Elizabeth Catholic Parish

"An inclusive Eucharistic Community in the Catholic Tradition united in Jesus reaching out to all"

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THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD YEAR A

First Reading: Isaiah 42:1-4, 6-7 – Here is my servant, my chosen one in whom I am well pleased.

Responsorial Psalm -

The Lord will bless His people with peace.

Second Reading: Acts 10:34-38 - God anointed Him with the Holy Spirit and with power.

Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia alleluia!

The heavens were opened and the Father's voice was heard, this is my beloved Son, hear Him.

Alleluia!

Gospel: Matthew 3:13-17
- When Jesus was baptised, the heavens were opened and the Spirit of God came upon Him

'THIS IS MY SON, THE BELOVED.'

Just before He confronts the tempter in the desert, Jesus is baptised in the Jordan. He is revealed as the beloved Son of God. His baptism marks the beginning of His public ministry, of the time when the role of John the Baptist will decrease and Jesus' proclamation of the kingdom of God, by word and deed, will increase.

Next Week's Readings

 Mon
 1 Sam 1:1-8 Mark 1:14-20

 Tue
 1 Sam 1:9-20 Mark 1:21-28

 Wed
 1 Sam 3:1-10, 19-20 Mark 1:29-39

 Thu
 1 Sam 4:1-11 Mark 1:40-45

Fri St Anthony, abbot 1 Sam 8:4-7, 10-22

Mark 2:1-12

Sat 1 Sam 9:1-4, 17-19, 10:1

Mark 2:13-17

SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - YEAR A

Is 49:3, 5-6 1 Cor 1:1-3 John 1:29-34

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LITURGICAL CELEBRATIONS

St Ann's Church (30 Midway Road, Elizabeth East)

Mass Times - Sat Vigil Mass 6pm - Sun 8.30am -Thurs 9.15am (Eucharistic Service)- Fri 9.15am. Thursday and Friday Masses are followed by the Rosary.

First Friday of the month after Mass Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament.

St Thomas More's Church (19 Laverstock Road, Elizabeth North)

Mass Times - Sun 10am - Mon 9.15am - Tue 9.15am (Eucharistic Service during School Term) Wed 9.15am.

All week day Masses are followed by the Rosary.

Magdala Chapel (82 Fairfield Road, Elizabeth South)

Mass Times 1st & 3rd Tues of month at 9.15am.

No Mass during school holidays.

Catherine McAuley School (210 Adams Road, Craigmore)

Mass Times 2nd & 4th Tuesday of month at 9.15 am.

No Mass during school holidays.

Pope Francis' message for the celebration of the World Day of Peace

Peace as a Journey of Hope: Dialogue, Reconciliation and Ecological Conversion

Peace is a journey of hope in the face of obstacles and trial

Peace is a great and precious value, the object of our hope and aspiration of the entire human family.....Hope is the virtue that inspires us and keeps us moving forward, even when obstacles seem insurmountable.

Peace is a journey of listening based on memory, solidarity and community

The world does not need empty words but convinced witnesses, peacemakers who are open to a dialogue that rejects exclusion or manipulation.

In our Christian experience, we constantly remember Christ, who gave his life to reconcile us to one another.

Peace, a journey of reconciliation in communion

Only by choosing the path of respect can we break the spiral of vengeance and set out on a journey of hope.

The path of reconciliation is a summons to discover in the depths of our heart the power of forgiveness and the capacity to acknowledge one another as brothers and sisters. When we learn to live in forgiveness, we grow in our capacity to become men and women of peace.

Peace, a journey of ecological conversion

We need to change the way we think and see things, and to become more open to encountering others and accepting the gift of creation, which reflects the beauty and wisdom of its Creator.

We obtain all that we hope for

Peace will not be obtained unless it is hoped for. This means believing ...in the love that God has for each of us, a love that is liberating, limitless, gratuitous and tireless.

