# PARISH BULLETIN St Macartan's Catholic Parish



# 4 Drake St, Mornington VIC 3931

Parish Office: 9:30am-3pm Tuesday to Friday; Ph: 5975 2200 Email: mornington@cam.org.au Web: stmacartansparish.com.au Parish Priest: Rev. Fr Geoffrey McIlrov

Parish Secretary: Theresa Collard



#### **MASS TIMES**

Weekdays: Tues-Sat 9:15am Saturday: Vigil 6pm. **Sunday:** 9am, 11am & 5pm

1st Sun of the Month: 3:30pm Filipino Mass.

**RECONCILIATION:** 

After 9:15am Mass, Wednesday & Saturdays Or contact parish office for appointment.

**Anointing Mass: 1st Fri of the Month Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament** 

Friday after 9.15am mass till 12pm, Sunday 4pm-4.45pm except 1st Sunday.

Baptism (1st&3rd Sunday), Wedding, Funeral please contact Parish Office or on Parish web site

# PARISH INFORMATION

St Macartan's Primary School Ph: 5979 9200

Principal: Colleen McGreal

**Deputy: Philip Hills** 

Padua College Ph: 5976 0100

Parish Pastoral Council: Bernard Butler

0419 427 408

**Pastoral Coordinator: Refer Parish Secretary** Finance Committee: Frank Crea (0417 104 041)

High Spirits Co-Ord. TBA

**Children's Liturgy Co-Ordinator:** TBA

Little Macs Playgroup: Email: littlemacsplay-

group@gmail.com

Parish Caretaker: John Spaziani: 0419 598 911 Parish Care Contacts: Parish Office (5975 2200)

Music Co-Ordinator-

Veronica Ryan (5975 6981/ 0418 358 213) Baptism Preparation: Kathy Raccanello

Next Baptismal Meeting —

8pm Wednesday 5th February 2020

**Marriage Preparation & Any Counselling:** 

Charmaine Holmes, Ph: 59772665

Recently Deceased: Fr John Edmund Barry OSA

Pray for the sick and their Carers: Graham Oliver, Richard Holloway, Laura Castelow, Julie Nash, Margaret O'Connor, Jay Keogh, Sophie Davidsen, Cinzia Caboche, Robert Warne, Dean Pratt, Trent Wilkinson, Esma Murphy, Eva Balista, Kate Maree Ayoub (Tunks) Frances McLean, Richard Meech, Colleen, Noah Guest, Carly Guy, , Elizabeth Brennan, Bob Barrett, Ally Roe, Colleen & Jim Husin, Maryanne Husin, Eileen Young, Stuart Poustie, Peter Hingston, Dave Mortby, Lynne Anderson, Naomi Andrews, Peter Atkinson, Kevin Paganoni, Jeannie Fox, Phyllis Molloy, Terry Lyons, Renee Barker, Courtney Stevens, , Mary Cattermole, Joseph Aquilina, Helen & Denis Chambers, Mark Allan, Lucas Pingiaro, Fernando Pineda, Jim Kershaw (NZ), Bernadette Harvey (NZ), David Taylor NZ), Maureen Spargo, Tony Formosa and Pat Greally, Bert Limpens, John Mahony Seriously ill: Catherine Ternent, Michael Nicolaou

First Reading Is 60:1-6

# A reading from the prophet Isaiah

Arise, shine out, Jerusalem, for your light has come, the glory of the Lord is rising on you, though night still covers the earth and darkness the peoples.

Above you the Lord now rises and above you his glory appears.

The nations come to your light and kings to your dawning brightness.

Lift up your eyes and look round:

all are assembling and coming towards you, your sons from far away and your daughters being tenderly carried.

At this sight you will grow radiant, your heart throbbing and full;

since the riches of the sea will flow to you;

the wealth of the nations come to you;

camels in throngs will cover you,

and dromedaries of Midian and Ephah;

everyone in Sheba will come, bringing gold and incense and singing the praise of the Lord.

