

The Catholic Parish of Epping and Carlingford Diocese of Broken Bay

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St Gerard Majella's Church
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YEAR C

**FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT
SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT**

**28-11-21
5-12-21**

**Jeremiah 33:14-16
Baruch 5:1-9**

**Thessalonians 3:12-4:2
Philippians 1:3-6.8-11**

**Luke 21:25-28.34-36
Luke 3:1-6**

Dear Parishioners,

It's almost Christmas!

Advent has begun, and so it is time for us to prepare for our Christmas liturgies. After the challenging year we have all had, Christmas will be an especially joyful celebration this year. We look forward to restrictions easing on December 15th, after which we will be able to sing in church, and mask wearing will hopefully become optional.

The density limit of 1 person per 2 square metres will remain, and this poses a challenge for us: we would exceed our limit of 200 people at OLHC and 300 at St Gerard's at many of our Christmas Masses. The Pastoral Council has discerned that the most important thing for us this Christmas is that we not turn anybody away, either through the church being full, or, through people not knowing that they needed to book. We have therefore taken the decision that this year we will hold all of our Christmas Masses outdoors. We have undercover spaces at both OLHC and St Gerard's which will allow us to gather regardless of weather, and with space to expand with the number of people. Outdoor spaces are much healthier in terms of virus transmission and this may encourage people who have been otherwise hesitant to return. It will also protect us from any sudden changes to restrictions, such as last year when density limits changed just a week before Christmas.

Our Mass times will be

OLHC Epping

5:00pm Children and family Christmas vigil
10:00pm Candlelight vigil in lieu of midnight Mass

8.30am Christmas Day Mass
10.15am Christmas Day Mass

St Gerard's Carlingford

5:00pm Children and family Christmas vigil
7:00pm Youth and family Christmas vigil
10:00pm Candlelight vigil in lieu of midnight Mass
7.45am Christmas Day Mass
9.30am Christmas Day Mass

We will need to work together to make these Masses work well for the glory of God and as an outreach to as many people as possible. This weekend there are sign up sheets at the back of the church for newcomers, and for set up and pack down teams on Thursday 23rd, Friday 24th and Saturday 25th. We will also have working bees on the weekend of

Dec 19th to get the site ready. Please help out wherever you can as an expression of your sharing your faith with your neighbours.

What to give for Christmas? Most of us in Australia want for so little, yet, at Christmas we feel compelled to give gifts as a convention, and in doing so, add to the overeating, consumerism and wastefulness which we all try to avoid the rest of the year. A great solution to this is to give a *Global Gift* via Caritas Australia whereby we make a donation to Caritas, and receive card to give which tells our loved on that a donation has been made on their behalf to provide food, clean water or education to some of the poorest people in the world. Goats have often been a popular version of this in the past. Parishioners are often so generous to their priests that we end up awash in boxes of chocolates or bottles of wine, but I (Fr Jim) would much rather receive one of these Global Gifts cards. Perhaps there are people in your life who feel the same. Go to www.globalgifts.org.au to buy your cards which can be either printed or electronic.

Parish emails: All parish clergy and staff now have new emails on the Broken Bay Diocese domain in the format firstname.surname@bbcatholic.org.au. Please update your address books and delete the previous @eppcarl email addresses.

Advent Reconciliation: Many people choose to go to the sacrament of Reconciliation during Advent as part of their preparation for Christmas. Lockdown brought out the best in many of us, but also may have brought out our worst in some ways, so there may well be sin we want to deal with before God to prepare ourselves for Christmas. This year we will not be having a 2nd Rite of Reconciliation (a liturgy of the Word with a number of priests for the sacrament). Instead, Fr Bogdan and Fr Jim will continue to offer 4 sessions of Reconciliation each week: Monday 6pm at OLHC, Friday 7.30pm at St Gerard's, Saturday 9.45am at OLHC and Saturday 5pm at St Gerard's. We'll also make some additional times available closer to Christmas.

