

DEATHS: Win Murphy.

ANNIVERSARIES: Santina Zorzi, Beverley Irvine, Betty Smith, Ross Bennett.

BAPTISMS: Charles Wirth, Amelia Dare, Lucy Dare, Vanessa Strasser, Luca Orsini,

LEAVING OUR PARISH: Bernard Durie, Nathan McKay.

LET US PRAY FOR THE SICK: Joy Finlay, Veronica Cullen, Julieta Sturrock, Marie Blunck, BJ Castley, Syd Britland, Judith Billanes, Jovi Baier, Lisa Jameson, Otto Hava, Ross Thinee, Peter King, Efen Cabanela, 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, Stuart Glasson, Cris Breedon, 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, Robbie Woodhall, Bernie Julian, Michael Anderson.

Second Sunday of Advent

Isaiah 40:1-5, 9-11

Ps 84: 9-14

St Peter 3: 8-14



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

Planned Giving (last week)	\$1194.95	Thank you: your support helps with our
Loose	\$ 824.95	Parish loans of nearly \$470,000
	\$2019.90	

SOME IMPORTANT DATES COMING UP:

December 9th Healing Mass 7pm @ Church in preparation for Christmas

11th LJH Christmas Concert @ 6pm

WEBSITE OF THE WEEK: <http://www.newadvent.org> New Advent is the "bible" of Catholic information. Principally seen as a Catholic encyclopaedia, its online version is also a multi faceted Catholic resource with material on the Church Fathers, a section on the Bible and other items of interest. The website is well arranged and also has a wealth of material on Catholic saints.

MULTICULTURAL FESTIVAL: SUPPORT OUR SPONSORS

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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.

WAITING IN JOYFUL HOPE: Daily Reflections for Advent & Christmas 2008/2009.

Reflections, meditations & prayer for each day based on the Scripture used at the Mass for the day. Cost" \$ 4.00 each. Please hurry to purchase

BIRTHDAY THANKS: Thank you every one for your wonderful gifts, thoughts and prayers. Your generosity is appreciated and makes our community so special.

LAURA JOHNSON HOME: Annual Christmas Concert is to be held on Thursday 11th December, the usual start time, changed to 6.00pm. All welcome.

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.

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, 18th 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 seriously.

PARISH CHRISTMAS RAFFLE: Ticket sales continue this week after Mass. Tickets \$1.

ST VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY: Your donations of toys and food items for the coming Christmas Season are welcome. Our thanks for any item you may offer is extended. Items can be left at the Parish Office or SVdeP shop.

YEAR OF PAUL - The Letters of Paul: Please take a copy of the next sheet, 6th in the series of Paul's Letters. You too can journey with the pilgrims and reflect on his writings during this Year of Paul – 2000 years since Paul was born.

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*.

CHRISTIAN BOOKWORLD: have extended trading hours for December.

KNIGHTS OF THE SOUTHERN CROSS, a Catholic Lay organisation, is sponsoring a campaign to increase reverence for our Lord's name. The misuse has become so prevalent that many do not even seem to notice it any more. It is an opportunity to put Christ back into Christmas as well.

THE MINISTRY OF WELCOMING: One Parish Liturgy Team, writing in their Sunday Bulletin, emphasised the importance of the ministry of welcome: 'It is a basic trait in human nature to greet people, when they arrive at gatherings. It would be a shame to underplay the role of the Greeters at our Sunday Eucharist. These people can not only represent Christ welcoming us, but they also represent our Parish community reaching out to us in welcome!' "I was a stranger and you welcomed me."

APOSTLESHIP OF PRAYER: The Apostleship of Prayer is a method of daily prayer that encourages us to spend a short time with a passage or two of Scripture, contemplating the message contained in it, say a special prayer as a morning offering and briefly review our prayer. Apostleship of Prayer brochures for the month of October is available on the table at the front door of the Church. Please take one and try this from of prayer this month.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION: We have begun the programme families are using at home. Family times to celebrate are made once families have completed the preparation programme. Contact the Parish Office or the Catholic Schools next year for more information.

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 meet weekly in the Church on Mondays at 8am. All are welcome. If an alternative time is preferred please contact Sue Dando on 47438487 or 0428 674 454.

CATHOLIC LEADER: There latest copy of the Catholic Leader is here. Try reading our own Catholic paper and see what news and views that you might you understand in a more Godly way.

THOUGHT FOR THE DAY: It's Advent; almost Christmas! A Season of dreams comes true. Be on guard. The Lord may call you to follow Him.