



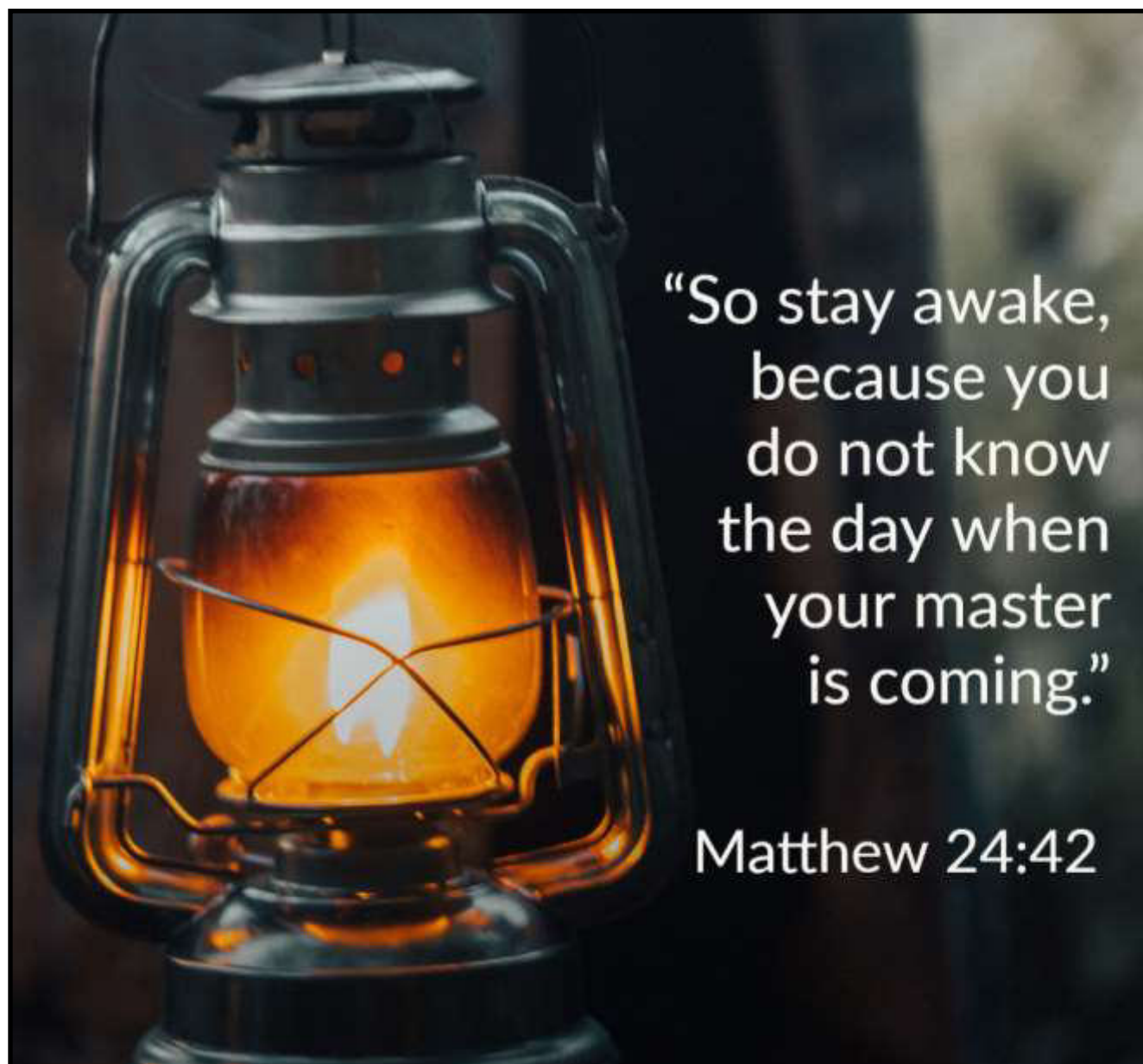
PYMBLE CATHOLIC PARISH

SACRED HEART & OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL SUCCOUR

Building a Christ-centred community of Love and Mercy

Pymble Parish is under the Pastoral care of the Salvatorian Fathers

CELEBRATING JUBILEE YEAR



“So stay awake,
because you
do not know
the day when
your master
is coming.”