Parish Meeting Rooms We look forward to the easing of restrictions on Dec 15th. After this time our meeting rooms will be available for all groups and ministries, and eating, drinking and singing will be permitted. Until that time, masks must still be worn, check in is required, and vaccination is required due the exemption for places of worship only extending to the church building. Many groups are choosing to meet outdoors at present avoid

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Congratulations to Richard Houwing who has been instituted by Bishop Anthony as an acolyte as part of his formation for diaconate.

Congratulations to Gavin Hays who has been appointed principal of Marian College Kenthurst for 2022.

OLHC Epping now has a piano! While we have some fine organists at OLHC, there are more people who are able to play piano than organ. Perhaps you are one of them. We are seeking additional musicians to contribute to the music ministry at OLHC, usually once a month. Are you a pianist who could join us? Contact music ministry coordinator Jon Kish on jkish@optusnet.com.au

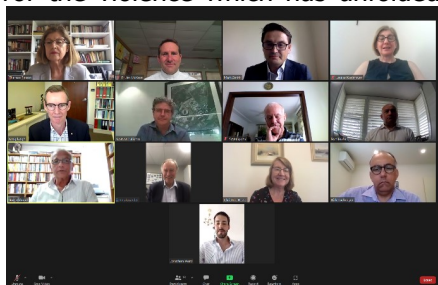
The Voluntary Assisted Dying Bill (2021) has been introduced into NSW Parliament. Our Bishop Anthony Randazzo has written that "It has long been the understanding in the Catholic Tradition that extraordinary means are not a moral requirement for the preservation of life. Each person must have the right to determine to withdraw from such treatment if the consequences are



not for the benefit of a quality of life. The direct termination of life [euthanasia], however, is a different matter". Bishop Anthony has written to our local members of parliament, and encourages us to do the same. "Your voice will be critical throughout the parliamentary debate. Let us address the problem of suffering. Let us do so, however, in a way that promotes a culture of life within our society rather than which insinuates a culture of death, sanitised though it may be." Epping MP Dominic Perrottet's office is Suite 303, Level 3, 51 Rawson Street Epping, phone 9877 0266 or epping@parliament.nsw.gov.au. Fr Marek recently attended a rally at Parliament House opposing the VAD Bill.

Asylum seekers from Afghanistan: We have watched with horror the violence which has unfolded as the Taliban have reclaimed Afghanistan.

Many people, especially women and girls are trying to flee, knowing that their lives and livelihoods are no longer safe there. Concerned Catholics around Australia have heeded Pope Francis' call to support and advocate for these asylum seekers, and have been meeting with members of federal parliament to ask that 20,000 asylum refugees be welcomed, that families be allowed to reunite, and that Afghan refugees on temporary visas be granted permanent visa. Parishioners Mark Smith, Greg Leigh, Gavin Hays, Christine Howe, Kirk and Louise Koelmeyer, Tony Abood, Fr Jim and local community leaders met with Bennelong MP John Alexander on November 9th to put these requests to him.



We were warmly received by Mr. Alexander, who concurred that given our military involvement in Afghanistan for so long we also owe them support in this time of transition. He pledged to work with other like minded MPs to approach Immigration Ministry Alex Hawke and Prime Minister Scott Morrison.

Farewell to Hien: Hien Vu has been appointed to our parish this year for his pastoral placement, the fifth of his seven years of formation for priesthood at The Seminary of the Good Shepherd. Hien has contributed to every area of parish life including schools, home visitation, sacramental programs, liturgy, youth ministry and welcoming. His gentle yet engaging presence in these and other ministries reveal his pastoral and prayerful heart and bode well for the kind of priest he will one day be (he's likely to be ordained in 2024). His pastoral placement concludes at Christmas, and so we will formally farewell him at the Carols Evening at St Gerard's on Boxing Day night.

