

The Fourth Sunday of Advent, Year C : 19 December 2021

Mass Response

Psalm Response: Lord, make us turn to you; let us see your face and we shall be saved.

Gospel Acclamation: **Alleluia, Alleluia!**
I am the servant of the Lord:
may his will for me be done. **Alleluia!**

Memorial Acclamation: We proclaim your death, O Lord, and profess your resurrection, until you come again.

6:00 pm Vigil Mass (Saturday) - St Patrick's and 9:00am (Sunday) - St John Vianney's

Entrance: CWBII 416 Immaculate Mary, we praise God in you
Mass Setting: Mass in Honour of St Ralph Sherwin - Ostrowski **(6pm only)** Mass of our Lady Help of Christians **(9am only)**
Offertory: CWBII 213 Tell out, my soul
Communion:
Recessional: CWB II 232 Come, O long expected Jesus
Postlude: Chorale Prelude on *Nun komm der Heiden Heiland* P.386 – Johann Pachelbel

11.00am Choral Mass (Sunday) - St Patrick's

Entrance: CWBII 416 Immaculate Mary, we praise God in you
Mass Setting: *St Anne's Mass* – James Macmillan
Offertory: CWBII 213 Tell out, my soul
Communion: *Virgin born, we bow before thee* – L Bourgeois. Harmony by Ralph Vaughan Williams
Recessional: CWB II 232 Come, O long expected Jesus
Postlude: Chorale Prelude on *Nun komm der Heiden Heiland* P.386 – Johann Pachelbel

5:00 pm (Sunday) - St. Patrick's

Entrance: CWBII 416 Immaculate Mary, we praise God in you
Mass Setting: Mass of our Lady Help of Christians - Connolly
Offertory: CWBII 213 Tell out, my soul
Communion: CWB II 232 Come, O long expected Jesus
Postlude: Chorale Prelude on *Nun komm der Heiden Heiland* P.386 – Johann Pachelbel

MASSES THIS WEEK

(SP) St Patrick's Church; (SJV) St John Vianney's Church

WEEK DAY MORNING MASSES

Monday, 20th NO MASS
Tuesday, 21st 9:15 am (SP) 4th week of Advent
Wednesday, 22nd 9:15 am (SP) 4th week
10:30 am (SJV) Mass
Thursday, 23rd 9:15 am (SP) 4th week of Advent
10:30 am (SP) **Ordinariate Mass**
Friday, 24h 9:15 am (SP) 4th week of Advent
Christmas Eve Masses Refer to front Page
Saturday, 25th 9:30am (SP) - Mass of Christmas Day,

Readings Sunday 26th Dec.

Feast of The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph

I Samuel: 1:20-22,24-28
I John: 3:1-2, 21-24
Luke: 2:41-52

RECONCILIATION

See page three for Christmas Reconciliation times

NO EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT THIS FRIDAY:

THE CATHOLIC PARISH OF MENTONE - PARKDALE

SAINT PATRICK - SAINT JOHN VIANNEY

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CHRISTMAS MASSTIMES 2021

CHRISTMAS EVE - FRIDAY, 24th DECEMBER
6:00pm - Vigil Mass of Christmas, St Patrick's

7:45pm - Carols and Vigil Mass

8:00pm - Vigil Mass of Christmas, St John Vianney's

11:15pm - Carols and Solemn Mass
Midnight - Solemn Mass of Christmas, St Patrick's

CHRISTMAS DAY - SATURDAY, 25th DECEMBER

9:30am - Mass of Christmas Day, St Patrick's

(please note no further Masses on Christmas Day)

SUNDAY, 26th DECEMBER

9:00am MASS St John Vianney's

11:00am MASS St Patrick's

5:00pm MASS St Patrick's



SACRAMENT OF PENANCE (Confessions)

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On this the last Sunday before Christmas, our Gospel reading prepares us to witness Christ's birth by showing us how Jesus was recognized as Israel's long-awaited Messiah even before his birth. The Gospel turns our attention from the ministry of John the Baptist to the events that preceded John the Baptist's birth. The story of John the Baptist and his parents, Elizabeth and Zechariah, are reported only in Luke's Gospel. Luke pairs the birth of John the Baptist and Jesus, establishing John's early connection to the Messiah.

