### **4<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY OF ADVENT – YEAR A**

St Patrick's Gosford

The Communities of St Patrick's East Gosford, St Francis of Assisi Somersby & Holy Trinity Spencer Neighbourhoods of Grace, entrusted to the care of the Salvatorians.



**18 DECEMBER, 2022** 

St Patrick's Gosford

# Year of

# DISCIPLESHIP

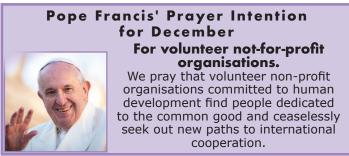
#### SCRIPTURE COMMENTARY BY DIANNE BERGANT CSA

The young woman in Isaiah's prophecy is probably the wife of the king. Since every Israelite king was considered a sign of God's presence with the people, Emmanuel, meaning 'God with us', could refer to any one of them. One might think that a royal child who signifies the presence of God with the people would indeed be a sign of God's fulfilment of the promise made to David concerning the perpetuity of his dynasty (cf. 2 Sam 7:12-16). Here it is also a promise of God's presence regardless of the situations within which the people find themselves. This prophecy encourages the king to place his trust in God, not in the child himself.

Behind the imagery of the opening verses of the psalm response is the ancient Near Eastern cosmology. The focus here is the earth which, the ancients believed, floated like a saucer on the cosmic waters. This earth and all those who live on it belong to or are under the protection of the Lord. Such a claim would not be made if there were any doubt about the Lord's sovereignty. The liturgical portion of the response suggests pilgrims approaching the walls of the city, certain persons (probably priests) inquired about the suitability of those who would enter the sacred precincts. External conformity to cultic prescriptions is not enough; an appropriate inner disposition is required as well.

Paul relates the gospel that he preaches with the promises made by God through the prophets. Thus he highlights the link between the message of Jesus and the ancient traditions of Israel. However, Jesus is more than human. Through his resurrection he has been established Son of God in power. The resurrection uniquely manifested his divine sonship. Finally, this was all accomplished according to the Spirit of holiness. Here we find the foundation of Paul's Trinitarian faith. His final salutation is composed of the Greek expression 'grace to you' and the Hebrew greeting 'peace'. It is really a prayer for grace and peace, of coming conjointly from God and from Christ.

The gospel reading describes how Jesus, though not the





natural son of Joseph, can through him be legitimately considered a son of David. Mention of the Holy Spirit is probably less a question of Trinitarian theology than of eschatological fulfilment. The name 'Jesus' is the Greek form of the Hebrew YehÇšua, which means 'YHWH is salvation'. Regardless of how the tradition of Mary's virginity eventually developed within Christian theology, the content of this passage indicates that the concern is less with Mary's actual perpetual virginity than with the origin of Jesus in God. He comes from God; he is the salvation from God; he is the presence of God; the new age will be born through him.

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Discipleship in the Christian sense is the process of making oneself become like Christ. The disciple of Christ is to become like Christ in everything.

# THIS YEAR PUT CHRIST BACK INTO CHRISTMAS



## FR FRANCIS JORDAN SDS



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#### ST PATRICK'S PARISH GOSFORD PASTORAL CARE

# Fr Grzegorz [Greg] Skulski SDS

Parish Priest Email: greg@sds.org.au



#### **SALVATORIANS** Society of the Divine Saviour

http://www.sds.org.au **PARISH OFFICE** Secretary: Colleen Kirk Mon – Thurs: 8:30am - 4:30pm 8:30am - 1:00pm Friday Email: patsgos@acs.net.au ST POPE JOHN PAUL II PASTORAL CENTRE EMAIL: JPII.Centre@bbcatholic.org.au Darren Fitzgibbon Bursar: Sacramental Programme Coordinator: Frances Mathey Email: franceshanna@yahoo.com Catechists' Coordinator: Raelene O'Connor Email: saintpatsccd@acs.net.au 9:00am - 1:00pm Wed: 9:30am - 1:30pm Thurs PASTORAL CENTRE & FORMATION COORDINATOR including Youth Ministry Jaimi-Lea Andrews jaimi.andrews@bbcatholic.org.au Email: 0499 386 336 Phone: Media Coordinator: Tom Croll tom.croll@bbcatholic.org.au Email: Phone: 0411- 962 122. Parent Engagement Coordinator: Elvira Bennett Email: Elvira.Bennett@dbbcatholic.edu.au Phone: 0420 624 314 **VOLUNTEER ROLES** Office Admin: Denise Jay 9:00am – 3:30pm