Matthew 24:42

A PRAYER FOR THE First Sunday of Advent

God of light and life,
give us hope as we wait
for your coming again.
When we are tempted
to be grateful to have found you
while others are lost,
send us out into the darkness
in search of those
who need you most.
Amen.

Baptisms at Pymble Parish



Our upcoming Baptism Formation
Class will be held on:

**Sunday, 7 December 2025
at 10:30am
at Sacred Heart Church**

Bookings are essential, please
contact the Parish office on
9144 2702 or via email on
office@pymblecatholicparish.org.au



**Pope Leo XIV's
official prayer
intention for
November**

For the prevention of suicide

Let us pray that those who are struggling
with suicidal thoughts might find the
support, care and love they need in their
community, and be open to
the beauty of life.



Prayer for the Intercession of Blessed Francis Jordan

Lord Jesus Christ, Saviour of the world, you called Francis
Mary of the Cross Jordan to be your apostle, to make God
known and loved by all people everywhere, using all the
means your love inspires. You filled him with universal
apostolic zeal, with a deep trust in God's loving providence,
with a profound spirit of prayer, with a sincere devotion to
Mary, Mother of the Saviour, and with the courage to
follow you, even into the mystery of the Cross.

Grant also to me the grace to proclaim the Gospel in this
spirit, and make me an effective apostle in today's world.

Through the intercession of Blessed Francis Jordan, I pray
to you for my special needs (include your personal
intention). I make this prayer through you, my Saviour, who
lives and reigns with the Father and the Holy Spirit, forever
and ever. Amen.

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We welcome to Pymble Parish
the newest members of
our community



**M addine, Edward,
H ailey & Ethan**

who will be baptised
this weekend at our Parish.

**A warm welcome
to all our
Parishioners and
visitors who are
participating in
Mass with us this
weekend.**



Parish Team

Pastoral care

Salvatorian Fathers
Parish Priest: Fr. Ireneusz Czech SDS
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Parish Staff

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Sacramental & CCD Coordinator: Rebecca Lloyd-Jones
Email: rebecca@pymblecatholicparish.org.au

Youtube QR code:



Parish Mass Times

Sacred Heart
2 Richard Porter Way, Pymble NSW 2073

Weekdays:
Tuesday to Friday 9:00am

Rosary: Tuesday to Friday after morning Mass

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament: Friday after morning Mass

Weekend:
Sunday: 9:30 am, 6:00 pm

Reconciliation:
Tuesday - Friday 8:45am
Sunday 9:15am, 5:30 pm

Our Lady of Perpetual Succour
64 Kendall St, West Pymble, NSW, 2073

Weekend:
Saturday: 9:00 am
Saturday: 5:00 pm (Vigil Mass)
Sunday: 8:00 am (Quiet Mass)

Reconciliation:
Saturday 9:30am, 4:45am
Sunday 7:45am

Contact details

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Telephone: (02) 9144 2702
Email: office@pymblecatholicparish.org.au
Website: www.pymblecatholicparish.org.au
Office hours: Monday to Thursday 8:30am to 3:30pm & Friday 9am to 3:30pm

For information about Weddings please contact the Parish Office.
For information about the sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation, Reconciliation and First Eucharist, please contact Rebecca

Giving at the Parish

The **First Collection** goes to the upkeep of the clergy, Salvatorian Regional Office and the Broken Bay Diocese sustentation funds.



First Collection

The **Second Collection** goes towards maintaining our Churches and the upkeep of the Parish, supporting the ministries of our Parish (including our Sacramental programs and Catechist work), helping us continue our good works.



