

ST MARY'S PARISH, ROBINVALE

Incorporating St Patrick's Manangatang

YEAR B SATURDAY 18TH AND SUNDAY 19TH DECEMBER, 2021

In Our Thoughts

Robinvale and Manangatang Catholic Communities are committed to ensure the safety of all children and vulnerable people in our care. Child Safety Officers: Arthur Cassidy (Robinvale) 0437 576 730 and Noreen Morris (Manangatang) 0448 194 513

Please remember these people in our prayers

Recent Deaths:

Nicolina (Lina) Orlando

Anniversaries:

Sr Ula Dempster; Carmela Pupillo; Tony Giofrelle; Mary Millen; Harold Hilton; Cosimo Ienco; John Wells; Tom Perry; Richard Harradine; Sr Rose Daly; Bryan Dillon

Sick:

Sam Giampaolo; Therese Cummins; Rosa Santos; Basilio Alcodia; Jeremy Dickson; Carmela Garreffa; Gai Thi Tran; Sue Hocking; Louise Manna:

Local News:

• Please note that parishioners no longer need to show proof of vaccination. However, the QR code must still be used for entry into our church.

Masses this weekend are: 18th/19th December

Robinvale: Saturday @ 6pm Manangatang: Sunday @ 9am (Lay Led) Robinvale: Sunday @ 11am

• Wednesday evening 15/12/2021 was the last Baptism Parent Information Meeting for 2021. This is an expectation prior to the actual sacrament of Baptism. The next information meeting will be late February 2022.

• WANTED:

Can anyone help out with flowers in our church for Christmas? If so, please contact 0438 627 920

• If you can assist with any of our Christmas Masses, please fill in the roster on the clip boards at the table near the door.

MASS TIMES FOR CHRISTMAS

Manangatang:

24th December @ 5:30pm Vigil Mass

Robinvale:

24th December @ 8pm Vigil Mass

25th December @ 11am Christmas Day Mass

Manangatang Community Carols

Sunday 19th December Catholic Church Lawns @ 7:30pm

Bring your own chairs. No supper due to restriction. Free icy poles on the night for further information contact Lionel Price 0447241157 To attend this event, you must be double vaccinated



FIRST READING

Mi 5:1-4

A reading from the prophet Micah

Out of you will be born the one who is to rule over Israel.

The Lord says this: You, Bethlehem Ephrathah, the least of the clans of Judah, out of you will be born for me the one who is to rule over Israel; his origin goes back to the distant past, to the days of old. The Lord is therefore going to abandon them till the time when she who is to give birth gives birth. Then the remnant of his brothers will come back to the sons of Israel. He will stand and feed his flock with the power of the Lord, with the majesty of the name of his God. They will live secure, for from then on he will extend his power to the ends of the land. He himself will be peace.

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps 79:2-3. 15-16. 18-19. R. v.4

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

O Shepherd of Israel, hear us, shine forth from your cherubim throne. O Lord, rouse up your might, O Lord, come to our help.

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

God of hosts, turn again, we implore, look down from heaven and see. Visit this vine and protect it, the vine your right hand has planted.

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

May your hand be on the man you have chosen, the man you have given your strength. And we shall never forsake you again: give us life that we may call upon your name.

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

Heb 10:5-10

A reading from the letter to the Hebrews *I am coming to do your will.*

FINANCES

Presbytery : \$ 343.00



Parish: \$ 228.30

Bishop's Christmas Appeal

The Bishop's Christmas Appeal collection will take place at our Christmas Masses This is what Christ said, on coming into the world: You who wanted no sacrifice or oblation, prepared a body for me. You took no pleasure in holocausts or sacrifices for sin; then I said, just as I was commanded in the scroll of the book, 'God, here I am! I am coming to obey your will.' Notice that he says first: You did not want what the Law lays down as the things to be offered, that is: the sacrifices, the oblations, the holocausts and the sacrifices for sin, and you took no pleasure in them; and then he says: Here I am! I am coming to obey your will. He is abolishing the first sort to replace it with the second. And this will was for us to be made holy by the offering of his body made once and for all by Jesus Christ.

This is the word of the Lord. Thanks be to God

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Lk 1:38 Alleluia, alleluia!

I am the servant of the Lord: may his will for me be done. Alleluia!

GOSPEL

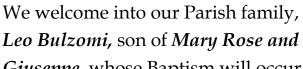
Lk 1:39-45

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke

Why should it happen that I am honoured with a visit from the mother of my Lord?

Mary set out and went as quickly as she could to a town in the hill country of Judah. She went into Zechariah's house and greeted Elizabeth. Now as soon as Elizabeth heard Mary's greeting, the child leapt in her womb and Elizabeth was filled with the Holy Spirit. She gave a loud cry and said, 'Of all women you are the most blessed, and blessed is the fruit of your womb. Why should I be honoured with a visit from the mother of my Lord? For the moment your greeting reached my ears, the child in my womb leapt for joy. Yes, blessed is she who believed that the promise made her by the Lord would be fulfilled.'

The Gospel of the Lord. Praise to you, Lord





Giuseppe, whose Baptism will occur this weekend. His parents, along with his



godparents, *Adam and Sharee Gallace*, and parishioners, will support him in his faith journey.