



The Catholic Parish of Corinda Graceville

FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

23rd / 24th DECEMBER 2023



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Dear Friends,

On behalf of myself and your Parish Staff I want to thank you for your support and generosity over this past year. Your prayers, greetings, cards, gifts and donations make a huge difference to us. On a personal note, your acknowledgement of me and my small family (Mum and brother) at this time is very much appreciated.

The next Parish Newsletter will be on the Solemnity of the Epiphany of the Lord which is the weekend of 6th / 7th January 2024. The Parish Office will reopen on Tuesday 2nd January 2024.

Do remember the 9.00am Mass at St. Joseph's to begin the New Year on 1st January, honouring Mary, the Holy Mother of God, and praying for peace in our world.

Finally, from the Office Staff and myself, have a safe, holy and peaceful Christmas feast and a happy and hopeful New Year. May our Lord and the Holy Family bless our families and the faith family of our Parish community.

Fr. Mark Percival, and the Corinda Graceville Parish Office staff.

The Parish Office: will be closed until 9.00am on Tuesday 2 January 2024.

Emergency Phone: anyone requiring urgent pastoral care, or assistance regarding the organisation of a funeral please phone **0422 107 802**.

Rest In Peace: Mary Conway passed away on 17th December. A Funeral Mass celebrating Mary's life will be held next Thursday 28th December at 10.30am at St Joseph's Church. *Lord, look kindly on Your servant, Mary whom you have embraced in eternal life. As she served You faithfully throughout her life, give her the fullness of peace and joy.*

Congratulations and best wishes: to young parishioner Peter Pham who has recently graduated as a Doctor of Medicine from Griffith University. Peter was an Altar Server and has been a Minister of the Word at the Saturday evening Mass for many years. We thank Peter for his generous ministry to our parish and wish him well.

Archbishop Mark has a message for you: Earlier in Advent, at Wynberg, we had the End-of-Year Reception with state parliamentarians. It's become a bit of a tradition, and it now includes other heads of Churches. It's a brief and simple affair but a good way of meeting each other informally and signalling that, from our different perspectives and with our different responsibilities, we are all about serving not just our own interests but the entire community of Queensland. The parliamentarians aren't just about their party; nor are the religious leaders just about their Church. It's the common good of all Queenslanders that matters. That's what we celebrate at the end of another year and as we look to Christmas.

Mass times over the Christmas Season

No Sunday evening Mass at Graceville on 24/12/23

CHRISTMAS - The Nativity of the Lord

4.00pm Christmas Eve Sunday 24/12/22 ~ St Joseph's

6.00pm Christmas Eve Sunday 24/12/22 ~ St Joseph's

8.00am Christmas Day Monday 25/12/22 ~ St Joseph's

9.30am Christmas Day Monday 25/12/22 ~ Christ the King

No Wednesday morning Mass on 27th December

9.00am Thursday 28th December ~ St Joseph's

9.30am Friday 29th December ~ Christ the King

The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph

5.30pm Saturday 30th December ~ St Joseph's

8.00am Sunday 31st December ~ St Joseph's

9.30am Sunday 31st December ~ Christ the King

6.00pm Sunday 31st December ~ Christ the King

Mary the Holy Mother of God

9.00am New Years Day Monday 1st January ~ St Joseph's



LITURGIES THIS WEEK

Sunday	4.00 pm	St Joseph's - Christmas Eve Mass
	6.00 pm	St Joseph's - Christmas Eve Mass
Monday	8.00 am	St Joseph's - Christmas Day Mass
	9.30 am	Christ the King - Christmas Day Mass
Wednesday	No Mass	
Thursday	9.00 am	St Joseph's - Mass
Friday	9.30 am	Christ the King - Mass
Saturday	5.30 pm	St Joseph's
Sunday	8.00 am	St Joseph's
	9.30 am	Christ the King
	6.00 pm	Christ the King
Monday	9.00 am	St Joseph's - Mass New Year's Day
		SACRAMENT OF PENANCE
Saturday	4.30 pm – 5.00 pm	St Joseph's
		Other times by appointment.
		SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

The Sacrament of Baptism for Children is celebrated by appointment on the following Sundays of the month

2nd Sunday 11.00 am St Joseph's
4th Sunday 11.00 am Christ the King

All enquiries to the Parish Office

LITURGICAL CALENDAR

(Printed so that users may pray daily the Liturgical Prayer of the Church)

FOURTH WEEK OF ADVENT

SUN, 24 DEC FOURTH SUNDAY of ADVENT
2 Sam 7:1-5, 8-12, 14, 16; Rom 16:25-27;
Lk 1:26-38

