

Parish Bulletin

Churches of Annunciation & St Mark's 20 Montacute Road, Hectorville SA 5073 St Mark's Church: Cnr Reid Ave and Harrison Streets, Magill SA 5072

Annunciation Church

Love in all things

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Mass & Confession Times

Annunciation Church Sunday 8.00 am 9.30 am (Italian) 11.00 (Family Mass) 5.30 pm Monday to Friday 7.00 am Friday 9.15 am Saturday – Novena 8.30 am Mass 9.00 am

Public Holidays 7.00 am *Confessions* Saturday 9.30 – 10.30 am

St Mark's Church Saturday (Vigil) 6.00 pm Sunday 9.30 am

Confessions Saturday evening : Immediately following Mass. Office Hours 9 am – 4.30 pm Monday to Friday Ph: 8336 9988 Fax: 8336 4040 email: admin@hectorpar.com.au Website: www.hectorvilleparish.com.au

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SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT Year C

5 December 2021

"Moved by God's love, we the people of Hectorville Catholic Community work for fullness of life and joy for all by living out together our love for God, each other and all God's creation."

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON:

O people of Sion, behold, the Lord will come to save the nations, and the Lord will make the glory of his voice heard in the joy of your heart.

FIRST READING:

Baruch 5:1-9

RESPONSORIAL PSALM:

The Lord has done great things for us; we are filled with joy.

SECOND READING:

Philippians 1:3-6, 8-11

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

Alleluia, alleluia! Prepare the way of the Lord, make straight his paths: all people shall see the salvation of God. Alleluia!

GOSPEL

Luke 3:1-6

COMMUNION ANTIPHON:

Jerusalem, arise and stand upon the heights, and behold the joy which comes to you from God.

REFLECTIONS:- This gospel makes it clear that one way in which we can prepare a way for the Lord is to recognise our faults and failings and to seek forgiveness. It is only through such repentance that we can make



ourselves receptive to the love of God. The only preparation of the way that is necessary for the Lord is a personal preparation to be receptive. We are absolutely assured of God's love. The problem is that we often feel that we are undeserving of that love or are unable to receive it. When we are called to 'Prepare a way for the Lord' it is a call to prepare a way in our own hearts – to break down the barriers that we have put up; to clear the obstacles that we have placed in the path. God's love will find a way! We simply make the way easier for ourselves to recognise God's love if we 'Prepare a way'. Hectorville Parish is a Child Safe and Family Friendly Environment. Our Child Protection Officer's are: Franco Canil (0419 183 936) and Danika Tremonte (0439635454).



FIRST AID KIT is located in Sacristy (where Priest's vest) on right hand side.

WEBSITE FOR THE PARISH

Please log on to <u>www.hectorvilleparish.com.au</u> Facebook:

https://www.facebook.com/HectorvilleParishSA/ Youtube:

https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCbn7ewJW1 ExoIY_-1z3XdSA

Live Streaming is available at Annunciation Church for Weddings and Funerals:- Cost: \$100.00

Hectorville Catholic Community

<u>Welcomes :-</u> Giada Calabro L Liliana Russo who will receive the Sacrament of Baptism today.

Prayers Are Asked For:



Holy Baptism

Recently Deceased:- Michelle Maluso Petroccia(in USA). Those who have Died: Mario, Angelamaria & Antonio Di Marzo & Filomena & Rosario Musolino, Egidio, Carmela, Angela Mignone,

Mafalda & Carmine Pirone, Kathryn Ward & Peggy O'Neill, Pellegrino Tremonte(recently deceased in Italy) & Rebecca Staltari.

Those who are Sick:

Angela Perilli (Parish Office) & Annemarie Nemeth and those who are Sick in Nursing Homes, Hospitals and the housebound. May the Good Lord give them comfort and peace in their suffering.

Please call the Parish Office at 83369988 or via email: <u>admin@hectorpar.com.au</u> for booking of Mass intentions.

CORONA VIRUS PRAYER

Lord Jesus Christ, you travelled through towns and villages "curing every disease and illness." At your command, the sick were made well. Come to our aid now, in the midst of the global spread of the Corona virus, that we may experience your healing love. Lord, healer of all, stay by our side in this time of uncertainty and give us peace. **AMEN**



IMPORTANT NOTICE:- Please take note that effective from Thursday, 9th September 2021:-the following changes have been made :--No of people for weddings and funerals are capped at 150. -Annunciation Church can accommodate 226 people per mass and St Marks Church can accommodate 202 people per mass. -Wearing of masks is MANDATORY and please sanitize your hands. -QR Code Check In/ Sign In sheet - is still COMPULSORY. Thank you for your cooperation

and understanding.

