



RESURRECTION CATHOLIC PARISH

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THE FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

30TH NOVEMBER, 2025

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

Parish at Prayer Mass Times

Saturday	Sunday
6.00 pm	9.00 am 10.30 am
Weekdays	
Monday	9.30 am
Tuesday	9.30 am
Thursday	6.00 pm
Friday	7.00 pm

(1ST FRIDAY OF THE MONTH)

RECONCILIATION - FIRST SATURDAY OF THE MONTH AT 9.30AM

LAST BULLETIN 2025

The final bulletin for 2025 will be on **21st December**. Any items for the bulletin that pertain to the post Christmas period up till January 25th will need to be emailed to the Parish office by **10th December**.

Also, if you would like the anniversary of a loved one to be mentioned during this time period please contact the office by **10th December**.



CHRISTMAS SIGN UP SHEETS - THIS WEEKEND

The season of Christmas is drawing near, and we are joyfully preparing for our parish celebrations! Sign-up sheets will be available **this week after all Masses** for those who would like to volunteer or take part in our Christmas liturgies.

"Each of you should use whatever gift you have received to serve others, as faithful stewards of God's grace in its various forms." — 1 Peter 4:10

We invite you to share your gifts and be part of making this Christmas a truly blessed celebration for our parish community.

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

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DATES FOR YOUR DIARY:



• Friday 5th December - **Healing Mass** 6.30am - 7pm
Praise, Worship and Reconciliation.
Healing Mass at 7pm

• Thursday 18th December - **Reso Men's Christmas gathering** at 6pm at Green Gully Soccer Club.

• Saturday 20th December **Mass of Anointing** at 10am followed by light refreshments.

We pray for Monsignor Frank Marriott, Ralph Mungaray and all those who have died recently.

We pray for Paolo Angemi, Maria Corica, Nicola Corica, Eusebio Flores, Carmen Marmara, Carmen Cutajar, Renita Amparado, Reynaldo Amparado, George Grazio Borg, Kim Netto, Orlando Netto and all those whose anniversaries occur around this time.

We pray for Joe Spiteri, Sid Asuncion and 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.



Advent is the Churches new year - a new beginning and a new opportunity to be involved.



*Faith
Formation*



LIFE IS A JOURNEY SIX-DAY RETREAT IN THE PARISH.
Monday 23rd March – Saturday 28th March

This retreat is an invitation to reflect on your life through the lens of God's gentle and faithful presence.

Come as you are – the journey begins with love

THE BETHANY WAY - you sit at the feet of Christ the teacher in communion with others formed for mission. The course goes for 20 weeks with 3 in person spiritual retreats and online guide to personal prayer and learning.

ALPHA PROGRAM Latter part of 2026 It is a safe place to explore the meaning of life and faith over 9 weeks with a shared meal, video input and small group discussion.

SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM 2026 – INFORMATION SESSIONS

Families wishing to participate in our **2026 Sacramental Program** are warmly invited to attend one of the upcoming information sessions in February:

- **Saturday 7th February 2026, after the 6pm Mass**
- **Sunday 8th February 2026, after the 10.30am Mass**
- **Saturday 14th February 2026, after the 6pm Mass**
- **Sunday 15th February 2026, after the 10.30am Mass**

Liturgy as Service - The role of ministries in the liturgy is to assist with the prayerfulness, reverence, and community engagement with the weekend Masses. The roles include hospitality, proclaimer, special minister of communion, coffee makers, data projector.

Pastoral Outreach as Service - The pastoral outreach groups include St Vincent de Paul, Ubuntu Group, Men's Group, WOW, Communion to the Sick, Young Adults Group and Liturgy Committee.

Ministry Sign-Up



A **Mini Parish Expo** will be held in the hall **after each Mass on 13th & 14th December**. This will be a chance to meet ministry members, learn more about what each group does, and hopefully feel inspired to join.

Together, let us continue to grow as a vibrant and welcoming parish family!

ALL PARISHIONERS INVOLVED IN HOME COMMUNION VISITS

To the parishioners who distribute communion to their family members who are housebound, can you please see Fr Gerard so that he can go through specific prayers to be offered during these visits.

We also want to ensure that both ministers and recipients are aware of the support available through the Parish.