Day by day the Holy Spirit prompts us in ways of thinking and speaking that can make us artisans of peace and justice.

May the God of peace bless us and come to our aid.

May Mary, Mother of the Prince of Peace and Mother of all the peoples of the earth, accompany and sustain us at every step of our journey of reconciliation.

And may all men and women who come into this world experience a life of peace and develop fully the promises of life and love dwelling in their heart. Amen

With the feast of the Epiphany ending the main season of Christmastide, we come this Sunday to the Baptism of the Lord. Today we consider the adult Jesus, his identity and his mission. We are encouraged in the First Reading to see Jesus in the person of the Servant of God. Isaiah presents Him as chosen and beloved; gentle, but filled with the power of the Spirit. He has the authority to bring about justice and righteousness. As 'covenant of the people', He will heal and free them. The **Psalm** tells of the glory and power of God. The thundering storm contrasts with the humble and simple account of Jesus's baptism. Peter's speech to the household of Cornelius in the Second Reading also summarises the mission of Jesus after His baptism. Jesus has a mission to all peoples, because 'God does not have favourites'. Matthew's account of the baptism of Jesus in the Gospel, reflecting the previous readings, shows Jesus to be the beloved Son of God, anointed by the Father with the Holy Spirit and with power. We, too, are the beloved children of the Father, and we may pray to follow Jesus his Son more closely this week. Australian Catholics

BAPTISMS

We welcome into our Parish Community

ZANE CHINGYI GLICO WONG

ACE GERARDO HUGHES

who were baptised on 29th December 2019 in St Thomas More Church

AND

ROSALIE MAY GURSKIS

who will be baptised on 12th January 2020 in St Thomas More Church

Please pray for Zane, Ace, Rosalie, their families and God Parents.

And a voice came from the heavens, saying, "This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased." MATTHEW 3:17.

Two thoughts come to mind when reading this. First, God, Our Father, is so generous, that He gave His only son, whom He really loves, to us so that we can have eternal life with Him in heaven. God, Our Creator, really loves us, too! Second, Jesus was obedient to His Father's will, even to the point of death. This is a reminder that our own lives are pure gifts from God and meant to serve God and others.

SACRAMENT PROGRAM 2020

The Elizabeth Catholic Parish is now accepting candidates for the 2020 Sacraments of Confirmation and Eucharist. Parents whose children are 7 years old and above are asked to encourage their children to join. For more information please contact Fr Pat @ 0418 831 594 or email Edna Dumbrell @ faitheducation@elizabethcatholicparish.com.au

Edna Dumbrell, Sacrament Program Co-ordinator



OLD AGE IS A TIME OF GRACE

Pope Francis said the elderly had a unique and special ability to understand the most Pope Francis said "Grandparents,

who have received the blessing of seeing their children's children, are entrusted with a great task: transmitting the experience of life and the history of the family, the community, and the people."

Pope Francis, who was born December 17, 1936, said one's later years should be a "season of dialogue," because "the future of a people naturally presupposes a dialogue and encounter between the old and young to build a society that is more just, more beautiful, has more solidarity and is more Christian".

"As one grows older", he said, "the Lord renews His call to us. He calls us to preserve and hand on the faith; He calls us to pray, especially to intercede; He calls us to be alongside those who are in need". CathNews

ABORIGINAL CATHOLIC MINISTRY CHRISTMAS APPEAL

The amount of \$1,151.20 was raised for the above appeal. Thank you to all parishioners who contributed.

