

First Reading Jer 33:14-16

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: 'In those days and at that time, I will make a virtuous Branch grow for David, who shall practise honesty and integrity in the land. In those days Judah shall be saved and Israel shall dwell in confidence. And this is the name the city will be called: The Lord-our-integrity.'

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 24:4-5. 8-9. 10. 14. R. v.1
(R.) To you, O Lord, I lift my soul.

Second Reading

1 Thes 3:12 – 4:2

May the Lord be generous in increasing your love and make you love one another and the whole human race as much as we love you. And may he so confirm your hearts in holiness that you may be blameless in the sight of our God and Father when our Lord Jesus Christ comes with all his saints. Finally, brothers, we urge you and appeal to you in the Lord Jesus to make more and more progress in the kind of life that you are meant to live: the life that God wants, as you learnt from us, and as you are already living it. You have not forgotten the instructions we gave you on the authority of the Lord Jesus.

Gospel Acclamation Ps 84:8

Alleluia, alleluia!

Lord, show us your mercy and love,
and grant us your salvation.

Alleluia!

Gospel Lk 21:25-28. 34-36

Jesus said to his disciples: 'There will be signs in the sun and moon and stars; on earth nations in agony, bewildered by the clamour of the ocean and its waves; men dying of fear as they await what menaces the world, for the powers of heaven will be shaken. And then they will see the Son of Man coming in a cloud with power and great glory. When these things begin to take place, stand erect, hold your heads high, because your liberation is near at hand.

'Watch yourselves, or your hearts will be coarsened with debauchery and drunkenness and the cares of life, and that day will be sprung on you suddenly, like a trap. For it will come down on every living man on the face of the earth. Stay awake, praying at all times for the strength to survive all that is going to happen, and to stand with confidence before the Son of Man.'



St. John the Baptist

ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST CATHOLIC PARISH

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St. Monica

27 - 28 November 2021, 1st Sunday of Advent - Year C



Dear friends,

Advent means getting ready: nobody likes to wait, but we all like to get ready. Advent, which begins today, is sometimes understood as a waiting period, waiting for Christmas to arrive. But is Advent really just a waiting period? No. Advent is a liturgical season, a period of time in which the Church surround us with reminders of the greatest event in the whole history of the universe: the incarnation of the Son of God, who came to earth to be our Saviour.

Advent is a time to prepare for the coming of the Lord. Generally we understand this to be His coming on the Last Day and His coming at Christmas, which recalls His historical birth more than 2000 years ago. There is another coming which we tend to forget, namely, Jesus' daily coming in the ordinary events and people in our lives.

Year of the Family Prayer

Heavenly Father, you bless us with the gifts of life and love so powerfully present in our midst through families. In praise of your gifts we offer you in return our commitment to love and care for one another as family – as our own family, as church family and as part of the great human family. In whatever state of life we find ourselves, whether married or single, widowed or divorced, clergy or religious, young or elderly or in complicated situations, may your love be real and deeply felt. Bestow your blessings on mothers and fathers, grandmothers and grandfathers. Bless brothers and sisters. Embrace those who are alone and feel that they are abandoned. Make us one family for you are Our Father, and we your children. Make our home a dwelling place of love, respect, understanding, forgiveness and support. In sickness and in health, in poverty and plenty, in joy and in sorrow, may we never give up on each other, may we never give up on our families, may we never give up on your extraordinary gift of family life. We ask the intercession of Mary, our mother and Joseph, her spouse, who cared for Jesus in Nazareth, who is our Lord for ever and ever. Amen.

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PARISH DIARY	
November 2021	
27 Saturday, Mass of the Virgin Mary	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 9.00am Mass at St John's • 6.00pm Mass at St John's 	
28 Sunday, 1st Sunday of Advent	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 8.30am Mass at St Monica's • 10.00am Mass at St John's 	
29 Monday	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 9.00am Mass at St John's 	
30 Tuesday, St Andrew	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 9.00am Mass at St John's 	
December 2021	
1 Wednesday	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 9.00am Mass at St John's 	
2 Thursday	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 12.00 noon Mass at St John's 	
3 Friday, St Francis	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 9.00am Mass at St John's 	
4 Saturday, Mass of the Virgin Mary	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 9.00am Mass at St John's • 6.00pm Mass at St John's 	
5 Sunday, 2nd Sunday of Advent	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 8.30am Mass at St Monica's • 10.00am Mass at St John's 	

Congratulations to **Daniel Brin Puclin** who today receives the Sacrament of Confirmation & Eucharist

Coming up:	
30 November	Talk: Robert Kreshl (homelessness) 7.00pm at St John's
2 December	Anointing Mass 12.00pm at St John's
4 December	Meli Melo Concert 2.00pm at St John's
6 December	PPC & PFC Christmas Dinner 6.00pm at Parish Office
7 December	Talk: Fr Krish Mathavan (creation) 7.00pm at St John's
8 December	Immaculate Conception Masses 9.00am & 7.00pm at St John's
14 December	Reconciliation including 8 Candidates who will be making their first Reconciliation At 7.00pm at St John's

Christmas Masses 2021	
24th December	5.30pm Carols and 6.00pm Family Mass at St. John's
25th December	8.30am at St Monica's 10.00am Mass at St John's
22 December - 4 January 2022	Parish Office Closed

Dear Parishioners,
In my letter, to you some weeks ago, advising you that St. Dominic Conference of St. Vincent de Paul Society would be going into recess. It is with deep sorrow that I have to confirm that it has happened. However we need some help in handling Christmas Hampers this year. They will be in the Parish meeting room for the consumers to come and collect them on Tuesday 21st to Thursday 23rd December from 10.00am-2.00pm. Our consumers are still being cared for by other Conferences and are mainly working from Hopkins Street store. As I stated the Poor Box in the Chapel will be looked after for the Society. There are some Christmas Cards for sale this week-end. Des Mortimer

The Risen Lord Community Prayer Meetings
The Risen Lord Community has recently established prayer meetings in Tasmania. The group meets on Fridays at 7.10pm on Level one of the Cathedral Centre, starting with the Rosary, followed by a time of praise and worship song and a talk by a regular speaker. You are invited to join them and explore the peace and rest of God through Praise, Word and Worship. For more information call Sean/Sandra on 044510237/0481566050

Parish Christmas Luncheon
The Parish Christmas Luncheon will be held on Friday 10th December at Club Hotel, Main Road Glenorchy. If you would like to come please write your name on the list at the back of the church. Kay Grainger 6272 9024.

Christmas Raffle
Now it is time to start planning again. Our major fundraiser for the year will be our Christmas Raffle. If anyone feels they would like to donate a prize it would be greatly appreciated. Please contact Kay Grainger 6272 9024.

St John's Parish 50/50 Club
The next raffle will be drawn in December 2021. We have 26 people who have joined. We need 24 people to complete the fundraiser. You may join by contacting Sheila, the parish secretary, at the Parish Office 62726363 or by envelopes which are available on the table at the back of the church and can be put in the basket.

Wanted!
We are in need of assistance with serving refreshments (and washing up thereof) at the end of the 6pm Vigil Mass. If you can give a little of your time (on a rotating roster) to assist Sue, please call Virginia on 0428 627 311. Thank you.

Our Sick - Please remember in your prayers
Alida Beric, Eileen Sherrin, Don Ambler, Fr Bob Curmi, Mary Dowd, Monique Matzner, Amy Matzner, Patricia Leamey, June Webb, Vince Mele, Barbara Campbell, Fr Peter Rankin, Judy Kingston, Les Williams, Pauline Fitzallen, Krystyna Szukielojc, Bob Mochrie, Elizabeth Drake, Marian Whyman, Joanna Colli, Maria Mele, Peter Rankin

Prayers for the Deceased
Please remember in your prayers our deceased parishioners, family and friends especially:
Bill Oakley, Gwen Lincoln, Betty Direen, Frances Direen, Craig Rickards, Peter Crane, Sr Carmel Hall, Minka Busch, Ron Nilsson, Stan Brach, Kerris Direen, Vic & Margaret Derrick, Michael Percy, Luigi Valdarchi, Cath Mc Carthy, Georgette Thomas, PK Varghese, Esterina D'Onofrio, Dino Di Benedetto, Luis Escobar, Doreen Street
Eternal rest grant unto their souls O Lord and let perpetual light shine upon them, may they rest in peace. Amen.

Reminder for Covid-19 Safety
You must check in every time you come to St John's church or the Parish office. Everyone aged 16 years or older must check-in no matter how short their visit to church or parish office/meeting room. Please pray for all those sick with the Coronavirus and for those who have died from it.

St John the Baptist Catholic Parish: Glenorchy/Chigwell Covid-19 Safety Action Plan
The parish Covid-19 Action Plan is in place to meet government regulations. A copy of this plan is available on the churches' noticeboards.

WEEKEND MASSES St John's, Glenorchy	
• 6.00pm Saturday	
• 10.00am Sunday	
St. Monica's, Chigwell	
• 8.30am Sunday	
WEEKDAY MASSES St. John's, Glenorchy	
• 9.00am Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday, Saturday	
• 12.00pm Thursday	
ROSARY At St. John's, Glenorchy	
• 8.30am every Wednesday and Saturday	
RECONCILIATION At St. John's, Glenorchy	
• 9.30am-10.00am & 5.15pm-5.45pm Saturday	
EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT At St. John's, Glenorchy	
• 8.00am - 8.50am Wednesday	
• 9:00am - 11.50pm Thursday	
LEGION OF MARY at St. John's, Glenorchy	
• 6.45 pm Every Tuesday	
ST. JOSEPH'S PRAYER GROUP at St. John's, Glenorchy	
• 1st Wednesday of the month at 9.30am	
DIVINE MERCY PRAYER GROUP at St. John's, Glenorchy	
• Every Friday at 3.00pm	

COUNTERS' ROSTERS	
This Week:	29 Nov
Bridget Hayde's 'Team	
Next Week :	6 Dec
Mary Parsissons' 'Team	

WEEKLY COLLECTION	
Envelopes:	\$460.85
Quest Tap and Go	\$100.00
Loose Plate:	\$592.75
Direct Deposit:	\$370.00
TOTAL:	\$1,523.60
Weekly Budget: \$ 2,500.00	
Difference: -	\$976.40