



ST. BEDE'S AND ST. JAMES'



First Sunday of Advent –Year B Sunday 3rd December 2017

St James' Church,

2 Woolley Street,
Glebe

Weekday Masses

Wednesday &
Friday: 9am
Sat: 8.30am

Sunday Mass Times

Saturday Vigil: 5pm
Sunday: 9.30am
(Tongan Choir: 4th Sunday)

Confession (Reconciliation)

Saturday at 4pm (St. James)

Baptisms

2nd Sunday of the month at
12.15pm. Bookings required.

St Bede's Church

43 Pymont Street,
Pymont

Sunday Mass Times

8am and 11am

Baptisms

3rd Sunday of the month at
12.00 noon. Bookings required.

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The Epiphany Pilgrimage

Are you looking for a different way to start the new year? Maybe to meet some new people, get fit and conclude the Christmas season on a spiritual high? The Epiphany Pilgrimage is a 7 day, 110 km Catholic pilgrimage through the Blue Mountains which coincides with the Feast of the Epiphany. The pilgrimage begins at Emu Plains on January 2 2018 and finishes at Bell on January 8 2018.

For further information and to register for all or part of the pilgrimage see www.epiphanypilgrimage.org or for general information and current news see <https://www.facebook.com/epiphanypilgrimage/>

The Solemnity of the Epiphany of the Lord

Internationally, the Solemnity of the Epiphany of the Lord occurs on the 6th of January. In Australia, the feast is celebrated on the first Sunday after New Years Day. The feast celebrates the visitation of the Magi to the infant Jesus. '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. (Matthew 2: 10 - 11)

The Epiphany Pilgrimage

The Epiphany Pilgrimage is a 7 day, 100 km Catholic pilgrimage which developed in response to a shared vision among a small group of young adults for an annual, local pilgrimage to coincide with the Feast of the Epiphany with the first of these pilgrimages taking place in January 2016.

The aims of the pilgrimage are threefold:

- to provide an opportunity for participants to engage more profoundly with the Christmas season
- to provide an opportunity for participants to reflect on God's plan for their lives by retreating to the natural beauty of the bush and removing day-to-day distractions
- to pray for and with members of the broader Church community

Throughout the journey, pilgrims engage in daily Mass and Adoration at each of the six parishes in the Blue Mountains Deanery; offering prayers and petitions for the needs of the Catholic community throughout Australia and the world.

The Way of the Magi

Whilst the Epiphany Pilgrimage occurs only once a year (to coincide with the Feast of the Epiphany), it is possible to follow the same pilgrimage route at any time - this route has been named The Way of the Magi.



There will be NO 5pm Mass at St James on Saturday 9th December. Please see below:

AUSTRALIAN CATHOLIC YOUTH FESTIVAL MASS IN THE DOMAIN

Archbishop Anthony Fisher OP has invited all to attend **Mass in the Domain on Saturday 9 December** for the Australian Catholic Youth Festival.

To allow all to attend, the Archbishop has cancelled vigil Masses in the Archdiocese on that day. The Mass at 6.30pm will follow an afternoon of concerts and festivities beginning at 4pm and featuring Australian and international musicians and performers, including Matt Maher. The Archbishop also invites the people of Sydney to pray for the success this important event.



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COME CELEBRATE AUSTRALIA'S LARGEST MASS SINCE WORLD YOUTH DAY 2008! - SATURDAY 9 DECEMBER

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A special App is available with information about the Festival. Please download it for FREE here: www.xt3.com/acyf2017/apps/

ST VINCENT DE PAUL: CHRISTMAS HAMPERS 2017

It is very important that when you return the hampers to either St James' or St Bede's by Sunday 10 December, you include the numbered tag or write clearly on the hamper the Number of the tag for the family. This will enable the distributors to allocate hampers to the correct families. If you would like to assist with the distribution of hampers during the morning on Saturday 16 December, please contact David Garner via email dgarner2760@gmail.com or on 0405 137 088.

