

ST. JOSEPH'S CATHOLIC CHURCH KINGSWOOD

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"ST. JOSEPH'S IS A CHRIST CENTRED
COMMUNITY COMMITTED TO
REACHING OUT IN FAITH, HOPE AND
LOVE."

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

The office is open Tues & Thur.

9:00am—2:00pm

Friday 8:30am—1:30pm



3RD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

YEAR C

15/16 DECEMBER 2012

SUNDAY MASSES:

Saturday Vigil—6:00pm

Sunday—8:30am & 10:00am

Polish Mass every Saturday—4:00pm

WEEKDAY MASSES:

Monday, Tuesday & Thursday—8:00am

Wednesday—8:00am

Saturday—8:25am

COMMUNION SERVICE:

Friday - 8.00am

SACRAMENT OF PENANCE: Saturday after morning Mass

ANOINTING OF THE SICK: Every 1st Saturday—8:25am Mass

BAPTISM:

Please contact the Presbytery

The Third Candle is called the Shepherd's Candle after the first ones to worship the newborn Jesus, symbolising Hope.

The wreath is sprinkled with holy water, as may the assembly also

Priest: *Lord Jesus, you are the true Light that enlightens the whole world.*

Response: **You we long for, Alleluia. You we thirst for Maranatha!**

Priest: *Lord Jesus, you came into the world to bring Salvation.*

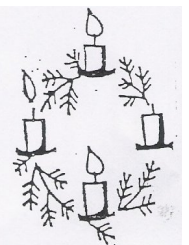
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Priest: *Lord Jesus, we await your coming with Hope.*

Response: **You we long for, Alleluia. You we thirst for Maranatha!**

The first and second and third candles are lit.

Priest: *Let us pray (God will fill us with joy at the coming of Christ)*



RESPONSORIAL PSALM

*Cry out with joy and gladness: for among you is the great
and Holy One of Israel.*



*The Rosary statue will be at the home of
Zig Barglik.....16th December 2012
Josie Bentley.....23rd December 2012*

WE PRAY FOR THE SICK: George Churchward, Gary Collier, Aaron Rhodes, Tony & Angelina Bogdanovic, Jonathon Ansell, Adell Matloob, Shakib Yousif, Kathy Carberry, Kathy Hogarth, Bertha Wetton, John McCahon, Marija Paponja, Mary D'Vaz, Kathryn Knighton, Joan Fleming, Joan Evans, Corrie Noort, Karen Morvan, Kevin Collins, Katie Domotor, John McLintock, Jeanette Rogers, Elaine Neal, Ken & Pat Fleming, Barbara Thompson, Judy Spence, Allan Tuckwell, Michael Holstein, Charles Timmins, John Ashford, Gisela Drobiszewski, Sienna Ongoongo, Brian Woodward, Faye Noonan, Josephine & Frances Zammit, Alistair McArthur and Valerie Davis.

SICK LIST: If you have anyone for the sick list, (due to privacy laws) contact the Parish Office to fill in a form.

RECENTLY DECEASED: BRUCE MACLEAN

DECEASED ANNIVERSARY: PATRICK HOULIHAN, STAN & JOYCE JENKINS

CENTACARE COUNSELLING FOR CHILDREN RING 9630 7788

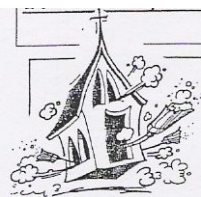
WEEKLY ENVELOPES:: Banked \$1128.00

PRAYER MINISTRY: After weekend Mass there will be an opportunity to be prayed over by those appointed to the Prayer Ministry. Please advise an Acolyte or a Senior Server before Mass. if you require prayers.

RCIA— For information please ring Parish Office.

RCIC— If you know of any children aged 6-14 who are committed to going to Mass each week and are ready for baptism, please leave your name and number at the Parish Office.

CHURCH CLEANERS NEEDED:



If you are able to give an hour on a Saturday morning to clean the Lord's House please ring Clare on 9623 2812 or 0432 668 724

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

is a quiet reflective time, if you wish to talk, please do so in the courtyard, quietly.



NEXT ANOINTING MASS: 5TH JANUARY 2013

USED STAMPS: Please bring your used stamps and leave in the box at back of the Church.

They are sold to help the missionaries.

