



CATHOLIC PARISHES OF TAREE AND WINGHAM

Our Lady of the Rosary Church, Taree
Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church, Wingham
Our Lady of Fatima Church, Old Bar

Star of the Sea Church, Harrington
St Patrick's Church, Cundletown
St Therese Church Lansdowne

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5TH DECEMBER 2021

THIS WEEK'S READINGS 5TH DECEMBER 2021

2ND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

FIRST READING: Bar 5:1-9
Jerusalem – God will show you splendour.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: Ps 125. R. v.3 (R.) The Lord has done great things for us; we are filled with joy.

SECOND READING: Phil 1:3-6. 8-11
Show yourselves sinless and without blame in the day of Christ.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

Alleluia, Alleluia!

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

Alleluia!

GOSPEL: Lk 3:1-6 All people shall see the salvation of God.

NEXT WEEK'S READINGS 12TH DECEMBER

3RD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

FIRST READING: Zep 3:14-18 With gladness the Lord will rejoice over you.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: Is 12:2-6 R. v.6 (R.) Cry out with joy and gladness: for among you is the great and Holy One of Israel.

SECOND READING: Phil 4:4-7 The Lord is near.

GOSPEL: Lk 3:10-18 What, then, must we do?

THE SO CALLED “VOLUNTARY ASSISTED DYING” BILL was passed a week ago in the NSW Lower House. It will be presented to the Upper House for approval or rejection soon. I have already indicated to a number of NSW Lower House Members, including Hon. Stephen Bromhead the reasons why they should reject this Bill.

I have provided for parishioners a brief paper submitted to the NSW Parliament prior to the Lower House vote where the majority of members unfortunately voted in favour of this Bill. This paper is written by Mr John Watkins who is the head of Catholic Health in Australia. If Mr Watkins viewpoint and the information provided had been given serious consideration by the MP's , the Bill would have been rejected. Please take a copy of the article and be informed about this matter. If this Bill finally becomes Law, its negative consequences will continue to unfold. Perhaps a group of motivated parishioners may form in order to “lobby” the Upper House Members urging them to consider information and viewpoint presented by Mr John Watkins and also the address on this subject given by Mr Dominic Perrottet, the Premier.

Father Kevin Corrigan

A MESSAGE FROM THE PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL MEMBERS

During the time of Advent and waiting we relish the opportunity to plan for the Parish community. Along with Father Kevin our Priest and Pastor, we have a renewed focus on the role of Catechesis in the church, building strong partnerships in our parish community to strengthen our wonderful church community. We look forward to unpacking the direction further and looking to the vision of Pope Francis as we continue to build church missionary.

“The Church must be a place of mercy freely given, where everyone can feel welcomed, loved, forgiven, and encouraged to live the good life of the Gospel.”

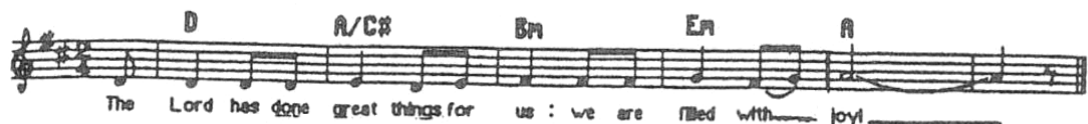
– Pope Francis, The Joy of the Gospel: Evangelii Gaudium

PRAYER LIST FOR TAREE & WINGHAM PARISHES

SICK: Sandra Baker, Sue Berry, Cathy Callinan, Anthony Corben, Bev Crouch, Ken Fitton, Betty Howard, Halle Kehiene, Rodney McLennan, Allan Mitchell, Patricia Moffat, Neil Moroney, Josephine Murphy, Martin Murphy, Linda Norris, Rose Sammut, Marie Stanford, Liz Taylor, Paul White, Dorothy Wilkes.

