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## Today's Readings

Baruch 5:1-9 Philippians 1:3-6.8-11 Luke 3:1-6 When we sin, we build up mountains of separation between ourselves Prayer is a sort of movement out into the world, filling it with joy. From the empty space of the desert, a voice is heard through all the world.

## MSC MISSION OFFICE APPEAL THIS WEEKEND

Friends,

The MSC Mission Office has begun a campaign to assist Afghan refugees coming to Australia. We are in touch with a group known as Independent Humanitarian Advocacy, through Patrick Ryan.

The initial aim is to provide immediate assistance through \$100 vouchers to allow the purchase of small items, toiletries, general items they may not have been able to bring with them. If enough money is raised we will also seek to assist with the short-term housing and other needs.

If you go online to our website you will see details there. Also is the option to donate, which you may like to inform your people about.

Our Project Officer, Sean Donovan, who lives at Campbelltown was able to activate his people to assist refugees there coming out of quarantine. The response was quite remarkable; from the Catholic social justice group to people of every religious persuasion.

You may have refugees already in your parish or city who need assistance, and our catholic people are often very generous and eager to help. So you may be able to get something moving where you are.

Often these people need some warm clothing, shoes etc, food, phone top ups to communicate etc. They also need some friendly faces, helping hands and local knowledge about shops, services, streets, transportation etc etc. They are coming from a very different situation and culture and can feel quite lost in this strange land.

Click on the links to go to the Mission Office website. www.mscmission.org.au

Fr Roger Purcell msc

# Second Sunday of Advent 5th December

2021



**Entrance antiphon:** People of Zion, the Lord will come to save all nations,

and your hearts will exult to hear his majestic voice.

**Response to the psalm:** The Lord has done great things for us; we are filled with joy.

Gospel acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia! Prepare the way of the Lord, make straight his paths:

Readers

Saturday Vigil Sr Jan O'Neil (Coordinator)
December 5th Chelsea Albert & Sr Jan O'Neil

**Sunday 7.00 am** Peter Frost (Coordinator) **December:** George & Nick Annas

**Sunday 9.30 am** Adele Cornale (Coordinator)

**December 5th** Mark Woolford

Anna & Claudia Pickering

**Sunday 6pm** Paula O'Connor (Coordinator)

Marea Wilson

**Church Cleaners** 

Paula O'Connor and other volunteers.

Money Counters—Parish Office

**December 5th:** Group 4 **December 12th:** Group 1 **December 19th:** Group 2 **December 26th:** Group 3

**Ministers of Communion** 

Vigil 5pm Sr. Gabriel (Coordinator)
December Sr Jan O'Neil

**Sunday 7.00 am** Peter Frost (Coordinator)

**December** Gary Keating

**Sunday 9.30 am** Adele Cornale (Coordinator) **December** Pilar Ovelar, Phil Docherty.

**Sunday 6pm** Paula O'Connor.

Sacristy & Altar

Pilar Ovelar & Carol Miller

Altar Flowers
Nobuko Konda & Margaret Betros

Piety Stall (5pm Vigil Mass) Carol Miller

## **Dates for your Diary**

• Sunday 12th December—St Vincent de Paul Christmas Appeal at all Masses.

 Monday 20th December—Sydney Youth Orchestra - \$10 tickets please book online.

• Tuesday 21th December—7.30pm, Community Sacramental Celebration of God's Mercy and Forgiveness.

Mass Offerings: Your prayers are requested for the following:

**Recently Deceased:** Moyra Milchelmore, Marjorie Devitt, Valerie Micallef, Janet Neenan,

Irene Haughey (Ireland), Bin Bridge.

Other Deceased: Joan O'Keefe, Margaret Wordon.

**Anniversaries:** Mollie McCabe.

Sick: Frank DiGeorgio, Margaret McShane, June Clements, Mariana Wagei,

Melinda Craig, Beverly Flint, June Ferguson, Michael Sweeney, Rowan Tierney, Alison Elliott, John Cavanagh, Justin Wood,

Rob Williams.

St Brigid's Parish Information

Mass Times Saturday Vigil 5.00 pm, Sunday 7.00 am, 9.30 am and 6.00 pm

Morning Tea Sundays after the 9.30 am Family Mass (when we get more volunteers)

Weekday Masses Monday, Tuesday, and Thursday 9.30 am

Reconciliation 20 Minutes before Saturday Vigil Mass

**Sacrament of Anointing** During 9.30am Mass, 2nd Thursday of each Month

**Baptisms** By appointment, on the first and third Sundays of each month,

after 9.30am Family Mass.

Marriages Saturdays, by appointment, arranged at least six months in advance.

Parish Office: Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday: 9am to 3pm.

Phone 9315 7562.

(For pastoral emergencies, please contact Fr Phil 0420 329 731)

St Brigid's This Week and Beyond

Dear Parishioners,

This weekend MSC Office Appeal—we welcome Fr Roger Purcell msc at all our Masses this weekend.

This Sunday at 11am Mass we welcome our Kindergarten 2022 families

Copies of Australian Catholic, and new edition of The Swag are in the Foyer.

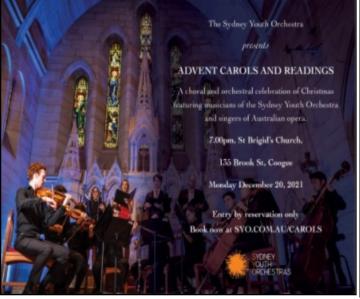
**Thank you** to all involved in the Sacrament of First Communion—Inez Augustine, Di Karas, Louise Doyle AND our wonderful parents,

Monday 20th December - We are delighted to announce that we will once again be hosting the Christmas Carols, involving Sydney Youth Orchestra and Opera singers. Tickets are \$10 each - no doors sales, please book online - syo.com.au/carols

**Cana Community** have a large range of hampers, handpicked and packed to the brim with Cana Farm products. New scents have been added to our candle range while some of the old favourites are on sale. **Order online www.canafarm.com.au/shop** 

Wishing you every blessing for your families and keep safe. Fr Phil





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## A message from the Archdiocese of Sydney

Child sex Abuse is a crime. The appropriate people to deal with a crime are the police. If you - or anyone you know have been abused, please contact the police. Alternatively, you can contact the Safeguarding and Ministerial Integrity Office at (02) 9390 5810 or safeguardingenquiries@sydneycatholic.org.

You may also want to speak to your Parish Priest, who will be able to provide support and guidance. The Archdiocese has a legal obligation to report crimes to the police. St Brigid's Parish Coogee, Safeguarding Officer is Sharon Waller.