2nd SUNDAY FELLOWSHIP-There will be no
2nd Sunday fellowship after the 8.00am, 9.30am and
11.00am Masses Next Sunday, 12 December due to the current COVID restrictions. Thank you.

TAMIL MASS-Please be advised that there is no Tamil Mass next Sunday 12th of December. The Tamil Mass will be celebrated on Sunday the 19th December in Annunciation Church at 3.00pm.

Blessing Of the Cribs Mass

To celebrate the Advent, season this year, there will Blessing of the Cribs on **Sunday, 12 December at the 9.30am and 11.00am** Masses at the Annunciation Church. Families are encouraged to bring their cribs and to place them at the steps of the Sanctuary before the start of Mass. Thank you.

PENITENTIAL SERVICE

A Penitential Service in preparation for Christmas will be held in the Annunciation Church at 7.00pm on Friday, 17th December. This will be followed by the opportunity for individual confession.

Christmas Timetables- are available at both churches. This is a comprehensive list of Mass and Confession times in both Churches, until New Year. Please take a copy.

<u>CHILDREN'S MINISTRIES</u> CHILDREN'S LITURGY -11.00AM MASS EVERY



SUNDAY -ANNUNCIATION CHURCH

PRAYER GROUPS & MEETINGS THIS WEEK

- Italian Seniors Prayer Group: Wednesday, 8th December, 10.00 am at Christ the King, Meeting Room. All welcome to come along for a chat and a cuppa.
- **Baptism Formation**: Thursday, 9th December, 7.00pm at the Annunciation Church.

Children Gift Tags for Giving Tree

Please take a child gift tag from the church doors next week. Christmas food, gifts and Gift Vouchers will be appreciated. Gifts for adults may be donated too. Remember to return gift unwrapped to The Giving Tree by 2ND Sunday of Advent, 12th December. Thank you for your great generosity to those struggling in a challenging year. St Vincent de Paul Society.

St Vincent De Paul Society will be selling the CHRISTMAS CARDS and COLUMBAN CALENDARS 2022 at Church doors this weekend at all masses. Cards \$5 a packet of 10 Cards and Calendars \$9 each.

ST VINCENT DE PAUL CHRISTMAS APPEAL - The St Vincent De Paul Christmas Appeal will be taken up at all Masses on Christmas Eve and Christmas Day. Envelopes are on the seats for those who wish to donate by credit card or who would like a receipt. The funds will be used to support the needy in our neighbourhood. We thank parishioners for their kind contributions and Fr Jeevan for his generous support.

CHRISTMAS OFFERING ENVELOPES

available at Church doors today. At Christmas, parishioners are invited to make a donation towards the support of our Priests. Planned Giving contributors will find a Christmas Offering envelope with their weekly envelopes. Thank you for supporting our Priests.

Christmas Star Competition -This is open to all Parishioners- Children, Teens, Young Adults and the Young at heart. You can prepare the stars from any material,



colour and design you want. After completion, please place the stars at the side door(on the western side). The stars you have prepared will be used for our Christmas day celebrations in the Church. Participation forms are available at the Church doors today. Competition closes on the 19th of December and the winners will be awarded prizes on Christmas Eve at the 7.30pm Family mass. Thank you. Parish Office.

SPECIAL COLLECTIONS

A Note of thanks: I would like to thank all the parishioners for their generosity and kind heartedness. With all your help, we have collected the amount below for the following charity: - *Aboriginal Catholic Ministry: \$1558.65* Thank you for your ongoing support. Fr Jeevan

2nd Sunday of Advent-Humility Prepares the Way for Christ

The advent of God's coming with its promise of fulfilment happens within world history. The first reading locates God's act of restoration in the city of Jerusalem. The gospel situates the ministry of John within a particular period of world history. They point us to historical experience as the place and the time of restoration, of incarnation, of redemption. They show us that God works within everyday life, in conventional places, during regular time. In fact, from a human point of view, the extraordinary events of salvation took place within what was quite ordinary.