RECENTLY DECEASED: Grace Aylward, Reg McMahon

RESPONSORIAL PSALM



PARISH CALENDAR 2021

MONDAY 6TH DECEMBER

TUESDAY 7TH DECEMBER

4.30PM-5.00PM TAREE RECONCILIATION
5.30PM TAREE MASS

WEDNESDAY 8TH DECEMBER

9.30AM TAREE MASS

THURSDAY 9TH DECEMBER

8.30AM-9.00AM TAREE RECONCILIATION
9.30AM TAREE MASS
6.00PM-7PM WINGHAM RECONCILIATION

FRIDAY 10TH DECEMBER

9.00AM TAREE MASS

SATURDAY 11TH DECEMBER

9.00am-10.00am Taree Reconciliation
6.00pm Taree Mass /
Children First Holy Communion
6.00pm Harrington SCAE

SUNDAY 12TH DECEMBER

3ND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

7.30am Old Bar Mass
7.30am Wingham SCAE
9.30am Taree Mass /
Children First Holy Communion

CHRISTMAS MASS TIMES



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CHRISTMAS EVE VIGIL MASS FRIDAY 24TH DECEMBER 2021

2.00pm Star of the Sea Harrington
4.30pm Our Lady of Perpetual Help
Church Wingham
6.30pm Our Lady of the Rosary
Church Taree

CHRISTMAS DAY MASS SATURDAY 25TH DECEMBER 2021

8.00am Our Lady of Fatima
Church Old Bar
10.00am Our Lady of the Rosary
Church Taree

OUR LADY OF THE ROSARY CHURCH:

If you are a volunteer and available to help us out for Christmas Masses, please contact the Parish Office. We need ushers and volunteers at the door of the church for Christmas Vigil, Christmas Day and Sunday 26th December morning Mass.

CHERYL KINGSFORD AND ST MARY'S

CATERING GROUP raised \$1,410.00 from the Christmas Lunch last Sunday 28th November. Money raised will be used for St Mary's hall renovation and maintenance. The Parish would like to thank Cheryl and her team for all the hard work done. We also thank all the people who joined the luncheon and supported the catering group.

ST VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY will hold their Christmas Appeal at all parishes next weekend – 11th and 12th December. We would be grateful for any support you can give.

THE UNIVERSAL HOUR OF GRACE:

Prayers will be held at Our Lady of the Rosary Church Taree on Wednesday 8th December between 12.00noon to 1.00pm in celebration of the Feast of the Immaculate Conception.

WINGHAM PARISH: Fr Kevin will be at

Our Lady of Perpetual Help Wingham Church on Thursday, 9th December from 6.00pm to 7.00pm for the Sacrament of Penance (Reconciliation).

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR TAREE

CHRISTMAS MASSES: We are seeking Readers and Altar Servers for Christmas Masses. If anyone can help, please write your name on the roster sheet at the back of the church.

TAREE ROSTERS for reading have been prepared and available for collection from the sacristy.

Second Week of Advent - Lighting the Advent Wreath

The Presider blesses the wreath and the assembly with the sprinkling of holy water, using these or similar words:

Presider: May this sprinkling of the waters of baptism remind us of our first sharing in grace that we may prepare for the Lord's coming among us today and be ready for his second coming.

The Presider lights the second candle, which could be named the John the Baptist Candle as he was the one who prepared the way for the Lord.

V: Lord Jesus, your coming was proclaimed by the prophet Baruch who calls us "[to] ... wrap the cloak of integrity of God around [us] ..." so as to wear the crown of your glory.

R: Come, Lord Jesus

V: Lord Jesus, you come among us now, as St Paul remembers those who "... have helped to spread the Good News from the day you first heard it right up to the present."

R: Come, Lord Jesus

V: Lord Jesus, you will come again in glory, because you want all the world to "see the salvation of God."

R: Come, Lord Jesus

Presider: Let us pray [in Advent time for the coming Saviour to teach us wisdom]

Father in heaven,
the day draws near when the glory of your Son will make radiant the night of the waiting world.
May the lure of greed not impede us from the joy which moves the hearts of those who seek him.
May the darkness not blind us to the vision of wisdom
which fills the minds of those who find him.

R: Amen