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**Member of Knox Deanery** 

# The Nativity of the Lord —Year A 25th December 2022 Weekday Mass this week

Friday 30 December at 9.15am

# **Christmas Eve & Christmas Day Masses**

Saturday **Carols** at **5.30pm** followed by **6pm Mass**, Carols **8.30pm** followed by **9pm Mass**,

Sunday 8.30am & 10.30am

Reconciliation by appointment (contact Fr Mark or Fr Samuel at Parish Office)



# Keeping Christmas

Are you willing...

To forget what you have done for other people, and to remember what other people have done for you.

To ignore what the world owes you, and to think what you owe the world? To put your rights in the background, and your duties in the middle distance and your changes to do a little more than your duty in the foreground?

To see that men and women are just as real as you are, and try to look behind their faces to their hearts, hungry for your joy?

To own up to the fact that probably the only good reason for your existence is not what you are going to get out of life, but what you are going to give to life? To close your book of complaints against the management of the universe, and look around you for a place where you can sow a few seeds of happiness? Are you willing to do these things even for a day? Then you can keep Christmas.

## Are you willing...

To stoop down and consider the needs and desires of little children? To remember the weaknesses and loneliness of people growing old? To stop asking how much your friends love you, and ask yourself whether you love them enough? To bear in mind the things that other people have to bear in their hearts?

To try to understand what those who live in the same home with you really want, without waiting for them to tell you?

To trim your lamp so that it will give more light and less smoke, and to carry it in front so that your shadow will fall behind you?

To make a grace for ugly thoughts, and a garden for your kindly feelings, with the gate open?

Are you willing to do those things, even for a day? Then you can keep Christmas.

## Are you willing...

To believe that love is the strongest thing in the world, stronger than hate, stronger than evil, stronger than death—and that the blessed life which began in Bethlehem two thousand years ago is the image and brightness of the Eternal Love? Then you keep Christmas. And if you can keep it for a day, why not always? But you can never keep it alone.

- Henry Van Dyke

Wishing you and your families a happy, safe and blessed Christmas. from Fr Mark, Fr Samuel & the Parish Pastoral Council.

#### **OUR PARISH OFFICE**

Parish Priest: Rev Mark Reynolds EV mark.reynolds@cam.org.au Assistant Priest: Rev Samuel Pearson samuel.pearson@cam.org.au Pastoral Care Coordinator: Sr Ljudmila Anzic 0410 949 056 judecarescoresby@gmail.com Parish Coordinator: Elisa Kelesidis Parish Bookkeeper: Elisa Kelesidis Parish Bookkeeper: Ema Rivera Property & Facilities Manager: Xavier David Child Safety Officer: Kim Baxter Office Hours:

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#### SERVICES & CONTACTS

Community Centre Parish Office: 9763 7302 Fitness Class Pam Jess 9763 7302 Liturgy Group Leon Raj - liturgy.stjudes@gmail.com St. Vincent De Paul Helpline 1800 305 330 Tennis Club Vito Trifilo 0447 044 920 Bible Study Xavier David 0448 766 705 Parish Pastoral Council pastoral.stjudes@gmail.com

#### PARISH SCHOOL PRINCIPALS

<u>St Jude's Primary</u> Mr Tim McMullen 8761 9600 <u>Holy Trinity Primary</u> Mr Adrian Scutt 9801 8296 <u>St Mary's College for the Deaf</u> Ms Amanda Purcell 9800 2733 <u>Mater Christi College</u> Ms Maria Haggett 9754 6611 <u>St Joseph's College</u> Ms Cathy Livingston 9758 2000

First Reading: Isaiah 9:1-7	Second Reading: St Paul to Titus 2:11-14
The people that walked in darkness has seen a great light; on those who live in a land of deep shadow a light has shone. You have made their gladness greater, you have made their joy increase; they rejoice in your presence as men are happy when they are dividing the spoils. For the yoke that was weighing on him,	God's grace has been revealed, and it has made salvation possible for the whole human race and taught us that what we have to do is to give up everything that does not lead to God, and all our worldly ambitions; we must be self-restrained and live good and religious lives here in this present world, while we are waiting in hope for the blessing saviour Christ Jesus. He sacrificed himself for us in order to set us free from all wickedness and to purify a people so that it could be his very own and would have no ambition except to do good.
the bar across his shoulders, the rod of his oppressor,	Gospel: Luke 2:1-14
the fould in its oppressor, these you break as on the day of Midian. For all the footgear of battle, every cloak rolled in blood, is burnt and consumed by fire. For there is a child born for us, a son given to us and dominion is laid on his shoulders; and this is the name they give him: Wonder-Counsellor, Mighty-God, Eternal-Father, Prince-of-Peace. Wide is his dominion in a peace that has no end, for the throne of David and for his royal power, which he establishes and makes secure in justice and integrity. From this time onwards and for ever,	Caesar Augustus issued a decree for a census of the whole world to be taken. This census—the first—took place while Quirinius was governor of Syria, and everyone went to his own town to be registered. So Joseph set out from the town of Nazareth in Galilee and travelled up to Judaea, to the town of David called Bethlehem, since he was of his betrothed, who was with child. While they were there the time came for her to have her child, and she gave birth to a son, her first-born. She wrapped him in swaddling clothes and laid him in a manger because there was no room for them at the inn. In the countryside close by there were shepherds who lived in the fields and took it in turns to watch their flocks during the night. The angel of the Lord appears to them and glory of the Lord shone round them. They were terrified, but the angel said, 'Do not be afraid. Listen, I bring you news of great joy, a joy to be shared by the whole people. Today in the town of David a saviour has been born to you; he is Christ the Lord. And here is a sign for you: you will find a baby wrapped in swaddling clothes and lying in a manger.' And suddenly with the angel there was a great throng of the heavenly host, praising God and singing: 'Glory to God in the highest heaven, and peace to men who enjoy his
From this time onwards and for ever, the jealous love of the Lord of hosts will do this.	'Glory to God in the highest heaven, and peace to men who enjoy his favour'.

We ask for the peace and grace of Eternal Life for William Shak, Maria Baldin and those whose memories are sacred to us at this time especially:



Anne Piston, Colleen Peters, Constancio Geronimo, George Hindmarsh, Richard Peters, Molly Dentry, Yves Lionnet, Adelaide Cordeiro, Peter Fernandes, Christobel Van Langenberg, Allan Ross, Lino Baldin, Robert Yeow, Margherita Mangion.

Fr Mark has been experiencing difficulties receiving emails and anyone wishing to send an email to him directly could you also please send a copy to scoresby@cam.org.au Many thanks



Thank you to all the wonderful volunteers on the Morning Cuppa Roster. The weekend Morning Cuppa will resume next year on Sunday 5th February 2023.

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The Parish Office will be closed from Monday 26th December 2022 and will re-open on Tuesday 10th January 2023 from 9am-1pm.

## St Jude's Parish—Liturgy Roster Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God

First Reading: Nm 6:22-27, Second Reading Gal 4:4-7 & Gospel Lk 2:16-21

31 Dec / 1 Jan Readers

**Altar Society** 

**Church Cleaner** 

Saturday 6pm Lauren Pereira Filomena Uberti Mass Projector Diyen Hettiarachchi No Children's Liturgy during the School Holidays

Sunday 8.30am Tony McCumstie Mikhail Santosa Megan Pinto

Sunday 10.30am Irene Wallis Sr Sialie Lagaaia Audrey/Isabelle Raj



Thank you to all those who "Serve the Lord with Joy" by participating in these rosters. Please view the COVID Safe Plan for St Jude's displayed on the entry doors of the church.