



# Parish of St Justin

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St Justin's Parish is committed to the safety, well-being and dignity of all children and vulnerable adults.

## First Sunday of Advent Year A

27th November 2022

### PARISH PERSONNEL

#### PARISH PRIEST:

**Fr Andrzej Madry**

Congregation of the Resurrection

#### PARISH DEACON:

Deacon Neil Daculan

#### PARISH SECRETARY:

Jeanne Bernard

### SAFEGUARDING TEAM

Mai-Ling Sholl

Ophelia D'Souza

[Wheelershill.safeguarding@cam.org.au](mailto:Wheelershill.safeguarding@cam.org.au)

### ST JUSTIN'S SCHOOL

#### PRINCIPAL:

Patrick Torpey

9561 7644

### NAZARETH COLLEGE

#### PRINCIPAL:

Sam Consentino

9795 8100

### PARISH OFFICE OPEN:

Tuesday 2pm—4pm

Wednesday 10am—4pm

Thursday 10.00am —2pm

Friday 12noon —4pm

### WEEKEND MASSES:

*Saturday Vigil: 6.00pm*

*Sunday : 8.30am,*

*10.30am & 5 pm*

### WEEK DAY MASSES:

*Tuesday, Wednesday,*

*Thursday, Friday 9.15 am,*

*Saturday 9.15am*

### RECONCILIATION: BY

#### APPOINTMENT

**BAPTISMS, MARRIAGES,**

**PASTORAL CARE OF THE**

**SICK:**

*For details regarding the celebration of these sacraments, please contact the Parish Office or speak directly to Fr Andrzej.*

**BAPTISM PREPARATION**

Please contact the

Parish Office 9401 6335

### First Reading

*A reading from the prophet Isaiah*

The vision of Isaiah son of Amoz, concerning Judah and Jerusalem.

In the days to come the mountain of the Temple of the Lord shall tower above the mountains and be lifted higher than the hills. All the nations will stream to it, peoples without number will come to it; and they will say:

'Come, let us go up to the mountain of the Lord, to the Temple of the God of Jacob that he may teach us his ways so that we may walk in his paths; since the Law will go out from Zion, and the oracle of the Lord from Jerusalem.'

He will wield authority over the nations and adjudicate among many peoples; these will hammer their swords into ploughshares, their spears into sickles. Nation will not lift sword against nation, there will be no more training for war. O House of Jacob, come, let us walk in the light of the Lord.

**The Word of the Lord,**

**Response - Thanks be to God**

### Responsorial Psalm

**Ps 121:1-2. 4-5. 6-9. R. see v.1.**

*(R.) Let us go rejoicing to the house of the Lord.*

1. I rejoiced when I heard them say: 'Let us go to God's house.' And now our feet are standing within your gates, O Jerusalem. (R.)
2. It is there that the tribes go up, the tribes of the Lord. For Israel's law it is, there to praise the Lord's name. There were set the thrones of judgement of the house of David. (R.)
3. For the peace of Jerusalem pray: 'Peace be to your homes! May peace reign in your walls, in your palaces, peace!' (R.)
4. For love of my brethren and friends I say: 'Peace upon you!' For love of the house of the Lord I will ask for your good. (R.)

### Second Reading

*A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Romans*

You know 'the time' has come: you must wake up now: our salvation is even nearer than it was when we were converted. The night is almost over, it will be daylight soon – let us give up all the things we prefer to do under the cover of the dark; let us arm ourselves and appear in the light. Let us live decently as people do in the daytime: no drunken orgies, no promiscuity or licentiousness, and no wrangling or jealousy. Let your armour be the Lord Jesus Christ.

**The Word of the Lord,**

**Response - Thanks be to God**

### Gospel Acclamation

*Alleluia, alleluia!*

*Lord, show us your mercy and love, and grant us your salvation.*

*Alleluia!*



### Gospel

*A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew*

Jesus said to his disciples: 'As it was in Noah's day, so will it be when the Son of Man comes. For in those days before the Flood people were eating, drinking, taking wives, taking husbands, right up to the day Noah went into the ark, and they suspected nothing till the Flood came and swept all away. It will be like this when the Son of Man comes. Then of two men in the fields one is taken, one left; of two women at the millstone grinding, one is taken, one left.

'So stay awake, because you do not know the day when your master is coming. You may be quite sure of this that if the householder had known at what time of the night the burglar would come, he would have stayed awake and would not have allowed anyone to break through the wall of his house. Therefore, you too must stand ready because the Son of Man is coming at an hour you do not expect.'

