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Baptism:
 2nd and 4th Sunday of the Month,
Baptism Preparation:
 3rd Sunday after 10:00 a.m. Mass.
Confession:
 Saturday: 9:15 or on request

Entrance Antiphon: Rejoice in the Lord always, again I say; rejoice Indeed The lord is near.
Communion Antiphon: Say to the Faint of heart: Be Strong and do not fear. Behold our God will come and he will save us.

LET US REMEMBER
SICK: Judy Ferrigno, Clare Curry-Harris, Frank Ray, Margaret Parry, Kate Maree Arnott, Brian Riordan, Margaret Titular, Mick Corry, Fr. Augustine Soares.
RECENT DEATHS: May Ray

Raffle: Thank you To Nolan Family for donation of cakes and Anderl Family for donation of Stollen
Christmas Tree: Thank you to the Todarello Family for the Tree and Thank you to Gabrielle Mc Dermott for decorating the tree with Baubles decorated by School Kids.

16th Dec 2018

3rd Sunday of Advent

Blessings of Christian Life

Thankfulness for our Christian life not only encompasses our Faith community, but the entire community of life around us. Let us pause for a moment and close our eyes and think about our immediate community. The one we live in, the community we encounter everyday when shopping, when dining out, when walking our dogs in the park, when taking our children to school and all their other activities. This is our community, young and old, able bodied and those who are slower, children and adults, teenagers and young adults.

It is much like the community who followed Jesus around. They heard Jesus speak and were so rapt with His message that they decided to try and live this **Christian way of life** that Jesus was speaking about. It was simple – He said, “Love God and love your neighbour as you love yourself.” It was a simple message but one that grew and grew the Christian Community throughout the world.

This Christmas I am truly thankful for the Community of Hampton where I have come to work and be part of and share my Christian life with yours - **Let us be truly thankful** for all those people we encounter on a daily basis. A warm smile, some genuine respect and caring, a little bit of true generosity and sharing, is all we need to spread the love. So, let's do it – let this third week of Advent be one where we can be **thankful for our blessings** - and make an extra effort to bring our Christian joy to those around us and, to lift the spirits of our community by sharing the love; by going out of our way to make someone feel loved and welcomed and by truly living Christ's simple message in our hearts, in our homes, in our workplaces and to all we meet – this truly then is living our Christian life to its best!

CYNTHIA WHITE.

THIS WEEK

Sunday	16 Dec	3 rd Sunday of Advent, Blessing of Christian Life
Tuesday	18 Dec	Mass at 11:30 School Graduation Mass at 6:00 p.m.
Wednesday	19 Dec	Mass at 9:00 a.m. End of School Year
Thursday	20 Dec	Mass at 9:15 a.m.
Friday	21 Dec	Rosary & Prayer to St. Peregrine at 11:15 a.m. followed by Anointing Mass
Saturday	22 Dec	Mass at 8:30 am. Vigil Mass at 6:00 p.m. 4 th Sunday of Advent. Blessing of Christmas
Sunday	23 Dec	Mass at 8:00 a.m. & 10:00 a.m. 4 th Sunday of Advent.

Raffle for Cakes: Tkts one for \$2 or 3 for \$5
 Draw on the 23/12/2018

“Ours is a Child Safe Environment. As a Community we all are committed to do the best we can to keep children safe from harm and abuse”

CHRISTMAS SERVICES 2018

Tuesday	18th December	06:00 pm	Year 6 Graduation Mass
Wednesday	19th December	09:00 am	Mass for End of School Year
		10:30 am	Christmas Mass at Princeton View
Thursday	20th December	07:30 pm	Advent Reconciliation Service for all
Friday	21st December	10:30 am	Christmas Mass at Eleanora
Monday	24th December	07:00 pm	Community Carol Singing
		07:30 pm	Christmas -Family Mass
		09:30 pm	Community Carol Singing
		10:00 pm	Christmas Eve Mass
Tuesday	25th December	10:00 am	CHRISTMAS DAY Mass



Plenary council 2020

**Listen to what the Spirit is saying- ‘Listen & Dialogue
 What do you think God is asking of you at this time?’**

**What do you think God is asking of us
 at St. Mary's Hampton at this time?**

**What do you think God is asking of us in Australia at this time?
 What Questions do you have about the future of the Church for the
 Plenary Council to consider in 2020?**



Reflections: On our own personal experience of faith, life and the Church. Write a list of all the responses to these questions that come to mind. Share this when we gather on Tuesday 18th December at 10:00 a.m.

SHARE AND LISTEN: When we gather, (on the 18th December) share aloud with each other your personal experience of faith, life and the Church as well as your response to the questions above.

RESPOND: Our voice is important to shaping the future of the Church We are encouraged to submit our responses/responses to the Plenary Council Team at plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au



MELBOURNE OVERSEAS MISSION

As we prepare for celebration of the coming of Christ, let us remember those who are still waiting to hear **the GOOD NEWS!**
Next weekend Special Collection
22nd /23rd December



Vinnies Christmas Appeal
 To enable every family to enjoy Christmas Treats, Vinnies is once again appeal to you goodness and generosity to help us fill Christmas Hampers with some Christmas Fare and Gifts. **Final day for gifts is Sunday 16th December, for St Mary's School Friday 14th December.**

Thank you for your on-going generosity.