Catholic Parish of Bacchus Marsh

St Bernard's Bacchus Marsh / Our Lady Help of Christians, Korobeit

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Christmas Time – The Nativity of the Lord 25th December 2017

MASS & DEVOTION TIMES THIS WEEK

St Bernard's

1 hour Adoration before every **weekday** Mass (**except January**)

Tuesday 26th no Mass Wednesday 27th 9:30am Thursday 28th 9:30am Friday 29th 9:30am

Saturday 30th 5:00pm Vigil Sunday 31st 8:30am 10:00am

Our Lady Help of Christians

Saturday 30th 6:30pm Mass

RECONCILIATION - 1ST RITE

Saturday 30th 4:15pm St Bernard's

ROSARY is held every Monday at 7:30pm with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament for one hour, except over the Christmas/New Year break. It will resume on 15th January 2018.
Rosary is also held on the first Friday of the month following morning Mass.

Next First Friday: 5th January 2018

St Vincent de Paul Society

Welfare Number: 1800 305 330

CHRISTMAS HAMPERS

The Saint Vincent de Paul Society would like to thank all those people who donated items for the Christmas hampers.

The gifts were very generous and well chosen. Many families will be grateful for your support.

Happy Christmas!

THE NEIGHBOURS PLACE

Will be closed from 22nd December 2017. It will re-open on **Monday 22nd January 2018**. We wish you all a safe and harmonious Christmas and New Year.

CHRISTMAS EVE SUNDAY 24TH DECEMBER 2017

I Bring You News of Great Joy. We share the joy of the angels and the shepherds as we celebrate the birth of Jesus, the Saviour of the world. He is one with us, in times of darkness and hardship, in joy and celebration.

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON PSALMS 2:7

Let us all rejoice in the Lord, for our Saviour has been born in the world. Today true peace has come down to us from heaven.

FIRST READING ISAIAH 62:1-5

A son is given to us.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM PSALMS 95:1-3, 11-13. R. LUKE 2:11

R. Today is born our Saviour, Christ the Lord.

O sing a new song to the Lord, sing to the Lord all the earth. O sing to the Lord, bless his name.

Proclaim his help day by day, tell among the nations his glory and his wonders among all the peoples.

Let the heavens rejoice and earth be glad, let the sea and all it bears rejoice, all the trees of the wood shout for joy at the presence of the Lord for he comes, he comes to rule the earth.

With justice he will rule the world, he will judge the peoples with his truth.

R. Today is born our Saviour, Christ the Lord.

SECOND READING TITUS 2:11-14

God's grace has been revealed to all people.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION LUKE 2:10-11

Alleluia, Alleluia!

Good News and great joy to all the world: today is born our Saviour, Christ the Lord.

Alleluia!

GOSPEL LUKE 2:1-14

Today a saviour has been born for you.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON JOHN 1:14

The Word became flesh, and we have seen his glory.

NICENO-CONSTANTINOPOLITAN

I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible.

I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages.

God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father; through him all things were made.

For us men and for our salvation he came down from heaven, [bow during the next two lines:] and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and became man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate, he suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day in

He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

accordance with the Scriptures.

He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and his kingdom will have no end.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.

I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church.

I confess one baptism for the forgiveness of sins and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come.

Amen.

RECENTLY DECEASED

Teresa Darlington-Canty.

ANNIVERSARIES

Leah Abraham, Joyce Atkinson, Peter O'Connor, Fr Sean O'Connell and Teresa Sloupe.

Prayers for the Sick & Frail

(please let us know when your loved one is no longer required on this list)

John Anderson, Noah Barlow, Dudley Baddeley, Michael Barrett, Steven Braszel, Kevin Bridges, John Canty, Fred Capuano, Gary Ching, Ted Cooling, Lindsay & Kathleen Dally, Judy Delahey, Jack DeLuca, Ian Dominguez, Allison Evans, Helen Evans, Justin Fernandez, Pasquale Gagliarbi, Mario Galea, Cynthia Goodyear, Gwen Green, Andree Greenwood, Onnie Greenwood, Joe Gristi, Raymund Hare, Brian Harrison, Adam Hillier, Elle Hillman, Kiahni Holamotutama, Alicia Holborn, Matthew Jansen, David Kasprzak, Loretta Kervin, Michael Larkin, Marie Maloney, Patricia Marechal, Debbie Marshall, Jordanis Maryo, Pauline McDonald, Ian McKechnie, Marcus Meno, Tess Mercieca, Paul Mullin, Arthur Pape, Michael Paterson, Georgia Peacock, Arabella Periera, Bev Pickett, Mitchell Prendergast, Peter Roberts, Julie Scott, Ken Shaw, Marian Smith, Frank & Elizabeth Stehmann, Mitchell Tung, John Van Orsouw, Angela Vicum, Louis Vogels, Barry Walsh, Mary & Michael Walsh, Carol Wells, Cath Wheelahan, Jayne Wilkins, Nils Wyren, Patricia Yazbek, Betty Young, Hannah Young, Jessica Yue.

CHRISTMAS DAY

MONDAY 25TH DECEMBER 2017

THE WORD WAS MADE FLESH AND DWELT AMONG US. In Jesus, the Son of God did not simply become like a human being, or take only the visible form of a human being. God became a human being and pitched his tent among us. Christ, true God and true man, continues to dwell among us in his word and sacrament, and in all who make up his body.

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON CF. ISAIAH 9:5

A child is born for us, and a son is given to us; his sceptre of power rests upon his shoulder, and his name will be called Messenger of great counsel.

FIRST READING ISAIAH 52:7-10

All the ends of the earth shall see the saving power of our God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM PSALMS 97:1-6. R. v. 3

R. All the ends of the earth have seen the saving power of God.

Sing a new song to the Lord for he has worked wonders. His right hand and his holy arm have brought salvation.

The Lord has made known his salvation; has shown his justice to the nations. He has remembered his truth and love for the house of Israel.

All the ends of the earth have seen the salvation of our God. Shout to the Lord all the earth, ring out your joy.

Sing psalms to the Lord with the harp, with the sound of music. With trumpets and the sound of the horn acclaim the King,

R. All the ends of the earth have seen the saving power of God.

SECOND READING HEBREWS 1:1-6

In our own time, God speaks to us through his Son.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia. Alleluia!

A holy day has dawned upon us. Come, you nations and adore the Lord. Today a great light has come upon the earth.

Alleluia!

GOSPEL JOHN 1:1-18

The Word of God became flesh and dwelt among us, and we saw his glory.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON CF PSALMS 97:3

All the ends of the earth have seen the salvation of our God.

CHRISTMAS OFFERING

Christmas Dues are a significant way of supporting your priests. Support for the priest comes from the regular Presbytery Collection (loose money, not Thanksgiving Envelopes). This is assisted by Stole Fees from Baptisms, Funerals, Weddings and Easter and Christmas Dues. The following deductions, e.g. 5% to the Archbishop, 25% to the Priests' Remuneration Fund and Priests' Retirement Fund, Domestic Salary, food, and motor vehicle, have to be made before the priest is paid his minimum living allowance. NB: No claim is made on the Stewardship Giving envelopes to support the priests. Christmas Offering envelopes are available at the church entrances and

may be placed on the collection plates any time.