



THE SAVING WORD

THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT / C

12 DECEMBER 2021

FIRST READING

Zeph 3:14-18

A reading from the prophet Zephaniah.

With gladness the Lord will rejoice over you.

Shout for joy, daughter of Zion,
Israel, shout aloud!

Rejoice, exult with all your heart,
daughter of Jerusalem!

The Lord has repealed your sentence;
he has driven your enemies away.

The Lord, the king of Israel, is in your midst;
you have no more evil to fear.

When that day comes, word will come to
Jerusalem:

Zion, have no fear,
do not let your hands fall limp.

The Lord your God is in your midst,
a victorious warrior.

He will exult with joy over you,
he will renew you by his love;
he will dance with shouts of joy for you
as on a day of festival.

■ The word of the Lord.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Isa 12:2-6. R. v. 6

R. Cry out with joy and gladness: for
among you is the great and Holy One of
Israel.

1. Truly, God is my salvation, / I trust,
I shall not fear. / For the Lord is my strength,
my song, / he became my saviour. / With
joy you will draw water / from the wells of
salvation. **R.**

2. Give thanks to the Lord, give praise to
his name! / Make his mighty deeds known
to the peoples! / Declare the greatness of his
name. **R.**



3. Sing a psalm to the Lord / for he has done
glorious deeds, / make them known to all the
earth! / People of Zion, sing and shout for
joy / for great in your midst is the Holy One of
Israel. **R.**

SECOND READING

Phil 4:4-7

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the
Philippians.

The Lord is near.

I want you to be happy, always happy in the
Lord; I repeat, what I want is your happiness.
Let your tolerance be evident to everyone: the
Lord is very near. There is no need to worry;
but if there is anything you need, pray for it,
asking God for it with prayer and thanksgiving,
and that peace of God, which is so much greater
than we can understand, will guard your hearts
and your thoughts, in Christ Jesus.

■ The word of the Lord.



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PARISH INFORMATION

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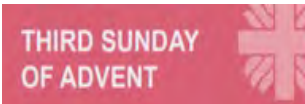
PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Tuesday, Wednesday & Friday: 9am – 3pm
Thursday: 9am – 12.30pm

PARISH MINISTRY TEAM

Parish Priest: Fr Paul Raj
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MASS INTENTIONS



3rd Sunday Advent, 12 December

6pm Mass for Concezio D'Alessandro (RIP & Birthday)
Sunday 7.30am Mass for Andrew De Sousa (RIP)
Sunday 9am Mass for Stephen Randall (RIP) + Ivan & Maria Antich (RIP) + Angelo Marchionno (RIP 1st Month Anniversary) + Neville Mathanda (RIP) + Anna Joy (RIP Recently)

Monday 13 December – St Lucy

7-9pm Holy Trinity Prayer Group ... **Final HTPG Prayer Meeting for 2021**



Tuesday 14 December – St John of the Cross

9am Mass for Emilio Jurica (RIP)

Wednesday 15 December

9am Mass for Ivan Resic (RIP Anniversary)
Morning Tea after Mass
10.30am Legion of Mary
6-7pm Eucharistic Adoration



Thursday 16 December

9am-4pm Church Open for Prayers

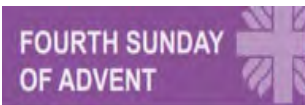
Friday 17 December

9am Mass for Tonko Siketa (RIP)
9.30-10.30am Eucharistic Adoration
10.30am Mass at Hilton Park Aged Care



Saturday 18 December

9am Mass for Souls in Purgatory



4th Sunday Advent, 19 December

6pm Mass for Luigina D'Alessandro (RIP & Birthday)
Sunday 7.30am Mass for Andrew De Sousa (RIP)
Sunday 9am Mass for Dianne De Olival (RIP) + Herminia Faria (Birthday Intentions)
11am Baptism of William Philip Martin

WELCOME TO OUR LADY OF MT CARMEL PARISH

If you are a new parishioner, please introduce yourself to Fr Paul. We would like to know a bit about you and your family. You can also fill in a Parishioner Registration Form and join in the Parish Planned Giving Program.



PLEASE PRAY FOR SICK PARISHIONERS

Christine Rhow, Veronica, Maria, Consiglia Ciavatta, Irwin Beachell, Isabella Da Cunha, Norma Elliott, Rudi Tassell, Steven, Davina, Elisabetta Paddon, Dermot McKernon, Edward Fortune, Lou Collova, Franca Kalat, Zdenka Mravlinic, Beatrice Fernandez – Davina's Grandmother, Alex, Tonino ...