**Responsorial Psalm** Ps 71:1-2. 7-8. 10-13, R. see v.11

(R.) Lord, every nation on earth will adore you.

Second Reading Eph 3:2-3. 5-6

# A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Ephesians

You have probably heard how I have been entrusted by God with the grace he meant for you, and that it was by a revelation that I was given the knowledge of the mystery. This mystery that has now been revealed through the Spirit to his holy apostles and prophets was unknown to any men in past generations; it means that pagans now share the same inheritance, that they are parts of the same body, and that the same promise has been made to them, in Christ Jesus, through the gospel.

# Gospel Acclamation Mt 2.2

Alleluia, alleluia! We have seen his star in the East; And have come to adore the Lord. Alleluia!

# **Gospel** Mt 2:1-12

# A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew

After Jesus had been born at Bethlehem in Judaea during the reign of King Herod, some wise men came to Jerusalem from the east. 'Where is the infant king of the Jews?' they asked. 'We saw his star as it rose and have come to do him homage.' When King Herod heard this he was perturbed, and so was the whole of Jerusalem. He called together all the chief priests and the scribes of the people, and enquired of them where the Christ was to be born. 'At Bethlehem in Judaea,' they told him, 'for this is what the prophet wrote:

And you, Bethlehem, in the land of Judah, you are by no means least among the leaders of Judah, for out of you will come a leader who will shepherd my people Israel.'

Then Herod summoned the wise men to see him privately. He asked them the exact date on which the star had appeared, and sent them on to Bethlehem. 'Go and find out all about the child,' he said 'and when you have found him, let me know, so that I too may go and do him homage.' Having listened to what the king had to say, they set out. And there in front of them was the star they had seen rising; it went forward and halted over the place where the child was. The sight of the star filled them with delight, and going into the house they saw the child with his mother Mary, and falling to their knees they did him homage. Then, opening their treasures, they offered him gifts of gold and frankincense and myrrh. But they were warned in a dream not to go back to Herod, and returned to their own country by a different way.

# **Communion Antiphon** Cf. Mt 2:2

We has seen his star in the East, and come with gifts to adore the Lord.

# **NEW PARISHIONERS**

The St Macartan's community would like to welcome all new parishioners. Please fill in a new parishioner form (available in both foyers) and place in box

provided; a member of our Welcome Committee will call and arrange to meet with you.





## MINIMAL GLUTEN WAFER

We offer 'minimal gluten' hosts at all Masses. If you require one, please approach the Sacristan before Mass.

## **SACRIFICIAL GIVING**

2nd Collection Weekly Pledge: 1st Collection Presbytery:



# **Congratulations** To:

Madeline Mary Bleakley, Ezra Niel Calabrese, Sofia Gracie Lindemann.

Who receive the Sacraments of Baptism this Sunday 5th January.

May they always walk in the light of Christ.

# Emeritus Archbishop Denis Hart to visit St Macartans Church Archbishop of Melbourne 2001—18

We welcome His Grace, Archbishop Denis Hart, who is joining Fr Geoff to celebrate this week's 11am Sunday Mass.

# Rosters for Sunday Readers and Eucharistic Ministers

The roster for February to May will be drawn up in mid-January. This covers 3 weekend Masses - **Saturday 6.00**, **Sunday 9.00 and 11.00**.

Those who are already on the roster, and are happy with their details, need do nothing.

Any current volunteer who would like to change their preferred time or their ministry, please let me know by message to the parish office.

NEW VOLUNTEERS MOST WELCOME - PLEASE HELP.

Many thanks, Chris Smyth



# BRIGIDINE ASYLUM SEEKERS' PROJECT

**BASP - Committed Courageous Compassionate** 

The first collection for the asylum seekers will be on the first weekend of March. However, some may want to make their dollar go further by taking advantage of the post-Christmas sales. Sorry, we don't want decorations, but tins of shortbread at half price look most attractive.