Friday: AV Presentation:

#### Caretakers:

**Baptism Co-ordinator:** All bookings must be made through the parish office. Gardeners:

Seniors' Ministry:

#### SAFEGUARDING OFFICER Hilary



Pope If you see any activities involving children or vulnerable adults that concerns you, please email Hilary Pope, our Safeguarding Officer at hilary.p1@optusnet.com.au

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Barbara McCarthy Ph: 4322 0250

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#### NATIONAL CATHOLIC LEADERSHIP STANDARDS

### **COMMITTED LEADERSHIP, GOVERNANCE & CULTURE**

KEY ELEMENTS OF STANDARD 1:

- Ŷ A COMMITMENT TO SAFEGUARDING
- Ŷ PROMOTING A SAFEGUARDING CULTURE
- Ŷ SAFEGUARDING POLICIES
- Ŷ CODE OF CONDUCT

CHURCH OPEN DAILY 8:30AM – 4:30PM.							
STANDARD WEEKDAY MASSES							
GOSFORD, 76 YORK STREET EAST GOSFORD							
Mon:	9:00am	Wed: 11	Fri: 12:00pm				
Tue:	9:00am	Thu: 9:00am Sat: 9:00an Devotion to St JPII Mass					
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GOSFORD,	76 YORK STR	EET EAST GOSF	ORD				
Sat Vigil:	5:00pm	Sun:	7:30a	m, 9:30am & 6:00pm			
Filipino M	ass:	2nd Sunday	y of each m	onth: 12:00pm			
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ACTIVE GROU	PS IN OUR COMMUNITY OF ST PATRICK'S				
Cancer Prayer Group	After 9:00am Mass, 4th Tuesday of the Month, in the Jordan room.				
Craft Group	9:00am to 12:00pm Every Friday in the Jordan Room				
Grief & Loss Support	2:00pm 1st Thursday of the month, in the Jordan room.				
MenAlive	7:00pm 1st Tuesday of the month. Mass followed by meeting in the Jordan room.				
Monday Morning	Prayer Group DVDs 1st Monday of the Month				
Prayer Groups 9:30 am after Mass	Prayer & Bible Discussion 2nd, 4th and 5th Monday of the Month				
	Prayers for Christian Unity 3rd Monday of the Mor	۱th			
Bible Study - Monday night	7:00pm to 9:00pm Monday, in the Jordan Room, all are welcome!				
Divine Will Prayer Group	7:00pm to 8:15pm every Wednesday in the Jordan Room.				
Movie Afternoons	1st Sunday of month at 1:00 pm until 4:00 pm				
Salvatorian Collaborators	After 9:00am Mass, 1st Thursday of the month, in the Jordan room.				
Womens Faith Circle	2nd and 4th Thursday of the Month in the Jordan Room 9:00am to 11:00am				
Paddies - Youth	Years 3 & 4 students, meet every Wednesday during school terms in the Hall 3:00 to 4:30 pm.				
Arise - Youth Group	Years 5 & 6 students, meet every Friday during school terms, in the school Library 6:00pm.				
Ascend - Youth Group	Years 7 to 12 meet every Sunday night during school terms, after 6:00 pm Youth Mass				
Awake - Young Adults Group	18 to 35 year olds meet the last Saturday of each month 7:00 pm in the Jordan Room				
SCHOOL PRINCIPALS St Patrick's Primary: St Joseph's College: St Edwards College:	Mrs Cheryl Walsh 4325 1159 Mr Tony McCudden 4324 4022 Mr Mark Bonnici 4321 6400				

St Peter's College: Mr Tim Hilderbrandt 4351 2344 

UPCOMING EVENTS					
For normal Mass Times see opposite on Page 2 Any exceptions will be listed below.					
Date	Time	Event			
Sun 18/12/22	9:30am	Morning Tea after Mass			
		Volunteers Needed to help clean the Church ready for Christmas.			

