

Fr. Alejandro Lopez, OFM Conv., Parish Priest
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Novena to honour the Immaculate Conception continues until this Wednesday, 7 December. This special Novena honours our Holy Mother and prayerfully asks for her protection to help us live more in union with Jesus, her Son. The Novena will be recited at the conclusion of Mass each day. Masses for the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception are on **Thursday 8 December** at 6.45am and 9.15am in the Church. Please join us in honouring our Blessed Mother. Brochures can be found on the table at the back of the Church.

Note: There is no evening Mass Christmas Day.

Advent reconciliation
Saturdays: 10am and Mondays: 7.30pm

OUR LADY OF THE ROSARY CHRISTMAS SCHEDULE
Saturday 24 December
There is NO Morning Mass on Christmas Eve

CHRISTMAS VIGIL
6pm Mass
(Children are invited to dress up as Nativity figures and process in with celebrant.)
8pm Youth Mass
11pm Christmas Carols
11:30pm Midnight Mass

CHRISTMAS DAY
7am, 9am and 11am Masses
There is **no evening Mass**

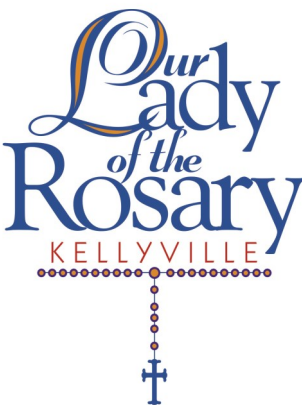
CHRISTMAS OCTAVE
Monday, 26 December
8am Mass only.
(There is no early morning or evening Mass)

Wednesday, 28 December
Solemnity of the Holy Innocents 11am
There are no other Masses

Weekend Masses for 31 December-1 January
follow normal schedule

Monday, 1 January
8am Mass only.
(There is no early morning or evening Mass)

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Under the Pastoral Care of the Conventual Franciscans

Fr. David Blowey, OFM Conv., Rector of the Shrine
Fr. Tony Fox, OFM Conv., Priest in residence

Thank you for the many hands that made our parish Church rededication such a wonderful event. Thanks to the crew that helped move things from hall to church, the office staff, choirs and their many hours of preparation, the woman who ironed the altar cloth, our servers, acolyte and deacon, my fellow priests and brothers in community and those of the diocese, the Bishop and Chris Ohlsen our Emcee for the liturgy. And special thanks to all of you! You have made a beautiful building to honour and praise the Lord, not only today, but for generations to come! May the Lord reward you!

Like, follow and share OLOR Kellyville Youth! Our youth and young adults now have [Facebook](#) and [Instagram](#). Search for @olorkellyvilleyouth!

Youth Group is this Sunday, 4 December! Join us for the Youth Band Mass at 6pm followed by Advent-themed faith, fun and fellowship in the old hall from 7pm-8:45pm. We need youth to read, collect, sing or play an instrument at our Youth Mass! Please email [here](#) to be added to our roster!

Save the date Our Young Adults Christmas Party is on Friday 16 December, from 8pm at the Friary Patio! Join us to celebrate with great food and great company! We kindly ask that attendees bring \$10, which will be donated to the Vinnies Christmas Appeal. Card payment options will be available.

Thank you for supporting the Youth Group and Young Adult Group in their efforts to raise funds to go to Portugal for World Youth Day 2023. To learn more and donate, click [here](#) or contact the parish office during the week, Tuesday to Friday, on 9629-2595.

Needing a cleaner Friars are in need of someone or company to clean the friary living spaces and public toilets every fortnight. Know of someone? Click [here](#).



