

This Week :	01/02 Dec 2018	Week 1		
Ministry	Sat 5pm	Sun 8am	Sun 10am	Sun 5pm
Music Groups	Sacred Heart	Congregation	Sacred Heart	Sts Joachim & Anne
Readers	Mick G	Fred B / Ruby	Andrew / Lina	Mabel A
Ministers of Holy Communion	Tea / Petronella	Steve /Francisca	Janey/Lynh	Teresa / Alda
Acolytes	??	Peter	Yuve / Victor	Mick M
Altar Servers	Eaven/Alison/ Nicholas S	Gabriel	Shirley/Thomas/ Ariel/Kayla	Monica

Next Week:	08/09 Dec 2018	Week 2		
Ministry	Sat 5pm	Sun 8am	Sun 10am	Sun 5pm
Music Groups	David & Co	Congregation	St Augustine	David & Co
Readers	Louella / Diane	Edna / Pat B	Candice / Anne	Krsytle / Thea
Ministers of Holy Communion	Mick G	Anne H / Aivi	Latu / Bernadette	Alda
Acolytes	??	Peter	Vincent / Carolyn	Mick M
Altar Servers	Samantha / Eaven/Jessica	Gabriel	Natasha/Caitlin/ Nicholas/Nynia	Thashalia

Children's Liturgy 2018	Possums	Koalas	Kangas
NO CHILDREN'S LITURGY TILL NEW SCHOOL TERM BEGINS IN 2019			
Rosters	1 Dec 2018	8 Dec 2018	
Altar Society	NUSPAS	Bernadette	
Church Cleaner	ARC	ARC	

LET US PRAY FOR:

Recently Returned to the Father: Siale Mikaele Tuipulotu, Josip Ugarkovic, Bernadette Allen

Death Anniversary: Eliza Baluyot, Ozzie Symes, Rodolfo Atun, Domingo Tamayo, Franca & Milan Puskaric, Daphne Griggs, Paul Fenech, Jude Fitzpatrick

In Loving Memory of: deceased members of the Keating family, Mary Willis, Dominic Wang, Maria Huang, Jimmy & Winnie Acton, Dorothy M Roll, Rocco & Antonio Maiolo, Maam Tersing Cantiga, Magdalena T Guevarra, Maria & Domenico Nesci, Leona, Cesario & Santos Ranario

NB: Please let the Parish Office know when circumstances change

Sick & Infirm: Bishop Geoffrey Robinson, Fr Graham Kings, Shirley O'Brien, Madeline Mitchell, Frank Morgan, Leila Mitchell, Val Jenkins, Sr Joan Harrison rsj, Eileen Kenny, Zahra Bourke, Gwen Ross, Frances Reid, Fiona Sutherland, Bernadette Driessen, Peter Walters, Leo Driessen, Zachary Marsh, Michael Tucker, Antonio Bartolotta, Ruth Mary Daly, Ivanka Cesjar, Norman Gomes, Katerina Irga, Bernadette Gregory, Alex Balatbat, Rustica La Rosa, Tony Fernandez, Blazenka



St Joachim's Christmas Pageant 2018 — We are looking for children to play the roles of angels and shepherds for our Christmas Eve vigil Mass - 24 December @7pm. Rehearsals are in the church / Parish Hall and started on **Saturday 1 December @10am** For details contact Mrs Anne Hay 0410 450 432

Expressions of Interest: The Catholic Archdiocese of Sydney
Applications are invited for the opportunity to undertake the role of Property Officer, part of the Chancery Team located at the Polding Centre, Sydney.
For further information, the advertisement for this role can be viewed at <https://catholicjobsonline.com.au/jobs/property-officer-sydney/>



Holy Rosary: Next Rosary gathering will be hosted by Diane & Michael on Tuesday 4th Dec in 9 Main Ave, Lidcombe. Please call Daisy on 0433 544 431 if you would like to host the Rosary OR write your details on the sheet placed before our Lady's altar.