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

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

MASS OF ANOINTING

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 20th December** at 10.00am, followed by light refreshments.

LOST PROPERTY

Parishioners are kindly asked to check the Lost Property Cupboard in the narthex. If you are missing any personal items, please take a moment to look through the cupboard and reclaim them.

FEAST OF
Immaculate
Conception

MONDAY
8th DECEMBER
12 PM

One hour Adoration, in the Honour of the Immaculate Conception, will be held at the Church from 12pm to 1pm. Everyone is Welcome.

CHRISTMAS MASS TIMES

CHRISTMAS EVE

4.00pm Children's Mass

6.00pm Family Mass

12.00am Midnight Mass

CHRISTMAS DAY

10.00am Mass



ST VINCENT DE PAUL – THANK YOU

The St Vincent de Paul group would like to sincerely thank the generous community of Resurrection School and Parish for the ongoing donations of toys and food items. These gifts continue to make a real difference for families and individuals in need.



Each year, one parishioner kindly donates a large number of toys for children aged 0–12, and her generosity brings so much joy. Our St Vinnie's group is delighted to see the smiles on children's faces at Christmas when we deliver these toys to their homes. Parents and grandparents are equally grateful for the hampers and vouchers they receive, which help ease the stress of the season.

We will be holding a St Vinnie's information stand on the weekend of 13th and 14th December, following the 6pm, 9am, and 10:30am Masses, to share more about the work we do.

We hope to see you there!

The St Albans West St Vinnie's Group

6th & 7th December 2025
Second Sunday of Advent

	6.00pm	9.00 AM	10.30 AM
MASS OVERSEERS	John Borja	Vilinda Rebustillo	Yvonne Utoasega
HOSPITALITY	Melanie Apap (A) Grace Eppingstall	Anna Cassar Michael Donnelly	Tessie Villar Dolly Zipagan Nyanrob Deng
DATA PROJECTOR	Marlene Axiak	Christian Dizon	Jomar Inot
PROCLAIMERS 1 st Response 2 nd Intercessions	Henry Dunn Marissa Dunn Henry Dunn Marissa Dunn	Nadia Young Choir Nadia Young Marc Dicconson	Aurora Asuncion Jacqueline Yuan Aurora Asuncion Jacqueline Yuan
COLLECTORS	Noel Oliver Joseph Caruana Harley Cassar Jimmy Attard Charlie Grech	Frank Grech Mario Vella Virgilio Romerona Edwin Rebustillo	Isidro Asuncion Graeme Fraser Brian Briffa Marta Molina Teddy Bernardo Tilo Matagi Yvonne Utoasega Paul Bossini Carmel Vassallo
SPECIAL MINISTERS OF COMMUNION	Fr Gerard Keith Judith Santiago Geraldine Holt Cathy Downing	Fr Gerard Keith Nadia Young Eve Balfour Rosemarie Balfour	Fr Gerard Keith Clem Beltran Brian Briffa Felicitas Baltazar Cleo Olivera
SACRISTY DUTY	Rachael Bonavia	Elizabeth Michaelson	Margaret Vilardo
COFFEE MAKERS	Henry Dunn Marissa Dunn	Leon D' Souza Rosemarie Balfour	Leanne Alderson Kate Pedralvez Suzana Tienzo
COFFEE CLEAN UP	Mirjana Dutkowsky Michelle Polidano	Maria Grasso Need Volunteer	Paul Bossini Michael Utoasega Jane Inot Carmel Vassallo

