

# ADVENT

A Season of Preparation

ST PETER AND PAULS CHURCH

## 2nd Sunday of Advent

9th and 10th of December 2023

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### Our Vision

We are a Catholic Community who profess, celebrate and witness that Jesus lives, and to whom the Father sends His Spirit. We express that belief by living out and spreading the message of the Gospel.

### Child Safety Policy

Ss Peter and Paul's is committed to upholding the safety and dignity of each child and young person, ensuring they are able to grow and develop in a caring and supportive environment within our parish. Visit our parish website or contact our parish office for our child-safe policy.

### Acknowledgement to Country

In the spirit of reconciliation, Ss Peter and Paul's parish acknowledges the Wurundjeri people as the traditional custodians of the land we all now share. For thousands of years they raised their families, maintained their culture and sustainably managed this sacred land. We pay our respects to their Elders past, present and emerging.

### Parish Office

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PARISH OFFICE OPENING HOURS:

Parish Office is open every

Tuesdays to Fridays—9.00am to 4.00pm

## JOINT ADVENT RECONCILIATION SERVICE

**On Tuesday the 19th of December 2023, we will be holding our advent reconciliation service here at SSPP at 7.30pm.**

Advent is a time for mediation and prayer as we prepare to celebrate the birth of Jesus. The Advent season reminds us about the importance of Christ in our lives.

We look forward to welcoming you on the 19th of December.

## Advent Remembrance Mass

**On Monday the 18th of December, there will be an advent remembrance mass at 7.30pm which will be presided by Fr Kevin.**

This mass is specially to remember all those who have gone before us at this advent time.

You are cordially invited to attend this special Mass.

## Masses on the 24th of December

On the next page you will find all the mass times for our Christmas services.

As Christmas eve falls on the Sunday, we have had to rethink the number of masses on the day. In view of this, **there will be no 8.00am mass on Sunday the 24th of December** . Please take note. Thank you.

## Bible Sharing Group

Our Bible Sharing Group is going strong and meets every Wednesday , 10.15am in the Drop In Centre to read, reflect and discuss scripture readings.

This will be followed by a fellowship over a light lunch. All are welcome to join in. Please bring your bible along.



## CHRISTMAS MASSES AT SS PETER AND PAULS AND OUR LADY OF THE PINES CHURCH

	<u>SSPP</u>	<u>OLOP</u>
<b>Joint Parish Reconciliation Service</b>	19th Dec 2023 - 7.30pm at St Peter and Paul's Church	
<b>Family Christmas Eve Mass</b>	Carols /Nativity at 4.30pm Mass at 5.00pm	
<b>Christmas Vigil Mass</b>		Carols at 6.30pm Mass at 7.00pm
<b>Midnight Mass</b>	Carols at 11.30pm Mass at 12.00pm	
<b>Christmas Day Mass</b>		Carols at 8.30am Mass at 9.00am
<b>Christmas Day Mass</b>	Carols at 10.30am Mass at 10.45am	

### Ladies Lunch

Please diarise the following date of our last function for the year.

Wednesday 13 December at 12.30pm to the Manningham Club, Bulleen.

Everyone most welcome, if interested please contact Muriel on 0417 055 617. Transport can be arranged.

## Updating Vinnies Christmas Appeal 2023

Vinnies Doncaster East “family” say a grateful thanks to everyone who donated to the Appeal on our launch weekend, Saturday and Sunday last. We are pleased to report that \$2,142 was received in cash and credit card donations. The amount of on-line donations processed by the Box Hill office are unknown until we receive advice of those receipts.

This is only the beginning, as the Christmas Appeal continues during the pre-Christmas period. If you haven't yet contributed and wish to do so, Appeal Envelopes will be left in the Church for your use, just include with the usual Parish collection, but your donation must be in the Vinnies envelope to ensure that is where it goes, with your details if you require a receipt.