A Choral Christmas Celebration Concert
On Friday 14 December, St Mary's Cathedral will celebrate with carols and an overwhelming feeling of Christmas joy for the annual, and much anticipated A Choral Christmas Celebration concert. There will be two performances at 11am & 7pm with tickets starting from \$20. Visit www.cathedralchoir.sydney/accc for more info

Catholic Cemeteries and Crematoria warmly invites you and your family to join them at the annual **Twilight Carols**.
Where: Mary, Mother of Mercy Chapel, Rookwood
When: Thursday 13th December 2018 at 6:30pm followed by Fireworks at 9pm
Also their annual **Christmas Remembrance Service 2018**, presided by Bishop Terence Brady.
Where: St Mary's Cathedral, College St Sydney
When: Sunday 16th December 2018 at 7:30pm

Kimberley Catholic Volunteer Service
The Diocese of Broome, WA, requires volunteers to assist with the work of the local Church in the Kimberley. There are various important voluntary tasks: administration, building maintenance, gardening, shop staffing, cooking, cleaning etc. Placements are preferred for a period of 6 months. We are currently seeking volunteers for several parishes including Balgo, and La Grange/ Bidyadanga and Warmun. For further details on how to be a part of this unique experience, and an application form, please contact:
Volunteer Coord: Anneliese Rohr 08 9192 1060
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An Advent App for Christmas! — Meet Me in the Silence. Walk the journey to Advent on your mobile device. Each day delivers a new video, podcast or written feature to assist you prepare for Christmas and meet Jesus in the silence, despite the busyness of the Christmas season. The Advent Calendar App is free and available on your iPhone, iPad and Android devices. Search for "Xt3 Advent" in the Google Play store or the App store, or visit www.sydneycatholic.org/xt3advent

Lights of Christmas 5th December
Come and celebrate with Bishop Richard Umbers and Gary Pinto the end of the Year of Youth and the Launch of the Lights of Christmas. Join us on the 5th of December for:
5:30PM Mass celebrated by Bishop Richard Umbers
6:30PM Concert on the Cathedral steps featuring Gary Pinto
7:30PM Lights of Christmas celebration followed by official opening with Archbishop Anthony Fisher OP and NSW Premier Gladys Berejiklian.
A great way to spend your Wednesday evening by joining the thousands of Sydney-siders for the opening of the Lights of Christmas

St Elizabeth Convent in Minsk, Belarus
Nuns from this convent, a Christian community that supports a large psychiatric hospital; takes care of an orphanage for children with mental and physical disabilities and runs a rehabilitation center and a shelter for the homeless; will be visiting us on **Wednesday 19th Dec** to sell religious articles and souvenirs some of which were made by these vulnerable people. Proceeds will be used to support the people who are in their care. Please support them in their endeavours. Thank you.

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WE COME TOGETHER TO ENCOUNTER GOD, WELCOMING ONE ANOTHER JOYFULLY IN ACTIVE SERVICE

OFFICE HOURS: TUESDAY, WEDNESDAY, & THURSDAY only 09:30am to 03:30pm PLEASE RING or EMAIL the Parish Office for anything ...
Mass Intentions—drop in the mailbox or collection baskets. **Weddings:** minimum 6 months notice.
Baptisms: held only on 2nd & 4th Sunday of each month. **Berala on the Park** 3rd Friday @ 11am / **Canberra Nursing Home** - 4th Friday @ 11am
If anyone needs Holy Communion /Home Visits please contact the office to make arrangements.

1ST SUNDAY OF ADVENT (C) THEME: PREPARE THE WAY FOR THE LORD ACTIVELY 2ND DECEMBER 2018

Mass Schedule at St Joachim	
Sun 02/12	8:00am Mass 10:00am Mass 5:00pm Mass
Mon 03/12	9:00am Mass / Rosary
Tues 04/12	9:00am Mass / Rosary
Wed 05/12	6:00pm <i>Transfer of BI Sac / Rosary</i> 6:30pm Novena 7:00pm Mass 7:30pm Legion of Mary
Thurs 06/12	9:00am Mass
Fri 07/12	9:00am Mass / Rosary
Sat 08/12	11:00am Wedding—Fr Dominic 4:00pm Confession 4:30pm Marian Procession 5:00pm Vigil Mass