John proclaims the kind of transformation that results in a change of heart. Reversals characterise such transformation: the robe of mourning is replaced by the splendour of glory; tears are turned into rejoicing; those led away by enemies are brought back by God; valleys are filled, mountains are levelled, winding roads are made straight; even nature offers itself as shelter for the people of God.

Those who are shamed and discarded are made glorious; those who suffer are comforted; the oppressed are freed; all of life's obstacles are removed; the way to God is made straight; the natural world enjoys peace and harmony.

The transformation or repentance of heart takes place within human life, within relationships of justice between people and with the earth, in right living, in genuine unselfish love. It produces the fruits of righteousness of which Paul speaks. Advent is the time to prepare ourselves for this.



CONFESSIONS & ADORATION AT 11PM HOLY MASS AT MIDNIGHT -31st DECEMBER 2021 CHURCH OF THE ANNUNCIATION.18-20 MONTACUTE ROAD. HECTORVILLE SA 5073.

<u>Saints of the Week</u> St Ambrose: 7th December 2021



Catholic Charities Mass

Wednesday December 7 2021 at 12.10pm in St Francis Xavier Cathedral. All are welcome to join the Thanksgiving Mass for Catholic Charities celebrated by Archbishop Patrick O'Regan. The Mass will be followed by an expo and sausage sizzle in Mary MacKillop Plaza. For more information please contact Archdiocesan Events on P: (08) 8210 8106 or E: events@adelaide.catholic.org.au

Campus Minister – Aquinas College -Aquinas Adelaide's only Catholic university College, residential college, is seeking a part-time Campus Minister to begin in February 2022. For further information on the role and details on how to visit the College website apply, (https://www.aquinas.edu.au/employment/) or contact stephanie.hamra@aquinas.edu.au. E: Applications close Thursday December 9.

Mary MacKillop Precinct

Final Bethany Centre events for 2021 With the end of the year looming large on the horizon, our program is winding down. However, there are still two December events on our Bethany Calendar:

Monday December 6, 6.30am-8.30pm - **Josephite Reconciliation Circle** (monthly gathering – new members welcome!) Enquiries and registration P: 08 8130 5900 or E: <u>infosa@sosj.org.au</u>

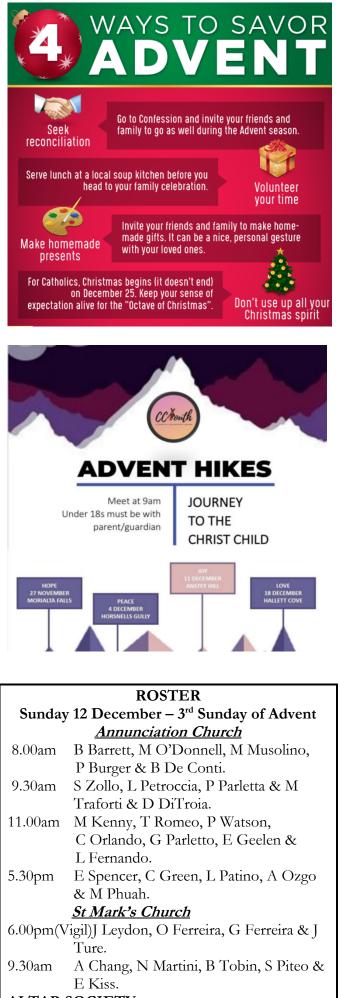
Saturday December 4, 9.30am-12.30pm - Final of the Mystics Series: A Morning with St John of the Cross with Angela Hazebroek.

St Joseph's Chapel - Mary MacKillop's muchloved place of prayer is a peaceful 'oasis' for people all backgrounds. You are welcome to come and spend some quiet time here. The chapel is open during the same open hours as Mary MacKillop Museum, i.e. Tuesday – Sunday(10am to 4pm). **Christmas-New Year Closure.** The Mary

MacKillop Museum and Gift Shop will close at 4pm on Thursday December 23, and reopen on Tuesday, January 11 2022.

Palms Australia's Neighbours Without Borders Cross-Cultural Training- If you would like to attend, please register your expression of interest to Sarah Moffatt: <u>smoffatt@adelaide.catholic.org.au</u>

RENEWING THROUGH ADVENT BOOKLETS ARE AVAILABLE AT CHURCH DOORS TODAY. THEY ARE FREE. PLEASE TAKE A COPY FOR YOUR ADVENT MEDITATION.



ALTAR SOCIETY

Annunciation Church: A Paglia & C Augustin. St Mark's Church: O Apolloni & J Pilkington.