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5 / 6 December 2020



The Second Sunday of Advent - Year B

	Sat 5 pm Vigil	Sunday 7:30 am	Sunday 9:30 am
Acolyte	David Gormley	Sam Keir	Jim Gothard
Minister	Paul Marsden	Gary Reneker	Barbara Foster
Minister	Emma Honey	Amelia Paras	Carole Venier
1st Reading	Jodie McKay	Jeff Greenaway	Moira Loader
Psalm	Lesley Newman	Judith Rumsey	Jed Loader
2nd Reading	Maureen Pocock	Doreen Vernon	Sue Day

May God and our Lady of Lourdes
care for and protect all of us.

God bless each one of you.

Mons



Effective 1 June 2020, we have cancelled the Office facsimile. Please use email (office@stcaths.org.au) or phone the Office (9525.1138) instead...



Lurline Anne Grime - Requiem Mass Monday, 30 Nov @ 11:45 am.

Lord, Grant Eternal Peace to:

The Souls of all the Faithful Departed especially;

Marta Rojas Rojas (in Spain), Peg Cockram, Val Cobcroft.

November is the month of the Holy Souls - NO NAMES will be individually published.

Please pray for those who have died that they will receive a place among the Saints of Heavens.

We remember those whose Anniversaries we commemorate at this time:

Also; Father William Hannon (1st Anniversary) Ken Connolly,
Roy & Mary Esplin, Bill Godfrey, Lean Family, Anna Natoli,
John Vincent Sidgreaves, The Holy Souls



We pray for all the sick of our Parish Community and their carers.

Elva Ross, Pamela Andreallo, Elaine Bain, Gerry Banister, Maria Bartolo, Jean Bell, Pam Buckley, Marie Cregan, Alice Elliott, Carmel Farnham, Carmel Fisher, Dorothy Fraser-Bell, Bev Hurst, Jonah Iona, Cheryl Lim, Rosemary Mayborn, Issa Mourtada, Aileen & Larry McDonnell, Veronica Nugent, Marie Rayner, Tony Ryan, Evelyn Spiteri, Megan Thomas, Lindy Webb, Father Reg Wilson.

From the Mons:

Dear Parishioners,

GRANT OF PEOPLE MOVER VEHICLE: Our local Member for Miranda, Eleni Petinos, has advised me that a grant application for a 7 seat people mover vehicle has been successful. This is a result of the State Government's **2020 COMMUNITY BUILDING PARTNERSHIP PROGRAM.**

The purpose for this vehicle is to be able to transport frail or elderly, or isolated parishioners to Mass. We have to bear in mind, that some people cannot get to Mass because of distance or lack of transport. The Petition, signed by parishioners a few months ago for this vehicle to Eleni, contributed significantly to the success of this application. Well done parishioners for your support!!!

Shortly, we will have to ask for volunteer drivers to come forward on a Roster basis of about 1 session per month or two. I am really grateful for the effort of Eleni Petinos for her endeavours on behalf of our parishioners in obtaining this grant. This follows her generous support for previous projects, such as a shade-cloth for the northern playground of our school—\$15,000 and the \$23,000 grant for the 2 sandstone gardens outside the Church, **Previously**, Barry Collier when he was the local Member also provided \$28,000 for the remodeling of our school tuck-shop. It is such generosity that allows us, as electors, to appreciate the efforts of our local Member in caring for the local community.

Again, well done Eleni. What a wonderful gift at a time when COVID casts such a dark cloud over many thanks.

It is anticipated that the funds should be available in the first half of 2021.

Mons

NEW B-POINT TAP AND PAY SYSTEM

You will notice the new tap and pay DONATION machine at the entrance to the Church. It accepts your Mastercard and Visacard (including Visa debit cards) The DONATION is set at \$5 per Tap. If you wish to donate more, you simply wait until the machine is ready and you can tap again. You can tap as many times as you would like—each tap is a \$5 donation to the Parish. **PLEASE NOTE:** That there are **NO** receipts (as they appear on your card's bank statement as Gynea Parish—GYMEA), also, there are **NO** refunds or tax deductibility.

From the Mons:

Dear Parishioners:

NOVEMBER IS THE MONTH OF THE HOLY SOULS where we place the names of our deceased loved ones in the Frames that sit in front of the Altar **with nearly 900 names already mentioned.**

PLEASE REMEMBER: No individual names will be published in the Bulletin during the Month of the Holy Souls, AND DO NOT TOUCH THE FRAMES in front of the Altar.

FATHER HANNON'S ANNIVERSARY:

Please pray for the Soul of Father on this First Anniversary.

Distribution of **Miraculous Medals** will be handed to parishioners as you enter the Church for the Vigil Mass Saturday, 28 November.

These Medals have been blessed by Mons.

Today, marks the beginning of the new Church Year - *Year B* being the **First Sunday of Advent.**

The first Candle on the Wreath—the Candle of Hope will be lit after the Penitential Rite—before the Collect (Opening Prayer)

There is **NO** Gloria during the Season of Advent (or Lent)

Also, the Mystery of Faith changes from Number 3 to Number 1:

*We proclaim your death, O Lord,
and profess your Resurrection,
until you come again!*

The Advent Wreath: The 1st of the Advent Candles - The **Candle of Hope** is lit this weekend as we enter the Season of Advent in preparation for the **Birth of Jesus.**

The Coming together of the Christmas Crib: The angel of the Lord, the **Herald** has appeared to the Shepherds telling them of the impending Birth of **'The One who is to come.'**