CHRISTMAS TIME

MON, 25 DEC The NATIVITY of the LORD
- Solemnity with octave (Holy Day of Obligation)
Vigil: Is 62:1-5; Acts 13:16-17, 22-25; Mt 1:1-25
Night: Is 9:1-7; Titus 2:11-14; Lk 2:1-14
Dawn: Is 62:11-12; Titus 3:4-7; Lk 2:15-20
Day: Is 52:7-10; Heb 1:1-6; Jn 1:1-18

TUE, 26 DEC St Stephen, the first martyr - *Feast*
Acts 6:8-10, 7:54-59; Mt 10:17-22

WED, 27 DEC St John, apostle, evangelist, patron saint of Turkey
- *Feast*
1 Jn 1:1-4; Jn 20:2-8

THU, 28 DEC The Holy Innocents, martyrs, patron saints of babies
- *Feast*
1 Jn 1:5 - 2:2; Mt 2:13-18

FRI, 29 DEC 5th day in the Octave of the Nativity
St Thomas Becket, bishop, martyr, patron saint of
Roman Catholic Diocesan Clergy - *Optional Memorial*
1 Jn 2:3-11; Lk 2:22-35

SAT, 30 DEC 6th day in the Octave of the Nativity
1 Jn 2:12-17; Lk 2:36-40

SUN, 31 DEC The HOLY FAMILY of Jesus, Mary & Joseph - *Feast*
Gen 15:1-6, 21:1-3 or Sirach 3:2-6, 12-14;
Heb 11:8, 11-12, 17-19 or Col 3:12-21;
Lk 2:22-40

We pray for the good health, strength and healing of all who are ill. We remember and pray for all our parishioners living in aged care. We pray for all who are suffering due to conflict, natural disaster.

May the recently deceased rest in peace: Mary Conway, Jim Vievers, Jean Hurst, Marjorie Eugenie Enright

We pray for those whose anniversaries occur about this time:
Peg Armstrong, Peter Pitot, Matthew O'Dea, Bill McMullan,
Allan Randall, Flo Maher, Maurice Bauer, Enid Esdale, Joyce Faulkner, Sr Philomena Lyons Olsh, Therese Do, Brian Hauff
Mary Campbell, Bob Kirsopp, Ernie Thorpe, Rudy Della Piana,
Neil Stafford, Maria Hoang, Chau Nguyen, Phuong Nguyen,
Peter Nguyen, Anne Marie Deschamps, Carmel See, Joyce O'Brien, Gerald O'Hanlon, Dan Augustine, John Brereton,
George Brereton, Des Kerwick, Nancy O'Neil, Len Daniels,
Margaret Chan, Agnes Thomas, Helena Pine

We, the community of Corinda Graceville Catholic Parish, acknowledge the traditional custodians of the lands on which our parish stands, the Yuggera and Turrbal peoples, and pay our respects to Elders past, present and emerging.

HYMNS AND RESPONSES FOR SUNDAY MASSES

GATHERING: "O EMMANUEL"

Refrain: O Emmanuel come into our hearts
O Emmanuel we're waiting for your light.
O Emmanuel God is with us now.
O Emmanuel, Emmanuel.

1. We your people are waiting for you, Lord,
waiting all throughout the earth.
We your people are waiting for you, Lord,
waiting to celebrate your birth.
3. We your people are ready for you, Lord,
ready to change and repent.
We your people are ready for you, Lord,
ready for you to come again.



PENITENTIAL ACT: "THE CONFITEOR"

I confess to almighty God and to you, my brothers and sisters,
that I have greatly sinned, in my thoughts and in my words,
in what I have done and in what I have failed to do,

[And, striking their breast, they say:]

through my fault, through my fault, through my most grievous fault;

[Then they continue:]

therefore I ask blessed Mary ever-Virgin, all the Angels and Saints,
and you, my brothers and sisters, to pray for me to the Lord our God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM:

"PSALM 89: FOR EVER I WILL SING"



I will sing for ev-er of the good-ness of the Lord.

ALTERNATIVE SENDING FORTH: "DAYS OF ELIJAH"

1. These are the days of Elijah,
Declaring the Word of the Lord;
And these are the days of your servant Moses,
Righteousness being restored;
And though these are days of great trials,
Of famine and darkness and sword.
Still, we are the voice in the desert crying,
"Prepare ye the way of the Lord!"
2. And these are the days of Ezekiel,
The dry bones becoming as flesh;
And these are the days of your servant David,
Rebuilding a temple of praise;
And these are the days of the harvest,
The fields are as white in the world.
And we are the labourers in your vineyard,
Declaring the word of the Lord! (*refrain twice*)



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