



# Parish Bulletin

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## Parish Priest

Fr Roy John Elavumkal SMM

## Parish Secretary

Karen Taylor - Tue to Fri

## Finance & WHS 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

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## Child Safety Contact & REC

Anne Dudzinski

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Chairperson – Alan Tyson

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## Youth Representative

Nancy Ngure

## Parish Office Hours

Monday to Friday 9 – 12

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**LOVE HEALS**

## PLEASE NOTE

Once you pick up a copy of the newsletter it needs to be taken home with you. Kindly **DO NOT** leave it behind

## The Baptism of the Lord, Year C

8<sup>th</sup> / 9<sup>th</sup> January 2022

When Jesus had been baptised and had been praying, the heavens were opened and the Holy Spirit came upon him.

### Entrance Antiphon Matthew 3:16-17

After the Lord was baptised, the heavens were opened, and the Spirit descended upon him like a dove, and the voice of the Father thundered:

This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased.

### First Reading Isaiah 40: 1-5, 9-11

Responsorial Psalm Psalms 103: 1-2,3-4,24-25,27-30. R v. 1

### R. Oh, bless the Lord, my soul!

Lord God, how great you are, clothed in majesty and glory, wrapped in light as in a robe!

You stretch out the heavens like a tent. R.

Above the rains you build your dwelling. You make the clouds your chariot, you walk on the wings of the wind, you make the winds your messengers and flashing fire your servants. R.

How many are your works, O Lord! In wisdom you have made them all. The earth is full of your riches. There is the sea, vast and wide, with its moving swarms past counting, living things great and small. R.

All of these look to you to give them their food in due season. You give it, they gather it up: you open your hand, they have their fill. R.

You take back your spirit, they die, returning to the dust from which they came. You send forth your spirit, they are created; and you renew the face of the earth. R.

### Second Reading St Paul to Titus 2:11-14; 3:4-7

Gospel Acclamation Luke 3:16

Alleluia, alleluia!

John said: He who is to come is mightier than I; he will baptise you with the Holy Spirit and with fire.

Alleluia!

### Gospel Luke 3:15-16,21-22

Communion Antiphon John 1:32, 34

Behold the One of whom John said:

I have seen and testified that this is the Son of God.



## 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 Face Mask 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

## Collections for Christmas & Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> December 2021

First Collection	\$ 1,053.90
Special Collection – Aboriginal Catholic Ministry	\$ 907.75
Second Collection	
Envelopes	\$ 673.00
Open Plate	\$ 1,117.65
Electronic Giving	\$ 230.00
Parish Account Total	\$ 1,720.65

## ROSTERS FOR 2022

With the beginning of a new year comes the need for new Rosters. Without your kind generosity in giving your time, our Parish would not be able to run. We need your involvement and it can be an enjoyable/enriching experience for you. New Rosters for Commentators, Readers, Altar & Flowers, and Counters will be produced in the next couple of weeks ready to send out before the end of this month. Please consider volunteering to assist in one of these very necessary roles and add your name to the relevant sheets you will find at the exit doors.

**WE NEED YOUR HELP. PLEASE DON'T JUST LEAVE IT TO OTHERS**



A massive thank you to everyone who worked to make our Christmas & New Year celebrations so wonderful. Those involved in the preparation of the Church, the placing and clearing of the Christmas decorations and those who volunteered for Reading, Commentating & Collecting at the many Masses over the last couple of weeks. May God's blessing be upon you all.

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## LITURGY OF THE WORD WITH HOLY COMMUNION

As more people and Priests contract COVID and must isolate, it will not always be possible to get a replacement Priest if the Parish Priest is sick. In these circumstances, there will be an option to have a Layperson lead a "Liturgy of the Word with Holy Communion". However, to do this, we will need volunteers to lead the prayer service. If you would like to volunteer as a Leader or would like more information, please speak to Father Roy.

