

FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT – YR B 24TH DECEMBER, 2023

Readings: 2 Sam 7:1-5, 8-12, 14, 16; Rom 16:25-27; Lk 1:26-38

"Building a community of Jesus' disciples." We welcome you - We are one family

ST JOSEPH'S CATHOLIC PARISH NAMBOUR DISTRICT

Embracing Kenilworth, Palmwoods, Yandina and Bli Bli

Nambour Parish Office 07 54411034

> Office Hours 8:30-2pm (Closed Tuesday)

Emergency (serious illness/accident) 0738363221

Parish Email stjoe.nambour@bne.catholic.net.au

Parish Website www.nambourcatholics.net

Parish Staff

Rev Fr Odinaka Nwadike Parish Priest and Nambour Hospital Chaplain

> Rev Adrian Eldridge Deacon

> > Cecilia Denny Parish Secretary

Julia Quinn Admin Assist

Sue Wolter Kenilworth Community Leader 0439 130 158

St Joseph's Primary Office
Michelle Young
Principal
Admin: Gina Scrase/Shae Witek
0754419222

St John's College Office Martin Moloney Principal 0754415666

Good Samaritan College Greg Myers Principal 0753748800

Outside School Hours Care Darcy Griffin C/- Parish office

St Joseph's Conference St Vincent de Paul Nambour Mobile: 0407859965 Office: 0754595202 Email: sj4560@svdpqld.org.au

Mary is a true hearer of the Word of God

We see the fulfilment of God's unfolding plan of redemption in the events leading up to the Incarnation, the birth of the Messiah King. The new era of salvation begins with the miraculous conception of Jesus in the womb of Mary. This child to be born is conceived by the gracious action of the Holy Spirit upon Mary, who finds favour with God (Luke 1:28). This child will be "great" and "Son of the Most High" and "King," and his name shall be called "Jesus" (Luke 1:31-32), which means "the Lord saves." "He will save his people from their sins" (Matthew 1:21). The angel repeats to Mary, the daughter of the house of David, the promise made to King David: "The Lord God will give to him the throne of his father David, and he will reign over the house of Jacob for ever; and of his kingdom there will be no end" (2 Samuel 7:12-16, Isaiah 9:6-7, Luke 1:32-33).

How does Mary respond to the word of God delivered by the angel Gabriel? She knows she is hearing something beyond human capability. It will surely take a miracle which surpasses all that God has done previously. Her question, "how shall this be, since I have no husband" is not prompted by doubt or skepticism, but by wonderment! She is a true hearer of the Word and she immediately responds with faith and trust.

Mary's prompt response of "yes" to the divine message is a model of faith for all believers. Mary believed God's promises even when they seemed impossible. She was full of grace because she trusted that what God said was true and would be fulfilled. She was willing and eager to do God's will, even if it seemed difficult or costly. Mary is the "mother of God" because God becomes incarnate when he takes on flesh in her womb. When we pray the Nicene Creed we state our confession of faith in this great mystery: "For us men and for our salvation he came down from heaven; by the power of the Holy Spirit, he became incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and was made man".

What is the key that unlocks the power and grace of God's kingdom in our personal lives? Faith and obedience for sure! God gives us grace and he expects us to respond with the same willing obedience and heartfelt trust as Mary did. When God commands he also gives the help and means to respond. We can either yield to his grace or resist and go our own way.

This reflection is from One Bread, One Body courtesy of Presentation Ministries © 2023.



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

Sunday 24 December

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

Friday 29 December

8:00am Mass & Welcome

to Fr Jim Smith

Saturday 30 December

4:30pm Reconciliation

6:00pm Mass

Sunday 31 December

THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS. MARY & JOSEPH

8:00am Mass @ St Josephs

Church

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, 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.

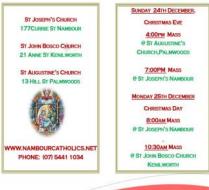
Anniversaries:

Remember in your prayers Malcolm Pearce 9/1, Terence Hopkinson 31/12, 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 John McGoldrick, 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.









