





**FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT—28 November 2021**

	<p><b>Pope Francis' Prayer Intention for November</b></p> <p><b>People who suffer from Depression</b></p> <p>We pray that people who suffer from depression or burn-out will find support and a light that opens them up to life.</p>	<p><b>Vox Populi - The Voice of the People</b></p> <p>This week's Vox Populi comes from Christine Khoudair. She has worked with CatholicCare Diocese of Broken Bay since 2016 and has lived in the Diocese all her life. Faith, Family and Friends are of important in her life. In her spare time she enjoys the outdoors Bush and Coastal Walks, giving traditional cooking a go and also enjoys The Arts.</p> <p><b>"Love Thy Neighbour" - By Christine Khoudair</b></p> <p><i>(To read the full message go to our website or facebook page)</i></p>	
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<b>First Reading</b> Jer 33:14-16	<b>Responsorial Psalm</b> Ps 24:4-5, 8-9, 10, 14:R.v.1	<b>Second Reading</b> 1 Thess 3:12-4:2	<b>Gospel Acclamation</b> Ps 84:8	<b>Gospel</b> Lk 21:25-28, 34-36
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<b>MASS SCHEDULE</b>	<b>FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT</b>
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**Weekday Mass Schedule**

**OLOR Cathedral:** Mon to Sat 7:00 am

**QOP Church:** Tue, Thu, Fri 8:45 am  
Sat 7:30 am

**Korean Mass**  
Tue, Thu 7:30 pm  
Wed, Fri 10:00 am


**Weekend Mass Schedule**

**OLOR Cathedral:** Saturday 5:00 pm Vigil  
Sunday 9:30 am, 6:00 pm

**QOP Church:** Saturday 5:30 pm Vigil  
Sunday 8:00 am

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



**Filipino Mass** 3:30 pm  
*(Every 2nd Sunday of each month)*

**Korean Mass**  
Sat 7:30 pm  
Sun 11:00 am & 5:00 pm

**REFLECTION BY Fr Peter deSouza**

**THANK YOU to those who stay after Mass to clean the pews.**

**Sacrament of Penance / Reconciliation**  
OLOR Cathedral Saturdays from 9 am to 9:30 am  
Queen of Peace Church Saturdays 4:30pm-5:15 pm  
**Exposition every First Friday of the month from 10am– 10pm**

**Private Prayer** Our Cathedral *Chapel* is open for private prayer from 8am-8pm. **It is necessary for everyone who enters the chapel to check in using QR Code, hand sanitise and to wear a face mask. Failure to do so will mean we need to close the chapel.**

**Cenacle QOP Church Thursdays after 8.45am Mass**  
On hold from 9<sup>th</sup> Dec -6<sup>th</sup> Jan 2022, and will resume on the 13<sup>th</sup> Jan 2022.

**If a Priest is needed** in a matter of emergency, after hours or on the weekend, please call **0458 351 843**.

My dear Parishioners,

“ See, the days are coming – it is the Lord who speaks – when I am going to fulfil the promise I made to the House of Israel and the House of Judah: Jer 33:14-16.”

The readings during Advent set the stage for our reflections for the entire season. They contain a number of promises, all pointing to Jesus who has come and continues to make a home in your life and mine. They promise us of a loving, provident, merciful and forgiving God, which in turn are full of hope. Let us embrace the same, with an open heart and mind.

An Advent way of life calls us to ‘wait in joyful hope for the coming of our Saviour Jesus Christ’. This waiting in hope is a gift of love yet so precious and deep. For each of us it calls us to embrace this opportunity in the everyday situations of life; And that is being that Hope in a world that is coming to terms in hope, that of love that is looking for love and that where charity fails to be charitable. Advent reminds us and prepares us for the birth of an ordinary child with an extraordinary dimension and that is “Emmanuel Our God is with us”.

(Ps 25) “Your ways, O Lord, make known to me; teach me your paths, guide me in your Truth and teach me for You are God, my Saviour.” An open and prayerful journey that we are all called to walk during this time...

Prayerful journey through this time.....

*Fr Peter deSouza*

**NOVEMBER MASSES** For November, all Masses offered in both Churches will be for the Intention of those in the Book of Remembrance and for **those who wish to offer a Mass for your loved ones.** Please put your loved ones' name on an envelope and use the 'Heading November Mass Intention' and place the envelope on the collection plate.



An offering may be placed in the envelope.

### MASS OF THE ANOINTING:

Friday 3/12/2021 at OLOR Cathedral at 9.30am

Tuesday 7/12/2021 at Queen of Peace Normanhurst at 8.45am

**FIRST FRIDAY 3 December:** Adoration will begin at 10.00am in the morning and will conclude at 10.00pm in the night, you are welcome to join in private prayer before the Lord. **From 7-8pm is our usual hour for vocations, please join us praying for Vocations.**

### CONGRATULATIONS to Bishop Anthony Randazzo

who will be celebrating his 30th Anniversary of Priestly Ordination on 29th November. God's blessing to you.

