



# RESURRECTION CATHOLIC PARISH

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**FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT**

**3<sup>RD</sup> DECEMBER 2023**

*Resurrection Parish is committed to the safety, wellbeing and dignity of all children and vulnerable adults*

## OFFICE AND CONTACT DETAILS

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### OFFICE HOURS

Monday to Friday 8:30 am - 5:00 pm.  
Closed for lunch between 12:30 pm and 1:30 pm.  
Sunday 8.30am - 12.30pm

Resurrection Primary School  
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## THANK YOU

A heartfelt thanks to our Samoan community for a joyful celebration of Christ the King last Sunday.



Celebrations followed in the hall after Mass with an abundance of food for everyone to share. Thanks for your time, effort and generosity.

## STEWARDSHIP DISTRIBUTION

Please remember to collect your stewardship envelope after Mass. Credit card and direct debit statements are emailed. If you are able to move from cash to credit card or direct debit, that will be a financial help to the parish.

Thank you to those who continue to give generously every week.

## MINISTRY SIGN UPS

Advent calls us to a time of renewing our ministry.

Please consider what ministry or gifts you can bring forward to Resurrection. If you're not sure on what a ministry has involved please look up our ministry description on page 3, I'm sure there will be something for you.

## Parish at Prayer Mass Times

**Saturday**  
**6.00 pm**

**Sunday**  
**9.00 am**  
**10.30 am**

### Weekdays

**Monday**

**9.30 am**

**Tuesday**

**9.30 am**

**Thursday**

**6.30 pm**

**Friday**

**7.00 pm**

**(1<sup>ST</sup> FRIDAY OF THE MONTH)**

**RECONCILIATION 1<sup>ST</sup> SATURDAY OF THE MONTH AT 9.30AM**

## No MASS ON TUESDAY 5TH DECEMBER

Fr Gerard will be celebrating Mass at CRC St. Albans.

## St Vinnies Christmas Appeal

St Vincent De Paul will be providing assistance to the less fortunate families before Christmas and look to our parishioners and their generous support to assist us. For those that are able to, we ask for the following:

- Christmas hampers for families (feel free to make your own)
- Books, puzzles and activities for children
- Toys for children

We would like to extend our gratitude and thank for your continuous support.

God Bless you all from St Vinnies team

*We pray for all those who have died recently.*

*We pray for Helen Fernando, Francis Xavier Robles, Francisco Alipit, Donna Lugue, Khi Song Vung, Van Jung Lay, Ligia Fatima Nheu, Con Sim Lay, Macario Pagdanganan, Faitma D'Souza, Gregoria & Winifredo Dela Riarfe, Christopher Pat Dabadie and all those whose anniversary occur at about this time.*

*Please also pray for Jye Walker, Alfred Storage all those who are sick.*

***We acknowledge the Traditional Owners of the land on which we stand.  
We pay our respects to the Elders, past and present.***

## ANOINTING OF THE SICK MASS

The Anointing of the Sick is for the healing and spiritual strengthening of those who are impaired by sickness or old age.

We will celebrate the Sacrament of the Sick at Resurrection Parish, within a Eucharistic celebration on **Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> December at 10.00am**, followed by light refreshments.

For catering purposes please notify the parish office of your attendance.



Prepare for the coming of Christ in the Philippine tradition with a nine-day novena Mass which starts at **5.00am on 16<sup>th</sup> December through to 24<sup>th</sup> December**.

You are invited to stay back afterwards for breakfast which is prepared daily.

## LAST BULLETIN 2023

The final bulletin for 2023 will be on 17<sup>th</sup> December.

Any items for the bulletin that pertain to the post christmas period up till January 28<sup>th</sup> will need to be emailed to the Parish office by 14<sup>th</sup> December.

Also, if you would like the anniversary of a loved one to be mentioned during this time period please contact the office by 15<sup>th</sup> December.



# CHRISTMAS MASS TIMES

## CHRISTMAS EVE

4.00pm Children's Mass

6.00pm Family Mass

12.00am Midnight Mass

(Carols from 11.30pm)

## CHRISTMAS DAY

9.00am Mass

## CHRISTMAS NEEDS YOU!

Do you realise that with four Christmas Masses this year and over 120 parishioners are required to exercise one ministry or another?

Each Mass requires:

- 8 Special Ministers of Communion
- 4 Hospitality Ministers
- 12 Collectors
- 2 (at least) car park attendants
- 1 Mass Overseer
- 1 Data Projectionist
- 4 to straighten chairs after each Mass

Sign up sheets are in the narthex.

ENROLMENTS ARE NOW OPEN

Sacramental PROGRAM

PLEASE CALL THE PARISH OFFICE FOR MORE INFORMATION

## ***PARISH MINISTRY ~ how will you serve?***

Serving others is central to being a Christian. The word "Ministry" comes from a Latin word meaning service.

