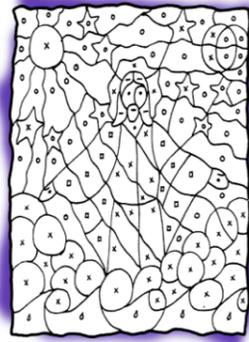


The Kids' Bulletin

First Sunday of Advent
November 28th, 2021



Luke 21:25-28, 34-36
In today's Gospel reading Jesus talks about what is going to happen when He comes back at the end of the world.

Use the code to colour in the picture!
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• black ■ red - brown

Advent is Here!

Today is the beginning of Advent, the time when we prepare for Christmas.

The word "advent" comes from the Latin word that means "coming". In Advent we are preparing for Jesus' coming. We look forward to Christmas, which is the celebration of His first coming and we also look forward to His second coming.

Did you know that the most important thing to have ready for Christmas is a clean soul?

During Advent you can try extra hard to be good. It is also a very good idea to go to confession before Christmas so that your soul will be good and clean when Jesus comes!

Answers to Unanswerable Questions
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Saint Francis Xavier December 3

FRANCIS WAS BORN IN XAVIER CASTLE IN SPAIN IN 1506. HE HAD A HAPPY CHILDHOOD.

AT AGE 18 FRANCIS WENT TO UNIVERSITY IN PARIS. THERE HE MET ST. IGNATIUS WHO WAS STARTING THE JESUIT ORDER. (We need missionaries!)

IGNATIUS PERSUADED HIM TO JOIN THE ORDER.

AFTER WORKING IN THE HOSPITALS, FRANCIS WAS SENT TO THE FAR EAST.

IN INDIA HE TAUGHT THE FAITH, ESPECIALLY TO THE CHILDREN. (God loves us so much.)

ST. FRANCIS WOULD BAPTIZE PEOPLE UNTIL HE WAS EXHAUSTED AND COULDN'T EVEN HOLD UP HIS ARMS!

HE ALSO WORKED IN JAPAN, BUT JUST AS HE WAS MAKING A TRIP TO CHINA HE FELL ILL. HE WAS TAKEN ONTO AN ISLAND AND DIED THERE AT AGE 46.

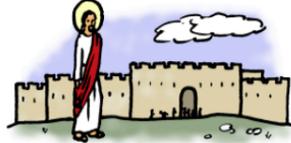
SAINT FRANCIS XAVIER ONLY WORKED AS A MISSIONARY FOR TEN YEARS, BUT HE BROUGHT THOUSANDS OF PEOPLE TO THE FAITH! HE IS THE PATRON SAINT OF MISSIONARIES. YOU CAN PRAY TO SAINT FRANCIS THAT GOD WILL HELP BRING MANY PEOPLE TO THE CHURCH WITH YOUR HELP TOO!

The Second Coming Word Puzzle

Jeremiah 33:14-16
Fill in the missing letters from today's first reading and copy them to finish the last line.

The days are e _ ming (5), says _ he (14)
Lo _ d, (10) when I will f _ llfill (9) the
p _ omise (6) I made to the _ ouse (2) of Israel
and Judah. In th _ e (13) days, in that tim _
(3) I will raise up for _ avid (7) a just shoot; he
shall d _ (8) what is right and jus _ (1) in the
_ and.(4) In those days _ udah (11) shall be safe
and Jer _ salem (12) shall dw _ ll (17) secure;
th _ s (15) is what they shall _ all (16) her:

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10
11 12 13 14 15 16 17



COMING EVENTS

FETE ON THE MONASTERY LAWN

Teaching, Reflection, Mass & Adoration

ADVENT JOURNEY – Seeking the Face of God

When:- Sunday, November 28th 2021 – 9.00am to 1.00pm.

Where:- The Monastery

Stalls include house-made preserves, plants, artwork, gifts and Christmas crafts. A coffee cart and sausage sizzle available on the day. Please see Flyer on the noticeboard.

CHARIS SA

Teaching, Reflection, Mass & Adoration

ADVENT JOURNEY – Seeking the Face of God

When:- Saturday, December 4th 2021 – 10.30am to 3:30pm

Where:- St. Peter Claver Church, 8 Stuart Rd., Dulwich.

Guest Speaker and Celebrant Fr. Josy Sebastian.

Jn1:14 The Word became flesh and made his dwelling among us....full of grace and truth.