A CHRISTMAS CELEBRATION 2017 – FRIDAY 15 DECEMBER 2017

Celebrate the beauty and wonder of Christmas with the St Mary's Cathedral Choir and the Orchestra of the Antipodes Including congregational carols and music to lift your spirits in the joy of the season! For tickets and more information please visit www.achristmascelebration.com.au

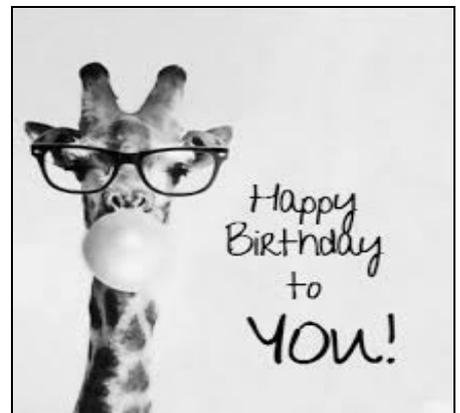
CHRISTMAS REMEMBRANCE SERVICE – 17 DECEMBER 2017 AT 7:30PM

All are welcome to join in St Mary's Cathedral as we remember and pray for all those who have died and whose memory we cherish over the Christmas season.



Parish Christmas Party

Sunday 10th December 2017 at 2pm
Parish Christmas party for St James and St Bede's
at the Harold Park Hotel.



Happy Birthday to
Father Dom, who
celebrated his birthday
on Wednesday.

ST BEDE

43 Pymont St, Pymont

Christmas Midnight Mass

Carols from 11.30pm

Christmas Day Masses

8am & 11am (with carols)

ST JAMES

2 Woolley St, Glebe

Christmas Eve Mass 5pm

celebrated with a Tongan Choir
*Children are invited to wear angel and shepherd
costumes to participate in a Nativity pageant*

Christmas Day Mass 9.30am

Catholic Parishes of St James, Glebe & St Bede, Pymont
www.stjames-stbede.org.au



Readers for next Sunday, 10th December 2017

	St. James'	St. Bede's	St. James'	St. Bede's
	5pm	8am	9:30am	11am
First Reader	Guido & Margaret Gianni	Drew Morrow	Catriona Fuller	Judy Fitzpatrick
Second Reader	Guido & Margaret Gianni	Maureen Sailer	Stephen Fuller	Nadim Azar

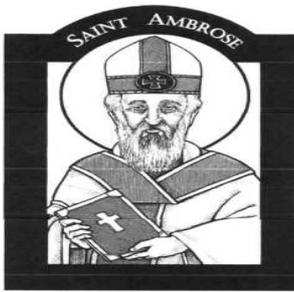
Please pray for the sick:

Elizabeth Fletcher, Neave Mackey, Anne Owens, Patricia O'Leary, John Jones, Gillian Ellis, John & June Ebert, Debbie Julius, Archbishop Anthony, Fran Campisi, Irene Malin, Fr. Michael Walsh, Bp Geoffrey Robinson, Kate Mara, Leslee Hoad-Mara, Lee Tillam, Noreen Hayes, Kay White, family members, parishioners, friends.

Please pray for the deceased:

Eileen Casey, Allan White, Georgia Hoad, Hazel O'Connor, Peter Walsh, Sam Tinman, Maria Lo, Sean & Pat Flanagan, Frank & Melina Galluzo, O'Connor family members & all the faithful departed Parishioners.

If you would like to add names to the "pray for the sick" or "pray for the deceased" lists, please contact the office. Please note that any names added for an anniversary to the pray for the deceased will remain for 4 weeks.



St Ambrose was born at Trier in 334 AD. While practicing law he was appointed governor of the province of Aemilia and Liguria. Four years later when the see of Milan became vacant, St Ambrose was chosen as the new bishop, despite the fact that he was not even baptized. He reluctantly accepted the position, was baptized, ordained a priest and then installed as bishop. In 390 AD, after Emperor Theodosius ordered the savage massacre of many people, St Ambrose impressed upon the Emperor to perform a public penance for this act of cruelty. St Ambrose is listed as one of the four great Latin doctors of the church. He was a great orator who gave sermons that offered practical teachings for his people. He was also the first teacher in the West to make significant use of hymns as a popular means of praise.