First Sunday of Advent - C
Lk 21:25-26, 34-36

Heartbeats from your priest Fr Eduardo

Reminiscence: This Sunday is the beginning of Advent – a time of waiting. While waiting for the birth of her son, Mary travelled to visit her cousin Elizabeth to celebrate her unexpected pregnancy. On this first Sunday of Advent, we are reminded that we are waiting for the Lord's coming not only at Christmas (in the Flesh) and at the End of Time (Parousia) but also in our hearts. We not only wait for the Lord's coming but we watch in joyful anticipation by preparing ourselves.

God's Word in a Nutshell: Many centuries before the birth of Christ, the prophet Jeremiah, in the 1st reading, reassures the people that God will fulfil his promises. Honesty and integrity will arise from the line of David. The Messiah will come. St Paul, in the 2nd reading, in his letter to the Thessalonians, urges them to grow in holiness and in love for one another as they await the Lord's return. Luke in the Gospel this Sunday describes in striking language the day of the Lord's second coming. He exhorts us all to be ready for his arrival. This way, we can hold our heads high and survive all that will happen. We can then meet the Lord with confidence. Our liberation is near at hand.

While we wait, as the psalmist suggests, we can pray to the Lord that he will teach us his ways, his faithfulness and his love. (Psalm)

Personal Challenge: As we begin our waiting for the Lord this week, we may like to decide to spend a little time each day in his presence, telling him how much we long to welcome him anew in our hearts.

- REMINDERS:**
- Holy Land Pilgrimage Info Nite - Wed 5 Dec @7.30 in the parish hall
 - Christmas Party— Sat 8 Dec @6.30pm in the parish hall.

Saturday 8th Dec will be the 3rd anniversary of our Perpetual Eucharistic Adoration (PEA) Chapel. As this is also the Feast of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary, there will be a Marian Procession in the grounds of the church (weather permitting) before the 5pm Vigil Mass.

Week 1: Hope
Reminds us... Jesus is coming
Bible verse: Romans 15: 12-13

Week 2: Faith
Reminds us... To prepare the way of the Lord
Bible verse: Luke 3:4-6

Week 3: Joy
Reminds us... The joy at the coming birth of Jesus

Week 4: Peace
Reminds us... "Glory to God in the highest heaven, and on earth peace for those he favours"

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Advent and Christmas Masses Schedule 2018
(16 - 24 December Dawn Masses followed by hearty breakfast in the Hall)

Day	Date	Mass Times
Sun	16 Dec	Dawn Mass @ 5.15am + normal Sunday Masses (8am, 10am + 5pm)
Mon	17 Dec	Dawn Mass @5.15am + normal 9am Mass
Tues	18 Dec	Dawn Mass @5.15am + normal 9am Mass Second Rite of Reconciliation @7pm
Wed	19 Dec	Dawn Mass @5.15am + Novena @6.30pm + Mass @7pm
Thurs	20 Dec	Dawn Mass @5.15am + normal 9am Mass
Fri	21 Dec	Dawn Mass @5.15am + normal 9am Mass
Sat	22 Dec	Dawn Mass @5.15am + Confessions @4pm + Vigil Mass @5pm
Sun	23 Dec	Dawn Mass @ 5.15am + normal Sunday Masses (8am, 10am + 5pm)
Mon	24 Dec	Dawn Mass @5.15am + normal 9am Mass Christmas Vigil Mass @7pm Christmas Carols @11.30pm Solemn Midnight Mass @12:00am
Tues	25 Dec	Christmas Day Masses – 8am, 10am & 5pm

Note: Anyone (installed, properly trained and registered) wishing to read for the Christmas Vigil / Day Masses please contact the parish office. Those who wish to take part in our popular Dawn Masses please write your names on the spreadsheet placed on the table near the exit (close to the hall). We need to know the group / family willing to prepare /donate the food for breakfast.