

## THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT – YR B 17TH DECEMBER, 2023

Readings: Is 61:1-2, 10-11; 1 Thess 5:16-24; Jn 1:6-8, 19-28

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#### ST JOSEPH'S CATHOLIC PARISH NAMBOUR DISTRICT

Embracing Kenilworth, Palmwoods, Yandina and Bli Bli

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St Joseph's Conference St Vincent de Paul Nambour Mobile: 0407859965 Office: 0754595202 Email: sj4560@svdpqld.org.au Before the messiah was to appear, first-century Jews believed that Elijah would first come to "restore all things". When John appears wearing Camel skin, the garb of Elijah, the people believe he is Elijah, but John does not see himself in this role.

Jews expected their messiah to come in the first century, taking a timeline from Daniel's prophetic dream. Four successive kingdoms would rule the world. In the time of the fourth kingdom, the Roman Empire, the messiah would appear. There was great expectation that John was the messiah; John states he is not.

Moses had promised a prophet like himself and instructed the people to listen to this prophet when he came. John declares that he is not the expected prophet and leader. This distinction will fall to Jesus.

John declares he is none of the people the Jews are expecting.

The people are hungry to hear John; he gives them a message that their leaders do not. John is sincere in his service to God; the leaders are compromised and corrupt. Jewish society at this time was divided and despondent. John's message is one of preparation, a message of hope, a message of expectation fulfilled.

Pope St John Paul II wrote in his encyclical, Christ the Bearer of the Water of Life, that people expect a new era in human history. People of other religions, and even of no stated religion, expect a change in society. He then declares that it is Christ who will be this change. It is only Jesus who can answer the longing of each human heart for a better world; it is only Christ who bears the water of life.

Through our baptism and especially confirmation, we have received the Holy Spirit to strengthen us to bear witness to the light who is Christ. The birth of Christ is the end of Advent, but not the end of the story; it is the beginning of a new chapter of the story that God is writing. We are all characters in His-story, and we all have our part to play in bearing witness to the light who is Christ.

Deacon Adrian Eldridge

#### **CHRISTMAS ROSTERS**

The Christmas rosters are available for viewing on the table near entrance to the church. There are some vacancies and if you can assist, please leave your name against that vacancy. Thank you to all who have offered to assist.

Maureen



St Joseph's Church P.O. Box 569 177 Currie Street Nambour

St. Joseph's Parish Mass Times

Monday 8:00am , Wednesday 10:00am, Friday 8:00am, Saturday 6:00pm, Sunday 8:00am

> Reconciliation Wednesday 9:30, Saturday 4:30pm

St John Bosco Church Kenilworth Mass Time Third Sunday of the month 10:00am

St Augustine's Church Palmwoods Mass Time Third Sunday of the Month 5:30pm



St John Bosco Church 21 Anne Street Kenilworth Saturday 16 December

9:00am Baptism Parent

Information Session

x 5 families 4:30pm Reconciliation

6:00pm Mass
Sunday 17 December

THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT 8:00am Mass @ St Josephs

Church

Baptism Ophelia Wetherall

(Talisha & Samuel)

10:00am Mass @ St John

Bosco Church

Kenilworth Mass @ St

Mass @ St

Augustine's Church Palmwoods

Monday 18 December

8:00am Mass 12:00noon Baptism

5:30pm

Chikezirim Chinenye Chinaka

(Tiana & Chiemeka)

Wednesday 20 December

9:30am Reconciliation 10:00am Mass

10:30am Cenacle of the

Marion Movement of Priest

Friday 22 December

8:00am Mass

6:00pm Music Rehearsal Teresa Forrest

Saturday 23 December

4:30pm Reconciliation 6:00pm Mass@ St Joseph's

Sunday 24 December

FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

8:00am Mass @ St Joseph's

**Christmas Eve** 

4:00pm Mass @ St Augustine's

Church, Palmwoods

7:00pm Christmas Eve Mass

@ St Joseph's

Monday 25 December

Christmas Day

8:00am Mass @ St Joseph's 10:30am Mass @ St John Bosco

Church, Kenilworth

PARISH WEEKLY DIARY

**Sundays:** 

6:00am TV Mass at Home ch10

**Tuesdays**:

9:15am Tai Chi

(recess from 21/11/23—20/2/2024)