#### **ANNUAL CHRISTMAS DAY LUNCH**

Our Ministry to the Seniors' hosts an annual Christmas Lunch for those alone on this special day, or simply there's only two of you at home from 11.30am at the hall.

Assistance in required in the form of helpers on Christmas Eve to prepare [from 1pm] and Christmas Day to serve the lunch. Cash donations in support of this would be much appreciated as well.

To be a helper, or to book for the lunch, please call Barbara on 4322 0250 or Eunice on 4365 1857.

#### NEW ASSISTANT PARISH PRIEST FR BRONEK PIETRUSEWICZ SDS

He was appointed as our new Assistant Parish Priest to help Fr Greg at Gosford Parish. Fr Bronek will begin his ministry in our parish 1st February 2023.



Fr Bronek at left

# **FAREWELL TO YEAR 6 STUDENTS**

PLEASE JOIN US IN WISHING THEM WELL FOR FUTURE STUDIES IN HIGH SCHOOL NEXT YEAR.

#### OUR SCHOOLS BREAK FOR THE CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS

#### WE WISH ALL THE STUDENTS AND STAFF A HAPPY AND SAFE TIME DURING THE BREAK.

We also look forward to seeing them again next year when school resumes.

For the students who are finishing their schooling this year we wish them all the best for the future.

## **BUS DRIVER [LR LICENCE] REQUIRED**

Sadly we have lost the services of our 1st Sunday of the month driver, David Dessman, to bring the elderly to Mass, as he has to step down but takes with him our deepest gratitude for the time spent in this valuable service. We are now looking for someone with a Light Rigid licence to fill his once a month position and ask you to please contact the Parish Office if you are interested.

# Some common synonyms of disciple are adherent, follower, and partisan.

While all these words mean "one who gives full loyalty and support to another," disciple implies a devoted allegiance to the teachings of Jesus.

#### PLEASE JOIN US FOR MASS AT CHRISTMAS AMILY MASS FROM LAST YEAR



# MIDNIGHT MASS FROM LAST YEAR



#### CHRISTMAS IS ALL ABOUT JESUS YES IT'S JUST 7 SLEEPS UNTIL JESUS'S BIRTHDAY



# St PATRICK'S CHURCH

**Christmas Mass Times** 

Christmas Eve 5:00 pm Family Mass 9:00 pm Youth Mass Midnight Mass

SOMERSBY St Francis of Assisi 5:00 Vigil Christmas Day @ St Patrick's 7:30 am 9:30 am

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#### PRESENTATION FOR BAPTISM



Daniel Jaskolski presenting his son, Lydan Leigh at the Somersby Vigil Mass this Saturday. Please make Lydan welcome to our Parish community.

# DIOCESAN HOMELESSNESS FUNDRAISER

### A SIGNIFICANT RESULT

Along with CatholicCare and Catholic Schools Broken Bay, I would like to thank you and your parishioners for supporting the Diocesan Homelessness Fundraiser in October 2022.

As you will be aware, this was the inaugural CatholicCare appeals campaign across the Diocese with donations going to two of our homelessness services – Mary Mac's Place in Woy Woy and Dom's Place in Hornsby.

The amount raised was an impressive \$111,419.50. This will contribute greatly to CatholicCare's essential meal and support services which are not Government funded. Gosford Parish raised Gosford \$2,917.00 of the total.

We are extremely grateful to the many parishioners and families who contributed to this community engagement initiative.



