williams, John Kenealy, Bob Vinen, Ben Lobo, Helen Elliott, Frances Tosh, Lynn Sidey, Rita, Steph Rowe, Rita Cotte, Jolanda Gale, Olive, Alfred

Readings this week: Isaiah 60:1-6; Eph 3:2-3,5-6; Matthew 2:1-12

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

PARISH OF ST GERARD AND ST ANNE

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Tuesday & Wednesday

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SCHOOL PRINCIPAL—St. Anne's

MASS TIMES AT ST GERARD'S & ST ANNE'S

Michael Edmonds—9876 1533

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 10.30 am at Holy Spirit and every other second Sunday at 12 noon at St Anne's.

Please call the relevant office for baptism booking dates.

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 11th February 2020

St Anne's 7:30 pm, Tuesday 25th February 2020

To make a booking for the meeting, please call the relevant office.

WEDDINGS by appointment: 3 months notice required

EVENTS THIS COMING WEEK - 6th-12th January 2020

MONDAY 9.00 am Communion Service, Holy Spirit Chapel

TUESDAY

WEDNESDAY

THURSDAY

FRIDAY No Mass

SATURDAY 6.00 pm Vigil Mass, Holy Spirit Church

SUNDAY **BAPTISM OF THE LORD**
 9.00 am Mass, Holy Spirit Church
 10.30 am Mass, St Anne's Church
**** NO 5.00 pm Mass ** will resume Sunday 2nd February 2020**

HOLY SPIRIT ROSTERS FOR NEXT WEEKEND 11th-12th JANUARY 2020

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

Mass Coordinator:

6pm: Lawry Ceconello **9am:** Silvio Volombello **5.00 pm:** NO MASS

Lectors:

6pm: Ambrose Cornelio **9am:** Peter Parle **5.00 pm:** NO MASS

Welcomers:

6pm: Clare Attale, Dale Sebire, Maureen Taffe

9am: Don Schroder, Sally Weekes

5.00 pm: NO MASS

Altar Servers:

6pm: Aaron D'Souza, Shania D'Souza, Ella Stone

9am: Volunteers **5.00 pm:** NO MASS

Ministers of Communion:

6pm: Fred Ruigrok, Ron & Jean Smith

9am: Silvio & Ada Volombello, Marian McClelland, Maryann Street

5.00 pm: NO MASS

Home Communion (after 9am Mass): Len Moore & Maureen Chamberlin

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

Tea & Coffee: **6pm:** Clare Attale **9am:** Bill & Trish Lanigan **5pm:** NO MASS

Garden Maintenance: Not required

Church Set-up Steward (Saturday mornings at 8.30am): Don Schroder

Chapel Cleaning (monthly): Sandra Stewart

9.00 am Monday Communion Service (this week): Ron Smith

Counters (this week): Helen, Bill, Ada

Holiday arrangements at Holy Spirit:

From December 28th 2019 - January 26th 2020, Weekend Masses will be at 6pm Saturday and 9am Sunday. **NO SUNDAY 5pm MASSES** will be celebrated during this period.

Weekday Masses and Confession will resume from Friday 31st January. (Fr Paul Castley will celebrate the Evergreens Mass on Friday 24th January)

HOLY SPIRIT THANKSGIVING OFFERINGS:

Envelopes: \$ 308.00
 Credit Cards: \$2,498.12
 Direct Debits: \$ 622.23
TOTAL LAST WEEK: \$3,428.35

PRESBYTERY COLLECTION:

Envelopes: \$ 205.50
 Loose collection: \$ 160.35
TOTAL: \$ 365.85

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.



Holy Spirit is a child safe parish. At Holy Spirit we hold the care, safety and well being of children and young people as a central and fundamental responsibility of our parish.

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.

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.

Enquiries: Lyn Thwaites on 9723 6020

Meditation at Holy Spirit

“Crazy Busy”? Need some time out? A moment to enjoy some silence?

Meditation may be just what you need. **8pm – Holy Spirit Chapel, First and Third Monday of the month (next session 3rd February 2020). AND.....**

Every Tuesday morning during school terms 9:15-10am. Bring a friend!

For more information email: Yvette at ycollins@iprimus.com.au

**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 Wednesday at 7:00pm. Divine Mercy Chaplet follows the Friday morning Rosary.

**Body of Christ Prayer Group -**

The Prayer Group has finished for 2019 and will resume on Tuesday 4th February 2020.

Continuing the journey to the Plenary Council The Plenary Council 2020 is a gathering of the Church in Australia to make decisions for the future. Six National Themes for Discernment have been drawn from the 220,000 people that were engaged in the Listening and Dialogue sessions. How is God calling us to be a Christ-centred Church in Australia that is:

- missionary and evangelising?
- inclusive, participatory and synodal?
- prayerful and Eucharistic?
- humble, healing and merciful?
- a joyful, hope-filled servant community?
- open to conversion, renewal and reform?



Each of the themes has a ‘snapshot’ report which provides a sample of the voices and answers that inspired the theme. Snapshot reports are available at <https://plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au/resources/reports/>.

Collection Notice

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



PARK ORCHARDS & WARRANDYTE

Parish of St. Gerard + St. Anne

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

EVERGREENS

The Evergreens regular Mass & Morning tea will resume on

Friday 24th January 2020.

For general enquiries, ring Jean 9876 2204



Towels needed at St Mary's House of Welcome

St Mary's House of Welcome provides up to 10,000 showers a year to people sleeping rough or living in inadequate accommodation with no basic hygiene facilities. Right now, they are in desperate need of towels. They don't have to be brand new - clean, used and in good condition is fine. Nothing with holes please! Towels can be dropped off at St Mary's House of Welcome Monday-Friday 8.30am to 1.30pm and Saturday 8.30am - 12.45pm. Spread the word!

