



Sacred Heart Parish

LUDDENHAM-WARRAGAMBA

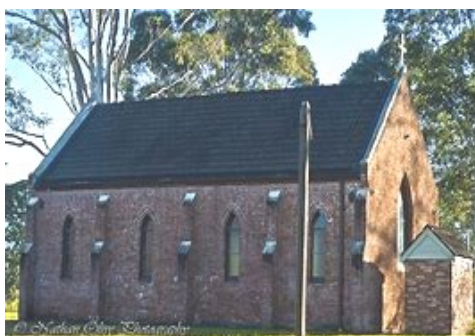
3RD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

YEAR 2/C

12 December 2021



Holy Family Church - Luddenham



St Mary Church - Mulgoa



Sacred Heart Church - Warragamba



St Francis Xavier Church - Greendale

PARISH TEAM

PARISH PRIEST: Fr. Giovanni Presiga Gaviria
PARISH SECRETARY: Bernadette Morton
ADMIN ASSISTANT: Colleen Nicholas
SACRAMENTAL COORDINATOR: Janet Borg
PASTORAL PLACEMENT: Matthew Dimian

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Tuesday - Friday: 9.00 am - 3.30pm

CONTACT US

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PARISH BARGAIN CENTRE

16/18 Weir Road, Warragamba
Thursday: 9:30am - 4:00pm

HOLY FAMILY PRIMARY SCHOOL

Principal: Mr. Anthony McElhone
Assistant Principal: Miss Jodie Van As
Contact Number: 02 4773 7100

HOLY MASS TIMES AND SACRAMENTS

Saturday: 6.00 pm (Vigil) at Luddenham
Sunday: 7.30 am at Luddenham
9.30 am at Warragamba
Italian Mass: 11.00 am at Luddenham (3rd Sunday of the month)
Spanish Mass: 7.30 pm at Luddenham (4th Saturday of the month)
Weekday Mass: 9.00 am at Warragamba - Wednesday
7.00 am at Mulgoa - Thursday
9.30 am at Luddenham - Friday
9.00 am at Luddenham - Saturday (except 3rd Saturday)
9.00 am at Greendale - 3rd Saturday of the month

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament:

8.30 am at Luddenham - Friday

BAPTISMS AND MARRIAGES

Baptisms are held 2nd & 4th Sunday of the month by appointment only.
Marriages by appointment only at least 6 months prior to marriage.

RECONCILIATION

Saturday after 9.00am Mass & from 5.00pm till Vigil Mass

ANointing OF THE SICK

By appointment. Please contact the Parish Office.



WELCOME to SACRED HEART PARISH - Luddenham / Warragamba

If you are new to Sacred Heart Parish and would like to register as a parishioner or be placed in our mailing list please call the parish office.

CHRISTMAS TIMETABLE

Christmas Eve Friday, 24th December
 6.00 pm Children & Family Mass - Holy Family Church, Luddenham
 8.30 pm Mass - Holy Family Church, Luddenham
 11.30 pm Christmas Carols - Holy Family Church, Luddenham

Christmas Day Saturday, 25th December
 12.00 am Midnight Mass - Holy Family Church, Luddenham
 8.00 am Mass - Sacred Heart Church, Warragamba
 10.00 am Mass - Holy Family Church, Luddenham

N.B. Parishioners only need to register for the 6.00pm Vigil Mass.

Christmas Reconciliation (2nd Rite)

Tuesday 21st December - 7.00pm - Holy Family Church, Luddenham

PLEASE KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS

Recently deceased:

John Apap



Anniversaries:

Always remembered:

John & Josephine Saliba, Mark Lia, Salvatore Lia, Mary Lia, Mario Lia, Theresa Lia, Elizabeth Lia, Angelo Lia, Horace Azzopardi, Carmen Azzopardi, Grace Tedesco, Gillian Attard, Giovanna Attard, Charles Attard

Sick:

Fr Chris Riley SDB, Paul Refalo, Monica Muscat, Lucy Andaloro, Guillermo Delcastillo, Nick Saliba Stella O'Flaherty, Alison Megarrity, and all those suffering from the affects of Covid-19.

ADVENT PRAYER

Dear Heavenly Father, Help me to hear your voice. Touch me once again. Give me the courage to be your beloved. Give me courage to choose joy. I need you now this Christmas. Be born in me again. Today. In Jesus' name. Amen.



RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION FOR ADULTS



Our RCIA program for adults desiring to receive the sacraments of Initiation: Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist will begin late January, early February.

If you know anyone interested in becoming a Catholic or completing their Sacraments of Initiation please let them know. They can ring the Parish Office with any enquiries.

	THIS WEEKEND			NEXT WEEKEND		
	Vigil	7.30 am	9.30 am	Vigil	7.30 am	9.30 am
Minister of the Altar	Michael Tolentino	Paul Rohan	Colleen Nicholas	Domenic Cocksedge	Paul Rohan	Tony Vella
Altar Servers	Mikayla Camilleri Patrick Camilleri					
Ministers of the Word	Jacqueline Genovese Tenille Buttigieg	Benedetta Massignani Terry Debono	Stephanie Marsh Rosemaree Marsh	Charles Massih Elaine Luppino	Marta Jennings Christian Pervan	Carmel Fenton Trish Kelly
Extraordinary Ministers of Communion	Margaret Buttigieg	Moira Bryan		Grace Leonello	Mary Powell	
Data Projector	Debbie Walters		Theresa Lia	Debbie Walters		Theresa Lia

MASS AT GREENDALE

There will be Mass at Greendale on the 18 December at 9.00 am. All welcome.

PARISH CHRISTMAS FUNDRAISING RAFFLE

Tickets - \$2.00 each or 3 for \$5.00.