Coffee & Tea provided. BYO Lunch. Donation appreciated. Registration - please call 0407 060 715

CATHOLIC CHARITIES THANKSGIVING MASS

All are welcome to join this Mass for Catholic Charities

When:- Tuesday, 7th December 2021 at 12.10pm

Where:- St. Francis Xavier Cathedral

It will be celebrated by Archbishop Patrick O'Regan and Mass will be followed by an expo and sausage sizzle in Mary MacKillop Plaza. For more information, please contact Archdiocesan Events on (08) 8210 8106 or events@adelaide.catholic.org.au

ST. FRANCIS XAVIER CHIOR

DATE SAVER

When:- Saturday, December 18th 2021 – 7.30Pm

Where:- St. Francis Xavier Cathedral.

The St Francis Xavier's Choir and friends will perform a concert of beautiful music from the Church's treasury of Christmas songs. The concert is free and will last for an hour.

MARY MacKILLOP MUSEUM & GIFT SHOP

Christmas-New Year Closure

When:- Closure from 4.00p.m. Thursday, 23rd December 2021, and reopens on Tuesday, 11th January 2022

Where:- 19 Phillips Street, Kensington 5068

Website:- www.marymackillopadelaide.org.au

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BIRTHDAY CONGRATULATIONS



Congratulations to all who have celebrated a Birthday this month.



Aid to the
Church in Need
ACN AUSTRALIA

A message from Aid to the Church in Need Australia: ACN is running an advent appeal to help Christian refugees who are suffering due to

persecution, conflict and violence. This year share the hope of Christmas with Christian refugees and help ease their burdens.

To read stories and watch videos of how ACN is helping our suffering brothers and sisters and to make a donation please visit www.aidtochurch.org/adventappeal

SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM 2022

If you know of any children who are eligible for the Sacramental Program, please contact Anne Dudzinski on 0418 847 804.



ST VINCENT DE PAUL CHRISTMAS APPEAL

Please remember the St. Vincent de Paul Christmas Appeal this month. If you wish to make a contribution, there are envelopes on the pews. If you require a receipt, please include your name & address with your donation. Donations of \$2 and over are tax-deductible. Please place the envelopes on the collection plate or in the Poor Boxes at the Church doors.

During the next few weeks, we invite parishioners to donate items for Hampers to be distributed to those in need. Unfortunately, Vinnies cannot accept homemade goods for OHS reasons. **Suggestions** of tinned or packet goods such as ham or puddings, mince pies, or long life milk, vegetables, biscuits etc. but please no chocolate as it melts. There is a list with suggestions at the door of the Church. Please leave your donations in shopping bags at the rear of the Church

Columban Calendars & Christmas Cards

To assist in fundraising efforts – Christmas Cards @ \$5-/pk, and Columban Calendars @ \$10- ea. will also be for sale at the Church Door. Money for these items should be placed in the envelopes provided and placed into the Poor Boxes.



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First Sunday of Advent, Year C/2

27th/28th November 2021

Your redemption is near at hand.

Parish Priest
Fr Roy John Elavumkal SMM

Parish Secretary

Karen Taylor - Tue to Fri

WHS / Finance Officer

Karen Taylor - Monday

Police Checks Unit

Hiacinta Msomi - Monday

Sacristan

Weekdays: Michael Pierce

Sundays: Terence Yeow

& Roger Worth

Mass Times

Sunday 9.30 am

Saturday Vigil Mass 6.30 pm

Tuesday to Friday 9.15 am

Confessions

Saturday 6.00 pm

Rosary

Tuesday to Friday 8.45am

Adoration of the Eucharist

Every Friday before Mass

Novena to St. Joseph

Every Wednesday after Mass

St. Joseph's Primary

Principal - Adrian Grbin

Phone: 8431 2834

Child Safety Contact & REC

Anne Dudzinski

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Knights of the Southern Cross

Michael Boyle

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Parish Pastoral Council

Chairperson – Alan Tyson

Ph: 0412 389 875

St. Vincent de Paul

Ph: 8112 8700, 1300 729 202

Youth Representative

Nancy Ngure

Parish Office Hours

Monday to Friday 9 – 12

Ph: (08) 8431 6932

LOVE HEALS

Entrance Antiphon Psalms 24:1-3

To you, I lift my soul, O my God.

In you, I have trusted; let me not be put to shame.

Nor let my enemies exult over me;

and let none who hope in you be put to shame.

First Reading Jeremiah 33: 14-16

Responsorial Psalm Psalms 24: 4-5, 8-9, 10, 14. R. v. 1

R. To you, O Lord, I lift my soul.

Lord, make me know your ways.

Lord, teach me your paths.

Make me walk in your truth, and teach me:

for your God my saviour. R.

The Lord is good and upright.

He shows the path to those who stray,

he guides the humble in the right path;

he teaches his way to the poor. R.