#### PARISH EXPENSES

We all get caught up in our daily lives, and the joy of being able to come to our parish for Mass and events, but perhaps it is a good time to raise the subject of the expenses that come with keeping the parish thriving, and certainly not the least is the cost of our annual insurance bill of \$41,000 per annum, being an increase of \$6,000 in 2021 and a further \$10,000 pa in 2022 and we are reeling after just receiving this advice. We may add to that the cost of electricity, rates, repairs and maintenance, sacramental items, sanitary items for the bathrooms, cleaning costs and ancillary staff to ensure we meet your needs [to the best of our ability], plus office expenses and meeting all legal requirements associated with parish life.

We rely heavily on your donations via the plate or even in many cases, the one-off generous donations we receive to keep improving. Whilst the solution would be an increase in the overall level of planned giving to the parish, if anyone is feeling generous, your kind one-off donation would be gratefully accepted.

#### NEWS ABOUT SOMERSBY

Many of you will be aware that the Diocese owned three adjacent properties at Somersby, one of which is the site of the St Francis of Assisi Mass Centre at 30 Lutana Rd Somersby.

In 2021, the Diocese advised that it had plans to sell the properties and during the course of 2021/2022, there was a period of ongoing consultation between the Diocese, myself as Parish Priest and a small group of representatives of the Somersby parishioners and also with the Somersby parishioner community. This consultation was arranged to assist in discerning future arrangements for our Somersby community given that the Diocese had flagged its eventual intention to sell the Mass Centre site. Following those discussions, the Diocese launched a sales campaign for 520 Wisemans Ferry Rd and 40 Lutana Rd Somersby, run by McGrath Gosford. The plan at that time was to delay the sale of the third property (the Mass Centre property) to allow time to identify a suitable alternative for the Somersby parishioners.

Although the Mass Centre property was not offered for sale with the other two properties, very late in the sales campaign it became clear that one purchaser was interested in the purchase of the Mass Centre property as well as one or more of the properties actually up for sale. This purchaser was also prepared to offer to the Diocese a "lease-back" of the Mass Centre so that the Parish (and the Somersby parishioners) would be able to use the Mass Centre for a period of up to 18 months pending identification of an alternative Mass Centre option.

After consultations with Bishop Anthony Randazzo, the sale of the Mass Centre property was agreed on condition of a lease-back of the Mass Centre until 15 April 2024. This allows significantly more time to continue the use of the Mass Centre than was first envisaged and socialised with parishioners during the consultation with them.

The Parish (with the support of the Diocese) is currently investigating potential alternative Mass Centre options for further discernment with parishioners over the coming months.

Jesus wants his followers to be like salt in their



local community, through being a force for good and bringing improvements to people's lives. Light is important to guide the way, especially in darkness. Jesus wants his followers to show their faith in the societies where they live, like a light shining visibly.

#### MINISTRY TO THE SENIORS' NUMEROUS ACTIVITIES 1ST TUESDAY OF THE MONTH

Come and join us for friendship, picnics, bus trips, parties and just plain fun.

Ring Barbara on 4322 0250 or Eunice 0438 272 141. For more information .





#### First reading

Isaiah 7:10-14

The maiden is with child

The Lord spoke to Ahaz and said, 'Ask the Lord your God for a sign for yourself coming either from the depths of Sheol or from the heights above.' 'No,' Ahaz answered 'I will not put the Lord to the test.'

#### SATURDAY MORNING COFFEE SHOP

We are in desperate need to find two more people to help , only one Saturday morning a month. Please contact the Parish Office if you are interested.





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#### **ST PATRICK'S — YOUR PARISH**

If you would like to support your parish long after you have gone, perhaps you may consider leaving a bequest?

There are two options available:

- 1. You may consider a living bequest, where you can see the benefit of your giving? If you prefer the idea of a living bequest, please just speak with Father, or contact the Parish Office On 43251042."
- If you would like to leave a bequest in your Will, please ask your solicitor to include the following in your will:

"I give, devise and bequeath [the sum of ... or my property known as ... or ...% of my estate] free of all duties and taxes to the parish priest of St. Patrick's Parish of the Roman Catholic Church East Gosford to be used for the purposes of that parish.



