

Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish Thurgoona



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MASS TIMES

Saturday (Vigil) - 6pm
Sunday 9:30am
Monday 8am
Tuesday 10am
Wednesday 8:00am
Thursday 5:30pm Mass,
Holy Hour 4:30pm
Friday 8am
Saturday 8am

Anointing of the sick Mass
2nd Tues of month, March June Sept **Dec.**

Reconciliation

Thurs during Holy Hour 4:45 - 5:15pm
Sat 5:30 to 5:55pm before Vigil
Sun 9 to 9.25am
Or anytime, just ask Fr

Baptism and Marriage By appointment



Working Bee - Sat 9.00am to 11am



3rd SUNDAY OF ADVENT



11/12/2022

First reading

Let the wilderness and the dry-lands exult, let the wasteland rejoice and bloom, let it bring forth flowers like the jonquil, let it rejoice and sing for joy. The glory of Lebanon is bestowed on it, the splendour of Carmel and Sharon; they shall see the glory of the Lord, the splendour of our God.

Strengthen all weary hands, steady all trembling knees and say to all faint hearts, 'Courage! Do not be afraid. 'Look, your God is coming, vengeance is coming, the retribution of God; he is coming to save you.'

Then the eyes of the blind shall be opened, the ears of the deaf unsealed, then the lame shall leap like a deer and the tongues of the dumb sing for joy for those the Lord has ransomed shall return.

They will come to Zion shouting for joy, everlasting joy on their faces; joy and gladness will go with them and sorrow and lament be ended.

Isaiah 35:1-6,10

Responsorial Psalm

Lord, come and save us.

Psalm 145(146):6-10

Second reading

James 5:7-10

Be patient, brothers, until the Lord's coming. Think of a farmer: how patiently he waits for the precious fruit of the ground until it has had the autumn rains and the spring rains! You too have to be patient; do not lose heart, because the Lord's coming will be soon. Do not make complaints against one another, brothers, so as not to be brought to judgement yourselves; the Judge is already to be seen waiting at the gates. For your example, brothers, in submitting with patience, take the prophets who spoke in the name of the Lord.

Gospel Acclamation

Isaiah 61:1 (Luke 4:18)

Alleluia, alleluia!

The Spirit of the Lord is upon me;

he sent me to bring Good News to the poor. Alleluia!

Gospel

Matthew 11:2-11

John in his prison had heard what Christ was doing and he sent his disciples to ask him, 'Are you the one who is to come, or have we got to wait for someone else?' Jesus answered, 'Go back and tell John what you hear and see; the blind see again, and the lame walk, lepers are cleansed, and the deaf hear, and the dead are raised to life and the Good News is proclaimed to the poor; and happy is the man who does not lose faith in me.'

As the messengers were leaving, Jesus began to talk to the people about John: 'What did you go out into the wilderness to see? A reed swaying in the breeze? No? Then what did you go out to see? A man wearing fine clothes? Oh no, those who wear fine clothes are to be found in palaces. Then what did you go out for? To see a prophet? Yes, I tell you, and much more than a prophet: he is the one of whom scripture says:

'Look, I am going to send my messenger before you;
he will prepare your way before you.

'I tell you solemnly, of all the children born of women, a greater than John the Baptist has never been seen; yet the least in the kingdom of heaven is greater than he is.'

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Prayers of the Faithfull:

For our sick, Marie Fowles, Peter Tydeman, Ray Byrnes, Fr Reece Beltrame, Graeme Murphy, Greg Baker, Gwen Abikhair, and Jackson Davis.

We pray to the Lord. **R.** Lord hear our prayer.

For our recently departed, Leone Bouquet, John Quinn and those who's anniversaries occur at this time including those mentioned in the bulletin.

We pray to the Lord. **R.** Lord hear our prayer.

Communion Antiphon

Cf. Is 35: 4

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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ANNIVERSARIES

Mary Hickey, Fr Jim Victory, Heather Parker, Danielle Scorah, Fr Frank Young, Margaret Wighton, Dr David Nelson & Douglas Thomson.

Readers: Sat: 6:00pm Mary Seidel Sun: 9:30am Stefany George

Next week: Sat: 6:00pm Denis Golden Sun: 9:30am Simon Horsfall

Cleaning Roster: Sat 17th Dec Isabella



CHRISTMAS MASS TIMES

Christmas Eve 7:00pm, Midnight Mass 12:00am, Christmas Day 9:30am

PARISH NOTICES

Anointing of the sick Mass: This Tuesday 13th, 10am.

New Bank Account details: The Bishop has requested that all main parish bank accounts be held with the Diocesan Provident Fund (DPF). Please see the top of the bulletin for the new bank account details. For those of you who already give via Electronic Funds Transfer (EFT), could you please change over when convenient? A reminder that the First Collection is for the support of the local priest (stipend, food and vehicle) and the Second Collection is for the running costs of the parish (insurance, gas, electricity, rates, office & church supplies and other consumables, repairs, maintenance, catechetics, etc). May God Bless you for your ongoing generosity. Fr Anthony

Feed My Lambs: Christmas Hampers prepared by to support families in need and to make the celebration of the Birth of Jesus a happy one for all. Box in the Church foyer for contributions.

Saturday Morning Working Bee Roster, 9.30am to 11.15am, to help with preparations for morning tea, setting the table and general cleaning of the Marian Centre. Contact Fr. Anthony if you can assist.

That Catholic Shop - Religious Gifts: Aid to the Church in Need's online store available to 19 Dec. Free shipping orders > \$100. thatcatholicshop.com



Thurgoona Catholic Parish

Community Carols On the Green

Today (Sunday 11th Dec) 7:00pm

BYO: Chairs / Blankets / Picnic Dinner / Drinks



JOIN US FOR A
**CHRISTMAS
ACTIVITY DAY**

ORGANISED BY LEADERS NOW

**21st
DECEMBER**

FROM 10:30 AM-1:00 PM

FOR 6-10 YEAR OLDS

**\$5 PER FAMILY
LUNCH PROVIDED**

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