WE PRAY FOR THE SICK Maureen Hinton, Andrew Foley, Tracy Capdor, Giuseppina Rossi, Stephanie, Christopher Anthony, Peter Prizas, Leo Keutman, Helen Lewis, Winnie Smith, Robin Banks, Ricardo Patane, Michael Dimech, Chris Ransom, Avelina Iberra, Saja Derbas, Nigel Napoli, Arnel Galeng, Andrea Bioco, Vitaliana Terrado, Antonino Pull, Betty Muldoon, Carmelo M Ortea, Josephine Murphy, Floralba Gonzalez, Maria Glinka, Doreen and Dudley Fernando, Wieslawa Kielich, Cosimo, Mary Arrowsmith, Sarah-Jane Baillon, Jo Fuller, Peter Crocker, Angelique Vanjour, Michelle Climpson, Matthew Francis Crowley, Miguel Cayari, Julie Windle, Marie Milligan, Scarlett Lizano, Daniella Gulate, Monty Roughie, Garry Robinson, Ona Hobs, Christopher Dean, Charlene Lucre, Janae Winpe, Joelle Fameli, Nancy Margaret Courtney, Janis Murphy, Eunice Ally, Paul Karam, Marie Adolphe, Iolanda Giannetta, Lucy Farrugia, Clement, Joseph Vella, Angela Vasta, Roy Fimmano, Rose Carroll, William and Lesley McEnally, Jacky Charles, Nelson Yupangco, John Killelea, Marija Jukic, Nissaka Gunawardena, Paul Opollito, Myra Fagel, Estella Odtojan, Dolores Carreon, Matthew Nazariat, Negin Safaei, Norma Webber.

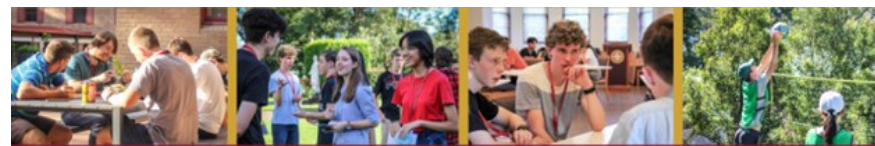
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David's Place Christmas Appeal will take place this weekend. David's Place is a center for prayer and fellowship for marginalized people. This appeal will help David's Place celebrate Christmas and give individual gifts to approximately 175 members! This is their only appeal. Please help them make Christmas special for those most in need. (EFTPOS is available for donations.) **Note:** The wrapping of Christmas gifts for David's Place will take place after 9.15am Mass on **Friday, 13 December** in the parish office. If you are available, feel free to come by and help with the wrapping!

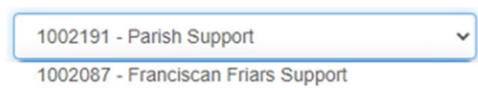
We continue to collect for the Bishop's Christmas Appeal to help the homeless Your Christmas gift will enable Catholic Care to give people without homes practical and emotional support and a safe place to live. Please give generously [here](#) or scan the QR code on the left. Thank you for what has already been donated in the sum of \$6,039.90. We need an additional \$1,290 to reach our quota.



Registration for the Campion College Summer Program is now open! If you know a 16-20-year-old with an interest in history, literature, philosophy and theology, encourage them to sign up for one of the immersive four-day programs in January 2023 on one of the following two sets of dates: 10th -13th or 17th -20th. Attendance is fully funded but spaces are limited! Find out more and register on the Campion College website [here](#).

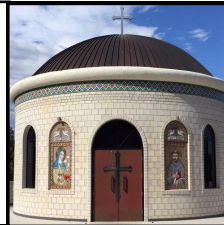


Thank you for last week's donation to the parish of \$1,973.50
Donations may be made in the blk mailbox at the door of the parish office.
Online donations are accepted through our parish website [here](#) .
"TAP-AND-GO" card devices are in the Church and can be used to donate to the parish or the friars.



Fr. Alejandro's updated Wish List for the Renovated Church: Closets for Priest's vestments in the Sacristy - \$18,084; Sacristy cabinets \$13,904; Sacristy island cabinet - \$15,829; 6 pedestals for statues (\$968 each); and repairs to the outdoor statue of St. Francis \$5,500. If you would like to make any of these wishes a reality, please contact the parish office (see bottom left). Thank you in advance!