2022 SACRAMENT DATES

RECONCILIATION: Wednesday 16 March 6.30pm
FIRST HOLY COMMUNION: Sunday 19 June 9am
CONFIRMATION: Sunday 4 September 9am



RECONCILIATION

Saturday 9.30-10am and 5.15-5.45pm
Or by appointment.



MASS INTENTIONS

Suggested Offering **\$15 per Mass**. Please give Mass Intention Envelopes to Fr Paul or Parish Office.



NEXT WEEK'S READINGS

4th Sunday Advent, 19 December

1st: Micah 5:1-4
2nd: Heb 10:5-10
Gospel: Lk 1:39-44



ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

Rejoice in the Lord always; again I say, rejoice. Indeed, the Lord is near.



COMMUNION ANTIPHON

Say to the faint of heart: Be strong and do not fear. Behold, our God will come, and he will save us.





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STEWARDSHIP: Theology of Stewardship – Sacrificial Giving is Life Giving ... Of who God is and how God is active in our midst; and of how we see the fundamental dynamics of life in our world. 🙏



OLMC PIETY STALL: Open on Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday and Sunday mornings before and after 9am Masses. Please contact Marion on 0415 917 496 for more information.



CHURCH AIR CONDITIONING: We are looking at installing a new split air conditioning system in our parish as our current air conditioning is very old. Please consider supporting our parish

by donating for the air conditioning. So far, we have received **\$18059.45**. Thank you, very appreciated. **Fr Paul**.



CHRISTMAS CARDS: We have Christmas Cards for sale at the back of the church. The price is \$2.50 for eight cards. This is a great way of staying in touch with family and friends, near and far.



CANDLES FOR SALE: Hi everyone! If you are looking for a Christmas gift idea for family or friends, you can contact me on 0439 408 561 or davinapaul30@outlook.com to buy candles. The cost is \$15 each candle. Thanks Davina.



CENTRE FOR LITURGY – Archdiocese of Perth: Advent Reflection – Week 3. Available on Centre for Liturgy, Perth YouTube channel on <https://youtu.be/swkurwP5hX0>.



THE CATHOLIC ARCHDIOCESE OF PERTH – CENTRE FOR FAITH ENRICHMENT - EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY - SENIOR PROJECT OFFICER - PART TIME (0.60 FTE) 12 MONTHS FIXED TERM POSITION:

A vacancy exists for a suitably qualified Senior Project Officer for the Centre for Faith Enrichment, the adult faith education agency of the Catholic Archdiocese of Perth. The applicant will hold a Bachelor’s Degree in Theology, Philosophy or History. The successful applicant will assist the Director in coordinating a well-balanced faith program for adults, with a particular focus on adult faith education in parishes, faith education of young adults and the provision of a pathway to formal recognition of theological studies. An understanding of the ethos and values of the Catholic Church together with experience in related work are essential. Applications close **Monday, 20 December 2021**. For a copy of the Job Description and to submit your application by please email: cfe@perthcatholic.org.au.

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Christmas Cards

\$3.00 per Pack (5 cards)
or \$5.00 per two packs (10 cards)

Please place the money for the cards in the ‘poor box’ above.

Thank you for supporting the families in need within our area





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2021 Christmas Mass Times

Our Lady of Mount Carmel Church
82 Collick Street, Hilton
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Christmas Eve Friday 24 December

6.30pm Carols followed by 7pm Vigil Mass
10pm Carols followed by 10.30pm Mass
No Midnight Mass

Christmas Day Saturday 25 December

8.30am Carols followed by 9am Mass
No 6pm Mass



PRAYER OF ST THERESE: My God, make use of me that through me, you may heal others; that through me, you may teach others; that through me, you may give yourself to others.

Did you know this? The partridge in a pear tree is Jesus Christ. -Two turtle doves are the Old and New Testaments. -Three French hens stand for faith, hope and love. -The four calling birds are the four gospels of Matthew, Mark, Luke & John. -The five golden rings recalled the Torah or Law, the first five books of ...the Old Testament. -The six geese a-laying stand for the six days of creation..... -Seven swans a-swimming represent the sevenfold gifts of the Holy Spirit--Prophecy, Serving, Teaching, Exhortation, Contribution, Leadership, and Mercy. -The eight maids a-milking are the eight beatitudes. -Nine ladies dancing are the nine fruits of the Holy Spirit--Love, Joy, Peace, Patience, Kindness, Goodness, Faithfulness, Gentleness, and Self Control. -The ten lords a-leaping are the ten commandments. -The eleven pipers piping stand for the eleven faithful disciples. -The twelve drummers drumming symbolizes the twelve points of belief in the Apostles' Creed. So there is your history for today. **MERRY CHRISTMAS!!** ♡ yes, I said **MERRY CHRISTmas** because Christmas is not without **CHRIST!**