Our Gospel reading recalls Mary's actions after the announcement of Jesus' birth by the angel Gabriel. Mary goes to visit Elizabeth, her cousin, who is also with child. Elizabeth greets Mary with full recognition of the roles that they and their unborn children will play in God's plan for salvation. If we were to continue to read the verses that follow in Luke's Gospel, we would hear Mary respond to Elizabeth's greeting with her song of praise, the Magnificat. Both women recall and echo God's history of showing favour upon the people of Israel.

In Luke's Gospel the Holy Spirit helps reveal Jesus' identity as God to those who believe. Elizabeth is filled with the Holy Spirit and sings Mary's praise because she bears the Lord. We sing these words of praise to Mary in the Hail Mary. Even John the Baptist, the unborn child in Elizabeth's womb, is said to recognize the presence of the Lord and leaps for joy.

It is appropriate in this season of Advent that we consider the role of Mary in God's plan of salvation. Elizabeth describes Mary as the first disciple, as the one who believed that God's word to her would be fulfilled. Mary's faith enabled her to recognize the work of God in her people's history and in her own life. Her openness to God allowed God to work through her so that salvation might come to everyone. Because of this, Mary is a model and symbol of the Church. May we be like Mary, open and cooperative in God's plan for salvation.

*Wishing you all a very happy holy and safe Christmas.
May the peace of Christ remain with you throughout the year.*

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Notices for Parish Bulletin to the Parish Office by 12 noon Thursday

Recently Deceased

Rita O'Brien

Anniversaries

Albert Granger, Sebastian D'Imperio, Ann Finegan, Regino & Eliza Veridiano, Alma & Francis Adams, Ellen & Martin Kelly

Prayer for the Sick

We pray for those who are sick. Teresa Wright, Fr Alex Lim, Vanessa, Mary Taylor, Brad Castricum, Melissa Tonkin, Joy ebsdale, Vicki Rhodes, Jim Lacey, Chris Taylor



We pray for all who care for the sick and worry about them.

Prayer / Meditation

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament:

Each day the Church is open from 8.00 am to 6.00pm. Adoration and Benediction each Friday will recommence in February 2022



Parish Events

Piety Stall

Visit the Piety Stall for Christmas Gift ideas and Christmas Cards
Normal open time is Sunday 10.30am to 12.30pm

Christmas Tree Gift Appeal St Vincent de Paul Society-East Parkdale

We invite parishioners to participate in the Christmas Tree appeal located in the church foyer at St John Vianney.



We thank you for your help with this Appeal.

PARISH OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED from Christmas Day, opening 3rd January 2022

Christmas Working Bee:

There will be a Working Bee at St Patrick's on **Tuesday 21st December** after the 9.15 am morning Mass to prepare the Church for Christmas. We are calling on you to help clean and prepare the Church in readiness for Christmas. Are **you** handy with a sweeping brush or chux cloth



Christmas Offering Envelopes are available in both our churches. The contributions via the Christmas Offering supplements the funds raised via the First Collection for the support and upkeep of priests. Please support the Christmas Offerings. The envelopes can be placed on either plate.

Visiting Parishioners with Communion

Volunteers are being sought who can take Communion to parishioners in our parish who are unable to attend Mass. Taking Communion to these parishioners can occur directly after a Mass on a weekend or weekday. For more information, contact the Parish office during office hours, phone 9583 2103. Also, if you know of a parishioner, or parishioners, who are unable to attend Mass, and who would wish to be visited and offered Communion at home, please provide those details to the Parish office during office hours. Thank you.