You may also like to sign the farewell card for him at the back of the church.

Moving out of Epping: We have now vacated the parish office at Epping, and Fr Jim and Hien will be moving out of the presbytery this coming week. We are striving to waste nothing and send nothing to landfill. Much of the furniture and equipment is being re-purposed at Carlingford. Some furniture will go into storage for the next two years for the new presbytery at Epping. Air conditioning units from the Epping office are being installed in the crying room at St Gerard's. Cupboards from the Epping meeting room have been reinstalled at the back of OLHC Church. We are recycling metal and electronics. This past weekend saw lots of parishioners snap up a bargain at our garage sale on Sunday morning at OLHC, and there be even more these new two weeks.

The Catholic Parish



of Epping & Carlingford

CHRISTMAS MASS TIMES

Our Lady Help of Christians Church, Epping

Christmas Eve - 5pm & 10pm (Outdoors)

Christmas Day - 8:30am & 10:15am

St Gerard Majella's Church, Carlingford

Christmas Eve - 5pm, 7pm & 10pm (Outdoors)

Christmas Day - 7:45am & 9:30am

Please visit eppcarl.org.au or scan QR code for details





ANGEL TREE 2021

Once again through "Angel Tree" the Catholic Parish of Epping and Carlingford can deliver Christ love at Christmas to Children of Prisoners. Prison Fellowship invites you to help make a child's Christmas a little brighter. The Children we are supporting have a parent serving a jail term, but the children are often the forgotten victims of their parent's crime.

This year because of COVID-19 and possible lower number still attending Mass due to social distancing we will have a tree in both communities. We will purchase a gift card suitable to the child's age and up to \$30. Christmas card for each child with a prepaid stamped envelope will be sent to the inmate so that they can address it and send it on to their family.

You are asked to collect an Angel Card from the tree this weekend 27th November and return the card with your

donation and place it in the box at the foot of the tree the following week.

Please continue to pray for the children, parents' and carers this Christmas



St Vincent de Paul Society
NSW *good works*

2021 CHRISTMAS APPEAL

Commencing 4th December

*Every baby should be born with hope
for the future*

Our Lady Help of Christians Epping: Envelopes are available at the back of the Church and can be placed in the second collection box. Also Receipts can be provided immediately if the donation is made to one of our members who will be available to assist at the 'Vinnies Table' after Mass.

St. Gerard Majella Carlingford: Envelopes are available at the entrance to the Church and can be placed in the second collection box. Also Receipts can be provided immediately if the donation is made to one of our members at the Piety Store.

Your gift will offer hope this Christmas

PARISH STAFF

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Parish Pastoral Council

If you have any questions, comments or feedback for the Parish Pastoral Council then please send an email to ppsecretary@eppcarl.org.au

PASTORAL
WORKS Broken Bay



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November 2021 Appeal

St Edmund's College is one of the five beneficiaries of Pastoral Works Broken Bay.

The College supports 120 students with disabilities such as intellectual, sensory impairment or autism, providing skills and experience for them to fully engage in life.

Your generous donations help with vital fee assistance to families in our Catholic community so that their children can access the services offered by St Edmund's.

Watch the attached short film to see the amazing impact your donations support

<https://youtu.be/3r5BE26o2H4>.

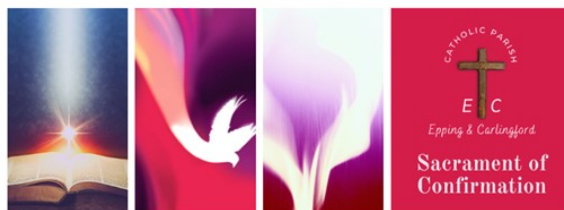
Envelopes will be in the pews over the next three week-ends of 31 October, 7 and 14 November.

You can also donate by visiting
www.bbcatholic.org.au/pastoralworks.

Thank you and God bless you for your generosity.