Prizes are a choice of:-

- FASHION ACCESSORIES BY MIMCO
- COOLER AND PICNIC HAMPER
- TERRAN HAMPER
- and Other Prizes to be won

Please keep your tickets and the raffle will be drawn at the Vigil Mass at Luddenham on 18 December.

Congratulations to the Children who did their First Eucharist last Saturday.

Jade Apap	Orlando Lepre
William Aylott	Gianni Mandarano
Xavier Baigorria	Leta-May Munday
Lilly Bazina	Ruby Nairne
Elisa Camilleri	Savannah Pace
Lucas Camilleri	Chelsea Pollock
Isabella Cocksedge	Liliana Rigitano
Sofia Corbo	Jacob Rowley
Xavier Curmi	Jett Sabljak
Eleanor Gauci	Tia Sabljak
Vanessa Grima	Indiana Sengos
Lavinia Gullo	Georgia Tyrrell
Isaac Hall	Olivia Urschel
Levi Hall	Ellie Valliant
Benjamin Lepre	Isaac Viera



Dear Brothers and Sisters,

During Advent, the season of preparation for the coming of Jesus Christ, we, at Sacred Heart Parish, are invited to prepare the way for the Lord through:

- Giving; thank you for supporting St Vincent de Paul, with your generosity of food and gifts bringing **hope** and **joy** to needy families in our parish.
- Reconciliation; we are invited to take advantage of the **Second Rite of Reconciliation** scheduled on **Tuesday 21st December** at Holy Family Church, at 7.00pm. This healing Sacrament will give us **peace** of heart and bring **love** to others by reconciling with God and those around us.
- Participation; it has been a tradition in our parish that on **Christmas Eve, at 6.00pm Vigil Mass**, families with children come to celebrate the birth of Jesus. Children are invited to take part in the pageant, carols and the Eucharist bringing **joy** to others.
- Prayer; let us increase our prayer to prepare a place in our hearts for the Christ-child.

I invite you to live, within your family, the spirit of Christmas welcoming Jesus who brings to us: hope, understanding, forgiveness and peace.

Please pray for the children who have received the Sacrament of Eucharist last Saturday and this one and for their parents, that they will continue what they began, to bring their children to the Eucharist regularly.

May the joy and peace of the Lord be with you all.

Fr Giovanni

REJOICE IN THE LORD ALWAYS; REJOICE. INDEED, THE LORD IS NEAR.

The third Advent candle known as the Joy candle is also known as the Shepherd Candle to highlight the joy the shepherds experienced when they received the good news about Christ's birth.

Joy appears more than 100 times in the Bible.

Why Does This Matter?

This matters because, while we wait for Christ to come again, we don't have to despair. God has given us a joy that no one can take away. No matter what happens in this dark world, we can experience light. We experience difficulties differently than the world. We have light even in the darkest moments. Joy is essential to the Christian experience. We cannot get far without it, and we need it as we, like the shepherds, anticipate the coming of our Saviour.



Entrance Antiphon

Rejoice in the Lord always; again I say, rejoice.
Indeed, the Lord is near.

First Reading

Zephaniah 3:14-18

Shout for joy, daughter of Zion, Israel, shout aloud!
Rejoice, exult with all your heart, daughter of
Jerusalem! The Lord has repealed your sentence;
he has driven your enemies away. The Lord, the
king of Israel, is in your midst; you have no more
evil to fear. When that day comes, word will come
to Jerusalem: Zion, have no fear, do not let your
hands fall limp. The Lord your God is in your midst,
a victorious warrior. He will exult with joy over
you, he will renew you by his love; he will dance
with shouts of joy for you as on a day of festival.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Responsorial Psalm

Isaiah 12:2-6

**R. Cry out with joy and gladness: for among you is
the great and Holy One of Israel.**

Truly, God is my salvation,
I trust, I shall not fear.

For the Lord is my strength, my song,
he became my saviour.

With joy you will draw water
from the wells of salvation. **R.**

Give thanks to the Lord, give praise to his name!
Make his mighty deeds known to the peoples!
Declare the greatness of his name. **R.**

Sing a psalm to the Lord
for he has done glorious deeds,
make them known to all the earth!
People of Zion, sing and shout for joy
for great in your midst is the Holy One of Israel. **R.**

Second Reading

Philippians 4:4-7

I want you to be happy, always happy in the Lord;
I repeat, what I want is your happiness. Let your
tolerance be evident to everyone: the Lord is very
near. There is no need to worry; but if there is
anything you need, pray for it, asking God for it with
prayer and thanksgiving, and that peace of God,
which is so much greater than we can understand,
will guard your hearts and your thoughts, in Christ
Jesus.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation

Isaiah 61:1

**Alleluia, alleluia! The Spirit of the Lord is upon me;
he sent me to bring Good News to the poor.
Alleluia!**

Gospel

Luke 3: 10-18

When all the people asked John. 'What must we
do?' he answered, 'If anyone has two tunics he must
share with the man who has none, and the one with
something to eat must do the same.' There were tax
collectors too who came for baptism, and these said
to him, 'Master, what must we do?' He said to them,
'Exact no more than your rate.' Some soldiers asked
him in their turn, 'What about us? What must we
do?' He said to them, 'No intimidation! No
extortion! Be content with your pay!'

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. His
winnowing-fan is in his hand to clear his threshing-
floor and to gather the wheat into his barn; but the
chaff he will burn in a fire that will never go out.'
As well as this, there were many other things he said
to exhort the people and to announce the Good News
to them.

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.



Communion Antiphon

**Say to the faint of heart: Be strong and do not fear.
Behold, our God will come, and he will save us.**

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