His ways are faithfulness and love

for those who keep his covenant and will.

The Lord's friendship is for those who revere him;

To them he reveals his covenant. R.

Second Reading 1 Thessalonians 3: 12-4:2

Gospel Acclamation Psalms 84:8

Alleluia, alleluia!

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

Alleluia!

Gospel Luke 21: 25-28, 34-36

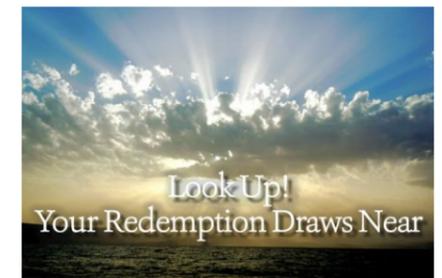
Communion Antiphon Psalms 84:13

The Lord will bestow his bounty,

and our earth shall yield its increase.

PLEASE NOTE

Once you pick up a copy of the newsletter it needs to be taken home with you to ensure we adhere to COVID-19 protocols. Kindly DO NOT leave it behind after Mass has concluded.



The Covid-19 plan:

We are currently Level 1: with some additional Restrictions

Places of worship must be supervised by, and be clearly identified as, a COVID Marshal.

As of December 1, all public buildings have been provided a **QR Code**. This code is to be scanned using the MySAGov phone app or using the camera on your smart phone.

Arrangements listed below will be in force until further notice:

Our Parish is Committed to Health and Safety.

1. Please scan the **QR Code** located on the door or external wall of the church. If you do not have a smart phone, please complete the Contact Register upon entry.

2. Use the sanitizing gel provided at the Church entrance.

3. **As of August 12, seating restrictions are as follows 3 person per 4 square metres.**

4. **MASKS** are mandatory for shared indoor public places so **EVERYONE MUST** wear a Mask over the nose & mouth while inside the Church. The Celebrant is permitted to remove their mask while saying Mass.

5. Holy Communion is given only in the hand.

6. Everyone must take reasonable steps to maintain 1.5m physical distancing at all times. People from the same household may sit together. Please keep the social distancing requirement when processing for Holy Communion and when leaving the Church after Mass.

7. Please remember to wipe down the area where you have been sitting/kneeling in the pews and use the sanitizing gel provided on your way out.

8. Please follow the ENTRY and EXIT rules.

9. If you are unwell please consider the health of our community and stay home until you are better.

10. **As of September 9, Funerals & Weddings are now capped at 150 people** but must have an independent COVID Marshal if more than 50 people are in attendance. Your cooperation with these requirements is greatly appreciated.

Fr. Roy John Elavumkal SMM



PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

Deceased: We pray for Maria Cannata, Rosie Grech, Thomas Grech, Tommaso De Angelis and Ankica and all the deceased relatives and friends of our Parishioners.

Eternal rest grant to them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them; present them to God the Most High.

Sick: We pray for Michael Pierce and the sick or housebound of our Parish and our relatives and friends who are unwell.

CWL CHRISTMAS RAFFLE

The CWL would like to thank all those who supported the Christmas Raffle last week and helped raise \$245.10 for St. Vincent de Paul, Tranmere.

Rosters for 4/5 December 2021

Second Sunday of Advent

| Time | Commentator / Reader |
|---------------------------------------|---|
| 6:30 pm | Anne Marie Platten Fil Ciancio, Giulia Giuliani |
| 9:30am | Terence Yeow Richard Dale, Stephanie Roach |
| Children's Liturgy: | Anne and Angela |
| Count Team No: 5 | Peggy Buckler, Gareth West, Doreen Ryan, Wendy Rahaley |
| Altar: Mon. 1 Nov to Sun 5 Dec | Dolores Arboit & Anita Caperna |

All those who volunteered please arrive at least 15 minutes before the start time and report to the commentator for that mass

| Sunday Collection 21 st November 2021 | |
|--|-------------|
| First Collection | \$ 631.50 |
| Special Collection - | Nil |
| Second Collection | |
| Envelopes | \$ 721.00 |
| Open Plate | \$ 333.60 |
| Electronic Giving | \$ 2,595.50 |
| Parish Account Total | \$ 3,650.10 |

Positions Vacant



Could you share the stories of suffering Christians? Are you looking for flexible part time work? Aid to the Church in Need is recruiting for a number of Diocesan Outreach Assistants who will deliver monthly presentations in parishes across the Archdiocese. For all details visit, www.aidtochurch.org/work