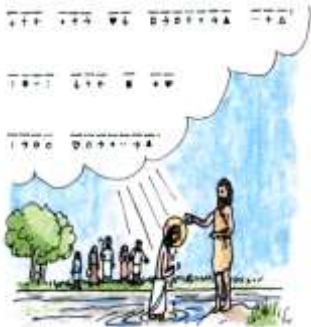
## Rosters for 15/16 January 2022 - 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C

Time	Commentator / Reader
6:30 pm	Anne Marie Platten Chris Platten, Giulia Giuliani
9:30am	Paul Halliwell Ann Mary Kollarackal, Jake Kollarackal
Children's Liturgy:	On Holidays
Count Team No: 4	Andrew Gaal, Gail Gaal, Nick McCabe, Shane Foley
Altar: Mon. 3 January to Sun 6 February	Doreen Ryan & Nancy Nguire

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

## The Kids' Bulletin

The Baptism of the Lord  
January 9th, 2022



After Jesus was baptized, a voice came from the clouds and said something to Jesus. What did it say? Use the code to find out!

ABDEHILMNOPRSTUVWY

## Jesus Begins His Mission

Today we celebrate the baptism of Jesus. After living with his mother for thirty years and working as an ordinary carpenter, it was time for Jesus to start His special work.

What was Jesus' special work? It was showing people the way to God and taking away their sins.

When you were baptized God was getting you ready for a special job too. He was giving you grace so that you could grow closer to Him and bring other people closer to Him too.

How can you help bring others closer to God?



## Saint Paul the First Hermit

January 15

SAINT PAUL, THE HERMIT WAS BORN IN THE 300'S IN EGYPH. HIS PARENTS DIED WHEN HE WAS YOUNG. WHEN A PERSECUTION BEGAN, HE HID IN A NEIGHBOUR'S HOUSE.

Can you hide me from the soldiers?

BUT HE WAS AFRAID THAT HE WOULD BE FOUND, SO HE RAN AWAY TO THE DESERT.

THERE HE HID IN A CAVE, INTENDING TO RETURN HOME WHEN THE PERSECUTION WAS OVER.

SAINT PAUL GOT WATER FROM A SPRING AND FOOD FROM A TREE NEARBY.

HOWEVER, HE LOVED THE QUIET SO MUCH THAT HE DECIDED TO STAY IN THE DESERT!

HE PRAYED AND LIVED A HOLY LIFE IN THE DESERT. BUT WAS TEMPTED TO THINK THAT HE WAS GREAT BECAUSE HE WAS THE FIRST HERMIT.

HOWEVER, HE SOON MET SAINT ANTHONY OF THE DESERT WHOM HE REALIZED WAS HOLIER THAN HIMSELF. PAUL LIVED UNTIL HE WAS 113 YEARS OLD!

SAINT PAUL DIDN'T GROW UP THINKING THAT HE WOULD BECOME A HERMIT. BUT WHEN HE REALIZED THAT HE COULD BEST SERVE GOD BY LIVING BY HIMSELF AND PRAYING FOR PEOPLE, THAT'S WHAT HE DID. YOU CAN PRAY THAT GOD WILL SHOW YOU HOW YOU WILL BE ABLE TO SERVE HIM BEST!

## Isaiah 42 Word Puzzle

Use the words at the bottom to fill in the blanks!

Here is my \_\_\_\_\_ when I uphold,  
my chosen one with whom I am pleased,  
upon whom I have put my \_\_\_\_\_;  
he shall bring forth justice to the nations,  
not crying out, not \_\_\_\_\_,  
not making his \_\_\_\_\_ heard in the street.  
A bruised reed he shall not \_\_\_\_\_  
and a \_\_\_\_\_ wick  
he will not quench,  
until he establishes justice on the earth;  
the coastlands will wait for his teaching.

I, the Lord, have called you  
for the victory of justice,  
I have grasped you by the hand;  
I formed you, and set you  
as a covenant of the people,  
a \_\_\_\_\_ for the nations,  
to open the \_\_\_\_\_ of the blind,  
to bring out  
from confinement,  
and from the dungeon,  
those who live in darkness.

PRISONERS VOICE EYES  
SMOLDERING SERVANT LIGHT  
SHOUTING SPIRIT BREAK