NB: For a local response from Holy Spirit Parish, please leave your donated towels in the foyer of the Church near the piety stall. Mary Ryan will deliver them to Fitzroy in mid-January. Thank you!

Epiphany of the Lord

"Then they opened their treasures and offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh." (Matthew 2:11)

The image of the Magi kneeling before the infant Jesus and opening their treasure chests for Him is an image that we should all try to follow each day. In gratitude for all that we have been given, we are called to generously share all of our gifts, not just the ones we pick and choose. God wants us to be generous with everything, but especially that one thing that means the most to us.

SAVE THE DATE!

HOLY SPIRIT COMMUNITY DANCE. **FRIDAY 20th MARCH 2020 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.

An appeal supporting those impacted by this month's Gippsland fires has been launched by a local fund.

We will be taking a collection this weekend to support this appeal.

Donations can also be made at any NAB branch in Australia, or the Bendigo Bank.

Pay Wave Donation Point:

For those who would like to contribute to the parish but do not belong to the Thanksgiving program or do not have cash on them when they are at mass, we now have a pay wave debit point near the word table. \$10 will automatically be debited from your account when you use this facility. We hope this will make it easier for those who would like to support the parish.

20 EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

FIRST READING

Isaiah 60.1-6

The glory of the Lord has risen upon you.

A reading from the book of the prophet Isaiah.

- 1 Arise, shine, for your light has come,
and the glory of the Lord has risen upon you!
 - 2 For darkness shall cover the earth,
and thick darkness the peoples;
but the Lord will arise upon you,
and his glory will appear over you.
 - 3 Nations shall come to your light,
and kings to the brightness of your dawn.
 - 4 Lift up your eyes and look around;
they all gather together, they come to you;
your sons shall come from far away,
and your daughters shall be carried on their nurses' arms.
 - 5 Then you shall see and be radiant;
your heart shall thrill and rejoice,
because the abundance of the sea shall be brought to you,
the wealth of the nations shall come to you.
 - 6 A multitude of camels shall cover you,
the young camels of Midian and Ephah;
all those from Sheba shall come.
They shall bring gold and frankincense,
and shall proclaim the praise of the Lord.
- The word of the Lord.

A period of silence is observed after the reading.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Psalm 72.1-2, 7-8, 10-11, 12-13 (R. see 11b+Ps 98.3c)

R. Lord, every nation on earth will adore you.

- 1 Give the king your justice, O God,
and your righteousness to a king's son.
- 2 May he judge your people with righteousness,
and your poor with justice. **R.**
- 7 In his days may righteousness flourish
and peace abound, until the moon is no more.
- 8 May he have dominion from sea to sea,
and from the River to the ends of the earth. **R.**
- 10 May the kings of Tarshish and of the isles render him tribute,
may the kings of Sheba and Seba bring gifts.
- 11 May all kings fall down before him,
all nations give him service. **R.**
- 12 For he delivers the needy when they call,
the poor and those who have no helper.
- 13 He has pity on the weak and the needy,
and saves the lives of the needy. **R.**

SECOND READING

Ephesians 3.2-3a, 5-6

*Now the mystery has been revealed:
now the Gentiles have become fellow heirs of the promise.*

A reading from the letter of Paul to the Ephesians.

- 2 Surely you have already heard
of the commission of God's grace that was given me for you,
3 and how the mystery was made known to me by revelation.
 - 5 In former generations
this mystery was not made known to humanity
as it has now been revealed to his holy apostles and prophets
by the Spirit:
 - 6 that is, the Gentiles have become fellow heirs,
members of the same body,
and sharers in the promise in Christ Jesus through the gospel.
- The word of the Lord.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

See Matthew 2.2

This verse may accompany the singing of the Alleluia.
If the Alleluia is not sung, the acclamation is omitted.

We have seen his star in the east;
and have come to adore the Lord.

GOSPEL

Matthew 2.1-12

We have come from the East to pay homage to the king.

✠ A reading from the holy gospel according to Matthew.

- 1 In the time of King Herod,
after Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea,
wise men from the East came to Jerusalem, asking,
- 2 "Where is the child who has been born king of the Jews?
For we observed his star at its rising,
and have come to pay him homage." ▶
- 3 When King Herod heard this, he was frightened,
and all Jerusalem with him;
- 4 and calling together
all the chief priests and scribes of the people,
he inquired of them where the Messiah was to be born.
- 5 They told him, "In Bethlehem of Judea;
for so it has been written by the prophet:
- 6 'And you, Bethlehem, in the land of Judah,
are by no means least among the rulers of Judah;
for from you shall come a ruler
who is to shepherd my people Israel.'"
- 7 Then Herod secretly called for the wise men
and learned from them the exact time
when the star had appeared.
- 8 Then he sent them to Bethlehem, saying,
"Go and search diligently for the child;
and when you have found him,
bring me word so that I may also go and pay him homage."
- 9 When they had heard the king, they set out;
and there, ahead of them,
went the star that they had seen at its rising,
until it stopped over the place where the child was.
- 10 When they saw that the star had stopped,
they were overwhelmed with joy.
- 11 On entering the house,
they saw the child with Mary his mother;
and they knelt down and paid him homage.
Then, opening their treasure chests,
they offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh.
- 12 And having been warned in a dream not to return to Herod,
they left for their own country by another road.

The gospel of the Lord.