

**DEATHS:** Anthony Steele, Herta Szijarto, Stuart Glasson, Duriece Armstrong-Ward

**ANNIVERSARIES:** Sr Josephine Casey, Mabel Vella, William Bismark, Agnes Dunne.

**BAPTISM:** Caitlyn Bowler.

**LET US PRAY FOR THE SICK:** Lisa Jameson, Cris Breedon, Marge Chalmers, Dorothy Chalmers, Joy Finlay, Veronica Cullen, Julieta Sturrock, Marie Blunck, BJ Castley, Syd Britland, Judith Billanes, Jovi Baier, Otto Hava, Ross Thinee, Peter King, Jorja Price, Gerry Smith, Bozo Pinjuh, Paul O'Connor, Sr Margaret Scott (Immaculata), Ernie Shambrook, Karen Silver, May Dunne, Veronica Spain, Meryl Pavan, Ebony Lees, Lyn Galley, Stan Jacob, Ted Butterworth, Stephen Jamison, June Oliver, Will Carland, Albert Fernandez, Angela Fell, Sr. Kath Clancy, Tom Clancy, Terry Casey, Janelle Ryan, Jim Telford, Fred Dowse, Laurie Raynes, Lally Biondi, Glen Major, David Osman, Michael Anderson.

**Fourth Sunday of Advent**

Samuel 7: 1-5, 8-12, 14, 16

Paul to Romans 16: 25-27

Luke 1: 26-38

**Holy Family**

Genesis 15: 1-6, 21: 1-3

Hebrews 11:8, 11-12, 17-19

Luke 2: 22, 39-40



**OUR GIFT TO GOD – FOR GOD’S GIFT TO US**

Planned Giving (last week) \$1379.00

Loose \$ 635.40

**\$2014.40**

Thank you: your support helps with our monthly accounts – phone, power and salaries.

**SOME IMPORTANT DATES COMING UP:**

December 21<sup>st</sup> 7.30pm Carols by Candlelight at George McCoy Park  
23<sup>rd</sup> 9am Christmas at Laura Johnson Home and 6pm in Boulia  
24<sup>th</sup> Vigil Mass 7.00pm  
24/25<sup>th</sup> Midnight Mass  
25<sup>th</sup> Christmas Day Mass 8.00am  
29<sup>th</sup> Fr Edgar Blain svd arrives  
Dec 25<sup>th</sup> to Jan 4<sup>th</sup> Parish Office closed – emergency numbers are available when you phone the Parish  
January 5<sup>th</sup> Parish Office reopens

**WEBSITE OF THE WEEK:** [www.december18th.org](http://www.december18th.org) **FREE THE SHMINISTIM – ISRAEL'S YOUNG CONSCIENTIOUS OBJECTORS.** The *Shministim* are Israeli high school students who have been imprisoned for refusing to serve in an army that occupies the Palestinian Territories. Show your support by contacting the Israeli Minister of Defence using the form below. Israeli peace activists will hand-deliver your message on December 18th, the Shministim Day of Action. **11,000 LETTERS AND COUNTING!**

**MULTICULTURAL FESTIVAL: SUPPORT OUR SPONSORS**

**Brogden's Furniture**

**PIETY SHOP:** has a new range of holy objects, including Columban Calendars (\$7.00) to buy. Try the Catholic Leader as well each week when you call by.

**WELCOME:** We welcome Fr Edgar Blain svd who joins us once again, arriving 29<sup>th</sup> December while Fr. Mick is on holidays for most of January.

**CHRISTMAS RAFFLE WINNERS:** 1<sup>st</sup> prize Homer Feliciano, 2<sup>nd</sup> prize Kevin Ang and 3<sup>rd</sup> prize Rhonda Skinner. Thanks for your support this year and to all sellers as well.

**CAROLS - COMBINED CHRISTIAN CHURCHES:** Carols by Candlelight will be held this Sunday 7.30pm at George McCoy Park. Come along and join in the true spirit and joy of Christmas. You may need a chair/rug. water and candle.

**CHRISTMAS MASS TIMES:** Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> Vigil Mass 7.00pm  
Midnight Mass 12.00am  
Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> Christmas Day Mass 8.00am  
Carols 20min before each Mass at Christmas

**CONFESSION** times: Wednesday - 24<sup>th</sup> 11.30am to noon and 5pm to 5.30pm



**ROSTERS & HOLIDAYS:** Outside the Church, at each of the masses this weekend, there are folders with a copy of the prospective rosters. You are able to let the office know if you are unavailable for any of the dates, or any other information you want to tell us. Please be aware, that the rosters are always *subject to change*. There are a number of ministries where we need new people to be rostered. If you or your family are interested in Presentation of Gifts roster at any of the Masses, please leave your name and number at the Parish Office.

**ST VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY:** thank you everyone for your donations that have been coming in over the last few weeks. Items can be left at the Parish Office or SVdeP shop.

**THANK YOU:** to all who have helped out with the Christmas Wrapping at Kmart over this time – your efforts are appreciated immensely.

**TUCKSHOP CONVENOR:** 20 hours per week, 40 week contract, starting date is 23/1/2009, contract reviewed 4<sup>th</sup> December 2009. A vacancy exists for a tuckshop convenor at St Joseph's Primary School Mount Isa. Application packages are available from the Good Shepherd Parish Office in Stanley Street. Applicants must address the selection criteria as listed in the package. Please forward applications to: The Principal, St Joseph's Primary School, Box 106, Mount Isa Q 4825. Applications close Friday 16 January 2009

**100 YEARS CELEBRATIONS FOR MARY MACKILLOP:** The Sisters of St. Joseph invite all of us to the launch of the celebrations for 100 years since the death of Mary MacKillop. The launch will be in St. Stephen's Cathedral, Brisbane on Sunday, 18<sup>th</sup> January 2009 at 2pm. All are welcome to attend. Come and join our Parish group at the Brisbane celebrations to remember the Sisters who began teaching in Cloncurry 100 years ago and in Mount Isa at all of our Schools since 1930.

**ELECTORAL ROLL:** We would encourage all eligible residents to be a part of the electoral roll of Kennedy electorate. With the help of improved statistics that your enrolment in our area brings, we can have much needed resources, in medical and other fields. Funding in our area depends on each of us encouraging people to enrol to vote locally and taking our responsibility

**CONFIRMATION – FIRST EUCHARIST PREPARATION:** We will begin preparation early in the New Year. Please lookout for the information booklet and registration forms to register your child they are available soon.

**CHRISTIAN MEDITATION:** Groups will resume in January so please contact Sue Dando on 47438487 or 0428 674 454 for ore information.

**JANGAWALA DROP IN CENTRE:** Evening meals are prepared and served by a roster of volunteers - 7 days a week. If you would like to offer any assistance for a set night a week, please call on 4743 0343. If you can help out please let us know today after Mass. You may also like to donate a special amount for the upcoming Christmas Meal. All thoughts, help and gifts welcomed.

**THOUGHT FOR THE DAY: Where is the dwelling place of God?  
God dwells wherever people let God in.**