

DEATHS: Jesse James Remfrey (Mackay), Pat Trezise(Melbourne)

ANNIVERSARIES: Ken Skinner, Ronald Toby, Henry Kitchener, George Kramer

LET US PRAY FOR THE SICK:-

Rita Van Rit, Wayne Franklin, Ted Helmuth, 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, 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.

Baptism of the Lord

Isaiah 55: 1-11

St John 5: 1-9

Mark 1:7-11

2nd Sunday in Ord Time

Samuel 3: 3-10, 19

St Paul to Corinthians 6:13-15, 17-20

John 1:35-42



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

Planned Giving (last week)	\$1170.15	Thank you: your support helps with our
Loose	\$ 482.60	monthly accounts – phone, power and salaries.
	\$1652.75	
Christmas Mass Offerings	\$2604.30	

SOME IMPORTANT DATES COMING UP:

January	18 th	Feast of Santo Niño
	25 th	Conversion of Paul
	26 th	Australia Day- Office Closed - MASS 5.30PM
	27 th	Fr Edgar leaves School Returns
	28 th	Fr Mick Returns
	29 th	Seniors' Morning Tea

WEBSITE OF THE WEEK: <http://www.erc.org.au> The western Sydney based Edmund Rice Centre for Justice and Community Education is the organisation behind the documentary on Australia's treatment of asylum seekers, *A Well Founded Fear*. The Centre is a ministry of the Christian Brothers and has a history of advocacy and campaigning on social justice issues. The Centre's website shows the breadth of its work including indigenous and womens' programs and a Fair Trade project for Catholic organisations to use when buying their office supplies.

MULTICULTURAL FESTIVAL: SUPPORT OUR SPONSORS

The Wardrobe

WELCOME: To all visitors and new parishioners, we welcome you to our parish. If you are interested, we would be most pleased to receive you into our ministries. Please contact the Parish Office on 4743 6088 for ways you can help.

AUSTRALIA DAY MASS: To allow support of City Council celebrations, we have changed our Mass time for this day to 5.30pm.

FILIPINO LANGUAGE CLASSES: are being offered again, to children aged between 5-13. Lessons will be Sunday from 10.00am-12.00pm. Minimum fee \$25.00 for resources. Please contact Edna 4749 2541 or Cita 4743 5850) before 1st February.

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: offer their gratitude for all donations and support for Christmas gifts and hampers. St Vinnies was able to help approx 50 families with items from Christmas trees to food and gifts. They offer their special thanks to PFD and Medleys who donated pallets of groceries and frozen goods for the hampers. The volunteers who donated their time and effort to the putting together and distribution of these hampers shows us all the true spirit of Christmas giving. Thank you all.

THANK YOU: The Christmas Gift Wrapping Stall at Kmart was a huge success, making \$4663.40. We offer our sincere thanks to all those who helped.

TUCKSHOP CONVENOR: 20 hours per week, 40 week contract, starting date is 23/1/2009, contract reviewed 4th 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

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 more 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. Thank you all for your special efforts for the Christmas Meal. It was well attended and greatly appreciated.

FEAST OF SENIOR SANTO NIÑO: will be celebrated at the 9.00am Mass on Sunday 18th, with a procession after Mass around the Church grounds, followed by Morning tea/BBQ in the Undercroft area. Please bring a plate to share and join us for these festivities. Please contact Cora Adams on Ph 4749 0217 for any queries.

PARISH CALENDAR: The Parish Calendar is available at the doors of the Church. Please feel free to take a copy.

ADVENT POWERPOINT: Thank you to Katie Murr and Christopher Achilles, two our of our Good Shepherd College students, who willingly gave their time and skills to put these great presentations together.

THOUGHT FOR THE DAY: Let us resign ourselves into His hands, and pray that in all things He may guide us to do His Holy Will... When thoughts of this or that come, I turn to Him and say: "Only what you will, My God. Use me as You will." Blessed Mary MacKillop (Commemorating 100 years Anniversary)