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MASS TIMES

Sundays Saturday Vigil 7pm Sunday 9am & 11.00am

 Exodus Community, 12 Noon in the shed at 273 Liberty Pde, Heidelberg West

Weekdays 9am Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, Saturday

CONFESSIONS & ROSARY After 9am Mass on Saturday mornings

CHURCH OPEN FOR PRAYER 8.30am – 4pm on school days only

PARISH WEBSITE - pol.org.au/heidelbergwest

*St Pius X Catholic Church Heidelberg West actively works to listen to, empower and protect children, and has zero tolerance for child abuse and neglect*.

**SAINTS/FEAST DAYS FOR THE WEEK**

* *Tuesday 7 – St Ambrose*
* *Wednesday 8 – The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary*

***Reflection:*** *“And this is my prayer: that your love may increase ever more and more in knowledge and every kind of perception, to discern what is of value…”  (Philippians 1:9-10)*

During the Christmas shopping season it is easy to get caught up in the frenzy of buying gifts.  But, is that “gift” truly an expression of your love for the other person.  Or, are you just fulfilling your “obligation” to give them something?  To grow in friendship with someone, you need to spend time with them, learn what is of value to them.  Maybe this year, buy less “stuff” and spend more time with those you love.

**Next Sunday**: December 12th

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|  | **Reader** | **Special Ministers** |
| Saturday 7:00pm | Teresa Daws |   |
| Sunday 9:00am | Paul Quigley |  |
| Sunday 11:00am | Janice Tickner |  |

**NEXT SUNDAY’S READINGS – THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT**

Zeph 3: 14-18; Is 12: 2-6; Phil 4: 4-7;

*We welcome* ***Leo Vincent Verde*** *into the faith community of St Pius X Parish this weekend. We welcome family, relative and friends who have come to share this special occasion!*

**GET-TOGETHER AFTER ALL MASSES THIS WEEKEND**

Stay back after the weekend Masses THIS weekend and join us for a cuppa and some refreshments. Enjoy meeting other members of your faith community.

**CHRISTMAS RAFFLE TICKETS**

Tickets are on sale at all Masses for $1.00 a ticket. Thank you for your support

**LIGHTING THE ADVENT WREATH 2ND WEEK**

As 2 purple candles are lit for **HOPE** and **PEACE,** we join in saying,

**‘O King of all nations, Jesus Christ,**

 **Only joy of every heart, come and save your people.**

**MUSIC CONCERT AT ST PATRICKS CATHEDRAL**

Festive Music for Christmas, Wednesday 15 December, 7.00pm

Cathedral Brass, with Anthony Halliday, organ. Brett Kelly, conductor.

$25 - tickets online or at the door. Children under 15 are free.

Online tickets: [www.trybooking.com/BVJPD](http://www.trybooking.com/BVJPD)

**WEEKLY REFLECTIONS FOR THE SEASON OF ADVENT**

These weekly reflections have been prepared with the gospel readings for each Sunday of Advent and offer an opportunity for individuals and/or groups to read, reflect, pray and act prompting each one of us to go out into the waiting time of Advent and express the god-within-us to others.

<https://melbournecatholic.org/uploads/documents/The_Grace_of_WaitingAdvent_2021.pdf#asset:244631>

**SENIORS CHRISTMAS GET TOGETHER**

December 15th @ 11am in the parish hall. Come along and enjoy some Christmas trivia, Christmas carols and Christmas food. All welcome!

**ST PIUS X GIVING TREE TO SUPPORT ST VINCENT DE PAUL**

![C:\Users\Parish\AppData\Local\Microsoft\Windows\Temporary Internet Files\Content.IE5\Q7UQF7TR\MC900410591[1].wmf]() Please support our Giving Tree again this year, which assists St Vincent de Paul here in Heidelberg West. You are invited to purchase non-perishable goods for hampers for those in need in our local area. New toys for children are also welcome!

**CHRISTMAS BARBEQUE**

Please join in the ***St Pius X Community Garden*** on Saturday 11th December at 12 noon for a Christmas Barbeque. Meat will be supplied. BYO drinks, nibbles etc. Bring the kids, come along and enjoy some Christmas cheer. All welcome!

***Prayers for the Sick***; David Tickner, Michael Hehir, Pauline Curlis, Joy Opie, Sharon Lorman. Rosemary Alfred

***For the Recently Departed****: John Bakewell*

***Anniversary of Death***: Dawn Cole, Rino Ermacora, Domenico Galassi