St Joseph's Conference NAMBOUR List of Raffle Winners 17 December 2023

First Prize Ted Hannan Second Prize Tom Ryan Third Prize Marlene Jackson Fourth Prize Dean Adams Fifth Prize Joe Rolston Sixth Prize Lyn Tyrrell Seventh Prize Kate Bourassa

Our Conference thanks you all most sincerely for your generous support this year.

Your donations assist us to help those in need in our community.

We wish you all the blessings of Christmas.

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
- key in the code **C11246505**
- 3. hand over your bottles (you don't need to count them)
- they will 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



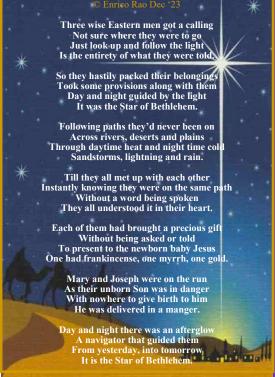
This week we celebrate and congratulate the following for the celebration of significant events in their lives.

Joan Brady celebrated her 96th day of Birth.

Jim and Kate Bourassa celebrated their 55th Wedding Anniversary.

And not to forget *Barry and Joan Pobjoy* celebrate their shared day of birth on Christmas Eve.

May the good Lord bless you all and carry you in his loving arms, along with all people, gentlemen, ladies, teenagers and children, who are celebrating significant events in their lives.



THE STAR OF BETHLEHEM



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 4: M. Jackson, B. & M. Barker, T. Leahy, K. Grundy, V. Richmond Next week: Group 1: E. Lawrence, T. McCorley, D. Kelly, T. Keegan, M. Murphy, D. Cuskelly

Planned Giving Last week:

Envelopes: \$1404.25 Loose: \$1114.65



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:

6:00pm

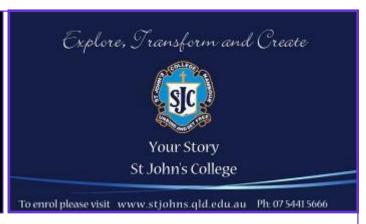
St Joseph's Men's Group



6-10 Blackall Street Woombye QLD 4559

> IAN ROOK Personal Trainer

0418 201 433







34 National Park Road Nambour Qld 4560 Ph: (07) 54762866

laurelh@gregsonweight.com.au www.gregsonweight.com.au



BILL HENNESSY
Licenced Electrician
Licence no. 85101
Contact Bill
for all your
Electrical needs.
155 Palmwoods

Montville Rd, Palmwoods QLD 4555 Mob: 0412 371 244 Email: bill@sustainelectrical.com Web: sustainelectrical.com

AIR CONDITIONING/SOLAR INDUSTRIAL/RESIDENTIAL/COMMERCIAL SPACE x 2AVAILABLE—PLEASE SUPPORT ST JOSEPH'S ADVERTISING INITIATIVE FOR THIS PAGE in 2024 —IT WORKS WELL \$40 per month per business per block





Hotel Luxury for your home & holiday accommodation

BEDDING | TOWELLING GUEST AMENITIES | PERISHABLES ROOM ACCESSORIES | HOUSEKEEPING

> A family run business supplying quality hotel products to the boutique accommodation industry since 2012.

REMEMBERING ST JOSEPHS PARISH

Thank you for remembering your Parish in your will.



CATHOLIC LEADER

NATIONALHOTELSUPPLIES.COM.AU

E INFO@NATIONALHOTELSUPPLIES.COM.AU

The Catholic Leader has a special subscription offer. THE CATHOLIC LEADER WILL NO LONGER APPEAR IN OUR

CHURCHES AFTER THIS MONTH AS IT IS MOVING TO A HOME DELIVERY SUBSCRIPTION ONLY SERVICE.

Subscribe now to receive every 2024 edition of The Catholic Leader home delivered for only \$50. This is a saving of \$15.

To activate this offer go to: https://catholicleader.com.au/subscribe/ and use Coupon code WEEKLYROUNDUP50 at the online checkout. If you would prefer to subscribe over the phone please call us on (07) 3324 3555.

Archdiocesan Commitment Statement

The Archdiocese has zero tolerance for all forms of abuse and is committed to safeguarding everyone involved in its activities, ministries, and services. The safety and wellbeing of children and adults at risk is paramount.