### READINGS THE 4<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY OF ADVENT 18 DECEMBER 2022

Lord appeared to him in a dream...

#### **ENTRANCE ANTIPHON CF. IS 45:8**

Drop down dew from above, you heavens, and let the clouds rain down the Just One; let the earth be opened and bring forth a Saviour.

#### FIRST READING IS 7:10-14

A reading from the prophet Isaiah

#### The virgin will conceive.

The Lord spoke to Ahaz and said, 'Ask the Lord your God for a sign for yourself coming either from the depths of Sheol or from the heights above.' 'No', Ahaz answered 'I will not put the Lord to the test.'

Then Isaiah said:

'Listen now, House of David:

are you not satisfied with trying the patience of men without trying the patience of my God, too?

The Lord himself, therefore, will give you a sign.

It is this: the maiden is with child and will soon give birth to a son whom she will call Immanuel, a name which means "God-is-with-us"."

#### **RESPONSORIAL PSALM** PS 23:1-6. R. SEE VV 7. 10

(R.) Let the Lord enter; he is king of Alleluia, alleluia! glory.

1. The Lord's is the earth and its fullness, the world and all its peoples. It is he who set it on the seas; on the Alleluia! waters he made it firm.

#### (R.) Let the Lord enter; he is king of glory.

2. Who shall climb the mountain of the Lord?

Who shall stand in his holy place?

The man with clean hands and pure heart, who desires not worthless things.

#### (R.) Let the Lord enter; he is king of alorv.

3. He shall receive blessings from the Lord and reward from the God who saves him.

Such are the men who seek him, seek the face of the God of Jacob.

(R.) Let the Lord enter; he is king of glory.

#### SECOND READING **ROM 1:1-7**

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Romans

#### Jesus Christ, a descendant of David, is the Son of God.

From Paul, a servant of Christ Jesus who has been called to be an apostle, and specially chosen to preach the Good News that God promised long ago through his prophets in the scriptures. This news is about the Son of God, who, according to the human nature he took, was a descendant of David: it is about Jesus Christ our Lord who, in the order of the spirit, the spirit of holiness that was in him, was proclaimed Son of God in all his power through his resurrection from the dead. Through him we received grace and our apostolic mission to preach the obedience of faith to all pagan nations

in honour of his name. You are one of these nations, and by his call belong T to Jesus Christ. To you all, then, who are God's beloved in Rome, called to F be saints, may God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ send grace and S peace.

#### **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION** MT 1:23

A virgin will give birth to a son; his name will be Emmanuel: God is with US.

# GOSPEL

#### MT 1:18-24

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew

#### Jesus was born of Mary, the betrothed of Joseph, a son of David.

This is how Jesus Christ came to be born. His mother Mary was betrothed to Joseph; but before they came to live together she was found to be with child through the Holy Spirit. Her husband Joseph, being a man of honour and wanting to spare her publicity, decided to divorce her informally. He had made up his mind to do this when the angel of the Lord appeared to him in a dream and said, 'Joseph son of David, do not be afraid to take Mary home as your wife, because she has conceived what is in her by the Holy Spirit. She

will give birth to a son and you must name him Jesus, because he is the one who is to save his people from their sins.' Now all this took place to fulfil the words spoken by the Lord through the prophet:

The virgin will conceive and give birth to a son and they will call him Emmanuel, a name which means 'God-is-with-us'. When Joseph woke up he did what the angel of the Lord had told him to do: he took his wife to his home.

# **COMMUNION ANTIPHON**

#### IS 7:14

Behold, a Virgin shall conceive and bear a son; and his name will be called Emmanuel.