**You are invited to serve in the following ministries.** *Please read the following description of each Resurrection Ministry and then make a one year commitment to at least one Ministry.*

### **Camera Operator**

Operates the camera for parishioners during the 10.30am Mass.

### **Church Flower Arrangement**

Arranges flowers purchased by the Parish in the Church, expect during Lent and Advent.

### **Choirs/Music**

Resurrection is blessed with many parish choirs. Each choir has its own distinctive style. All our choirs welcome new members. If you are already in a choir when signing up for please indicate the name of your present choir.

### **Church Cleaning**

Our church is well used over the course of a week. There is a saying cleanliness is next to Godliness. The cleaning teams help us achieve this ideal.

### **Coffee Clean Up**

Part of a team that cleans up after coffee has been served.

### **Coffee Maker**

Sharing a cup of coffee brings people together. We offer parishioners coffee made from our espresso coffee machine in the narthex. This ministry of hospitality does require knowledge and skill to operate.

### **Counting**

A rostered system of counting the collections either on a Sunday or Monday morning.

### **Collector**

A rostered system of collecting the generous stewardship of parishioners at the Masses.

### **Data Projector**

Involves setting up, operating the data projector during the Mass and packing the laptop up after the Mass.

### **Hospitality**

Involves extending a warm welcome and helpful information relating to the Mass. Also, they ensure that the other rostered liturgical ministries are in place.

### **Office Help**

Assist the parish staff with the administrative tasks either on a regular or ad-hoc basis.

### **Overseer**

Attends to the practical aspects of the Mass. Guidelines are available.

### **Proclaimer of the Word**

A clear proclaiming of God's Word at Mass.

### **Sacristan**

Cleaning and tidying up after Mass including washing the sacred vessels.

### **Special Minister of Communion**

The reverent distribution of Holy Communion at the Mass.

***Further information is available at the office. Training can also be provided.***

***Working with children's check is compulsory.***

# Resurrection Parish Ministries

Family Name: \_\_\_\_\_ First Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Mobile: \_\_\_\_\_

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• I have a Working With Children's Check</li> <li>• If Yes, have you added Resurrection Parish as a place where you volunteer</li> <li>• Does Resurrection have a copy of your WWCC?</li> <li>• If you do not have a WWCC the office can assist in obtaining this card.</li> </ul>	Yes	<input type="radio"/>	No	<input type="radio"/>
	Yes	<input type="radio"/>	No	<input type="radio"/>
	Yes	<input type="radio"/>	No	<input type="radio"/>

Which Mass do you usually attend? Please tick	6pm <input type="checkbox"/>	9am <input type="checkbox"/>	10.30am <input type="checkbox"/>
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<i>Write name next to Ministry</i>	<i>Name</i>	<i>Name</i>	<i>Name</i>
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Choirs / Music			
Coffee Clean-up			
Coffee Maker			
Collector			
Data Projection			
Hospitality			
Mass Overseer			
Proclaimer of the Word			
Sacristan			
Special Minister of Communion			
<b><i>Other Parish Ministries (Please write names next to ministry)</i></b>			
Church Flowers			
Counting	Sunday	Monday	
Office Help	<b>Other Trade/Professional Skills:</b>		



## 9<sup>th</sup> & 10<sup>th</sup> December 2023

### 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Advent

	6 P M	9.00 A M	10.30 A M
<b>MASS OVERSEERS</b>	Marlene Axiak	Anthony Scerri	Aurora Asuncion
<b>HOSPITALITY</b>	Rachael Bonavia (A) Judith Santiago	Vilinda Rebusillo Michael Donnelly Maria Grasso	Daniela Carapellotti Dolly Zipagan
<b>DATA PROJECTOR</b>	Marcus Dunn	Jacob Rebusillo	Jomar Inot
<b>CAMERA OPERATOR</b>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<b>PROCLAIMERS</b> 1 <sup>st</sup> Response 2 <sup>nd</sup> Intercessions	Cristina Salcedo Choir Cristina Salcedo Karen Colaco	Marc Dicconson Kathy Wale Marc Dicconson Kathy Wale	Tony Tuimauga Choir Tony Tuimauga Marissa Medilo
<b>COLLECTORS</b>	Noel Oliver Joseph Caruana Tyrone Tallent Jimmy Attard Charlie Grech Dominic Boland	Frank Gatt Frank Grech Raul Dizon Edwin Rebusillo	Isidro Asuncion Rachita Antony Roberto Bracco Brian Briffa Geraldo D'Silva Graeme Fraser
<b>SPECIAL MINISTERS OF COMMUNION</b>	Fr Gerard Keith Jane Caruana Jacqueline David Phu Thang Le	Fr Gerard Keith Rosemarie Balfour Rosario Gaquit Kathy Wale	Fr Gerard Keith Calvin Alderson Kenneth Inot Jackie Wolfe
<b>SACRISTY DUTY</b>	Spira Attard	Kathy Phelan	Cecilia Navarro
<b>COFFEE MAKERS</b>	Marissa Dunn Henry Dunn	Leon D'Souza Rosemarie Balfour	Leanne Alderson Need Volunteer
<b>COFFEE CLEAN UP</b>	Grace Eppingstall Marlene Ciappara Daniel Ciappara Jameson Ciappara	Oliver D'Souza Valerie Stockbridge	Luisa Fletcher Paul Bossinni