Second Collection

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Parish Primary Schools

Sacred Heart
Principal: Kerry Paxton
Telephone: (02) 7256 2142
www.shpdbb.catholic.edu.au

Our Lady of Perpetual Succour
Principal: Jodi Jefferson
Telephone: (02) 7256 2101
www.olpsdbb.catholic.edu.au



Advent Message to Our Parish Family

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

As we enter this holy season of Advent, we are invited once again to slow down, open our hearts, and prepare a place for the Lord. Amid the noise, busyness, and distractions of daily life, Advent offers us a gentle call: **“Stay awake, be ready, and walk in the light of the Lord.”**

This is a time of hopeful waiting—of lifting our eyes toward God’s promises, renewing our prayer, rekindling our love for one another, and allowing Christ to shine more brightly in our lives. May these weeks be filled with peace, reflection, and joyful expectation. Let us journey together toward the manger, where God comes to us in humility and love.

May this Advent season awaken our hearts and draw us closer to Jesus, who is our true hope.

In Christ the Saviour,

Fr Ireneusz



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WHAT’S ON IN OUR PARISH THIS WEEK

Saturday, 29 November
9:00am Mass at OLPS with Morning Prayer (Breviary)
5:00pm Mass at OLPS

Sunday, 30 November
First Sunday of Advent
8:00am Mass at OLPS (quiet)
9:30am Mass at Sacred Heart
3:30pm Thank You High Tea for Volunteers at Sacred Heart
5:30pm Reconciliation at Sacred Heart
6:00pm Mass at Sacred Heart

Tuesday, 2 December
9:00am Mass at Sacred Heart

Wednesday, 3 December
9:00am Mass at Sacred Heart
7:00pm Parish Pastoral Council Meeting at Sacred Heart
7:30pm St Vincent de Paul meeting at Sacred Heart

Thursday, 4 December
9:00am Mass at Sacred Heart

Friday, 5 December
9:00am Mass at Sacred Heart followed by First Friday Devotion and Adoration and Litany to the Sacred Heart of Jesus
10:00am Bible Study

Saturday, 6 December
9:00am Mass at OLPS followed by First Friday Devotion with Adoration and Prayers for New Vocations to the Priesthood and Religious Life
5:00pm Family Mass at OLPS, followed by BBQ

Sunday, 7 December
Second Sunday of Advent
8:00am Mass at OLPS (quiet)
9:30am Mass at Sacred Heart
10:30am Baptism Formation Class
5:00pm Taize at Sacred Heart
5:30pm Reconciliation at Sacred Heart
6:00pm Mass at Sacred Heart

The Rosary is recited after all weekday Masses at Sacred Heart Church and 9am Saturday Mass at OLPS

Parish Prayer Zone

Praying for others gets our focus off ourselves and onto the needs of those around us. As we “carry each other’s burdens,” we “will fulfil the law of Christ” (Galatians 6:2). Praying for each other makes us stronger and helps us to grow our faith and Christian love.

Recently Deceased:
Diana Tam, Sandra Sinclair, Joe Pereira, John Clark, Ada Yu, Joe Pereira, Anthony Machedo, Graham Lynch, Gilbert Tomlinson, Kevin Moloney, Beulah Erin Wahab, Margaret Therese Eadie, Irene Buckley, Melissa Self, Jim Harrison, Joe Woods, Waleria Kołodziej

Death Anniversaries:
Elizabeth Megawati Bambang, Joe Dias, Joan Catherine Bernie, Bernardino Castillo, Frances Pettengill, Frieda Nassar, Rosario S. Ortiz, Serofin Peralta Jr, Melinda Ballat Magpayo, Leslie Cashman, Katherine Cashman, Peter Goh, Kwong Tsui Yu, Paula Freeman, Constance & Elwyn Glazier, Judith English, Alfonso Fuente-Marchat, Victor Hugo Aguilera, Justin Whitehorse

Prayers for the sick:
Carolynne Wawryzniak, Craig Shepherd, Daniel Fileman, Maria Witebsky, Tom Ryan, Jan Drobczyk, Janusz Czech, Elliot Leahy, Iris Garate-Marchant, Antonios Ghabach, Mrs Mary Sidaway, Pamela Seaman, Joseph Hendryjanto, Margaret Browne

Monthly prayer intention:
This month we pray for all souls, both known and unknown, who have gone before us and now await the fullness of God’s presence in purgatory. We ask God to purify them and draw them into the peace and joy of heaven. May the souls of all faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.