Sacramental & Children's Ministries Information



Children's Sacramental Confirmation 2021

Congratulations to the following children who celebrated their Confirmation in the parish last weekend:

Owen Byrne, Lucas Coleman, Isabella Greenfield, Harrison James, Patrick Mahoney, Olivia Perry, Noah Rhee, Lucas Ripamonti, Lachlan Teulan, Penelope Williams, Jonathon Bennett, Katherine Bennett, Celine Carpio, Jaiden Chow, Rosemary Cuddy, James Dayapan, Shanaya Dsouza, Sara Bejoy, Shevaun Gamilo, Connor Hodges, Lorenzo Ignacio and Kiana Sonten.

The parish would very much like to thank teachers, catechists, parents and carers who have helped these children in their faith formation. A special thank-you also to our sacristans, altar society, a multi-tasking Seminarian, lectors, musicians and singers, and those who helped look after the PowerPoint presentation. [Their time and efforts have been vitally important in helping make the Confirmation liturgies memorable!](#)

This Sunday 28 November at the 9:30am Mass at St Gerard's, the children who have been confirmed will be presented with their certificate. A jumping castle has been booked to celebrate with the children after Mass. Let's pray the weather holds out!

Preparation for Christmas – Advent 2021!

Those who read my first Advent article here in my "column" each year will know Advent is one of my favourite times of the year next to Lent.

I can't help it; as soon as I think of what's coming in December, that joy just wells up in my heart. I always say, no matter how busy we are (and it doesn't ever get any less busy!) I think this joy is proof of God's Spirit filling us with anticipation for the season! Everything from Nativity scenes to Santas, elves, merchandise and baubles, I give thanks for them all. In whatever way one celebrates the season, that undeniable joy is proof enough that the season is Christ-filled, for only He can bring us such joy... that sort of joy that isn't momentary but one that lingers even when the lights go out.

To be honest, I had an overwhelming urge to put up the Christmas tree this year back in September when we were in lockdown! Just that simple thought lifted my spirits then and I take these little things as little "mercies" God gives us to get us through tough times. Let's keep praying for those who are still homebound and if there is any little way we can bring some cheer, let's do it. Send them a surprise, something they need or deliver chocolates, lots of chocolates!

In the coming weeks, to celebrate the Advent season to prepare for Christmas - the coming of our Lord Jesus, I would like to share my Advent folder with you from my Google drive. It contains activities that you can print out for your children and infographs that can help you explain Advent to them. There are a few different things for different age groups, and I will keep adding to the folder each week.

Please scan this QR code to access my folder:



If you require assistance accessing the folder, I can email you the link directly. Please feel free to contact me for it.

I hope you find the activities helpful. I particularly like the simple fun Christ-filled countdown to Christmas! You could get creative with it and pick certain days to stick a bonus jelly bean on that day!

Lynn Siau
Sacramental Programmes & Children's Ministries
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Youth And Young Adults - For more information on any of our three youth groups please contact the Youth Minister, Joanna Mak on 0404 710 588 or joanna@eppcarl.org.au.



ANTIOCH (YEAR 10/16 YEARS OLD - 23 YEARS OLD)

Antioch meets every Sunday nights for games, a talk, share groups and prayer.

6-8pm at St Gerard's meeting room
on 28th November (Epping 7-9pm dinner at Zappis)
5th December—St Gerard's

Contact parent support if you have any questions:
Joanne 0416 030 927 or Karen 0421 506 577



CANA
YOUTH GROUP



John 2:11 'The first of these miraculous signs, Jesus performed at Cana.'

CANA (Years 6-9)

Join us on Friday nights
7:30—9:00pm at St Gerard's
Parish Hall.
(543 North Rocks Rd, Carlingford
Entrance via North Rocks Rd.)

on 26th Nov. & 5th Dec.