Ryan Room

Enquiries 0427 690 072

Fridays:

6:00pm RICA - Ryan

Room

ST JOHN BOSCO CHURCH KENILWORTH

**Thursdays:** 

9:30am Christian Meditation

**Sundays:** 

9:00am Lay Led Liturgy of the

word with Communion

Third Sundays:

10:00am Mass Fifth Sundays:

9:00am Ecumenical Service

Please pray for the Sick and needy and all the sick and needy and their families, particularly Yvonne & Bob Reid, Aiden Doyle and Doreen Brennan and all those affected by any illness or virus, locally and globally, and their loved ones, and also those remaining in the Parish Journal for the Sick.

Mass on Demand is available 24/7 on https://

www.youtube.com/user/cathnews. Please advise the Parish office when you or your loved ones are well enough to be removed from the prayers.

Please pray for those who are seriously ill or suffering in hospital including Tita Marshall, Neal McIntyre, Tom Mathews, Peter Madue, Glenda Kassulke, Dave Pitt, Diane Price, Noeline Herdy Ferguson, Grant Allen (Kenilworth), Olivia McNamee (12 yr old), Jim McLeod, Tom Wilson, Michael & Cathy Crust, Maree Kruger, Val Chatterton, Baby Koa Pegler, Bruce Power, Marie Gannon, along with all those who work and serve in hospitals, in any capacity.

Please pray for all Parishioners & Friends in residential or home care and those who care for them including all those in the Parish Prayer petition book. Especially Margaret Cody, Elvira Quinn, Edna Veronica May.

The Prayer petition book is present at masses where the larger list of names of the sick, seriously ill and residential people are placed. The petitions will be updated regularly and present at all masses.

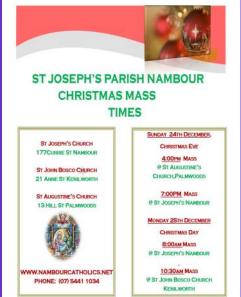
**Please pray** for the holy souls in Purgatory, especially deceased relatives and friends.

#### **Anniversaries:**

Remember in your prayers Leo Juratowitch 24/12, Jan Pearson 2/1/22, Fr. Frank Heffernan 23/12/1996, Robbie Keegan 18/12/22, Mark Turner 1712/22, George & Florence Kenyon, Raymond (Tom) Leslie McDougall 03.12.2022, Jason Kunkel 28/11, Dorothea Cornish 24/11, Hilda Pulache 19/11, and all those whose Anniversary occurs at this time and we pray for all their families and loved ones.

#### Deceased:

Please pray for the repose of the souls of all the recently departed especially Lachlan James Robbins 29 years old (Grandson of Joan & Barry Pobjoy) Joseph Clutterbuck (Mackay), Sesto Porcellini (Peter & Jennifer's father/inlaw) Please also pray for loved ones in their grieving.







#### VINNIES CHRISTMAS AND EDUCATION APPEAL

### ST VINCENT DE PAUL,

The spirit to feed, heal, shelter, nurture and inspire – the power to change lives - is in everyone. As we enter this Advent season, your commitment to helping those experiencing disadvantage, poverty, loneliness, and homelessness is still very much needed and appreciated. With your help we can make a difference.

Ways you can assist: Support our raffle for Education support (Commencing 2/3 Dec) Donate foods to our Pantry, Contribute financially. Envelopes and tax receipts available, or make a direct deposit. BSB 064 786 ACCT 100027059 ACCT Name St Joseph's Conference Nambour. Would you like to know more about our work? Please make contact.

Thank you for your generous support. *Annette Baker (President)* 

#### 2024 Parish Study Program

- 1. On line learning with 'Transformed Catholics' Program
- 2. Group studies using DVD and workbook
- 3. Parish Book Club
- 4. Arete Residential and on line training for 2025

Sign in to any, or all of the studies via:

• The QR Code opposite

• The link: bit.ly/CFStudygroup

• The sign up page at the Church - The Parish Office will then register you

(please include your email address when you sign in)

Your early sign up will help gauge likely interest across the programs and allow more detailed information to be sent to you

Funding gratefully provided through the 'Catholic Foundation' Grants Program.