If you would like the names of your relatives to be included in the prayer list (anniversary of deaths, recently deceased, illnesses, wedding celebration or anniversaries, birthdays, etc.) please contact the Parish Office by midday each Wednesday. Remember that due to privacy policy, names of the sick can only be put on the bulletin with permission of the immediate family. This list will be updated every month and we would appreciate if we are advised of any updates. Thank you.

Serra Vocations Prayer Calendar-December 2025

Please pray daily for all clergy using the prayer provided on the side. Additionally, say a prayer each day for the priests listed in the calendar below .

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun
1 Fr Paul Finucane	2 Fr Paul Durkin	3 Fr Bogdan Skupien Fr Eliseus Shin	4 Fr Chima Ofor	5 Fr Marek Woldan	6 Fr Joshi Naduppura	7 Fr Philip Thottam MSFS
8 Fr Grzegorz (Greg) Skulski SDS	9 Fr Bronislaw (Bronek) Pietruszewicz SDS	10 Fr Ryszard (Richard) Sadowski SDS	11 Fr Zygmunt Smigowski SDS	12 Fr Bill Stevens	13 Fr Harry Kennedy	14 Fr Stephen Hamilton
15 Fr Rex Curry	16 Fr Jack Robson	17 Fr Stan Skibicki	18 Fr Robert Brogan	19 Fr Geoff Bugden	20 Sr Marea Ross rsj	21 Sr Josefa Mabini OSA Sr Jenifer Canillas OSA
22 Seminarians Shayne D'Cunha	23 Seminarians Matthew French Tan Nguyen	24 Seminarians Victor Atuhura Huy Tran	25 Fr Robert Crawford	26 Sr Ann Duncan rsj	27 Fr Carmelo Sciberas	28 Fr Jim Tierney
29 Fr Clem Hill	30 Fr Terry Johns	31 Sister Damian Lai				

DAILY PRAYER
FOR
VOCATIONS



Heavenly Father, we praise You for Your goodness and thank You for Your gifts. Help us respond to and live out our mission in the Church. Assist all Your people to know their vocation in life and help them to prepare for it. Call many to be priests, deacons and consecrated men and women for Your greater glory, and for the service of Your people. Give those whom You call the grace to respond generously and to persevere faithful. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Christmas at OLPS

Please help us celebrate Christmas at OLPS this year at our Christmas Eve and Christmas Day Masses

Christmas Eve - 5pm Family Mass

We're looking for children who would like to participate in the **Nativity Play**, and readers at our **5pm Christmas Eve Family Mass** at. Students may volunteer for a role in the Nativity Play, Reading, Prayers of the Faithful, Offertory or Gospel Procession.

To participate, please contact **Louise Johnston** on **0413 137 534** with your child's name, year group and school, what your child would like to participate in, as well as your mobile number.

Christmas Day - 9am Mass

We are looking for 6 or more people from Yr 4+ to ring bells at Christmas at the 9am Mass with handbells. There's no need to read music, but you just need to know how to count (like crazy!). If you or your children can help please reach out to **Peter** at peter.r.hogg@gmail.com and we can organise a rehearsal before then.



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Thank you to all the parishioners who generously participated in our Christmas Appeal last weekend. If you missed out and would like to participate, there are still a few hampers available, please contact Lise Treacy on 0422 092 845, or if you have any questions.

We request the hampers, bags or gifts are returned either:

