# Living Waters Catholic Parish

# **Embracing the Communities of:**

Little Flower Bribie Island, St Peter's Caboolture, St Michael's Kilcoy, St Mary's Woodford. First Sunday in Advent

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### Season of Advent

My dear children of God, welcome to the season of joy, hope and love. Advent is a time for us to understand that God is always doing something new for us. Unlike the commencement of the New Year, the Universal Church begins its new liturgical year on the first Sunday of Advent. With this newness comes the revelation of seeing the world with fresh eyes so we can view the future and God's divine plan for us more clearly.

Advent is all about watching and waiting. The word 'advent' comes from the Latin adventus, which means 'coming' or 'arrival'. We are called during this holy season of advent to wait with anticipation knowing the joys of what is to come with the arrival of Christ. This is the time we come together, celebrate together, and share our gifts with joy to our loved ones.

During Advent, we practise the discipline of opening our hearts to the presence of Christ in our midst; we wait for a glimpse of the Emmanuel which means that he is with us; we long to experience the joy of his presence and the wonder of the love of our God, who became flesh and dwelt amongst us and whose Spirit is with us, encouraging us to join in the living of God's Kingdom now.

Advent shed light into the shadows of our lives as we pray through these days towards Christmas. This is a time to stretch and arouse our imagination for the Lord's coming as saviour and new-born child. And we do so in the radiance of candles lit on the Advent Wreath, seeking deeper meaning to our faith set shimmering by the Holy Spirit in the truth of our living, and showers us with the blessedness of our Heavenly Father.

Our task during the Advent season is to imitate Mary by pondering the Word of God and allowing it to resonate within our hearts and pour into our lives.

Over four weeks this resource provides the opportunity for us to encounter the mystery of Christ present in the Advent Gospels and artwork. We are invited to gather, encounter, recall, reflect, share, connect and consider how we will live differently as a result of what we have experienced. By being together with our stories, our questions, our open hearts and minds, we can form a community that lifts, honours, and learns from each other as we are sent out with anticipation and joy this Advent season.

# Baptism

Congratulations to Raphaela Harvey, Chandler Santos & Edward Farrell who will be Baptised into our Parish family this Weekend.



80th Birthday Congrats to Kevin O'Connell well done!



This artwork (which was chosen to be the face of the Archdiocesan face for the Reconciliation Action Plan) was painted by Shara Delaney a descendant of the Noonuccal, Ngugi and Goenpul clan groups of Quandamooka. It represents the Archdiocese of Brisbane as the face of the Catholic Church of Southeast Queensland. Shara's design shows the journey of faith, which is guided by the Spirit. It is depicted where the blue meets the green, and that main path represents the journey of faith which is heading towards the centre. It's the spirit figure that is guiding them. The main circle also represents the Archdiocese of Brisbane's community as a whole. From the centre, it branches out to the smaller circles to support and stay connected to the vulnerable in our communities. The white dots are the healing power (coming from the spirit) which is highlighted throughout the design. Shara placed the smaller circles to represent different people throughout the community and to be seen as inclusive. The little figure in the smaller circles is her interpretation of a person, using Aboriginal symbols. The black lines that flow in the background represents the spreading the good news simply and effectively. she really enhanced the main circle with layers and dots, to express governance structures and systems in bright colours as being responsive and innovative.

#### St Peter's Prayer and Praise

St Peter's Church Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> December from 2.30pm through until 4pm. Further enquiries Roger: 5495 2665.

#### CHRISTMAS SERVICES

**Christmas Reconciliation** 

Little Flower - 5pm 12<sup>th</sup> December St Peter's - 5.30pm 13<sup>th</sup> December St Michaels - 5.30pm 14<sup>th</sup> December St Marys - 5pm 18<sup>th</sup> December

#### Christmas Eve Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> Dec

Little Flower - 6pm

St Peter's - <u>6pm (Under covered area in the School,</u> <u>please bring your own chair)</u> & Midnight (Church)

St Mary's - 6.00pm

Christmas Day Monday 25th DecemberLittle Flower- 8.00amSt Peter's - 10amImage: Colspan="2">Image: Colspan="2"Little Flower- 8.00amSt Peter's - 10amImage: Colspan="2"St Mary's - 9amImage: Colspan="2">Image: Colspan="2"St Michael's - 8.30amImage: Colspan="2"

**The Stanley River Ecumenical Council** Invites YOU to The Community Christmas Carols next Saturday at: 11.00am in the Binambi Shed (opp Newsagent) Archer St, Woodford. Come and join in and help celebrate the true Spirit of Christmas! More Info: 5497 1015 and don't forget to please bring your own chair!