We're looking forward to another wonderful series of collections during 2020. Social Justice Group

# Did you know?

- The word 'epiphany' comes from a Greek word meaning manifestation or revelation. In Matthew's Gospel, this episode is the first public manifestation of Jesus.
- Herod the Great ruled only because Rome allowed it. He was not Jewish (his
  mother was not Jewish) but he had married into the royal family. He would have
  been very afraid of a possible rival to his claim to the throne.
- This text again mentions that Jesus was born at home in Joseph's house in Bethlehem. The family only relocated to Nazareth after having fled to Egypt to escape the threat from Herod to the child's safety.
- The 'wise men' were probably magi or astrologers from Persia and represent all those who seek God with a sincere heart.
- The gifts of the magi are of great value; gifts fit for a king!

# **St Macs Gift Shop**

The St Mac's Gift Shop would like to wish all of you peace, happiness and good health for the coming year. We would also like to thank you for supporting the Gift Shop and hope we have been of service to you over the past 6 months. Your support is very much appreciated and we hope it will continue.

I would like to thank our current volunteers for their endless support. Without them the Piety couldn't exist. We are also in urgent need of more volunteers, especially for the 6pm Saturday Mass. If you attend the 5pm Youth Mass on Sunday and you would like to become a volunteer, please let me know. It would be great to have the Gift Shop open for all Masses.

The Trade Fair, where the bulk of our stock is purchased, is in February, so to make room for new stock we are currently in the process of further mark downs, great discounts for you, so please come along and grab a bargain or two.

The unsold Columban Calendars are due to be returned for refund within the next few weeks, so if you haven't yet purchased yours, don't delay.

Note: We now have Efpos

# **ROSTERS**

Readers	4th-5th January	11th-12th January		
6pm	Kees Duyvestyn Iris Hallinan	Kees Duyvestyn Iris Hallinan		
9am	Paul Girolamin Michael Kerr	Paul Girolamin Michael Kerr		
11am	Bernard Butler, Joan Clements	Bernard Butler, Joan Clements		
5pm	Gabriella Faila, Volunteers	Gabriella Faila, Volunteers		
Ex.Ministers	4th-5th January	11th-12th January		
6pm	Alis Fisher, Barbara Peach, Lynn Thorpe	Alis Fisher, Barbara Peach, Lynn Thorpe		
9am	Frank Crea, Delina Frank, Pat Girolami	Frank Crea, Delina Frank, Pat Girolami		
11am	Rosina Di Pettam Christine Llopart John Spaziani	Rosina Di Pettam Christine Llopart John Spaziani		
5pm	Mario Leitao, Craig Nugent	Mario Leitao, Craig Nugent		
Music	4th-5th January	11th-12th January		
6pm	Vron & Co	Vron & Co		
9am	Carmen and Choir	Carmen and Choir		
11am	Chris @ Co	Chris @ Co		
5pm	Emily/Kiara/Lulu	Emily/Kiara/Lulu		
AV Ops	4th-5th January	11th-12th January		
6pm	James Barrett & Co	James Barrett & Co		
9am	Marlene & Terry Said	Marlene & Terry Said		
11am	Graham M  Marino Cassamento	Graham M		
5pm P'point Prs	4th-5th January	Marino Cassamento  11th-12th January		
6pm	Vron	Vron Vron		
9am	TBA	TBA		
11am	Vron	Vron		
5pm	Vron	Vron		
Altar Svrs	4th-5th January	11th-12th January		
6pm	Lucas Demo	Lucas Demo		
9am	Samara Passmore, Tes Donnelly, Denham Kiernan	Samara Passmore, Tes Donnelly, Denham Kiernan		
11am	Lucas Huynh, Sari Prabawo	Lucas Huynh, Sari Prabawo		
5pm	Matt Sayah, Jacob Melham, Mitssy Gonsalves	Matt Sayah, Jacob Melham, Mitssy Gonsalves		
Counters	6th January	13th January John Sumner,		
	Alick Burr, Kelvin Martin			
Cleaning	9th January 2020	9th January 2020		
	Craig Nugent, Joe Thoppill	Craig Nugent, Joe Thoppill		
Flowers	2nd-9th January 2020	2nd-9th January 2020		
	Trish Andreoli, Louise Renshaw	Trish Andreoli, Louise Renshaw		
Piety Stall	4th-5th January	11th-12th January		
Sat 6.00pm	ТВА	TBA		
Sun 9am	TBA	ТВА		
Sun 11am	TBA	TBA		
C Liturgy	4th-5th January	11th-12th January		
Sun 9am/11am	There will be no Children's Liturgy	There will be no Children's Liturgy		
Tea Trolley	5th January	12th January		
Sun 9am	Alwyn Azzopardi	Alwyn Azzopardi		