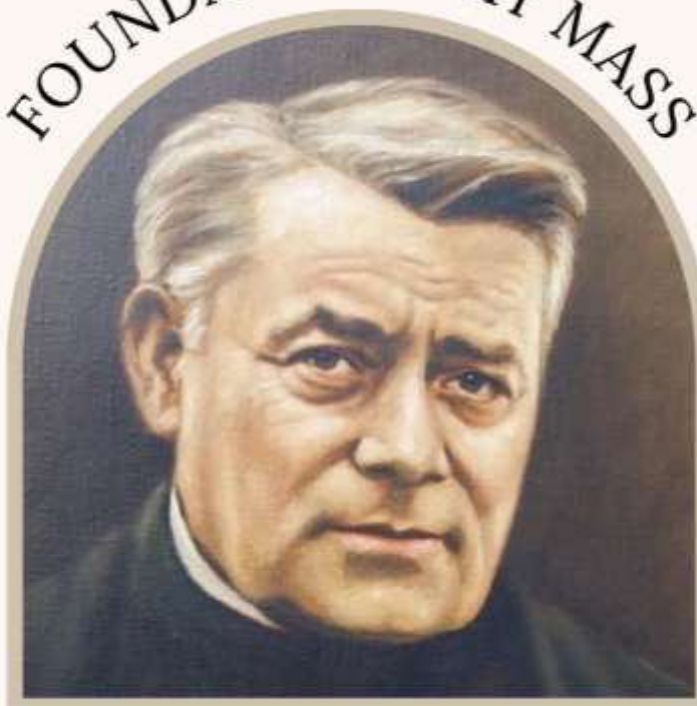
- To OLPS by Sunday, 6 December at 9am; or
- To Sacred Heart by Sunday, 7 December at 6pm.

If you wish to give a cash donation, please scan the QR code and follow the prompts.



HAMPERS DUE BACK NEXT WEEKEND!!

FOUNDATION DAY MASS



You are invited to join the Salvatorians in celebrating the annual Foundation Day Mass

6:30pm, Monday, 8 December 2025

Sacred Heart Church
1 Keenan Street, Mona Vale

Followed by cocktails and fellowship



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Christmas Eve BBQ Helpers Needed!

After our 5pm Mass at Sacred Heart Church on Christmas Eve, we'll gather for a festive BBQ to celebrate together. To make it a joyful and smooth evening, we're looking for volunteers to lend a hand with cooking, serving, and clean²up.

If you can spare some time, your help will make all the difference in creating a welcoming celebration for everyone.

Please contact Rebecca on 0431 186 952 if you're able to help.
Thank you!

Lighting the Advent Wreath

First Candle - The Candle of Hope

Blessing of the Wreath and Lighting of the First Candle



Blessing: Lord God, your Church joyfully awaits the coming of its Saviour, who enlightens our hearts and dispels the darkness of ignorance and sin. Pour forth your blessings upon us as we light the candles of this wreath; may their light reflect the splendour of Christ, who is Lord, for ever and ever.

Meditation: "So be on the watch. Pray constantly for the strength to...stand secure before the Son of Man." (Luke 21:36)

Priest: In the First Week of Advent, we prepare ourselves for the Lord's coming into our world and into our lives. We ask, "In what area of my life do I stand at a distance from God?" We examine our relationships with family, friends, classmates, business associates, and neighbours. Is our faith reflected in each experience of human contact? Is love of God and neighbour the basis for our interaction with others?

Light the first purple candle

Priest: Let us pray:
Almighty and loving God, we have searched our hearts and reviewed our love for Your people. Some relationships overflow with love while others have been found wanting. Yet it is our desire that You be a part of every human experience. We beg You now to fill our hearts with Your love and sharpen our awareness of Your Presence in every moment so that wherever we go and whatever we do, we will always stand secure before You.

All: Amen

Christmas Masses Volunteers

This festive season, immerse yourself in the joy of our Christmas Masses! We're seeking volunteers to contribute their time and talents to make this festive season extra special.

If you are interested and willing to help please put your name down on the volunteer sheets which are located at the back of the church.

Readers
Eucharistic Ministers
Wardens

Musicians
Projectionists



Our next 'Taize' Holy Hour with the Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament will be on this Sunday, 7 December 2025 from 5pm to 5:55pm, before our 6pm Mass at Sacred Heart Church. All welcome!



Christmas Eve Family Mass



Inviting Student Volunteers
Nativity Play | Liturgy of the Word | Choir

Students are invited to volunteer for a role in the 5pm Christmas Eve Family Mass at Sacred Heart Church. Students may volunteer for a role in:

- The Nativity Play
- Liturgy of the Word (Reading, Prayers of the Faithful, Offertory, Gospel Procession)
- Choir

To participate, please contact Liz Tamana by 28 November on 0430 007 803 with your child's name, year group and school, as well as your mobile number.

Please indicate which part of the Mass your child would like to participate in and if they would like to be involved in a few parts, please indicate their preferences. To participate, students are asked to attend the rehearsals detailed below.