JANUARY 2020 - COMING EVENTS

Sun 12th Baptism of the Lord

Mon 13th St. Hilary

Tue 14th Legion of Mary St. Ann's 2pm

Wed 15th Taize Prayer Meeting St Ann's 8pm

Frid 17th Our Lady of Hope

St. Anthony

Sun 19th 2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year A

Festa di San Pellegrino - Hectorville

Mon 20th St. Fabian Tue 21st St. Agnes

Legion of Mary St. Ann's 2pm

Wed 22nd St. Vincent

Thu 23rd Contemplative Prayer

Group 10.30am St Thomas More

Fri 24th St. Francis de Sales

Sat 25th The Conversion of St. Paul,

the Apostle

Sun 26th 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time Year A

Australia Day

Festa di Santo Eufemia - Hindmarsh

Mon 27th Public Holiday for Australia Day

Sts. Timothy & Titus St. Angela Merici

School Term 1 Commence

St. Thomas Aquinas

Legion of Mary St. Ann's 2pm

Fri 31st St. John Bosco

Tue 28th

Feast Days of the Week Friday 17th January St Anthony abbot

Born in Egypt in the 3rd century AD, at the age of twenty renounced everything to live as a hermit until 106 years of age, becoming the most famous monk of ancient Christendom, a noble example of an ascetic life of austerity, sacrifice and extreme solitude.

TAIZE

There will be Taize-style prayer service at St Ann's on Wednesday 15th January at 8pm. This will be followed by shared supper. All welcome.



The Journey is a weekly program developed by the Catholic Diocese of Wollongong and is the only Catholic radio program in Australia aired on general Christian radio. Station 941FM.

SHRINES OF OUR LADY

Journey with our Lady as you visit famous shrines and sites of her apparitions. Explore various pilgrimage sites in Portugal, Spain and France during this pilgrimage led by Catholic Priests that features Lisbon, Fatima, Albe Tormes. Avila. Segovia. Burges, Loyola, Lourdes, Manresa, Montserrat and Barcelona for an all-inclusive land package price of \$3890+Tips. The fare includes Entrances & Sites as per itinerary + Local Transfers in Deluxe coaches + Stay in Premium Hotels + All Breakfast & Dinners + Catholic Priest + English speaking guides. professional 2020 Departures Available: 11th May 2020 and 2 Sep 2020. For inquiries & bookings call **03** 8839 6615 or 1300721561 or email us info@magiholidays.com.au

100TH ANNIVERSARY OF ST. JOHN PAUL II'S BIRTH MAY 2020

POLAND, 8 DAYS

A pilgrimage that during 8 days will take you to many places related to the Saint John Paul II. The program includes the following places: Warsaw - the capital of Poland, Czestochowa - is the center for pilgrims from and outside of Poland, Auschwitz-Birkenau, Krakow - the diocese of Monsignor Karol Wojtyla, Kazimierz the former Jewish district in Krakow, Wieliczka - the Salt Mine, Lagiewniki - the Sanctuary of the Divine Mercy, Wadowice - the hometown of Pope ΙΙ, Paul Kalwaria Zebrzydowska, Zakopane and Tatra **Mountains** - the mountain-loving Pope's paradise. www.ernestotravel.coml

CATHOLIC ARCHDIOCESE

Upcoming Events

January 26, 2020 - Australia Day Mass, 11am, St Francis Xavier's Cathedral.

February 11, 2020 - Feast of Our Lady of Lourdes, 10am, St Francis Xavier's Cathedral.

CATHOLIC SCHOOL OF EVANGELISATION

Invites you to DISCERNMENT 1 & 2. Guest Speaker & Celebrant Fr Selva Raj. Saturday 25th January & 15 February, St Peter Claver Parish Hall, 1A Stuart Road, Dulwich. Time 10am - 3pm. Bring your own lunch, coffee & tea provided. For further information please ring 0419144872.

CENTACARE

Keeping Families Safe: Picking up the Pieces after Domestic Violence. This course is for families experiencing separation. This two hour workshop is for separated parents who are concerned about the impact of domestic violence on their children. This workshop for parents will explore: • How children experience domestic violence • What children might learn from this experience? • How parents can help children heal . Strategies to Support Children's on-going wellbeing, as well as . Nurturing strategies for parents and caregivers. Venue: Centacare Level 2, 45 Wakefield Street, Adelaide. Date and time: Tuesday 11 February 2020 10:00am -12:00pm. Bookings essential. Please contact Centacare on 8215 6700 or email your details to: registrations@centacare.org.au.