**The Gospel of the Lord**

**Response - Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ**

Next Week's Reading  
Second Sunday of Advent  
Is 11:1 - 10: Rom 15: 4 - 9:  
Mt 3: 1 - 12:





## We pray for the sick of our Parish:

Joan Lopes, Carmel Welsh, Lois O'Loughlin, Francis & Joanne Downs, Fred Clarke, Tiana Mugagulio, Deidre Schroter, Andrew White, David Booth, Carolyn Egan, Maria Macan, Rita, John Charman, Steven & Georgette Mizher, Annette & Stephen Sachie. Judy Mead.

We pray **Roy Mead** and all souls who passed away recently, may they rest in peace.

We remember **Achille Aiello** all whose death anniversaries that occur at this time.

## Parish Calendar

**Thursday 1st December**  
Parish Pastoral Team Meeting 6.00pm

**Monday 5th December**  
St Justin's End of Year Lunch Monday 5th December  
Mulgrave Country Club

**Thursday 8th December**  
St Justin's School, Christmas Concert 4.30pm - 6.30pm

**Tuesday 13th December**  
Good Shepherd Parish Advent Reconciliation at 7pm

**Wednesday 14th December**  
St Justin's Parish Advent Reconciliation at 7pm

**Friday 16th December**  
End of School Year Mass 9.15am



## Thanksgiving Collections

**20th November 2022**

### 1st Collection (house)

Presbytery - \$ 660.80

### 2nd Collection (church)

Thanksgiving - \$ 213.50

Loose - \$ 208.65

Thankyou and appreciate for your continuous support given to St Justin's Parish, God Bless,

## St Justin's Lunch Monday 5th December 12 noon

Mulgrave Country Club  
Al La Carte (choose your own meal)  
All Welcome  
Share a meal with Parishioners & Friends

Booking essential by phoning or texting  
Mai Ling 0412 499 205  
Or Phone Parish Office 9401 6335

## ST JUSTIN'S NATIVITY PLAY - CHRISTMAS VIGIL 6PM MASS



This year the Parish of St Justin would like to put up a Nativity Play for the Christmas Vigil Mass. The play will be performed on 24 December before the 6pm Christmas Vigil Mass with the help of the Parish Choir and the Youth Ministry.

Calling all children and young people to come together to sing/ act for this Play. No one is too old or too young to be in the Play.

The only requirement is a desire to praise the Lord with the gift of your voice or acting.

**Rehearsals will be held on Sunday, 11 December, 18 December and Saturday, 24 December from 11.30am -12.30pm at the Parish.**

We also need help with costumes and props.

Please contact the Parish Office if you are able to help with the costumes and props.



## BAPTISM

We welcome and pray this weekend for **LUCA JOSEPH D'AMELIO, HUDSON THOMAS WILLIAMS, FINN WILLIAM RUDZKI** as they receive their sacrament of Baptism.

## Youth Ministry: Christmas Carols Singing at the Aged Care

The Youth Ministry will be singing at several aged care homes around the Wheelers Hill area on

**3rd December ( Sat) from 10.00 am - 2.00pm**

**4th December (Sun) from 10.00am - 2.00pm**

Practices will be held on:

**Sunday 27th November from 6.00pm - 7.30pm**

**Friday 2nd December from 6.00pm - 7.30pm**



**Please join us as we spread the Christmas cheer.**

**ALL ARE WELCOME**

Please confirm your attendance by calling the Parish Office on (03) 9401 6335 OR email [wheelershill@cam.org.au](mailto:wheelershill@cam.org.au) by the **30th November with your name & contact details.**

## Christmas Hamper

All proceeds will go to Charity

Cost \$ 2.00 per ticket ( available after each mass)

Hamper will be drawn on the 10th December ( Sunday after 10.30 mass)



All Parish Bulletin requests must be in  
by **Wednesday midday.**

Please email all requests to [wheelershill@cam.org.au](mailto:wheelershill@cam.org.au)

## SAFEGUARDING ESSENTIALS ONLINE TRAINING MODULE IS NOW LIVE.

The Catholic Archdiocese of Melbourne Professional Standards Unit has announced the launch of the Safeguarding Essential online training module for volunteers.

The **Safeguarding Essentials online training** is a 30 min training module for volunteers within the Catholic Archdiocese of Melbourne. Clergy and employees will be able to access the training module currently on Employment Hero.

