



# St Paul Apostle Catholic Community

## One Family

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### 4th Sunday of ADVENT Year B, 23rd-24th December, 2017

#### This Week

**SUNDAY 24th Dec**  
**4th Sunday of ADVENT**

9am, 11am  
 Baptism Welcome

**Christmas Eve**

7pm, 9pm & Midnight Mass  
 Carols 11.30pm

**MONDAY 25th Dec**

**Christmas Day**

9am & 11am Mass  
 (no Evening Mass)

**TUESDAY 26th Dec**

9.30am Rosary  
 10am Mass

**WEDNESDAY 27th Dec**

6.30pm Rosary  
 7.00pm Mass

**THURSDAY 28th Dec**

8.30am Rosary  
 9.00am Mass

**FRIDAY 29th Dec**

8.30am Rosary  
 9am Mass  
 9.30am Divine Mercy

**SATURDAY 30th Dec**

10.30am Reconciliation  
 6pm Mass

**SUNDAY 31st Dec**

**Feast of HOLY FAMILY**

9am, 11am, 6pm Mass

**MONDAY 1st Dec'18**

10am Mass

Dear Brother and Sisters,

Today brings us up to the very edge of Christmas. On the 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Advent we share the prayer of the great Prophet Isaiah: "Let the clouds rain down the Just One; let the earth be opened and bring forth the Saviour". Next, we are invited to notice the young girl named Mary who is asked to make the biggest act of faith in the whole world. She is shocked and she is scared, but she still manages to say "YES" to what God asks. Thank you dear Mary for saying Yes!

In these last few hours, as we rush to finish everything off for to celebrate, let's spare a thought and a prayer for those in our community who are struggling. Maybe they have the sadness of losing someone very dear to them; maybe they walk in darkness or in fear or sickness. While we try to be full of happiness, let's hold them up and strengthen them with our prayers. Jesus has come to embrace every part of our lives – the sad and the glad.

Let's pray that our hearts are ready.

*Fr Kevin Dance cp*

**The Christmas HAMPERS** have all been picked up and distributed to all families in need. Wellsprings, St Vincent de Paul, Andrew Centre, John Pierce Centre and Dandenong Aboriginal Cooperative have all expressed their warmest thanks and gratitude for the generosity of parishioners of the St Paul Apostle Church

**THANK YOU** to all who attended the Parish Christmas Carols last Sunday evening. We also thank Children & family from St Paul Apostle North School, Parish Youth Band and Fr Chris who came with Frank to lead us in singing the Christmas Carols. We also thank members of Parish Men's Group who, together with Gay, Sandra, Carol and Beryl, have kindly assisted us in getting the sausage sizzle going during the night. Thank You

Last weekend we also had a **Special Collection for Melbourne Overseas Mission and Catholic Mission**. Thank you to all parishioners who have generously supported this mission. The amount generated from the Masses is \$981.15 and will be forwarded accordingly.

**Baptism Welcome** Next weekend we will welcome Elias Junweh Ah-Qune, Rylee Ilona Rampal and Jennaily Alesha Dostovaloff who are being presented for Baptism next month.

**Spare a thought and a prayer** for all who are grieving and for whom this is the first Christmas without a loved family member. May they rest in peace.

#### **PARISH NEW YEAR'S EVE DANCE**

Let us farewell 2017 and welcome the New Year 2018 together in the parish. No better way to celebrate but have fun and dance the night into the new year with the band "Mahogany" and a DJ. Tickets: Adults \$25.00, Children 4-12yo \$15.00. BYO Drinks. Light supper & champagne provided. Tickets are on sale now. They will be available after each Masses this weekend or you may contact : Louis 0419 008 173, Vianney 0438 700 675, Gordon 0425 704 124, Valentine 0411 590 082, Zac 0411 449693

**\*\* Please remember on NEW YEAR'S DAY (1st January 2018, MONDAY) Mass is at 10am \*\***

#### **This weekend we pray for:**

##### *Those who are sick*

Fr Tim O'Toole cp, Anjana, Clifford Lenillour; Li Tsu Lay, Emma Segovia, Lambert D'Silva, Gloria Jablam, Edgardo Sotiar; Elwood Esteban, Garry Howell, Kim Lay, Roselyne Benoit, Beryl Ratnayake, Dina Nagliati, Yap Djiang, Marie Martin, Emily Martin, Pat Garard, Muliaga Vaifale, Nicholas Lee, Joanne Withers, Raquel E. Guinto, Anne Silva, Gihan Tillekeratne, Shenelle Fernando, Crescenciana Tuazon, Lesley Nadarajah, Edna Fonseca, Joachim Fernandes, Giorgia Vella, Frederick Quinless

##### *For those who have died*

Lucas Fraga, Carla Corso, Anthony Tong Nang Nguyen, Adrian Golotta, Tony Medina, Odisho Khoshaba, Josephine Bowler, Rita Byrne Quinn, Ana Mesquita Andrade, Cesar Salinas, Dunstan Joseph Gomesz, Laure Barallon, Rozalia Toskov, Ivor Steiner, Cecilia Tuazon, Joseph Nagamany, Josephine Giosserano, Joseph Le Dinh Thung, Renato Neria, Rhys Montes, Irene Michael, Dominador Mamaril, Gerard Dias, Remig Sacco, Peter Pham Ngoc Phe, Hector Perera, James Patrick Helm, Maude Cateaux