Parish library will be open after all weekend Masses.



BECOME A JUNIOR ALTAR SERVER: If your child has made their First Holy Communion and would like to be a Junior Altar Server, please contact Eileen Farrell 4721 2662.

PARISH CELL GROUPS

Times and Venues

- A) 1st Tuesday of month at 1:30pm
Parish Office Building**
- B) 2nd & 4th Wednesday at 10:00am
Libermann Room**
- C) 2nd & 4th Thursday at 7:00pm
2/40 Single Road, South Penrith**

Any enquiries please ring Maria during office hours.

PLEASE NOTE: Cell Groups every week through Advent starting 25th November up to the week before Christmas.

PLEASE NOTE: Wednesday morning Mass now 8:00am until school resumes in late January 2013.

THE 2013 COLUMBAN CALENDARS are now on sale cost \$9.00. The sales of the calendar have each year provided important funding for the work of the Columban Missionaries.

ALSO

CHRISTMAS CARDS are now available. Pack of 10 cards cost \$6.00 and both can be purchased at the St Vincent de Paul Pious Stall.

CHRISTMAS CHOIR: If you are interested in joining a choir to sing at 9.00pm Mass Christmas Eve, please phone Shirley Corcoran on 4731 6324 and come to practice after 10am Mass each Sunday until Christmas.



ST.VINCENT DE PAUL wishes to thank all the generous parishioners who contributed to this year's Christmas Appeal, a total of \$1800.35. Plus all who gave presents for the Christmas Tree. God Bless each and every one of you, may your Christmas be a most Holy and Joyful one.



COMPUTER VOLUNTEER: We need people to run the Computer for Hymns at the 6.00pm and 10.00am Weekend Masses. Please ring Hala if you can help on 4736 6100



FLOWER ARRANGERS—

Assistance is needed to help arrange flowers on the Altar. If you are prepared to give your time you will be working with a partner and would be rostered on every 5 or 6 weeks .

Please call Anne on 4731 4618 for more information.

INDIVIDUAL RECONCILIATION TIMES AT ST. JOSEPH'S:

Thursday 20th December—8:30am-9:30am

Friday 21st December— 6:30pm-8:00pm

Saturday 22nd December—9:00am-9:30am

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2ND RITE RECONCILIATION AT ST. NICHOLAS OF MYRA ON WEDNESDAY 19TH DECEMBER AT 7:00PM.



CHRISTMAS MASS TIMES

Monday 24th December—6:00pm Pageant & Vigil
9:00pm

Tuesday 25th December—9:00am
Polish Mass—10:30am

YEAR OF GRACE

Information and

resources available at:

www.parrayearofgrace.org.au

ADVENT Books are available for \$2.50 each after all weekend Masses.

WORLD YOUTH DAY RAFFLE

TICKETS will be on sale at all Masses at \$2 each. We have 2 young men from the Parish going to WYD—Mark Gilbert and Kyle Seach. Please support them.



THERE will be no morning tea after 10:am Mass beginning weekend 22/23 December until February 2013. We would like to thank all those who have volunteered their time and donated cakes and biscuits. A big thank you and a Merry Christmas to all.

**ST. NICHOLAS OF MYRA CHURCH
CHRISTMAS MASS TIMES:**

24th December—6:30pm Family Mass

11:30pm Carols

Midnight Mass

25th December— 7:00am, 8:30am, 10:00am
& 6:00pm

A YEAR OF GRACE

Gracious God,

You have blessed this ancient land with many gifts, especially its people.

We thank you for the Year of Grace, a time to start afresh from Christ.

You invite us to contemplate the face of Jesus your Son, that we may experience a new wave of grace, and that the light of Christ may burn more brightly in our lives.

Attune our hearts and minds to the presence of your Holy Spirit, that our Church may be transformed, our relationships be healed, and our nation grow in compassion and justice.

With the intercession of St Mary MacKillop, who showed us new ways of living the Gospel, we make our prayer through Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Mary, help of Christians, pray for us.

Readings: Zeph 3:14-18; Phil 4:4-7; Lk 3:10-18

Following proclamation of the Privacy Act 1988 at the end of 2001, a privacy policy has been developed in accordance with Diocesan norms and has been approved by the Parish Priest. A copy is available from the Parish Office.