13th & 14th December 2025
Third Sunday of Advent

	6.00pm	9.00 AM	10.30 AM
MASS OVERSEERS	Marlene Axiak	Kathy Wale	Angelita Ramat
HOSPITALITY	Rachael Bonavia	Anna Cassar Michael Donnelly	Tessie Villar Celia Navarro Yvonne Utoasega
DATA PROJECTOR	Harley Cassar	Jacob Rebustillo	Calvin Alderson
PROCLAIMERS 1 st Response 2 nd Intercessions	Marlene Axiak Choir Marlene Axiak Jane Caruana	Elizabeth Michaelson Choir Elizabeth Michaelson Minh-Tham Pham	Joana Nacional Choir Joana Nacional Jet Fraser
COLLECTORS	Noel Oliver Joseph Caruana Harley Cassar Jimmy Attard Charlie Grech	Frank Grech Mario Vella Virgilio Romerona Edwin Rebustillo	Isidro Asuncion Graeme Fraser Brian Briffa Marta Molina Teddy Bernardo Tilo Matagi Yvonne Utoasega Paul Bossini Carmel Vassallo
Children's Liturgy	n/a	Hong Nguyen	Daniel D'Souza Oliver D'Souza Christian Dizon Leanne Alderson Emanuelle Brizuela Lyn Nguyen Vyvy Nguyen
SPECIAL MINISTERS OF COMMUNION	Fr Gerard Keith Henry Dunn Karen Colaco Cathy Downing	Fr Gerard Keith Vilinda Rebustillo Marc Dicconson Michael Donnelly	Fr Gerard Keith Marissa Medilo Eddy Medilo Tessie Villar Margaret Vilardo
SACRISTY DUTY	Patricia Marek	Michael Donnelly	Aurora Asuncion
COFFEE MAKERS	Grace Eppingstall Need Volunteer	Leon D'Souza Rosemarie Balfour	Kate Pedralvez Emilia Rivera
COFFEE CLEAN UP	Mirjana Dutkowsky Michelle Polidano	Edwin Rebustillo Need Volunteer	Paul Bossini Michael Utoasega

20th & 21st December 2025
Fourth Sunday of Advent

	6.00pm	9.00 AM	10.30 AM
MASS OVERSEERS	Judith Santiago	Rosemary Balfour	Aurora Asuncion
HOSPITALITY	Marlene Axiak Michelle Mercieca	Vilinda Rebustillo Michael Donnelly Jacob Rebustillo	Dolly Zipagan Celia Navarro Nyanrob Deng
DATA PROJECTOR	Hannah Dunn	Christian Dizon	Jet Fraser
PROCLAIMERS 1 st Response 2 nd Intercessions	Karen Calaco Isabella Portelli Karen Calaco Isabella Portelli	Nadia Young Choir Nadia Young Marc Dicconson	Jomar Inot Choir Jomar Inot Jane Inot
COLLECTORS	Noel Oliver Joseph Caruana Harley Cassar Jimmy Attard Charlie Grech	Frank Grech Mario Vella Virgilio Romerona Edwin Rebustillo	Isidro Asuncion Graeme Fraser Brian Briffa Marta Molina Teddy Bernardo Tilo Matagi Yvonne Utoasega Paul Bossini Carmel Vassallo
SPECIAL MINISTERS OF COMMUNION	Fr Gerard Keith Phu Thang Le Doris Oliver Geraldine Holt	Fr Gerard Keith Minh Pham Kathy Wale Nadia Young	Fr Gerard Keith Jacqueline Wolfe Atalina Ulugia-Sa'Ena Yvonne Utoasega Cecilia Navarro
SACRISTY DUTY	Melanie Apap	Roselyn Collard	Tessie Villar
COFFEE MAKERS	Marlene Camenzuli Louis Camenzuli	Margaret Bannerman Need Volunteer	Yvonne Utoasega & Family
COFFEE CLEAN UP	Mirjana Dutkowsky Need Volunteer	Maria Grasso Need Volunteer	Paul Bossini Michael Utoasega Carmel Vassallo

27th & 28th December 2025
Feast of the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph

	6 P M	9.00 A M	10.30 A M
MASS OVERSEERS	Michelle Mercieca	Vilinda Rebusillo	Marissa Medillo
HOSPITALITY	Jane Caruana Joe Caruana Charlie Grech	Margaret Vella Mario Vella	Angelita Ramat Maria Lagura Brian Briffa
DATA PROJECTOR	Julia Portelli	Jacob Rebustillo	Jomar Inot
PROCLAIMERS 1 st Response 2 nd Intercessions	Geraldine Holt Connie Attard Geraldine Holt Connie Attard	Kathy Wale Colleen Wolfe Kathy Wale Colleen Wolfe	Calvin Alderson Cleo Oliveria Calvin Alderson Cleo Oliveria
COLLECTORS	Noel Oliver Joseph Caruana Harley Cassar Jimmy Attard Charlie Grech	Frank Grech Mario Vella Virgilio Romerona Edwin Rebustillo	Isidro Asuncion Graeme Fraser Brian Briffa Marta Molina Teddy Bernardo Tilo Matagi Yvonne Utoasega Paul Bossini Carmel Vassallo
Children's Liturgy	n/a	Hong Nguyen	Daniel D'Souza Oliver D'Souza Christian Dizon Leanne Alderson Emanuelle Brizuela Lyn Nguyen Vyvy Nguyen
SPECIAL MINISTERS OF COMMUNION	Fr Gerard Keith Gina Snudden Olga Hughes Rocky Hughes	Fr Gerard Keith Rosemarie Balfour Marc Dicconson Eve Balfour	Fr Gerard Keith Jet Nacional Dolly Zipagan Nyanrob Deng Tessie Villar
SACRISTY DUTY	Helen Muscat	Elizabeth Michaelson	Cecilia Navarro
COFFEE MAKERS	Need Volunteer Need Volunteer	Leon D'Souza Rosemarie Balfour	Jacqueline Yuan Wes Yuan
COFFEE CLEAN UP	Need Volunteer Need Volunteer	Edwin Rebustillo Need Volunteer	Paul Bossini Michael Utoasega



READING 1

Isaiah 11:1-10

On that day, a shoot shall sprout from the stump of Jesse, and from his roots a bud shall blossom. The spirit of the LORD shall rest upon him: a spirit of wisdom and of understanding, a spirit of counsel and of strength, a spirit of knowledge and of fear of the LORD, and his delight shall be the fear of the LORD. Not by appearance shall he judge, nor by hearsay shall he decide, but he shall judge the poor with justice, and decide aright for the land's afflicted. He shall strike the ruthless with the rod of his mouth, and with the breath of his lips he shall slay the wicked. Justice shall be the band around his waist, and faithfulness a belt upon his hips. Then the wolf shall be a guest of the lamb, and the leopard shall lie down with the kid; the calf and the young lion shall browse together, with a little child to guide them. The cow and the bear shall be neighbors, together their young shall rest; the lion shall eat hay like the ox. The baby shall play by the cobra's den, and the child lay his hand on the adder's lair. There shall be no harm or ruin on all my holy mountain; for the earth shall be filled with knowledge of the LORD, as water covers the sea. On that day, the root of Jesse, set up as a signal for the nations, the Gentiles shall seek out, for his dwelling shall be glorious.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Psalm 72:1-2, 7-8, 12-13, 17

R. (cf. 7) Justice shall flourish in his time, and fullness of peace for ever.

READING 2

Romans 15:4-9

Brothers and sisters: Whatever was written previously was written for our instruction, that by endurance and by the encouragement of the Scriptures we might have hope. May the God of endurance and encouragement grant you to think in harmony with one another, in keeping with Christ Jesus, that with one accord you may with one voice glorify the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ. Welcome one another, then, as Christ welcomed you, for the glory of God. For I say that Christ became a minister of the circumcised to show God's truthfulness, to confirm the promises to the patriarchs, but so that the Gentiles might glorify God for his

mercy. As it is written: Therefore, I will praise you among the Gentiles and sing praises to your name.

GOSPEL

Matthew 3:1-12

John the Baptist appeared, preaching in the desert of Judea and saying, "Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand!" It was of him that the prophet Isaiah had spoken when he said: A voice of one crying out in the desert, Prepare the way of the Lord, make straight his paths. John wore clothing made of camel's hair and had a leather belt around his waist. His food was locusts and wild honey. At that time Jerusalem, all Judea, and the whole region around the Jordan were going out to him and were being baptized by him in the Jordan River as they acknowledged their sins. When he saw many of the Pharisees and Sadducees coming to his baptism, he said to them, "You brood of vipers! Who warned you to flee from the coming wrath? Produce good fruit as evidence of your repentance. And do not presume to say to yourselves, 'We have Abraham as our father.' For I tell you, God can raise up children to Abraham from these stones. Even now the ax lies at the root of the trees. Therefore every tree that does not bear good fruit will be cut down and thrown into the fire. I am baptizing you with water, for repentance, but the one who is coming after me is mightier than I. I am not worthy to carry his sandals. He will baptize 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 his barn, but the chaff he will burn with unquenchable fire."