#### **THIS WEEK**

Mon	of 4 <sup>th</sup> week of Advent
	Mass at St Patrick's 9:00 am*
Tue	of 4 <sup>th</sup> week of Advent
	Mass at St Patrick's 9:00 am*
Wed	of 4 <sup>th</sup> week of Advent
	Mass at St Patrick's 11:30 am*
Thu	of 4 <sup>th</sup> week of Advent
	Mass at St Patrick's 9:00 am*
Fri	of 4 <sup>th</sup> week of Advent
	Mass at St Patrick's 12 noon*
Sat	of 4 <sup>th</sup> week of Advent
	Mass at St Patrick's 9:00 am*
Vigi	Family Mass at St Pat's 5:00pm
Vigi	Family Mass at St Pat's 5:00pm Youth Mass at St Pat's 9:00pm
Vigi	Youth Mass at St Pat's 9:00pm Midnight Mass at St Pats
Vigi  Vigil	Youth Mass at St Pat's 9:00pm
5	Youth Mass at St Pat's 9:00pm Midnight Mass at St Pats
Vigil	Youth Mass at St Pat's 9:00pm Midnight Mass at St Pats Mass at Somersby 5:00 pm <b>The NATIVITY of the LORD</b> Mass at St Patrick's 7:30 am
Vigil Sun	Youth Mass at St Pat's 9:00pm Midnight Mass at St Pats Mass at Somersby 5:00 pm The NATIVITY of the LORD

#### NEXT WEEKS READINGS

#### **4<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY OF ADVENT**

1st:	Is 62:1-5
Ps	88:4-5, 16-17, 27, 29
2nd:	Acts 13:16-17, 22-25
Gos:	Mt 1:1-25



St Patrick's year of DISCIPLESHIP

MASS	Children's Mass	Youth Mass	Midnight Mass	Christmas Day	Christmas Day	Somersby	- 5:00pm
DATE	24th 5:00 PM	24th 9:00 PM	24th Midnight	25th 7:30 AM	25th 9:30 AM	Function	24th 5:00 PM
Audio/Visual	Ron Begg	Youth	Greg McBride	Michael Lynch	Peter McLean	Audio/Visual	Michael Xuereb
Acolytes	Kevin O'Donnell Tim Dasan	Joseph Nicholls Peter Axon	Sheila Evans Patrick Nicholls Peter Young	John Ryan Sheila Evans	Peter Cho Mark Bennett	Sanctuary Setup	Mary Luci
Commentator	Children	Youth	Keith Quinn	Neil Murphy	John Konopka	Commentator	Michael Monagha
Lectors	Children Children	Youth Youth	Joseph Nicholls Katrina Pratt	Thea Dowsett Eunice Dal Busco	Stephanie Trevenen Emily Rudd	Lectors	Sonia Cummings Nai Herford
Extraordinary Ministers of The Eucharist		Sherree Sullivan	Required	Nora Koleszar	Korina Konopka	Extraordinary Ministers Cleaning	Mary Luci
Altar Servers		Vito De Toffol Remi De Toffol Luca De Toffol				Altar Servers	Dylan Xuereb Rita Galea
COUNTERS 19/12/22 Eunice Dal Busco Ron Begg Irrudi Hiep 26/12/22 Gary Smith David Slingsby /ictoria Milanovic	ALTAR LINEN P/Up 26/12 Amiee Sands Ret'n by 30/12 COFFEE SHOP 24/12 Hilary Pope Jenifer Appleby Peter Julius		ALTAR SOCIETY Thu, Dec 22 Donna Hobday Pauline Parsons Julianne Hayne	CHILDREN'S LITURGY	PARISH BUS 25/12 Driver: Rod Surdich Helper: Pauline Nesbitt	FRIDAY HOSPITAL 23/12 Theresa Giddings Bigi Kongola Coleen Martin Denise Nicholson Sandrea Petith Gary Wills	SUNDAY HOSPITAL 25/12 Robyn McBride Patsy McCaskie

#### PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SERIOUSLY ILL MEMBERS OF OUR COMMUNITY:

Aaron Burke, Cheryl Barany, Margaret Gunnulson, John Bendkowski, Norm Pounder, Marie Allman, Lynne Mullaney, Paul Jones, Christine Mary Page, Margaret Eadie, Peter Glow, Mike Morris, Dianne Pounder, Robert Clark, Ranjan Fernando, Michael Ludemann, Anne Hanna, Marie Nolan, Caterina Erbeni, Pat Garnsey, Olivia McGuinness, Philip Soady, Sheryl Rogers, Bernadette Humphries, Megan McGowan, Aaron Burke, Mery-Anne Bonnici, Lorraine Collins, Ross Sayer, Fred Boland, Teresa Davar, Susan Milne, Maura Garvey, Anne Holohan, Brent Senger, Oliver Senger, Christopher Michael Graham, Angela Gibbs, Peter Allman, Pam O'Malley-Jones, Judith Wennerbom, Marie O'Donovan, Frank McGuinness.

#### **RECENTLY DECEASED:**

Joseph Baynie's, Robert Smith, Murray Scott Pam West, Cara L'Amie, Michael Davis-Sillick, Leslie Glover, Les Cox.

#### **ANNIVERSARIES:**

Alan Nolan, Paul Sheeran, Patricia Byrne, Jim McCarthy.

#### REMEMBRANCES

Joseph Vaz, Relatives & Friends of Morgan Whitby, Dennis & Von Frugtniet, John & Pat Turner, Raj Jowry, Gabrielle, Boleslaw Then, Holy Souls, Michael Kokegei.

#### **CONDOLENCES:**

Condolences to George Baynie's and the Baynie family on the passing of George's father Joseph.

Our condolences to all the families and friends of all those recently deceased. We pray for the souls of those departed, rest in the arms of our Lord.

#### **ENSURING OUR SICK LIST IS ACCURATE**

As we approach the end of the Calendar year we ask you to check the list of people on the Sick List. If you are someone or know someone on the list that no longer needs our special prayers for healing, could you advise the Parish Office so we can remove the name from the list. Conversely if you or you know someone who would like to be added to the list please advise the office.

MASS INTENTIONS								
Date	Mass	Intention		Date	Mass	Intention		
Sat 17/12	9:00am Gosford	ALL JPII INTENTIONS + Remembrance MARIA DABSKI		Fri 23/12	12:00pm Gosford & on line	Recently Deceased JOSEPH BAYNIE		
Sat 17/12	5:00pm Gosford	+ Remembrance RAJ JOWRY		Sat 24/12	9:00am Gosford & on line	1. ALL JPII INTENTIONS 2. Anniversary: JOHAN VAN ZYL		
Sat 17/12	5:30pm Somersby	+ Birthday Remembrance GABRIELLE		0.1.04/40		,		
Sun 18/12	7:30 am Gosford	PARISH INTENTIONS		Sat 24/12	5:00pm Gosford	+20th Ann: NELSON KAN PARISH INTENTIONS		
Sun 18/12	9:30 am Gosford & on line	Wedding Ann Blessings JOHNSON & ANITA FERNANDES		Sat 24/12	5:00pm Somersby	+ Remembrance VAL & ERIC NEILSON		
Sun 18/12	6:00 pm Gosford	Recently Deceased ROBERT SMITH		Sat 24/12	9:00pm Gosford	+ Rem: McGUIRE & KIRK FAMILIES		
Mon 19/12	9:00am Gosford	+ Anniversary ALAN NOLAN		Sat 24/12	Midnight Gosford	PARISH INTENTIONS		
Tue 20/12	9:00am Gosford	Personal Intentions of CHRISTOPHER		Sun 25/12	7:30 am Gosford	+ Remembrance GLEN MILLS		
Wed 21/12	11:30am Gosford & on line	+ 2ND Anniversary PAUL SHEERAN		Sun 25/12	9:30 am Gosford & on line	+ Remembrance MAGDALEN McNAMARA		
Thu 22/12	9:00am Gosford & on line	Recently Deceased MURRAY SCOTT		Sun 25/12	No 6:00pm Mass			