The purpose of this training is to provide our volunteers with:

- foundational knowledge that will support them to undertake their role
- a clear understanding of their duty of care and expectations with regards to safeguarding children, young people and adults from all forms of abuse and harm

This will be:

- an annual requirement for everyone
- possible to complete individually online

At the completion of the training:

- participants will receive a certificate of completion
- the parish will also receive notification that the module has been completed successfully.

## ST JUSTIN'S PARISH VOLUNTEERS

Our parish is planning to host group sessions in the near future for all our committed volunteers.

Dates and times will be announced shortly.

Alternatively it may be more convenient for you to undertake online training at home, if so please go to:

[www.safeguarding.melbournecatholic.org](http://www.safeguarding.melbournecatholic.org)

To login, you will need:

- your unique Working With Children Check ID
- your email address

Each registered user will receive:

- a certificate of completion emailed to you.
- an annual reminder to complete the course.

## The Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception, 8th December



"The most Blessed Virgin Mary was, from the first moment of her conception, by a singular grace and privilege of almighty God and by virtue of the merits of Jesus Christ, Savior of the human race, preserved immune from all stain of original sin."

In 1854, Pope Pius IX's solemn declaration, "Ineffabilis Deus," clarified with finality the long-held belief of the Church that Mary was conceived free from original sin. Mary was granted this extraordinary privilege because of

Her unique role in history as the Mother of God. That is, she received the gift of salvation in Christ from the very moment of her conception. Even though Mary is unique in all humanity for being born without sin, she is held up by the Church as a model for all humanity in Her holiness and Her purity in her willingness to accept the Plan of God for her.

**"The word of the Lord came to me thus: "Before I formed you in the womb I knew you, before you were born I dedicated you, a prophet to the nations I appointed you." (Jeremiah 1:5-6)**

## Advent: a guide for the perplexed



Advent is not only one of the great seasons of the Church's year; it's the *beginning* of the new liturgical year, though maybe it doesn't always feel that way. For some of us, perhaps, Advent is not a season we fully engage with. As the work year hurtles towards its conclusion and we get caught up in all the busyness, Advent tends to recede into the background.

But Advent is supposed to be a time of spiritual renewal: a chance to start again, to come home if we've drifted away, to rediscover the joy of knowing Jesus Christ. Jesus comes to make his home among us and within us. Advent offers us a chance to rediscover this. So it's worth spending some time thinking about what Advent is, why it exists and how we might enter into it more intentionally.

What does "Advent" mean?

The word *advent* comes from the old Latin word *adventus*, which refers to an 'arrival, an approach or a coming'. In the context of the leadup to Christmas, it refers to the coming of Christ.

Which coming though? Traditionally, as St Bernard of Clairvaux pointed out, there are three 'comings' of Christ at the heart of Advent spirituality:

We know that the coming of the Lord is threefold ... The first coming was in flesh and weakness, the middle coming is in spirit and power, and the final coming will be in glory and majesty.

During Advent, as we remember the first coming of Christ in the Incarnation, we enter into the experience of Old Testament Israel, recalling the many years of waiting for the Messiah, and the fulfilment of their hopes in the little baby in Nazareth.

We also look ahead to the final coming of Christ 'in glory and majesty', anticipating the transfiguration of all creation in Christ, the Last Judgment and the joy of heaven.

What St Bernard refers to as the 'middle coming' is Christ's coming here and now, especially through the sacrament of the Eucharist. Christ's coming is a sacramental and spiritual coming, but it is also a real coming—which is why we speak of 'the *real* presence'. Christ lives in our midst, making his home among us. Christian discipleship means living as if that is true.

## BIBLE STUDY - The Bible timeline

This is an excellent program, especially for those wanting to make a start on bible study.

**Wednesdays 7.30pm online/zoom**

Watch video presentation and share responses to engaging questions.

For more information about resources and link, please contact

Paul Dunne 0402 843 361 [pwdunne@aap.net.au](mailto:pwdunne@aap.net.au)

Kasimir Clement 0435 049 828 [ckasimir888@gmail.com](mailto:ckasimir888@gmail.com)

## Columban Calendar for 2023

We are taking orders for the Columban Calendars

If you are interested please contact the Parish office on 9401 6335 or email : [wheelershill@cam.org.au](mailto:wheelershill@cam.org.au) Please order before the 30th Nov 2022 , \$10.50 per calendar