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#### Christmas Day Lunch

No family coming home this year and not going anywhere? Would you like to join with other Parishioners and enjoy a home cooked Christmas lunch with all the trimmings? 12 noon Christmas Day at Little Flower Church Thoroughly enjoyable company and all for a small donation towards the cost. Sheets are at the back of the church, or phone the Parish Office.

#### Free navigation service for seniors in Caboolture

World Wellness Group (WWG) is offering a free aged care navigation service for multicultural seniors (aged 65 and above) living in Caboolture. This service includes providing you with information about different government-subsidised aged care services you can access, helping you apply for a My Aged Care assessment, and helping you find service providers – all in your preferred language.

For more information, call 0490 814 480 or email carefinder@worldwellnessgroup.org.au

During the Advent season many of us will have an Advent wreath on the table. Let each candle not only mark the countdown to Christmas but also serve as a daily reminder to spread kindness. In the hustle and bustle, take a moment each day to brighten someone's world – a smile, a small gesture, a thoughtful word. As we anticipate the joy of Christmas, let the spirit of giving and compassion guide us through the days of Advent, creating a ripple effect of warmth and connection. In these simple acts, find the true magic of the season, making each day leading up to Christmas a testament to the power of kindness.



# Please Remember in Your Prayers <u>Our Recently Deceased</u>

Jim McGahey, Cristita Lebios, John Riordan, Annette Budge, Maureen Ashdown, Arkley Thomsen, Les Jacobs & Pat Elliott.

#### **Those Whose Anniversaries Occur at This Time**

Faye Tyrell, Giovanna Marzo, Beryl Hanlon, Rinaldo Musso, Marie Tocher, Madge Bailey, Dawn Griffith, Renata Byrne, Alfred Wijendra, Edwin Hague, Concetta Nicolosi, Vince Corvi, Maria Jorgensen, Beryl Somerset, Pat Connor, Raffaele Manca, Colin Bennett, Frank Ushay, Pat Perry, Brian Bambrick, John Spencer, Margaret Clark & Len Copine.

#### Our Parishioners, Family & Friends who are Sick.

Joan L'Huillier, Anne Kelly, Marlyn Hooper, Neil Clunes, Czes Parchimowicz, Della Lopez, Teresa Mills, Barbara O'Neill, Arthur & Eileen Hangan, Pat Hegarty, Brian Wyvill, John Hempseed, Gregory Kelly, June Bell, Ken McKewin, Laurie Barron, Susanne Weir, Jessica Timson, Michael Cooper, Patricia Twinchek, Ted Hawkins, Ray Davis, Helen & Gerry Van Dinter, Gerard Brown

## SCRIPTURE OF THE WEEK

#### 1st Sunday of Advent

First Reading: Isaiah 63:16-17,64:1,3-8 Psalm Resp *Lord, make us turn to you, let us see your face and we shall be saved.* Second Reading: 1 Cor 1:3-9 Gospel: Mark 13:33-37

#### Weekday Readings

Mon Isaiah 2:1-5; Ps 121:1-2,4-5,6-9; Matt 8:5-11

Tues Isaiah 11: 1-10; Ps 71:1-2,7-8; Luke 10:21-24

Wed Isaiah 25:6-10; Ps 22; Matt 15:29-37

**Thurs** *St Ambrose* Isaiah 26:1-6; Ps 117:1,8-9,19-21,25-27; Matt 7:21,24-27

Fri Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary Gen 3:9-15,20; Ps 97:1-4; Eph 1:3-6,11-12; Lk 1:26-38 Sat Isiaih 30:19-21,23-26; Ps 146:1-6; Matt 9:35-10:1,6-8

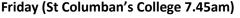
#### 2nd Sunday of Advent

First Reading: Isaiah 40:1-5,9-11 Psalm Resp *Lord, let us see your kindness and grant us your salvation.* Second Reading: 2 Peter 3:8-14 Gospel: Mark 1:1-8 Little Flower, Bribie Island 41-47 First Avenue, Bongaree Saturday 6pm Sunday 8am **Tuesday 5pm** Thursday 9.15am

Mass times across our Parish St Peter's, Caboolture 30 Beerburrum Rd, Saturday 6pm Sunday 10am & 5pm Wednesday 9.30am

St Michael's Kilcoy 26 Kennedy Street Sunday 10am Thursday 5.30pm

St Mary's, Woodford **16 Peterson Road** Sunday 8am Monday 9.30am



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