Please check notice board for any notices published in bulletin.

Centacare - Circle of Security Parenting

THE LEGION OF MARY

Please note the next meeting will be on Tuesday 21st January 2pm in St Ann's Church. All welcome.

CONTEMPLATIVE PRAYER GROUP Will meet on Thursday 23rd January at St Thomas More's 10:30am and every 2nd and 4th Thursdays of each The Group meet at month. Thomas More's in the room behind the kitchen. For further information, please give me a call; Robyn on 0414365234.

KNITTING GROUP



Please note the knitting group will reopen on Friday 7th February 9.30am at St Thomas More Church. They come together for a laugh, storytelling and some knitting of course. If anyone is interested in

joining the Friday Knitting Group

please contact the Parish Office and

their details will be forwarded.

WELCOME

Welcome to any new parishioner. If you wish any information about our parish please fill in the form below and leave with Father Pat at Mass Centres.

Name
Address
Telephone

PARISH CENSUS FORM

If you are new to the parish please fill out a census form which you will find at the back of the church.

plate. Thank you.

BULLETIN NOTICES

Please be aware all notices for the bulletin can either be emailed direct to Ann Murray methil48@hotmail.com or left at Parish Office no later than Tuesday.

PARISHIONERS ON THE SICK LIST



Romeo Hajek, Barbara Fuda, Adele Kalil, Bob Sherman, Josie Hughes, Raymond McGowan,

Don McDeed, Henry McGoran, Flordelisa Lugtu, Patrick Hughes, Madona Blanch, Bessie Kelly, Barbara Kosewicz, Ivan Baker, Shienamae Falogme (aged 9 months), Lachlan Hill, Graham Haylock.

For Privacy reasons, permission from the sick person is required prior to placing their name in the bulletin.

Prayer Registration Slip

Please fill out the registration slips situated on the table in the foyer and place in the box provided.

Please note that names on the Sick List will remain for six weeks unless Parish Office is otherwise notified.

RECENTLY DECEASED:

ANNIVERSARY OF DEATH:

Joseph & Patrick Lavery.

Week Ending 22nd December 2019 1st Collection Planned Giving (received) \$ Loose Direct Debit \$ Planned Giving (Pledged) \$ St Vincent de Paul \$ Simbang Gabi \$

Christmas Day Collections

1st Collection Clergy Christmas Envelopes

Week Ending 5th January 2020

1st Collection Planned Giving (received) \$ \$ Loose Direct Debit \$ Planned Giving (Pledged) St Vincent de Paul



MAY YOU SHINE THE **LIGHT OF JESUS** IN THE NEW YEAR

Pastoral Team

Pastoral Visitor Bernadette Hedges 8255 1191 Baptism Co-Ordinator Deb Jurkowski 8284 3731/0408 770 786

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Lyell McEwin Chaplain 8182 9093 Robynne Malone Calvary CD Chaplain Fiona Rice 8282 5395

Sacristans: Ann Anderson/Jean Luke (6pm Vigil)

Carol Mackle/Jean Mohan (St Ann's 8.30am) Margaret Kennedy/Clara Porlaje (St Ann's 8.30am)

Donna Kirkbright (St TM 10am) Planned Giving: Theo Toonen 8252 0340

Centacare (Catholic Family Services) 8215 6700

St Vincent de Paul Society Assistance Hotline 1300 729 202

Beyond Blue (Depression/Anxiety) 1300 224636

Lifeline Australia (Crisis Support/Suicide Prevention) 13 11 14

Kids Helpline 1800 55 1800 Child Abuse Report Line (CARL) 13 14 78

Translating and Interpreting Service 13 14 50 Elder Abuse Hotline 1800 372 310

St Vincent de Paul Society "Family Centre, Elizabeth 8255 8547 Catholic Schools in the Parish

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