ROSTERS	DATE	ALTAR SERVERS	DATA PROJECTIONIST	READERS	EUCCHARISTIC MINISTER
Sat 6.00 pm	26 Nov	Leanne M, Charleen F.	Joe Persico	Helen Johnpillai	Pabsi Perera
Sun 8.30am	27 Nov	Georgia R.	Khai Vu	Diana Tan	Deacon Neil
Sun 10.30am	27 Nov	Jalon P, Gavin R.	Domenico D'Angelo	Rudy Fernandes	Deacon Neil
Sun 5.00 pm	27 Nov	Aiden D, Lachlan Di I	Anthony Devadass	Ophelia D'Souza	
<b>NEXT WEEK</b>					
Sat 6.00pm	3 Dec	Alissa & Sienna M	Melissa Fernandes	Jaime Davin	Volunteer
Sun 8.30 am	4 Dec	Aaron Espiritu	Oswin Antao	Alice Espiritu	Deacon Neil
Sun 10.30 am	4 Dec	Ava O, Georgia R	Lolita Briones	Volunteer	Deacon Neil
Sun 5.00pm	4 Dec	Volunteer	Ashleigh D'Souza	Isabelle Devadass	
<b>ROSTERS</b>		<b>COUNTERS</b>	<b>CLEANING</b>	<b>ALTAR</b>	
<b>THIS WEEK</b>	27 Nov	Yvette Esteves, Adeline Sie	Natalie Uranie	Lolita Briones	
	4 Dec	Lolita Briones, Rohitha Wick 'ratne		Natalie Uraine	

### ST JUSTIN'S PARISH CRAFT GROUP

All welcome, come along to the  
Meeting Room in St Justin's Parish House  
WEDNESDAYS 1.00pm—3.00pm

2nd & 4th Wed each month (except school holidays)

Next gatherings will be in 2023

 Sewing, Knitting, Crochet, Craft Projects

- Bring along your own project
- Learn a new craft
- Or just share a cuppa and a chat

Any queries contact Mai Ling 0412 499 205.

### Sacraments, Classes for 2023

Parents of children who attend schools other than our parish school who wish to enrol their children to prepare to receive their Sacraments,

Please notify the Parish Office by the 7th of February 2023 as enrolment day is the 14th of February 2023 from 4.30pm - 4.30pm

Email: [wheelershill@cam.org.au](mailto:wheelershill@cam.org.au) or  
Parish Office 9401 6335

The grade levels for each Sacraments are:

First Holy Communion/Reconciliation Grade 4

Confirmation - Grade 6

(This is so that classes and teachers can be organised for 2023 )

### MOTHERS PRAYER GROUP

We will never be a perfect parent, but we can be a praying parent.

Wednesday after 9.15am Mass, 2nd & 4th Wed each month

"Your prayers for your children are the greatest legacy you can leave."

For more information

Please contact Yvette on 0435 757 439

Mothers, Aunts & Grandmothers are Welcome !



MERCY CONNECT MELBOURNE is currently recruiting volunteers to support Refugee Students and Asylum Seekers in Primary and Secondary schools across the Melbourne Archdiocese. The volunteer commitment is approximately half a day per week for 4 school terms. Experience working in an educational setting is preferred but not limited to. Please contact Sr. Mary Lewis RSM for an application form and further information. A Training Day for new volunteers with emphasis on Child Safeguarding will take place prior to commencement in 2023.

Email: [somml@bigpond.com](mailto:somml@bigpond.com) (preferred for contact)

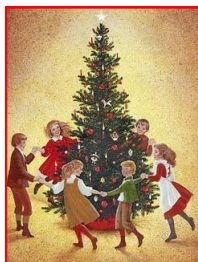
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### "Vinnies Christmas Appeal"

We need your help for those in our community who are less fortunate than ourselves at this Christmas Time !

Donations required are Christmas cake, Puddings, Mince pies, Chocolates, Biscuits, Candy canes, Jam, Coffee, Tea, Full cream milk.



There will be baskets in the church foyer.

Cash donations can be left in the Vincent De Paul box at the rear of the church.

Your generosity is much appreciated, Thank you

### ADVERTISING IN ST JUSTIN'S PARISH NEWSLETTER

We are now able to offer the opportunity for parishioners to advertise their business in our weekly newsletter.

The cost will be \$5.00 per week. Funds will assist the cost of printing our parish newsletter. Advertisements will appear on the back page of the newsletter with the disclaimer below.

If you wish to place an advertisement please contact the Parish Office call 9401 6335 or email

[wheelershill@cam.org.au](mailto:wheelershill@cam.org.au)