FRANCISCAN SHRINE OF THE HOLY INNOCENTS
Fr. David Blowey, OFM Conv., Rector
Come visit and pray in quiet beauty. The Chapel is open every day from 6am - 6pm.



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REGULAR PARISH MASS TIMES
Saturdays: 9:30am and 6pm (Sunday Vigil)
Sundays: 7am, 9am, 11am and 6pm
Mondays and Tuesdays: 6.45am and 7pm
Wednesdays, Thursdays : 6.45am and 9.30am
Fridays: 6.45am, 9.30am
(and 7pm on First Fridays of each month)
CONFESSION TIMES
10-10.30am on Saturdays
7.30pm - 8pm on Mondays
THIS SCHEDULE MAY CHANGE WITHOUT NOTICE

Would you like to receive your **weekly bulletin via email**? If so, please click [here](#)

Mass Intentions: 3 - 10 Dec. 2022		
Sat. 3	9.30am 6pm	Nick and Joshua Caruso Maurice, Virginie, Edmon, Henri Josef and family
Sun. 4	7am 9am 11am 6pm	Nerida Bombardiere Ernesto, Maria Rosa & Jeanette Murdocca Andy Zahra PRO POPULO
Mon. 5	6.45am 7pm	Joseph, Martha & Joe Mizzi Andy Zahra & Wayne Holland
Tues. 6	6.45am 7pm	St. Joseph Sisters Angelo Siragusano
Wed. 7	6.45am 9.30am	Gregory Cartisano Zobeil Capdor
Thur. 8	6.45am 9.30am	Angelina, John and Helen Intention of donor
Fri. 9	6.45am 9.30am	Intention of donor Intention of donor
Sat. 10	9.30am 6pm	Intention of donor Intention of donor

Please note : The Parish office is closed on Mondays.

For emergencies only, call 9629-2595 and select 4 to leave a message

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A voice cries in the wilderness:
Prepare a way for the Lord,
make his paths straight.

This man John wore a garment made of camel-hair with a leather belt round his waist, and his food was locusts and wild honey. Then Jerusalem and all Judaea and the whole Jordan district made their way to him, and as they were baptised by him in the river Jordan they confessed their sins. But when he saw a number of Pharisees and Sadducees coming for baptism he said to them, ‘Brood of vipers, who warned you to fly from the retribution that is coming? But if you are repentant, produce the appropriate fruit, and do not presume to tell yourselves, “We have Abraham for our father,” because, I tell you, God can raise children for Abraham from these stones. Even now the axe is laid to the roots of the trees, so that any tree which fails to produce good fruit will be cut down and thrown on the fire. I baptise you in water for repentance, but the one who follows me is more powerful than I am, and I am not fit to carry his sandals; he will baptise you with the Holy Spirit and fire. His winnowing-fan is in his hand; he will clear his threshing-floor and gather his wheat into the barn; but the chaff he will burn in a fire that will never go out.’

The Gospel of the Lord.

R. Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ

HOMILY

PROFESSION OF FAITH APOSTLES’ CREED
Or the Nicene Creed may be said.

I believe in God, / the Father almighty, / Creator of heaven and earth, / and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, / who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, / born of the Virgin Mary, / suffered under Pontius Pilate, / was crucified, died and was buried; / he descended into hell; / on the third day he rose again from the dead; / he ascended into heaven, / and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty; / from there he will come to judge the living and the dead. / I believe in the Holy Spirit, / the holy catholic Church, / the communion of saints, / the forgiveness of sins, / the resurrection of the body, / and life everlasting. Amen.

PRAYER OF THE FAITHFUL

LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST
After the priest raises the paten with the bread and prays, and then the chalice, we respond to each prayer:

R. Blessed be God for ever.
P. Pray, brethren (brothers and sisters), that my sacrifice and yours may be acceptable to God, the almighty Father.