WELCOME TO THE

CHRISTIAN COMMUNITY

Mateo & Matisse Hurps-Moa,
children of Charles Moa and Amber Hurps.
Baptised at St James.



Wordsearch

Try to find these words:

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| dawn | know | servants |
| everything | master | sleep |
| guard | midnight | time |
| house | ready | watchmen |

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H F S G B H I V I T C Z B E G E J
M Y X M N H P G R S S D J S R M L
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Rearrange the following words to complete the sentence below

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ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

To you, I lift up my soul, O my God.
In you, I have trusted;
let me not be put to shame.
Nor let my enemies exult over me;
and let none who hope in you be put to shame.

GLORIA

Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to people of good will. We praise you, we bless you, we adore you, we glorify you, we give you thanks for your great glory, Lord God, heavenly King, O God, almighty Father. Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son, Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us; you take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer; you are seated at the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us. For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father.

COLLECT

Grant your faithful, we pray, almighty God, the resolve to run forth to meet your Christ with righteous deeds at his coming, so that, gathered at his right hand, they may be worthy to possess the heavenly Kingdom.
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

FIRST READING

Isaiah 63:16-17; 64:1. 3-8

You, Lord, yourself are our Father,
Our Redeemer is your ancient name.
Why, Lord, leave us to stray from your ways and harden our hearts against fearing you?
Return, for the sake of your servants,
the tribes of your inheritance.
Oh, that you would tear the heavens open and come down
– at your Presence the mountains would melt.
No ear has heard, no eye has seen
any god but you act like this for those who trust him.
You guide those who act with integrity and keep your ways in mind.
You were angry when we were sinners;
we had long been rebels against you.
We were all like men unclean,
all that integrity of ours like filthy clothing.
We have all withered like leaves
and our sins blew us away like the wind.
No one invoked your name or roused himself to catch hold of you.
For you hid your face from us and gave us up to the power of our sins.
And yet, Lord, you are our Father;
we the clay, you the potter,
we are all the work of your hand.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Lord, make us turn to you, let us see your face and we shall be saved.

SECOND READING

1 Corinthians 1:3-9

May God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ send you grace and peace.
I never stop thanking God for all the graces you have received through Jesus Christ. I thank him that you have been enriched in so many ways, especially in your teachers and preachers; the witness to Christ has indeed been strong among you so that you will not be without any of the gifts of the Spirit while you are waiting for our Lord Jesus Christ to be revealed; and he will keep you steady and without blame until the last day, the day of our Lord Jesus Christ, because God by calling you has joined you to his Son, Jesus Christ; and God is faithful.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!

Lord, show us your mercy and love,
and grant us your salvation.
Alleluia!

GOSPEL

Mark 13:33-37

Jesus said to his disciples: 'Be on your guard, stay awake, because you never know when the time will come. It is like a man travelling abroad: he has gone from home, and left his servants in charge, each with his own task; and he has told the doorkeeper to stay awake. So stay awake, because you do not know when the master of the house is coming, evening, midnight, cockcrow, dawn; if he comes unexpectedly, he must not find you asleep. And what I say to you I say to all: Stay awake!'



NICENE CREED

I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven & earth, of all things visible and invisible. I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages. God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father; through him all things were made. For us men and for our salvation he came down from heaven, and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and became man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate, he suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and his kingdom will have no end. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church. I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

Accept, we pray, O Lord, these offerings we make, gathered from among your gifts to us, and may what you grant us to celebrate devoutly here below, gain for us the prize of eternal redemption. Through Christ our Lord.

MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION:

When we eat this Bread and drink this Cup, we proclaim your death, O Lord, until you come again.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

The Lord will bestow his bounty,
and our earth shall yield its increase.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

May these mysteries, O Lord, in which we have participated, profit us, we pray, for even now, as we walk amid passing things, you teach us by them to love the things of heaven and hold fast to what endures.
Through Christ our Lord.