St Joseph's Church Nambour has set up an account for fundraising funds for the 2024 Parish Study Groups. Please support, it will be a great Christmas gift to the Parish, either by dropping off containers at the depot or the Parish.

## The process is simple:

- 1. Go to the bulk gate at any distribution centre
- 2. key in the code C11246505
- 3. hand over your bottles (you don't need to count them)
- 4. they willpP process them and deposit funds into the Church account they will send a confirmation of deposit email to the Parish at stjoe.nambour@bne.catholic.net.au

Check the website for local Containers for change depots in your area. The Burnside depot is 7/1 Windsor Road. www.containersforchange.com.au

## Christmas Carols at St Joseph's Saturday 9th December, 2023.

Thank you to all for the amazing carols evening last weekend. Thank you to the The set up task master, musicians and choir, and particularly the Parishioners for joining in. Christmas Blessings from Fr Odinaka and St Nicholas.







Fr F.V. Hefferan Bursary & Awards 2024.

The Executive Committee for the Fr F.V. Hefferan Bursary & Awards wish to advise the 2024 round for applications will be a fallow year.

The 2025 round will be promoted in September 2024 with applications opening in November 2024.

**COUNTERS:** This week: Group 3: M. & B. Barker, L. Richardson,

B. Pearce, J. Goggin, J. Bourassa

Next week: Group 4: Group 4: M. Jackson, B. & M. Barker, T.

Leahy, K. Grundy, V. Richmond





Parish Ministries & Coordinators

Safe Guarding Children & **Vulnerable Adults Representative** Marie Lynch.

**Liturgy Committee** 

Maureen Murphy.

**Liturgical Music** 

Music Ministry

Led by Fred de Waard.

Liturgical Art & Environment

Trevor & Judy Smith.

Communion to the Sick

Rosanna Tumelty.

Rosters

Trevor Smith & Annette Baker. Servers

Maureen Murphy.

Children's Liturgy

Jocelyn Lysaght.

**Sacramental Program** 

Rosanna Tumelty.

**Baptism Ministry** 

Rosanna Tumelty.

**Ecumenical Ministry** 

Joan Pobjoy.

**Eucharistic Adoration** 

Rosanna Tumelty

& Adrian Eldridge. **Helping Hands** 

Kate Bourassa & Jan Imarisio.

**Youth Minister** 

To be confirmed

Contact all Ministry Coordinators C/- Parish Office 54411034

#### ST JOSEPH'S USUAL MONTHLY DIARY

#### 1st Monday:

5:30pm Monday Liturgy Meeting (TBC)

### 1<u>st Wednesday</u>:

- 10:00am Anointing Mass
- 10:30am Seniors Gathering & M/ tea-new Parishioners welcome
- 6:00pm Leadership meetings bi monthly

#### 1st Friday:

8:30am—6:00pm 10 Hour Eucharistic Adoration Followed by Benediction concluding at 6:30pm

#### 1st Saturday:

- 8:30am Baptism Preparation
- 11:00am Mass Marion Movement Combined Cenacle SSCoast—all welcome

#### 3rd Sunday:

- 10:00am Mass at Kenilworth
- 5:30pm Mass at Palmwoods

## 5th Sunday:

9:00am Ecumenical Service at Kenilworth

#### Last Monday-bi-monthly

5:15pm Helping Hands Next meeting tbc

#### Last Friday:

St Joseph's Men's Group



6-10 Blackall Street Woombye QLD 4559

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Prayer for Peace

Laring God

We earnestly pray for peace and stability in Myanmar amidst the ongoing internal conflict.

Our hearts grieve for the children and families enduring displacement, fighting with hunger and poverty.

Hear the prayer of these children and families and respond with the support they desperately need. May your love and warmth reach those who are most in need.

In your mercy, grant peace and perseverance to the internally displaced children and families, providing them with the necessary resources for survival.

We pray for the restoration of community and an end to conflict, allowing children and families to feel secure once again.

Grant families the strength and perseverance they need as they travel through these challenging times.

May your guiding light lead them towards hope and a brighter future.

Amen.

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