For further information call
Joanna Mak on 0404 710 588
or email joanna@eppcarl.org.au



@ St Gerard's (543 North Rocks Road, Carlingford)

CANA (yr 6-9)

10th December (Fri)

7:30-9pm

Bring a \$5 secret santa
gift

EMMAUS (23-30yrs)

14th December (Tues)

7-8:30pm

Bring a \$10 secret
santa gift

ANTIOCH (yr 10-23)

12th December (Sun)

6-8pm

Bring a \$10 secret santa
gift

To enquire more, or to RSVP, please
contact the Youth Minister, Joanna Mak
on Email: joanna@eppcarl.org.au or
Phone: 0404 710 588

Emmaus young adults night out

11th Dec Sat

Dinner in the
city + Lights of
Christmas at
St Mary's
Cathedral



To enquire more, or to RSVP, please
contact the Youth Minister, Joanna
Mak on Email:
joanna@eppcarl.org.au or Phone:
0404 710 588



Emmaus Young Adults (23-30years old)

Our young adults group meets once a fortnight on
Tuesdays 7-8:30pm. Join us on the **30th Novem-
ber** at St Gerard's meeting room.

For more information contact any of our three
Youth Groups, please contact the Youth Minister,
Joanne Mak on 0404 710 588 or
joanna@eppcarl.org.au

Date	Mass Time	Epping	Mass Time	Carlingford
04/12/21	5:00pm	Fr Jim McKeon	6:00pm	Fr Bogdan Skupien
05/12/21	8:30am	Fr Jim McKeon	7:45am	Fr Bogdan Skupien
05/12/21	10:15am	Fr Jim McKeon	9:30am	Fr Bogdan Skupien
05/12/21	6:00am	Fr Jim McKeon		

Position Vacant: Parish Facilities/Operations Coordinator – Epping Carlingford Parish
Permanent, part-time / full time role

Our parish is seeking to recruit a Parish Facilities/Operations Coordinator. This role plays an important part in the Parish team, providing facilities, operational and administrative services to the Epping Carlingford Parish community. The ideal candidate will have a comprehensive knowledge of office administration processes, understanding of building maintenance, knowledge of bookkeeping or accounting practices coupled with excellent organisational skills and a high attention to detail.

An ability to work autonomously while remaining a team player, commitment to be accountable for performance and an ability to work collaboratively across a wide spectrum of stakeholders will be crucial to your success. You will be required to have a good understanding of, and commitment to, Catholic values and teachings.

If the above sounds like you, supported by relevant qualifications or experience in operations or office administration, please email a brief cover letter and CV to recruitment@bbcatholic.org.au.

The role is permanent, ideally 4 days per week, with flexibility in relation to work schedule (days and hours of work) with a competitive remuneration on offer.

For further information, including to request a copy of the position description please contact recruitment@bbcatholic.org.au.

Applications close **Friday 3 December 2021.**

The Diocese of Broken Bay is committed to and promotes a culture of safety and care for all people, especially for children and others in the community who are vulnerable. Our Diocese has no tolerance to Child Abuse and is committed to ensuring our staff and volunteers understand the joint responsibility to safeguard all those within our community.

The successful applicant must have the right to work in Australia and will be required to undertake a National Police History Check and Working With Children Check.



After Hours Sick Calls— 9876 2853

Outside office hours our office phones divert to Fr Jim and Fr Bogdan at home. In the event that they are unavailable, their answering machines will record your message or ring the number given in the message. However, if possible please restrict routine enquiries to office hours.

Have You Told Us? If you have recently changed your address, phone number or email. For parishioners who give by credit card, does your credit card expire in the near future? Please give the parish office a call on 9876 2853 if you have received a new credit card and/or a new expiry date.

Admitted to Hospital A reminder that if you are admitted to hospital, please try to ensure that you write down your religion as Catholic on the admission form, so that you can receive Catholic services during your stay.