##### *May they rest in peace*

#### **DIARY**

<b>24th Dec:</b>	<b>CHRISTMAS EVE</b>
7.00pm	Children's Mass (with Nativity Play)
9.00pm	Family Mass
11.30pm	Christmas Carols followed by MIDNIGHT MASS
<b>25th Dec:</b>	<b>CHRISTMAS DAY</b>
	9.00am & 11.00am Mass
<b>31st Dec:</b>	Parish Dance
<b>1st Jan:</b>	Mass at 10am

# St Paul Apostle Catholic Community

## Priests:

Fr Kevin Dance CP (PP)

## Pastoral Associates:

Sr Joan Smith CP

Sr Brigid Murphy CP

## Parish Staff:

Bursar: Gillian Velupillay

Secretary: Didi Karkas

## Passionist Community

Fr Brian Gleeson CP (*leader*)

Fr Kevin Dance CP

Fr Jose Mathew CP

Fr Chris Mithen CP

## Sisters of Cross and Passion

Sr Brigid Murphy CP

Sr Joan Smith CP

Karen Englebretsen

**St Paul Apostle  
North Primary  
School - 9700 6068**  
Mrs Mary Lucas

**St Paul Apostle  
South Primary  
School - 9700 3663**  
**Principal**  
Mr. Paul Gleeson

**St John's Regional  
College - 9791 3366**  
**Principal**  
Mr Tim Hogan



Roster for this weekend 23rd-24th December (4th Sunday of month)				
	6pm	9am	11am	
<b>Welcome</b>	Carmeline Don Paul Denise Richie, Trevor Saldanha	Anne Peters, Danny & Danny & Rose Sugunasekera	Anabela Costa Yvonne Sherwin	 <p><b>Christmas Eve and Christmas Day's Special Roster</b></p> <p>We wish you all a Blessed &amp; Peaceful Christmas And a Happy New Year 2018</p>
<b>Sacristan</b>	Lien Phan	Volunteers	Yvonne Sherwin	
<b>Readers &amp; Commtr</b>	Mark Rolfe Liz Flood	Marina Nadarajah, Patricia Shaw-Dennis	Florence Madeira Meagan O'Connor	
<b>Gifts</b>	Van Nguyen Jessica Vu	Glenn & Romaine Todd Sharni Denham	Dilinger Family	
<b>Communion</b>	Steven Herbert Bridgette Herbert, Lien Phan Dominica Arena, Karen Rolfe, Naomi Barrow	Fred Hall Marina Nadarajah Anne Peters Elaine Gillett Glenn Todd Ayomi Fernandez	Charlene Pereira Yvonne Sherwin Christine White Geraldine Mutthumani, Ging Calixto, George Jornet, Shaniah Pereira	
<b>Servers</b>	Jocelyn, Christopher, Avinda, Joshua	Ashvika, Tara, Joyen	Calvin, Cassandra, Joaquin, Kiara	
Roster for next weekend 30th—31st December (5th Sunday of month)				
	6pm	9am	11am	6pm
<b>Welcome</b>	Volunteers	Siro De Rozairo	Anabela Costa George Jornet	Volunteers
<b>Sacristan</b>	Volunteers	Volunteers	Volunteers	Volunteers
<b>Readers &amp; Commtr</b>	Marg Daly, Jeremy Ferrao, Trevor Saldanha	Kurt Dimitrakas	Mary John Louis Newman Jennifer Jornet	Liz Spear Mignonne Meerwald
<b>Gifts</b>	Christine Cachia Inez Caruana	Nick & Sandra Dimi- trakas Errie Gunawan		
<b>Communion</b>	Peter Miller Bernie Henstridge Liz Flood Sylvia Fernandes Sue Sharp	Peter Van Helmond Edna & Bernard David	Andrea Anthony George Jornet Florence Madeira Anne Astin Volunteers	Volunteers Daniel Masset Marie Masset
<b>Servers</b>	Jocelyn, Ananya, Avinda, Andrew, Christopher	Ashvika, Tara, Luke, Joyen, Mark Harper	Calvin, Cassandra, Joaquin, Kiara	Lakni Rachel Adrian
<b>Cuppa</b>	<b>4th Sunday of the month</b>			
<b>Flowers</b>	<b>Church Prep</b>  Team 5 Herbert Family	<b>Communion to the sick</b> (After 9am Mass)  Sr Brigid		

## Sacraments:

**Baptism** are held on the **1st & 2nd Sundays** of the month. Preparation is on the 3rd Sunday of the month. **Parish Office**

**Marriages** require 6 months notice to one of the priests, participation in a FOCUS marriage preparation program, or a CatholicCARE Course.

**Anointing of the Sick** is held during Mass on the 1st Friday of the Month at 9am. Before going to hospital for major surgery, why not ask one of the priests to pray with you and anoint you.

**Children's Sacraments** require full participation in the preparation phase.

**Registration forms in the Parish Centre**