Catholic Council for Integral Ecology

The Council, which was established a little over 12 months ago, is calling for Expressions of Interest from the Catholic community to replace two vacancies. Members must be able to commit to attending monthly meetings either in person or via Skype. Interested persons are asked to email Sarah Moffatt, Director of Pastoral Life and Mission by December 3 2021 on smoffatt@adelaide.catholic.org.au. The Council will seek to offer leadership to the South Australian Catholic community on issues of social justice, peace and care for creation, in line with Pope Francis' teaching in *Laudato Si'/Care for Our Common Home*. **Expressions of Interest are being called for from people who are willing to serve on the Council and are committed to helping develop ecological conversion at parish, school and agency level.**

OUR MORNING TEA LAST SUNDAY

Following a week of threatening weather forecasts, last Sunday proved to be just right for us to continue the celebration started in Mass, with a community celebration for the Feast of Christ the King.

A very pleasing number of Parishioners enjoyed tea and coffee with a varied array of cake and biscuits, all served safely as is currently required.

None of this could have happened without a dedicated band of volunteers who made and served all of our refreshments. We were very fortunate to have three teenage volunteers, Charlotte, Kathy and Kevin who worked the whole time, serving ice blocks and cakes. Thank you! Many thanks to all who came, all who baked and all who served.

Let's hope that we can do it again soon!



WE ARE IN ADVENT SEASON:

HOPE, JOY, LOVE AND PEACE

Fr. Roy John Elavumkal SMM

The word "Advent" is derived from the Latin word *adventus*, meaning "coming," which is a translation of the Greek word *parousia*. Most know Advent today as a time of anticipation and expectation of the birth of Christ. However, Advent began as early as the 4th and 5th centuries as a time of fasting and prayer for new Christians. The first mention of Advent occurred in the 300's A.D at a meeting of church leaders called the Council of Saragossa. It gradually developed into a season that stretched across the month of December. Advent lasts for four Sundays leading up to Christmas. The Advent season not only symbolizes the waiting for Christ's birth but also for his final return.

The Advent wreath, or Advent crown, is a Christian tradition that symbolizes the passage of the four weeks of Advent in the liturgical calendar of the Western church. It is an evergreen wreath with four candles, sometimes with a fifth, white candle in the centre.

The symbolism of the Advent wreath is beautiful. The wreath is made of various evergreens, signifying continuous life. Even these evergreens have a traditional meaning, which can be adapted to our faith: The laurel signifies victory over persecution and suffering; pine, holly, and yew, immortality; and cedar, strength and healing. Holly also has a special Christian symbolism: The prickly leaves remind us of the crown of thorns, and one English legend tells of how the cross was made of holly. The circle of the wreath, which has no beginning or end, symbolizes the eternity of God, the immortality of the soul, and the everlasting life found in Christ. Any pinecones, nuts, or seedpods used to decorate the wreath also symbolize life and resurrection. All together, the wreath of evergreens depicts the immortality of our soul and the new, everlasting life promised to us through Christ, the eternal Word of the Father, who entered our world becoming true man and who was victorious over sin and death through His own passion, death, and resurrection.

The four candles represent the four weeks of Advent. A tradition is that each week represents one thousand years, to sum to the 4,000 years from Adam and Eve until the Birth of the Saviour. Three candles are purple and one is rose. The purple candles in particular symbolize the prayer, penance, and preparatory sacrifices and good works undertaken at this time. The rose candle is lit on the third Sunday, Gaudete Sunday, when the priest also wears rose vestments at Mass; Gaudete Sunday is the Sunday of rejoicing, because the faithful have arrived at the midpoint of Advent, when their preparation is now half over and they are close to Christmas. The progressive lighting of the candles symbolizes the expectation and hope surrounding our Lord's first coming into the world and the anticipation of His second coming to judge the living and the dead.

The light again signifies Christ, the Light of the world. Some modern-day adaptations include a white candle placed in the middle of the wreath, which represents Christ and is lit on Christmas Eve. Another tradition is to replace the three purple and one rose candles with four white candles, which will be lit throughout Christmas season. May I wish and pray that each and every one of you has a grace filled Advent season, 'Come Lord Jesus'.



BLESSING OF THE CRIBS

On the 3rd Sunday of Advent, *Gaudete Sunday*, we invite families to bring their Crib to Mass for the Blessing of the Crib.

A Crib is a tangible and meaningful way to prepare for the coming of the Lord as both a Family and a Parish community.

If you do not already have a Crib your family puts out for Christmas please take the opportunity during the next two weeks to work together as a family in creating your own Crib. Please bring your Crib to Mass on the weekend of 11th & 12th December.

We look forward to seeing you with your Crib.