Date	Mass Time	Epping	Mass Time	Carlingford
11/12/21	5:00pm	Fr Bogdan Skupien	6:00pm	Fr Jim McKeon
12/12/21	8:30am	Fr Bogdan Skupien	7:45am	Fr Jim McKeon
12/12/21	10:15am	Fr Bogdan Skupien	9:30am	Fr Jim McKeon
12/12/21	6:00am	Fr Bogdan Skupien		

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CHRISTMAS EVE CHILDREN'S MASSES

All children are invited to take part in the Christmas Vigil Masses (5 pm and 7pm at St Gerard's and 5 pm at OLHC on Christmas Eve in both churches.)

We would like child volunteers for many roles. We also need parent volunteers to assist at the practices, during the Mass.

PRACTICES

Parent helpers and children participating in the Mass will be required to attend the following practices:

Carlingford: Saturday 18th December 10am- 11am—Parent run-through & Gospel mime dress rehearsal.
(Practice for 5pm Mass only . 11am—11:30—Readers

Epping: Saturday 18th December 11:45am—12:30pm— Parent run-through & Gospel mime dress rehearsal.
12:30pm-1pm Readers

Any questions? Please email: **Lynn for Carlingford** lynn@eppcarl.org.au
Therese for Epping olhcchildrensmass@gmail.com

- - - - - ✂ - - - - Please detach and return no later than 28th November - - - - ✂ - - - -

Parent Contact

Name:	
Mobile:	
Email:	

☐ I am able

to assist with Practices and during the Mass.

Child's name	Age	Role (please number preferences 1 and 2) *	
		Reading	Gospel Mime (Joseph/Mary/Angel/Shepherd)

* We will try to give everyone their first preference and will notify by email.

Supporting the Parish Financially

The Catholic Church has a strong tradition of giving, following in the footsteps of St Paul who spoke about caring for one another; it has established and supported many worthwhile charities throughout its long history.

This culture of charity continues on, but a parish can only sustain itself and these charitable works with the help of its parishioners whose generosity makes great things possible.

We ask you to consider making a donation to the Catholic Parish of Epping and Carlingford. To do so please use the following bank account: Please note that the two accounts previously shown have been changed by the bank; you are asked to use the account shown below.

Internet Banking
Commonwealth Bank of Australia
BSB: 062 784
Account No: 100001603
Church Account (2nd Collection)
*Please use your envelope number
and surname as the reference*

2nd Collection

- Parish running costs e.g. administration, insurance, utilities, general maintenance and upkeep of the church, presbytery and parish property.
- Parish staff salaries.

BSB: 062 784
Account No: 100001604
Pastoral Revenue Account
(1st Collection)

Please use your surname as a reference.

1st Collection supports the needs of priests of the parish.

- The priests' monthly salary.
- Upkeep of the presbytery, e.g. food, utilities, cleaner, etc.

Responsorial Psalm ResponseFirst Sunday of Advent
Ps 24:4-5.8-9.10-14 R. v. I

To you, O Lord, I lift my soul.

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Gospel Acclamation

Ps 84:8

First Sunday of Advent

Alleluia, alleluia!Lord, show us your mercy and love,
and grant us your salvation.**Alleluia!****WEEKEND MASSES****Epping** 5:00pm Vigil, 8:30am, 10:15am, 6:00pm.**Carlingford** 6:00pm Vigil, 7:45am, 9:30am..**WEEKDAY MASSES**

	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thur.	Fri.	Sat.	
EPPING	No Mass	12:15pm	6:00pm	12:15pm	12:15pm	9:15am	
CARLINGFORD	9:30am	No Mass	9:30am	9:30am	9:30am	No Mass	