**You continue to be able to make on-line and telephone donations as follows:**

**Direct Deposits to the St Vincent de Paul Society of Victoria Gift Fund**

**BSB: 063 000 Account No. 1060 7556**

**Reference: X23 and Conference ID for Doncaster East - 392**

**By Telephone calling 13 18 12 and asking for your donation to be allocated to Doncaster East Conference ID 392.**

Many thanks again to all who make support for the work of Vinnies part of their personal mission. Together we can make a difference to the lives of those who are experiencing the greatest difficulties in coping with current circumstances.

### Christmas cards and Cplumban Calendars

Vinnies Christmas Cards and Columban Calendars are now available for sale. There is only a limited number available, so have a look early.

**This week we pray for : Prayers of our community are asked for**

**Recently deceased:**

**those whose anniversaries occur at this time especially** – Paolo Messina, Oive Crosby, William Findlay, Mary Wagner, Lilian Craddock, Joe Azzopardi, Angela Tomaro, Mary Mathew.

**and those who are sick :** Anna Paron, Luisa Stilo, Pietro Ciccotelli, June Webster, Rhonda McMahon, Emily Patrikis, Julia Smith, Ann Weerappah, Tai Thomas, Jamie Yarnold, Hazel Cross, Jaxson Pelligrino, Joseph & Monica Lee, Conroy Chan, Vittoria Del Pomte, Jolly Noronha, Peter Bevilacqua, Sophie Saidel, Andriano Donato, Diana Munante and Daniel Munante, Young Ang Siok, Sebastian Nigro. Victor Soto and Mario Volpe, Bruce and Jill Mathieson, Charles Forer and Dale Gordon-Stewart.

**SUPPORTING MINISTRIES**

**Parish Priest:** Fr Toan Nguyen  
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**Rosary:** Weekdays after Mass/Communion Service

**Reconciliation:** Saturdays 9.30am and 5.30pm and any weekday after Mass

**Baptisms:** On 2nd and 4th Sundays of every month at 12.30pm by appointment

**Weddings:** By appointment

**MASS TIMES for partnered Parishes of SSPP & OLOP–**

	OLOP	SSPP
Mon	No Mass	9.00 am Communion Service
Tue	No Mass	9.00am Mass
Wed	9.00am Mass followed by Rosary	9.00 am Communion Service
Thur	No Mass	9.00am Mass
Fri	9.00am Mass followed by Rosary	9.00 am Communion Service
Sat	5.00pm Mass	9.00 am Communion Service 6.00pm Vigil Mass
SUN	9.30am Mass	8.00AM AND 11.15AM

Rosters for the 3rd Sunday of Advent — 16th and 17th of December 2023			
<b>First Reading</b>	Isaiah	61:1-2,10-11	
<b>Second Reading</b>	1 Thessalonians	5:16-24	
<b>Gospel</b>	John	1:6-8 19-28	
<b><u>Readers:</u></b> 6.00pm 8.00am 11.15am	Patrick Soosay Muriel O’Gorman Julian Wong	<b><u>Communion Ministers</u></b> 6.00pm 8.00am 11.15am	Loraine Lednar Muriel O’Gorman Albert Ling+ Volunteer
<b><u>Commentator:</u></b> 6.00pm 8.00am 11.15am	Nikki Jansson, Frank Smit Carmel Nigro	<b><u>Money Counters:</u></b> <b><u>Group 1</u></b>	Pat and George Cooper, Greg Sleeth John Mirams
<b><u>Projector Operator</u></b> 6.00pm 8.00am 11.15am	Lia Di Marzio Ravi Kamath Liza Jansz	<b><u>Altar Servers</u></b> 6.00pm 11.15am	Nikita Nicole and Valeria
<b><u>Sacristans</u></b> 6.00pm Mass	Vincent Lam / Kenneth Ting	<b><u>Sacristans</u></b> 8.00am 11.15am	Sheryl Kamath/John D’Silva Dale Gordon Stewart/ Kenneth Ting