

MASS ROSTER							
Date		Commen- tator	Lector	Organist	M of C	M of C	DPO
15-Jan	5:30pm	Masterson	Baz	Volunteer	Mullins	Goonan T	Volun- teer
16-Jan	9am	Volunteer	Volunteer	Edis	Volunteer	Volunteer	Locke
22-Jan	5:30pm	Cook	McGovern	Dewhirst	Adams	Studdert	Evans
23-Jan	8:00am	Brady	Tooth	Carroll	Burgess Peter	Carrol	Reilly
	10:am	Baker	Temple- Brown	Edis	Graham	Baker	Locke

### DIOCESAN COVID-19 PROTOCOLS

NO RESTRICTIONS IN NUMBER—SINGING IS ALLOWED.  
KEEP CHECK-IN WITH QR.

### PARISH CALENDAR

**Sunday, January 16:** Mass at 9am with cup of tea followed.

**Monday, January 17:** Men's Recollection (Mini-Retreat) 7pm Holy Trinity Church, Ashmont . Please contact [stjosephscatholicmensgroup@gmail.com](mailto:stjosephscatholicmensgroup@gmail.com) for further details.

**Wednesday, January 19:** Fr. Paddy Sykes and Fr. Jomer Calma begin their ministry in the parish..

**Saturday/Sunday January 22nd/23rd:** Fr. Paddy Sykes and Fr. Jomer Calma together, celebrate masses at Sacred Heart

**Saturday/Sunday January 29th/30th:** Fr. Paddy Sykes and Fr. Jomer Calma together, celebrate masses at Lady of Fatima, Fr. Bernie celebrates masses at Sacred Heart.

**CARITAS PHILIPPINES:** Typhoon Rai has caused widespread destruction in the Philippines. Over 300 casualties, and 780,000 people have been directly impacted. Visit [caritas.org.au/donate/emergency-appeals/asia](http://caritas.org.au/donate/emergency-appeals/asia) or call 1800 024 413 toll free.

**CARITAS LEBANON:** Fuel and food prices in Lebanon have skyrocketed since 2019, leaving the population struggling to pay for basic essentials like groceries, electricity, healthcare and education.

We stand United with Lebanon and are accepting donations now. Visit [caritas.org.au/lebanon](http://caritas.org.au/lebanon) or call 1800 024 413 toll free.

All donations made through Caritas Australia are tax deductible.

### LAST WEEK COLLECTIONS

1st Collection \$919.95 — 2nd Collection \$1,030.00

Contact the parish secretary if you require new second collection or twinning envelopes.

**PLEASE CONSIDER DIRECT GIVING**



## Sacred Heart Parish Koorinal 8th/9th January, 2022

### Sunday Mass Times:

Sat.Vigil:5:30pm Sunday: 8am and 10am

### Daily Mass Times:

Monday, Wednesday: Friday 5:45pm

Tuesday-Thursday 7am.

Saturday: 9.30am

*Changes of Mass times on Chapel door.*

Reconciliation: Sat. 10.00am-10.30am

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### PRAY FOR:

**DECEASED:** William Longmore, Lyle McPherson (Nola Baker's Brother-in-law), Ron Terry, Mike Fogarty, Sr. Barbara Hallam pbvm, David Pulver, Merle Simpson, Molly van Der Rijt, Leo Berben, Roger Milne, Kay Allcock, John Lowe, Elizabeth Karas, Brian McGrane, Sr. Andre Guthrie rsj, Shirley Williams, Sr. Michael Soani dolc.

### ANNIVERSARIES/ REMEMBRANCES: .

**SICK:** Ilona Gortva, Laurence Roche, William Trist, Miriam McCoy, Joanne Huckel, Mary Codell, Shivaun Clifton, Barry Parnell, Hayden O'Callaghan, June Kimber, Denise Goonan, Shirley Gabriel, Brianna Papworth, Harry Edmonds, Jeff Edwards, Gwen Castle, Margaret Casey, Fran Ellis, Stephen Buchanan, Ian Buchanan, Liam Hatt (Claire Baker's grandson), Fr. Luke Fongi, Bruce Price, Cecilia Lim, Emily Davis, Brian Baker, Robin Nugent, Frank Gaynor, Parker Johnston.