Rehearsal Times - at Sacred Heart Church

Tuesday, 2 December @ 3:30pm
Monday, 15 December @ 3:30pm
Sunday, 21 December @ 10:30am following 9:30am Mass

PYMBLE MEN'S GROUP

Join us for our end of year celebration with a round of putt-putt golf and burgers after.



17 DECEMBER 2025
6:30pm

Thornleigh Golf Centre
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Thornleigh

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by COB 12 December



Liturgy of the Word

First Sunday of Advent

Year C

Entrance Antiphon

To you, I lift up my soul, O my God.
In you, I have trusted; let me not be put to shame.
Nor let my enemies exult over me;
and let none who hope in you be put to shame.

First Reading Isaiah 2: 1-5

A reading from the prophet Isaiah

The vision of Isaiah son of Amoz, concerning Judah and Jerusalem.

In the days to come
the mountain of the Temple of the Lord
shall tower above the mountains
and be lifted higher than the hills.
All the nations will stream to it,
peoples without number will come to it; and
they will say:

‘Come, let us go up to the mountain of the Lord,
to the Temple of the God of Jacob
that he may teach us his ways
so that we may walk in his paths;
since the Law will go out from Zion,
and the oracle of the Lord from Jerusalem.’

He will wield authority over the nations
and adjudicate between many peoples;
These will hammer their swords into
ploughshares,
their spears into sickles.
Nation will not lift sword against nation,
there will be no more training for war.
O House of Jacob, come,
let us walk in the light of the Lord.

Responsorial Psalm Ps 121: 1-2, 4-5, 6-9 R. see v.1

(R.) Let us go rejoicing to the house of the Lord.

1. I rejoiced when I heard them say:
‘Let us go to God’s house.’
And now our feet are standing
Within your gates, O Jerusalem. (R.)
2. It is there that the tribes go up,
the tribes of the Lord.
For Israel’s law it is,
there to praise the Lord’s name.
There were set the thrones of judgement
of the house of David. (R.)
3. For the peace of Jerusalem pray:
‘Peace be to your homes!
May peace reign in your walls,
in your palaces, peace!’ (R.)
4. For love of my brethren and friends
I say: ‘Peace upon you!’
For love of the house of the Lord
I will ask for your good. (R.)

Second Reading Romans 13: 11-14

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Romans

You know ‘the time’ has come: you must wake up now: our salvation is even nearer than it was when we were converted. The night is almost over, it will be daylight soon – let us give up all the things we prefer to do under the cover of the dark; let us arm ourselves and appear in the light. Let us live decently as people do in the daytime: no drunken orgies, no promiscuity or licentiousness, and no wrangling or jealousy. Let your armour be the Lord Jesus Christ.

Gospel Acclamation Psalms 84: 8

Alleluia, alleluia!
Lord, show us your mercy and love,
and grant us your salvation.
Alleluia!

Gospel Matthew 24: 37-44

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew

Jesus said to his disciples: ‘As it was in Noah’s day, so will it be when the Son of Man comes. For in those days before the Flood people were eating, drinking, taking wives, taking husbands, right up to the day Noah went into the ark, and they suspected nothing till the Flood came and swept all away. It will be like this when the Son of Man comes. Then of two men in the fields one is taken, one left; of two women at the millstone grinding, one is taken, one left.

‘So stay awake, because you do not know the day when your master is coming. You may be quite sure of this that if the householder had known at what time of the night the burglar would come, he would have stayed awake and would not have allowed anyone to break through the wall of his house. Therefore, you too must stand ready because the Son of Man is coming at an hour you do not expect.’

Gospel Reflection *The days of Noah*

The Book of Genesis describes why God chose to separate Noah and his family who were faithful to God from those who had utterly rejected God and corrupted the earth with violence and evil: "The Lord saw that the wickedness of man was great in the earth, and that every imagination of the thoughts of his heart was only evil continually" (Genesis 6:5), "with corruption and violence spreading everywhere" (Genesis 6:11-12).

Why did so many perish when the day of judgment came? They were caught completely unaware and unprepared for the disaster that swept them away. The Lord Jesus warned his disciples and he issues the same warning to us

today - be alert and be prepared to meet the Lord today and every day - and when he comes again to judge the living and the dead.