### CHILD SAFETY ESSENTIAL TRAINING

Thank you to all the parishioners who have completed the Safeguarding Essentials online training. There are a number of volunteers who still haven't completed their online training <https://safeguarding.melbournecatholic.org/s/login/?ec=302&startURL=%2Fs%2F>

To login, you will need:

- your unique Working with Children

Check ID/VIT ID number

- an email address

Upon registration you will be asked to identify your role within the parish i.e. a member of clergy, parish staff or volunteer.

Organisation where you primarily serve, please enter **Kings Park Parish**.



### READING 1

IS 40:1-5, 9-11

Comfort, give comfort to my people, says your God. Speak tenderly to Jerusalem, and proclaim to her that her service is at an end, her guilt is expiated; indeed, she has received from the hand of the LORD double for all her sins. A voice cries out: In the desert prepare the way of the LORD! Make straight in the wasteland a highway for our God! Every valley shall be filled in, every mountain and hill shall be made low; the rugged land shall be made a plain, the rough country, a broad valley. Then the glory of the LORD shall be revealed, and all people shall see it together; for the mouth of the LORD has spoken. Go up on to a high mountain, Zion, herald of glad tidings; cry out at the top of your voice, Jerusalem, herald of good news! Fear not to cry out and say to the cities of Judah: Here is your God! Here comes with power the Lord GOD, who rules by his strong arm; here is his reward with him, his recompense before him. Like a shepherd he feeds his flock; in his arms he gathers the lambs, carrying them in his bosom, and leading the ewes with care.

the desert proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins. People of the whole Judean countryside and all the inhabitants of Jerusalem were going out to him and were being baptized by him in the Jordan River as they acknowledged their sins. John was clothed in camel's hair, with a leather belt around his waist. He fed on locusts and wild honey. And this is what he proclaimed: "One mightier than I is coming after me. I am not worthy to stoop and loosen the thongs of his sandals. I have baptized you with water; he will baptize you with the Holy Spirit."

### RESPONSORIAL PSALM

PS 85:9-10-11-12, 13-14

**R. (8) Lord, let us see your kindness, and grant us your salvation.**

### READING 2

2 PT 3:8-14

Do not ignore this one fact, beloved, that with the Lord one day is like a thousand years and a thousand years like one day. The Lord does not delay his promise, as some regard "delay," but he is patient with you, not wishing that any should perish but that all should come to repentance. But the day of the Lord will come like a thief, and then the heavens will pass away with a mighty roar and the elements will be dissolved by fire, and the earth and everything done on it will be found out. Since everything is to be dissolved in this way, what sort of persons ought you to be, conducting yourselves in holiness and devotion, waiting for and hastening the coming of the day of God, because of which the heavens will be dissolved in flames and the elements melted by fire. But according to his promise we await new heavens and a new earth in which righteousness dwells. Therefore, beloved, since you await these things, be eager to be found without spot or blemish before him, at peace.

THE SECOND PURPLE CANDLE IS THE  
"Candle of Peace."  
DURING THIS SECOND WEEK OF  
ADVENT, WE REFLECT ON OUR LIVES  
AND ORIENT OURSELVES TOWARD  
CHRIST'S COMING, PREPARING OUR  
HEARTS TO RECEIVE HIM ANEW.

### GOSPEL

MK 1:1-8

The beginning of the gospel of Jesus Christ the Son of God. As it is written in Isaiah the prophet: Behold, I am sending my messenger ahead of you; he will prepare your way. A voice of one crying out in the desert: "Prepare the way of the Lord, make straight his paths." John the Baptist appeared in

*Reflection*  
"Prepare the way of the Lord..." - MARK 1:3  
*We are all called to live a holy life. We are all called to invite others to live holy lives. Living a stewardship lifestyle, being grateful and generous with our gifts, puts us on the path to holiness and is an example for others to be holy, too. We are responsible not only for our own lives, but for the lives of others as well. How are you helping others get to Heaven?*