### **POPE FRANCIS' PRAYER INTENTION JANUARY 2022**

*Let us pray that those who suffer discrimination and suffer religious persecution, may find in the societies in which they live the rights and dignity that comes from being brothers and sisters.*

# THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD, YEAR C

To prepare for next Sunday's Mass go to St Louis Jesuits – The Centre for Liturgy website: <http://liturgy.slu.edu> and/or Jerusalem Bible Translation of Readings: <http://www.universalis.com/>

**FIRST READING:** A reading from the prophet Isaiah 40:1-5.9-11

‘Console my people, console them’ says your God. ‘Speak to the heart of Jerusalem and call to her that her time of service is ended, that her sin is atoned for, that she has received from the hand of the Lord double punishment for all her crimes. A voice cries, ‘Prepare in the wilderness a way for the Lord. Make a straight highway for our God across the desert. Let every valley be filled in, every mountain and hill be laid low, let every cliff become a plain, and the ridges a valley; then the glory of the Lord shall be revealed and all mankind shall see it; for the mouth of the Lord has spoken.’ Go up on a high mountain, joyful messenger to Zion. Shout with a loud voice, joyful messenger to Jerusalem. Shout without fear, say to the towns of Judah, ‘Here is your God.’ Here is the Lord coming with power, his arm subduing all things to him. The prize of his victory is with him, his trophies all go before him. He is like a shepherd feeding his flock, gathering lambs in his arms, holding them against his breast and leading to their rest the mother ewes.

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

**RESPONSORIAL PSALM:** Ps 103

*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.

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.

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.

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.

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.

*Oh, bless the Lord, my soul!*

**SECOND READING:** A reading from the letter of St Paul to Titus 2:11-14, 3:4-7

God's grace has been revealed, and it has made salvation possible for the whole human race and taught us that what we have to do is to give up everything that does not lead to God, and all our worldly ambitions; we must be self-restrained and live good and religious lives here in this present world, while we are waiting in hope for the blessing which will come with the Appearing of the glory of our great God and saviour Christ Jesus. He sacrificed himself for us in order to set us free from all wickedness and to purify a people so that it could be his very own and would have no ambition except to do good. When the kindness and love of God our saviour for mankind were revealed, it was not because he was concerned with any righteous actions we might have done ourselves; it was for no reason except his own compassion that he

saved us, by means of the cleansing water of rebirth and by renewing us with the Holy Spirit which he has so generously poured over us through Jesus Christ our saviour. He did this so that we should be justified by his grace, to become heirs looking forward to inheriting eternal life.

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:**

*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

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke. **Glory to you, O Lord.**

A feeling of expectancy had grown among the people, who were beginning to think that John might be the Christ, so John declared before them all, 'I baptise you with water, but someone is coming, someone who is more powerful than I am, and I am not fit to undo the strap of his sandals; he will baptise you with the Holy Spirit and fire. Now when all the people had been baptised and while Jesus after his own baptism was at prayer, heaven opened and the Holy Spirit descended on him in bodily shape, like a dove. And a voice came from heaven, 'You are my Son, the Beloved; my favour rests on you!'

The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.**

## GOSPEL CONNECTION

### *Spirit Energy*

Today, Jesus' baptism by John, was a special moment - the real coming of God's spirit upon him. It was the same Spirit who had come upon Mary at the moment of Jesus' conception, and would come to Jesus at his last moment on the Cross.

The spirit brings him new energy. The feast marks that something new is happening, and that Jesus is the beloved and son; from eternity and into time.

The Spirit came upon him - but not just for himself. He would send the Spirit later to us - of forgiveness and of perseverance in doing good.

Today is about energy. Jesus found a new spirit in himself after his prayer and he heard words he would never forget. Maybe you have heard words of love from someone you will never forget. They give energy to the heart and soul, making us people always on the go, ready for new life within us.

The Spirit pours the energy of God into bread and wine and they are changed forever. He sends himself forever. It is sending the love and presence and energy of God.

We know that we can get stuck. We need new infusions of the Spirit to give new energy. Can we be the type of people who others think it's good to meet? Open to the spirit of God, open to new life, new love, being really fully the person I can be?

*May the waters of baptism, O Lord, bring us the new life of your love.*

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