R. May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands for the praise and glory of his name, for our good and the good of all his holy Church.

PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS
P. Be pleased, O Lord, with our humble prayers and offerings, and, since we have no

merits to plead our cause, come, we pray, to our rescue with the protection of your mercy. Through Christ our Lord.

R. Amen.

THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER
P. The Lord be with you.
R. And with your spirit.
P. Lift up your hearts.
R. We lift them up to the Lord.
P. Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
R. It is right and just.

PREFACE I OF ADVENT
After the Preface, we sing or say:

All: Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of hosts. Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

THE MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION
P. The mystery of faith.
All: When we eat this Bread and drink this Cup, we proclaim your Death, O Lord, until you come again.

COMMUNION RITE

P. At the Saviour’s command and formed by divine teaching, we dare to say:
All: Our Father, who art in heaven ...
P. Deliver us, Lord, we pray ...
All: For the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours now and for ever.
P. Lord Jesus Christ, who said ...
R. Amen.
P. The peace of the Lord be with you always.
R. And with your spirit.
P. Let us offer each other the sign of peace.
All exchange a sign of peace.

LAMB OF GOD
All: Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, grant us peace.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION
P. Behold the Lamb of God, behold him who takes away the sins of the world. Blessed are those called to the supper of the Lamb.
R. Lord, I am not worthy that you should enter under my roof, but only say the word and my soul shall be healed.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON Bar 5: 5; 4: 36
Jerusalem, arise and stand upon the heights, and behold the joy which comes to you from God.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION
P. Replenished by the food of spiritual nourishment, we humbly beseech you, O Lord, that, through our partaking in this mystery, you may teach us to judge wisely the things of earth and hold firm to the things of heaven. Through Christ our Lord.
R. Amen.

THE CONCLUDING RITES
P. The Lord be with you.
R. And with your spirit.
P. May almighty God bless you, the Father, and the Son, ✠ and the Holy Spirit.
R. Amen.
P. Go in peace, glorifying the Lord by your life.
R. Thanks be to God.

BREAKING OPEN THE WORD

CHANGE OF HEART
By the time Isaiah wrote, Israel had had some centuries of experience of kings, both good and bad. In that time there had been plenty of opportunities to learn what were the qualities that marked an ideal king – the presence of the spirit of the Lord, wisdom, insight, integrity, fairness, faithfulness, and concern for the poor. The longed for messiah would establish true quality of life, where even natural enemies would be able to live in peace.

One of the vexing problems Paul addressed among the Christians of Rome was how to overcome division and encourage tolerance, understanding and peace. His solution was to use the example of Jesus’ tolerance and love as the basis and springboard for our way. In this way, even Jewish and Gentile Christians who were divided on the issue of food laws, would be able to live in peace with one another as they waited for the Lord’s coming.

As John the Baptist began his ministry the time of the messiah, longed for by Isaiah, was finally dawning. The hope that had sustained generations was now being realised. John looked upon the evils of his day and saw that while the messiah was soon to return the people were not yet prepared to greet him. They mistakenly relied on belonging to the people of Israel by virtue of their birth. John saw that such children of God were as plentiful and as worthless as the stones that made farming so difficult. Then, as now, what was called for was a change of heart and an openness to the invitation to prepare for the Lord’s coming among us.

CHRISTOPHER MONAGHAN CP

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OUR SUNDAY CELEBRATION

MATTHEW

SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT / A **4 DECEMBER 2022**

GOD’S KINGDOM IS NEAR. John the Baptist urged the people to prepare for the coming of the kingdom by repenting of their sins. Their baptism by John in the Jordan River was an important ritual act of sorrow. But they also had to express their sorrow by reforming their lives. The sacrament of reconciliation, and right living, are excellent means through which we can prepare for the feast of Christmas.

INTRODUCTORY RITES

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON cf. Isa 30: 19, 30
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.

