



Our Lady of Victories Horsley Park

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Celebrating Community



Our Lady Of Victories
Catholic Parish
1788 The Horsley Drive, Horsley Park

Our Lady Queen of Peace
215 Western Road, Kemps Creek

We pay our respects and acknowledge the traditional custodians of this land. May we walk gently and respectfully upon the land.

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Mass Times
Horsley Park:
Mon-Fri: 8.30am Rosary,
9.00am Morning Mass
Saturday: 6.00pm
Sunday: 8.00am, 10.00am, 6.00pm

Kemps Creek: SUSPENDED

Reconciliation:
Mon, Wed - Fri: 8.30am-8.50am
Saturday 5.15pm-5.45pm
At other times by appointment.

Enquiries regarding other Sacraments:
Please ring during office hours.

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Principal: Therese Gaunt

An induction loop for the hearing impaired is fitted in the centre aisle of the church.

12 December 2021

THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT - YEAR C

INTRODUCTION: On this Third Sunday of Advent the liturgy speaks of God as the Lord who is happy to come among us with shouts of joy as on a day of festival. He comes with his peace, love and forgiveness in every Eucharist and every day when we are willing to make God's joy and peace grow in us and in our world. Let us open our hearts to God's presence among us and rejoice through lives of joyful service.

FIRST READING: Zephaniah 3 : 14-18
With gladness the Lord will rejoice over you.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: Isaiah 12 : 2-6

RESPONSE: Cry out with joy and gladness:
for among you is the great and Holy One of Israel.

SECOND READING: Philippians 4 : 4-7
The Lord is near.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

Alleluia, alleluia!
The Spirit of the Lord is upon me;
he sent me to bring Good News to the poor.
Alleluia!

GOSPEL: Luke 3 : 10-18
What, then, must we do?

COMMUNION ANTIPHON:

Say to the faint of heart:
Be strong and do not fear.
Behold, our God will come,
and he will save us.



Third Sunday of Advent

✠ WE PRAY FOR OUR DECEASED RELATIVES & FRIENDS: BIANCO Phil, CAMILLERI Charlie, FENECH Giulliana, GAUCI John, GRIMA Joseph, Sam, Anthony, Carmel, MANSUETO Mary, MICALLEF Carmen, MONTELEONE Francesca, Giuseppe, MUSCAT Jean, Lewis, PACE Gateana, Joseph, Les, SCHEMBRI Joseph, Joe, TABONE Emanuel, VELLA Ninu, Angelo, Salvina, Maryanne, Sylvina, Charlie, Anthony, Stephen, Rose, All Souls in Purgatory. All Relatives and Friends. May they rest in peace. Amen

WE PRAY FOR OUR SICK PARISHIONERS. Alyssa Ferreri, Seak Yek Heng, Vicky Vella. *May God's love give them strength and courage.*

Monday 13 December: *(Matthew 21:23-27) St Lucy, 9.00am Morning Mass*
Tuesday 14 December: *(Matthew 21:28-32) St John of the Cross, 9.00am Morning Mass*
Wednesday 15 December: *(Luke 7:19-23) 9.00am Morning Mass*
Thursday 16 December: *(Luke 7:24-30) 9.00am Morning Mass, 10.30am Monthly Remembrance Mass, 7.00pm - 8.00pm Reconciliation*
Friday 17 December: *(Matthew 1:1-17) 9.00am Morning Mass*
Saturday 18 December: *(Matthew 1:18-24) 5.30pm Rosary followed by Mass at 6.00pm*
Sunday 19 December: *FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT (Micah 5:1-4, Hebrews 10:5-10, Luke 1:39-44) 8.00am, 9.30am Divine Mercy Chaplet followed by 10.00am Mass, 6.00pm Mass*

FOR YOUR SAFETY



Please use hand sanitizer

Current Public Health Orders still apply at present.

Restrictions relating to Christmas Masses will be advised in due course.

QR CODE REGISTRATION or manual sign AND FACE MASKS - still mandatory

If you are not well stay at home.



RECONCILIATION & CHRISTMAS 2021

Tuesday 14 December: Bossley Park - 6.00pm - 8.00pm

Wednesday 15 December: Smithfield - from 7.30pm

Thursday 16 December: 7.00pm - 8.00pm: Reconciliation (Horsley Park)

Saturday 18 December: 5.15pm - 5.45pm: Reconciliation

*PLEASE NOTE: There will be NO Reconciliation on Christmas Eve..
Please do not leave your Reconciliation late so as not to be disappointed.*



Advent Reconciliation

CHRISTMAS MASS TIMES

Booking for Christmas Mass is NOT required under current NSW Health Orders

CHRISTMAS EVE: Friday 24 December: 6.00pm & Midnight

CHRISTMAS DAY: Saturday 25 December: 8.00am & 10.00am

The HOLY FAMILY of Jesus, Mary & Joseph: Sunday 26 December: 9.00am & 6.00pm

There will be NO Evening Mass on Christmas Day

MONTHLY DEVOTIONS

Tuesday - December 28: 6.00pm Devotion to St Michael the Archangel, 6.30pm Mass.

Wednesday - December 29: Adoration & Devotion to St Joseph, 8.30am followed by Mass.

Saturday - January 01: Immaculate Heart of Mary, 8.00am Adoration & Rosary followed by Mass

Friday - January 07: First Friday, 8.00am Adoration followed by 9.00am Mass



REMEMBRANCE MASS & COMPASSIONATE COMPANIONS: Thursday 16 December at 10.30am. All are welcome, especially those who grieve the death of loved ones and those who support them.

MSSP SPONSORSHIP: Sponsorship in support of the Missionary Society of St Paul's missions in Peru, Pakistan and Philippines is due for renewal. Contributions can be forwarded directly to the MSSP's bank account: BSB 083 153, Acc No. 80 559 9567, Acc Name: Missionary Society of St Paul, please add your name as the Reference. Once you have sent your contribution, please email the receipt / payment advice to: accounts@mssp.org.au or contact Joyce Cutajar on 0429 145 569 to advise the contribution has been sent. Further details, queries or if you wish to become a sponsor contact Joyce (Monday, Thursday or Friday, 9.30am—2.30pm). Thank you for your continued support.

LIGHTS OF CHRISTMAS: St Mary's Cathedral from 8.30pm - 11.00pm nightly until Christmas Eve. The spectacular light and sound show is free and open to all. More information is available at: lightsofchristmas.com.au.

CARITAS AUSTRALIA GLOBAL GIFTS CHRISTMAS CARDS: Help make Christmas shine brighter for the world's most vulnerable people by purchasing Global Gift Christmas cards. See the poster on the notice board for more details on how your gift can help communities around the world. Order cards online at www.globalgifts.org.au or call 1800 024 413.

ROTARY - CAROLS IN THE PARK RAFFLE 2021: Rotary Club of Wetherill Park wish to thank all who supported this year's raffle. Winning tickets were: 1st: 7032-James B, 2nd: 1049-Tina L, 3rd: 1375-Frank H, 4th: 5872-Carmen D, 5th: 6785-Julie N, 6th: 7414-Paul C, 7th: 1446-Sharon C, 8th: 1112-Toni H, 9th: 1120-Lucy C, 10th: 7440-Tram N, 11th: 5787-Bob F, 12th: 6376-Anthony M, 13th: 7241-David L, 14th: 1324-Marie S, 15th: 7050-Antona H, 16th: 7674-Alison C, 17th: 7482-Frank H, 18th: 6381-Michael C, 19th: 6336-S.C., 20th: 5053-David E. Congratulations to all winners.

Lighting the Advent Wreath
Third Sunday of Advent
The Candle of JOY

Dear God,
give us joy in our hearts
now and forever.
Help us to proclaim this joy
to those we encounter
in our daily lives.
We make our prayer
through Christ our Lord.
Amen.



MYSTERY OF FAITH

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

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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; 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 accordance with the Scriptures.

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

Catechesis of St Joseph

ST JOSEPH - PATRON OF REFUGEES)



The Holy Family of Nazareth was an immigrant family. To avoid King Herod's persecution, Joseph took Jesus and Mary to live in exile in Egypt, fleeing persecution and violence. He experienced the sadness of being away from home and faced the difficulties and hardships of living in a foreign land, facing poverty, having to learn another language, and being treated as an outsider, an undesirable, even a criminal. But in the face of all these difficulties, Joseph kept his peace and integrity. He obeyed God, who gave him the strength to face the challenges, hardships, and difficulties that came while he was seeking safety and a better future for the Holy Family.

There are literally millions of Josephs in our time. Every day we hear reports of people leaving their countries to escape war and persecution. Men leave behind spouses and children to find opportunities for their families. Many are crowded into camps, awaiting acceptance and resettlement.

St. Joseph stands as an example of resolute trust and a great intercessor for immigrants. He conveys the same message carried to him by an angel: 'Do not be afraid' (Matthew 1:20). Having made such a perilous journey himself, St. Joseph shows us that God will walk with each of us, too, wherever our journey takes us. *St. Joseph, Patron of refugees, intercede for all those who are migrants and refugees, who are seeking asylum from oppression, poverty, persecution, violence, and war. Protect them and keep them safe.*

Prayer to St Michael the Archangel

Saint Michael the Archangel, defend us in battle, be our safeguard against the wickedness and snares of the devil; may God rebuke him, we humbly pray and do you, O Prince of the Heavenly Host, by the power of God, cast into hell Satan and all the evil spirits who prowl about the world seeking the ruin of souls. Amen.

ROSTERS

COUNTING GROUPS:

THIS WEEK

GROUP 3:
Angelo Basso,
Peter Basso

NEXT WEEK

GROUP 4:
John Borg, Fred Borg,
Emanuel Borg

CLEANING GROUPS:

THIS WEEK

GROUP 1:
Diane Borg, Denis
Schembri, Lily
Bugeja, Michelle
Gauci, Patricia
Stuardo, Louise Louis

NEXT WEEK

GROUP 2:
Dorothy Muscat,
Violet Menolotto,
Lily Rowe, Jane Borg,
Angela Panetta

**ACTIVITIES IN
DECEMBER**

Thurs 16, 10.30am:
Remembrance Mass &
Compassionate
Companions-Horsley
Park

Fri 17: School year
ends

Fri 24: Christmas Eve

Sat 25:

CHRISTMAS DAY



Sun 26: Boxing Day

Mon 27 & Tues 28:
Public Holidays for
Christmas and Boxing
Day

Fri 31: New Year's Eve



SAFEGUARDING - A message from the Archdiocese of Sydney

Child sexual abuse is a crime. The appropriate people to deal with crimes are the police. If you, or anyone you know, have been abused, please contact the police. Alternatively, you can contact the Safeguarding & Ministerial Integrity Office at 9390 5810 or safeguardingenquiries@sydneycatholic.org. You may also want to speak to your Parish Priest who will be able to provide support and guidance. The Archdiocese has a legal obligation to report crimes to police.



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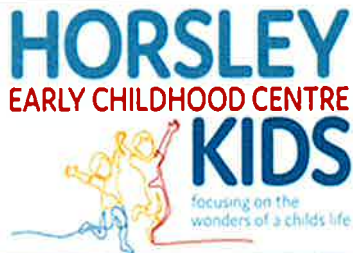
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