The ark of refuge

Just as God provided a safe haven and place of refuge for Noah and his family in the ark which spared them from destruction, the Lord provides for us today a place of refuge in the ark of his people - the body of Christ - who listen to his word and obey his voice. God made a covenant of peace with Noah and his descendants. Noah's ark was a prophetic sign and beacon of hope which prefigured the new covenant of everlasting peace which the Lord Jesus would accomplish through his atoning death on the cross, resurrection, and outpouring of the Holy Spirit on his disciples.

Jesus came to fulfil all the promises of God, including the covenant of peace which God made with Noah. Jesus' first coming was a rescue mission to set us free from sin and condemnation and to give us new life in his Holy Spirit. Jesus died for our sins, rose to everlasting life, and is now seated in glory at the right hand of the Father in heaven. He now reigns over the heavens and the earth as the exalted Lord of creation. The Lord Jesus promised that he would return again in glory to complete the work of redemption which he began at his first coming.

One is taken away and the other is left

How are we to live our lives now in light of Jesus' promise to return again as our Lord and Judge on the final day of judgment? Jesus gives two striking images to illustrate the urgency of the need to not be caught off guard and unprepared when we are suddenly summoned to appear before the Lord on the day of judgment. The first image Jesus used is a description of two men working together in the field - very likely close family members or close co-workers. One is suddenly taken away and the other is left. The image of two women who are working closely together repeats the theme of the sudden rupture and separation.

Advent people - watching with expectant faith and yearning for Christ's coming

The prophet Isaiah spoke of the Day when the Lord would judge between the nations and establish peace over the earth. In that day the righteous - all peoples who believed in him and who listened to his teaching and instruction - would come to his holy mountain and house to worship him and dwell with him in everlasting peace (Isaiah 2:3-5). The Advent season reminds us that we are living in the time between the first coming and second coming of the Lord Jesus.

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Pymble Parish Roster - 6 & 7 December 2025		
Sacred Heart (Pymble)	Sunday 9:30am	Sunday 6pm
Acolytes	C Wawrzyniak	L Hopcroft
Altar Servers	A & L Centofanti	W Rusak
Readers	R Pazniewski	E Thomas / L Joshi
Altar Society	6 December:	
Counters	7 December: P Ward / J Li	
OLPS (West Pymble)	Saturday 5:00pm	Sunday 8:00am
Acolytes	C Parbury	C De Sousa
Altar Servers	Evan	Volunteers needed
Readers	J Pease	R Millane
Altar Cloth	6 December: P Ryan	

Children's Corner

Try to decipher this teaching that Jesus gave to his disciples. Draw yourself listening to Jesus.



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 of  will come.

Help Noah and the animals find their way onto the ark so they can be ready for the flood when it comes.



During the season of Advent we prepare for the arrival of Jesus.
What are three things you can do to be ready for Jesus during this first week of Advent?

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Dear Parishioners,

We take our responsibility to safeguard the vulnerable, whether they be children, the young, the elderly or the disabled very seriously. We work to ensure that no one is taken advantage of within our Parish.

If you have any concern about the treatment of a child, young person or anyone within our parish environment, please approach myself directly or Claudia within the parish office on 02 9144 2702.

Alternatively, you may wish to contact Pamela Sweeney, Safeguarding Manager (Chancery & Churches) on 02 8379 1651.

Yours in Christ,
Fr Ireneusz Czech SDS

Children, the young, and the vulnerable must be safe

Supported by adults who ...



CARE for us as we are a precious gift from God

RESPECT our rights, abilities, contributions, needs and wishes

ASK us how we are feeling and what we are thinking, ask us what we need

LISTEN to what we are really saying

TELL us about dangers – and what's being done to protect us

SEE what other adults are doing, and how they are behaving

DO what they are supposed to do and what they say they will do

STEP UP AND SPEAK OUT when we are being hurt, bullied or treated badly.



"Christ has no hands, no feet on earth but yours. Yours are the eyes through which he looks with compassion on this world."

- attributed to St Teresa of Ávila



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