### 3 DECEMBER - International Day for People with Disabilities.

The 2021 theme is "Leadership and participation of persons with disabilities toward an inclusive, accessible and sustainable post-COVID 19 world".

<https://www.idpwd.com.au/events/calendar/>

**CHRISTMAS HAMPERS** — St Vincent de Paul will be doing hampers again this year. If you would like to make a hamper please contact Shirley Kelynack, Regional President Hornsby 0401 041 443; 9476 4999 or [Shirleymyra@optusnet.com.au](mailto:Shirleymyra@optusnet.com.au) We would like the hampers back by Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> December Thank you.

### KIDS Christmas Nativity Craft activity.

On our Parish facebook page, our e-bulletin and our Website we have a Kids Craft Activity on how to make a Christmas Nativity Craft Decoration. If you have no access to this the instructions can be requested via email from the parish office.



**YAKHUMNDENI CHRISTMAS APPEAL** - Advent wreaths, Christmas cakes (incl gluten free), plum puddings, date loaves, biscuits, jams, rocky road etc. To order please contact Helen Schyvens on 9487 1563.

**May I ask you to pray for** those who are sick, those who are struck with the virus, those tested positive, those in isolation, and those vaccinated for COVID-19.

### Memorial Mass for Frank Fayers—

Sunday 28 November 4pm. St George Maronite Catholic Church, 2 Yarrara Rd Thornleigh. All welcome.

**We remember those who died recently** – Ofelia Morales ● Theresa Rodrigo ● Patricia Symmington ● Sister Christopher Neal IBVM ● Bishop Bill Wright ● Jessie Formby

**Anniversaries** — Ida & Sjeng Linssen

**We pray for the sick** — Allan Ivers ● Lisa Kaye Willatt ● Pauline Carr ● Martin Palisi ● Lisa Hogarth

**PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR HSC STUDENTS** that they feel the Lord's presence during the HSC exam period. We pray that the Lord will give them **calm nerves** and quiet confidence in the knowledge that he holds them in the palm of their hand. Bless them with keen understanding, retentive memories and the ability to grasp questions correctly.



### PARISH GIFTING TREE

**"Our journey to Bethlehem"** during this time also invites you to reflect as a **"Community of faith"** on our Parish **Giftng Tree.** This is an opportunity, for each of us to stop and focus on what best way we can gift of our persons, for our personal growth, and that of our community, in whatever capacity we are in.



Let us ask ourselves, how can we best use our time, our talents and our treasures to be of greater and richer use. We are invited to open our hearts in prayer, and our hands in an act of commitment, so that our journey stands enriched when we carry the incarnated Lord on our travels.

On behalf of the Clergy of the Parish, I extend my deepest gratitude to each of you in advance for considering this, and my prayer is for us to walk together in faith. Let us pray for the star of "Bethlehem" to guide us through.

**Our Journey into Advent.** "Advent 1:23." At Hornsby Cathedral Parish.

In order to further support the implementation of this project, a Whatsapp group has been set up to send a message each day at 1:23pm to remind participants to pray. This service is available to everyone in the Diocese, and will commence on 28 November concluding 24 December. To receive these messages, please invite parishioners to join the Whatsapp group by following this link:

<https://chat.whatsapp.com/JgJNDFGGQFcBAy9fUfXvda>

### Our Themes:

#### Wed 1 Dec

#### 7-8pm - Commission – Evangelisation and Mission

30 mins – the person of Jesus Christ, and his message of Good News. (1 John 1:1-4)

30 mins – the Holy Spirit leads us in the way of discipleship. (Matthew 28:18-20)

#### Wed 8 Dec 7-8pm - Community – Ecclesial (Church) gathering

Building together a culture of vocation for all the baptised. (Catechism of the Catholic Church, 1877)

30 mins – A united message reflecting the voice of the bishop at the service of his people. (Colossians 2:2-3)

#### Wed 15 Dec 7-8pm - Common good – justice and peace

30 mins – Authentic Catholic education for the flourishing of human and faith development. (Evangelii nunti, n. 22)

30 mins – Justice and mercy place the poor at the heart of the Church. (Matthew 25:40)

Those wishing to participate in the programme, please call in the parish office on 028379 1700, to book in.

### Curious about Catholicism, or Christianity in

**general?** Are you, or someone you know, interested in finding out more about what Catholics believe and practise, and why? Do you think you might like to become a Catholic? Free information and discussion sessions start very soon. Come and see with no obligation.

Contact Peter, parish Christian Initiation team leader on Mobile 0411389300 or via email [rcia.hornsby@gmail.com](mailto:rcia.hornsby@gmail.com)

### WELCOME TO NEW PARISHIONERS

Welcome to anyone who is joining us for the first time today, or has only begun to come to Mass here recently. It's great to have you. Please pick up a welcome pack from the back of the church. Thanks for building your spiritual home with us.