EXPOSITION OF THE EUCHARIST: Epping Saturday 9:45-10:15am, Carlingford, 4th Thursday 10:00am**SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION:** Epping Saturday 9:45-10:15am Carlingford Saturday 5:00—5:30pm
Also, Epping Monday 6pm and Carlingford Friday at 7:30pm **OR BY APPOINTMENT.****BAPTISMS AND WEDDINGS: BY APPOINTMENT****PARISH OFFICE:** 543 North Rocks Rd, Carlingford **PH:** 9876 2853 **Email:** parish@eppcarl.org.au**POSTAL ADDRESS FOR THE PARISH OFFICE:** PO Box 369, Epping NSW 1710**ST GERARD MAJELLA'S PRIMARY SCHOOL:** **PH:** 9871 1633 **Email:** sgc@dbb.catholic.edu.au**OUR LADY HELP OF CHRISTIANS' PRIMARY SCHOOL:** **PH:** 9868 3322 **Email:** olhc@dbb.catholic.edu.au**Lord, in Jesus your Son, you restored to us the gift of Everlasting life. Grant that life to:****Recently deceased:** John Butler, Margaret Ann McLaughlin, Rozalia Astalosh, Thanh (Joshep) Nguyen, Rose Wickremayake, Caroline Collerson, Gilles Vivien, Doreen Brown, Guillermo Surco,**Anniversaries:** Margaret McShane,**Also for:** Sarah & Phillip Curry, Lourenco & Maria Margarida, Richard Newman, Alex Gromof.

Please pray for those who are sick: Sean Huhse, Joel Steinberg, Patricia Rumble, Dean Pan, John Davies, Nicole Greenfield, Michael Furlong, Saulius Dovydas Balsya, Mark Di Palma, Anthony Conlon, Andrew Hannam, Fr Mick Court, Margaret Maher, Anna & Leo Bruzze, Gerhard, Stieger, Rebecca Lawler, Ben Thornton, Elaine Finlayson, Brian Walsh, Patricia O'Connor, Kathy Noonan, Dorothy Bonaccorso, Margaret Floyd, Barbara Madafiglio, Radhi Riley, Patrick Thornton, Jan Doherty, Ana Matijasic, Benjamin Verco, Peter Kelly. John Goodwin, George Bell, Michael & Susan Tuite, Noelene Viset, Eileen Brownlow, Leonie Hale, Elaine & Graham Yeates, Anne Kilby, Cohen Hadden, Yuqin Li, Paul Kelly, Greg Walsh, John Gilberti, Catherine Walsh, Brendan Stone, Melanie Loudoun, Mary Wijewardana, Elaine Hunt, Maureen Carlon, Augustine Hong, Luba Charlton, George Khouri, Antony Hogan, Ingrid Connor, Steve Toth, Martin & Gay Flood, William Jones, Nicholas Rajanayagen, Maria Lee, Patricia Muschalik, Sr Abanasia Lee, Maria Belisario, Stella Edwards, Fara Vargas, Theo Stevens, Monica Weeden, Thomas Woodward, Wai Chun Wong, Heather Stoodley, Agnes Wong, Alex Benjamin Zaragoza, Janice Lemon, Mary Lou Petony, Donald Wong, Joyce Heidke, Betty Brennan, Dennis Porteous, Tony McEneaney.

*Due to privacy laws, names of the sick and deceased can only be put in the bulletin with the permission of the family.***Responsorial Psalm Response**

Second Sunday of Advent Ps 125 R. v. 3

The Lord has done great things for us;
we are filled with joy.**Gospel Acclamation**

Second Sunday of Advent Lk 3:4-6

Alleluia, alleluia!Prepare the way for the Lord, make straight his paths;
all people shall see the salvation of God.**Alleluia!****COMBINED CHURCHES EVENT -****CAROLS IN THE PARK - SUNDAY 12TH DECEMBER 2021 AT BORONIA PARK, EPPING**

Come along to "Carols in the Park," and join with the people of Epping and Carlingford for an evening of fun and festivity, as we celebrate the heart of Christmas together as a community. We need involvement of volunteers in the carols team.

From 7:15pm Carols Programme. **From 9:00pm** Fireworks! What else needs to be said.