GREETING
P. In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.
R. Amen.
P. Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.
R. And with your spirit.

PENITENTIAL ACT
P. Brethren (brothers and sisters), let us acknowledge our sins, and so prepare ourselves to celebrate the sacred mysteries.
P. You were sent to heal the contrite of heart: Lord, have mercy.
R. Lord, have mercy.
P. You came to call sinners: Christ, have mercy.
R. Christ, have mercy.
You are seated at the right hand of the Father to intercede for us: Lord, have mercy.
R. Lord, have mercy.
P. May almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us our sins, and bring us to everlasting life.
The Gloria is not said during Advent.

COLLECT
P. Almighty and merciful God, may no earthly undertaking hinder those who set out in haste to meet your Son, but may our learning of heavenly wisdom gain us admittance to his company. Who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever.
R. Amen.

LITURGY OF THE WORD


FIRST READING Isa 11:1-10
A reading from the prophet Isaiah
He judges the poor with justice.
A shoot springs from the stock of Jesse, a scion thrusts from his roots: on him the spirit of the Lord rests, a spirit of wisdom and insight, a spirit of counsel and power, a spirit of knowledge and of the fear of the Lord. (The fear of the Lord is his breath.) He does not judge by appearances,

he gives no verdict on hearsay, but judges the wretched with integrity, and with equity gives a verdict for the poor of the land.
His word is a rod that strikes the ruthless; his sentences bring death to the wicked.
Integrity is the loincloth round his waist, faithfulness the belt about his hips.
The wolf lives with the lamb, the panther lies down with the kid, calf and lion cub feed together with a little boy to lead them. The cow and the bear make friends, their young lie down together. The lion eats straw like the ox. The infant plays over the cobra’s hole; into the viper’s lair the young child puts his hand. They do no hurt, no harm, on all my holy mountain, for the country is filled with the knowledge of the Lord as the waters swell the sea.
That day, the root of Jesse shall stand as signal to the peoples. It will be sought out by the nations and its home will be glorious.

The word of the Lord.
R. Thanks be to God.

RESP PS Ps 71:1-2, 7-8, 12-13, 17. R. cf. v. 7
R. Justice shall flourish in his time, and fullness of peace for ever.

1. O God, give your judgement to the king, / to a king’s son your justice, / that he may judge your people in justice / and your poor in right judgement. **R.**
2. In his days justice shall flourish / and peace till the moon fails. / He shall rule from sea to sea, / from the Great River to earth’s bounds. **R.**
3. For he shall save the poor when they cry / and the needy who are helpless. / He will have pity on the weak / and save the lives of the poor. **R.**
4. May his name be blessed for ever / and endure like the sun. / Every tribe shall be blessed in him, / all nations bless his name. **R.**



SECOND READING Rom 15:4-9
A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Romans
Christ, the hope of all people.
Everything that was written long ago in the scriptures was meant to teach us something about hope from the examples scripture gives of how people who did not give up were helped by God. And may he who helps us when we refuse to give up, help you all to be tolerant with each other, following the example of Christ Jesus, so that united in mind and voice you may give glory to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ.
It can only be to God’s glory, then, for you to treat each other in the same friendly way as Christ treated you. The reason Christ became the servant of circumcised Jews was not only so that God could faithfully carry out the promises made to the patriarchs, it was also to get the pagans to give glory to God for his mercy, as scripture says in one place: For this I shall praise you among the pagans and sing your name.

The word of the Lord.
R. Thanks be to God

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION Lk 3:4, 6
Alleluia, alleluia!
Prepare the way of the Lord, make straight his paths: all people shall see the salvation of God. Alleluia!

GOSPEL Mt 3:1-12
P. The Lord be with you.
R. And with your spirit
P. A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew.
R. Glory to you, O Lord.
Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is close at hand.
In due course John the Baptist appeared; he preached in the wilderness of Judaea and this was his message: ‘Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is close at hand.’ This was the man the prophet Isaiah spoke of when he said: