

# Bellerive - Lindisfarne Catholic Parish

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Dear Parish Family,

First and foremost, let me say a huge thank you to all those who helped make our Christmas Masses such wonderful celebrations: the sacristans, the flower arrangers and assistants who prepared the churches; the people involved with the children's nativity plays; the acolytes, altar servers, readers, musicians and singers, and to all the people who prayed and sang and contributed to the great sense of community. It was a wonderful Christmas! I hope the same spirit of goodwill characterised your own family celebrations.

On behalf of Fr Fidelis, I also wish to thank all those who sent cards, gifts and Christmas goodies to the presbytery. Each of these gestures is much appreciated. Of course for many in our community, Christmas is a sombre time where the absence of loved ones is felt even more keenly than usual. On this feast of the Holy Family, I pray you can find strength and peace in the Christmas promise that God-is-with-us in the midst of our questions and heartache.

By now, Fr Fidelis is back home in Nigeria celebrating his sister's wedding, so we keep him and his family in our prayers during this special time. While Fidelis is away and the summer holidays are with us, I am all over the place celebrating weddings so the weekday Mass timetable will be a bit flexible. Please keep an eye on the weekly newsletter for weekday Mass times during January.

Wishing you and your loved ones every blessing for the New Year.

Peace!

Fr Richard



**SACRAMENTS 2020:** We are welcoming registrations for any children ready to celebrate the sacraments of Reconciliation, Confirmation and Eucharist in 2020. This seems to fall around the age of nine or ten, but anyone is welcome if their parents believe them to be ready. Please spread the word among your family and ask them to contact the parish office, preferably via email: [bellerive@aohtas.org.au](mailto:bellerive@aohtas.org.au)

**2020 PLENARY:** The Archdiocese of Hobart has been asked to send two delegates to the Plenary Council General Assembly in October 2020 and June 2021. Delegates can be both from Clergy and Laity. If you wish to be considered as a delegate, please contact the Archbishop's office by email: [archbishop.assistant@aohtas.org.au](mailto:archbishop.assistant@aohtas.org.au) by no later 25 January 2020.

**COLUMBAN CALENDARS** \$10:00 cash & carry

## WEEKEND MASSES

|     |         |                |
|-----|---------|----------------|
| Sat | 6:00pm  | Incarnation    |
| Sun | 8:30am  | John Paul II   |
|     | 10:30am | Corpus Christi |
|     | 6:00pm  | Corpus Christi |

## WEEKDAY MASSES

|       |         |                |
|-------|---------|----------------|
| Wed   | 9.30am  | Corpus Christi |
| Thurs | 10:00am | John Paul II   |
| Fri   | 9:30am  | Corpus Christi |

Next week's Readings: Is 60:1-6; Eph3:2-3, 5-6; Matt 2:1-12