Sunday 26 December

Rosters

Readers:

9:00 am - R. Tregonning, A Burn (SJV)
11:00 am - J Dillon (SP)
5:00 pm - J Hughes (SP)

Extraordinary Ministers:

9:00 am—B Fitchet (SJV)
11:00 am - B Razga (SP)
5:00 pm - C Giosis (SP)

Extraordinary Minister to the Sick (SJV):

B Fitchet

Monthly E-newsletter

If you would like to receive our monthly e-newsletter please contact the Parish Office with your email address.

mentonepark-daleeast@cam.org.au



Vocation View

Can you honestly pray: "I have come to do your will, O God"? Blessed are you who trusts that the Lord's words to you will be fulfilled.

Please pray for Vocations

Rosary:

1. In St Patrick's Church the Rosary is prayed each day before morning Mass at 8:40am. All welcome.
2. The Rosary is also prayed on Thursday after 10:40am OLSC Mass and on Wednesday evenings, 3pm at Bridie's

1st Collection:

Presbytery: \$1,376.70

2nd Collection

Thanksgiving: \$2,254.34

Loose Money: \$421.40

HYMNS

Entrance Hymn:

Immaculate Mary, we praise God in you

Immaculate Mary, we praise God in you:
his pow'r and his mercy, his grace giv'n to you.

Ave, Ave, Ave, Maria. Ave, Ave, Maria.

Predestined for Christ by eternal decree,
God willed you both virgin and mother to be. **Refrain**

To you by an angel, the Father made known
the grace of his Spirit, the gift of his Son. **Refrain**

Most blest of all women, you heard and believed;
most blest in the fruit of your womb then conceived. **Refrain**

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Offertory Hymn:

Tell out, my soul

Tell out, my soul, the greatness of the Lord!
Unnumbered blessings, give my spirit voice;
tender to me the promise of his word;
in God my Saviour shall my heart rejoice.

Tell out, my soul, the greatness of his name!
Make known his might, the deeds his arm has done;
his mercy sure, from age to age the same;
his holy name, the Lord, the Mighty One.

Tell out, my soul, the greatness of his might!
Pow'r's and dominions lay their glory by.
Proud hearts and stubborn wills are put to flight,
the hungry fed, the humble lifted high.

Tell out, my soul, the glories of his word!
Firm is his promise and his mercy sure.
Tell out, my soul, the greatness of the Lord
to children's children and for evermore!

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Communion Hymn: (5pm only)

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Recessional Hymn: (9am & 11am only)

Come, O long expected Jesus,

Come, O long expected Jesus,
born to set your people free;
from our fears and sins release us,
in your heart our rest shall be.

Israel's strength and consolation,
hope to all you shall impart;
dear desire of ev'ry nation,
joy of ev'ry longing heart.

Born, your people to deliver,
born a child and yet a king,
born to reign in us for ever,
now your gracious kingdom bring.

By your own eternal Spirit
rule in all our hearts alone;
by your all-sufficient merit
raise us to your glorious throne.

Charles Wesley, alt. / Public Domain

SACRAMENT OF PENANCE (Confessions)

FRIDAY 17th DECEMBER

5:45PM Following 5.15PM
Mass, ST JOHN VIANNEY'S
EAST PARKDALE

TUESDAY, 21st DECEMBER

7:00PM ST PATRICK'S
MENTONE

WEDNESDAY, 22nd DECEMBER

9.45AM Following 9.15AM
Mass,
ST PATRICK'S MENTONE

WEDNESDAY, 22nd DECEMBER

11.00AM Following 10.30AM
Mass,
ST JOHN VIANNEY'S EAST
PARKDALE

THURSDAY, 23rd DECEMBER

9.45AM Following 9.15AM
Mass,
ST PATRICK'S MENTONE

THURSDAY, 23rd DECEMBER

11.00AM Following 10.30AM
Mass,
ST PATRICK'S MENTONE

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