# Weekly Activities

<u>HIGH SPIRITS:</u> The Position of High Spirits Coordinator has now been filled and will commence first term in 2020. There will be no High Spirits for the remainder of the year.

<u>LITTLE MAC'S PLAYGROUP</u>: for pre-school children and their carers. 9:45-11:30am Wednesdays in the Community Centre during school term time Gold Coin donation. Further details: Email: **littlemacsplay-group@gmail.com**; A current working with children check is essential.



**PARISH CHOIR:** We practice every Thursday in the church after 9:15am Mass

New Members of all ages are always welcome. Enquiries: Louise 0409 558 922

MINISTER UNTO GOD PRAYER GROUP: Will resume next Year, 11th Feb 2020

MARY'S IMMACULATE HEART PRAYERS CENACLE: Tues 2-3pm in Community Centre.

THE LEGION OF MARY: Meets every Wednesday after Mass in the Community Centre.

Please ring Ron Fitzgerald on 0428287101. "Family that prays together, stays together"

RECITE THE ROSARY: Come and join us in a beautiful contemplation on Jesus's life during reciting the Rosary. Let's answer "YES" to o ur Mother Mary's call to honour and grow closer to her Son Jesus! Every Monday 8pm St Mac's Church - Gabi 0448 947 748

**GATHERINGS GROUP:** Meets on the 2nd and 4th Thursday of each month at 10.00am in the Community Centre.

**SOCIAL JUSTICE GROUP:** Meets on 1st & 3rd Wednesdays of each month at 10am in the Sacristy Room. Please call Wally Sharman on ph 59751159. for further details.

# MACARTAN CLUB; A club for Retirees and Senior Parishioners.

Club members are advised that the next general meeting will be held on Friday 24<sup>th</sup> January 2020 after the 9.15 Mass.

Any queries contact John Azzopardi on 58752289

ST VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY: Meets on the 1st and 3rd Mondays of the month – 3.30pm for 4.00pm. in the Community Centre. The Mornington Region meets monthly – 4th. Tuesday of the month – in the Sacristy Room. Contact: Paul Girolami 0400147875

# FRIENDSHIP CUPPA New Venue - Biscottini Café 157 Main St, Mornington



Will resume next year, dates TBA

**ST MAC'S CAFÉ**: Open Every Wed 6.30pm—8.30pm in the Community Centre. FREE cuppa and food, good music and great company. OPEN TO EVERYONE! We look forward to seeing you there. **Will resume 29th January 2020.**Any queries please phone Bernard on 0419 427408.

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the Community Centre. Open to men of all ages. Bring nothing except your appetite!!!

# St Macartan's Youth Group: Age: 13-25

Come connect with the youth of St Macs and grow in faith over games, prayer, talks and discussion

When: Every second Sunday 5.45pm – 7.30pm

Age: 13-25 Year sixes transitioning to year 7 for next year are welcome to join

Dinner provided Will resume in 2020 dates TBA