**Jesus
is the
reason
for the
season!**

**Keep CHRIST
in Christmas!**




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OUR LADY of MT CARMEL NOVENA: God our Father, prompted by Your Spirit the order of Carmel has from the beginning dedicated itself to the Mother of Your Son. As she unites her prayers with ours, look with favour upon us and bless our families, keep each of us from harm And bring us to the joy of heaven. We ask this through Jesus the Lord. **Amen.**



SOULS in PURGATORY PRAYER: Eternal Father, I offer You the Most Precious Blood of Thy Divine Son, Jesus, in union with the Masses said throughout the world today, for all the Holy Souls in Purgatory, for sinners everywhere, for sinners in the universal church, for those in my own home, and in my family. **Amen.**



OUR LADY of ALL NATIONS PRAYER: Lord Jesus Christ, Son of the Father, send now Your Spirit over the earth. Let the Holy Spirit live in the hearts of all nations, that they may be preserved from degeneration, disaster and war. May the Lady of All Nations, the Blessed Virgin Mary, be our Advocate. **Amen.**



Through Him, with Him, in Him
 In the unity of the Holy Spirit,
 All glory and honour is Yours,
 Almighty Father,
 Forever and ever.
Amen.

Act of Spiritual Communion

My Jesus, I believe that you are present in the most Blessed Sacrament. I love You above all things and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot now receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You have already come, and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. **Amen.**

WEEK 2 DEC 11-12 3RD SUNDAY ADVENT	COMMENTATOR	READER	ACOLYTE
Sat 6pm	Volunteer	Susie Poleschtschuk	Simon Overton
Sun 7.30am	Diane Richards	Nicolas Lim	Gerry Miller
Sun 9am	Vicky Rafala	Maria Bradshaw	Frank Cooper
WEEK 3 DEC 18-19 4TH SUNDAY ADVENT	COMMENTATOR	READER	ACOLYTE
Sat 6pm	Loretta Masnada	Carmel Collova	Gerald Farrell
Sun 7.30am	Mark Ryan	Maureen Cooper	Frank Cooper
Sun 9am	Toni Kalat	Maria Alberti	Joe De Ornelas



GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Isa 61:1; Lk 4:18

Alleluia, alleluia!

The spirit of the Lord is upon me;
he sent me to bring Good News to the poor.
Alleluia!

GOSPEL

Lk 3:10-18

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke.

What, then, must we do?

When all the people asked John, 'What must we do?' he answered, 'If anyone has two tunics he must share with the man who has none, and the one with something to eat must do the same.' There were tax collectors too who came for baptism, and these said to him, 'Master, what must we do?' He said to them, 'Exact no more than your rate.' Some soldiers asked him in their turn, 'What must we do?' He said to them, 'No intimidation! No extortion! Be content with your pay!'

A feeling of expectancy had grown among the people, who were beginning to think that John might be the Christ, so John declared before them all, 'I baptise you with water, but someone is coming, someone who is more powerful than I am, and I am not fit to undo the strap of his sandals; he will baptise you with the Holy Spirit and fire. His winnowing-fan is in his hand to clear his threshing-floor and to gather the wheat into his barn; but the chaff he will burn in a fire that will never go out.' As well as this, there were many other things he said to exhort the people and to announce the Good News to them.

■ The Gospel of the Lord.

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Breaking Open the Word

PREPARE WELL

All of us have been involved at one time or another with preparing to meet a special guest. It is often a time of mixed emotions as excitement and joy vie with some measure of anxiety about the quality of our preparations.

As Paul's Christians at Philippi waited for the return of the Lord, he knew that it could be for many a time of anxiety; would they find acceptance on his return? Would they find a place in his kingdom? It was a time of trepidation because it was feared that he would return unexpectedly, like a thief in the night (1 Thessalonians 5:2), and find them unprepared. In the face of such anxiety, Paul encourages them to put their trust in the Lord who loves them. Even now they are called to experience the Lord's peace and joy as they wait for his return. Especially, they are called to pray with confidence and trust.

John the Baptist knew that the Messiah was soon to be among us, and we see how he calls those who listen to his message to prepare by taking a hard look at themselves and how they live. In order to be ready when the Messiah comes he calls for a concern for others that expresses itself in generosity, fairness, and compassion.

As we prepare for the Lord's coming among us, today's readings call us to make ready with the confidence of Zephaniah, the peacefulness of Paul, and the justice and compassion of John the Baptist.

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