

# ***Saint Michael's War Memorial Catholic Church***

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*"Come to worship  
Go to proclaim"*

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## **29th November, 2020**

### **1st Sunday in Advent - Year B**

**Mon 30th Nov St Andrew**

**(Feast)**

**Thur 3rd Dec St Francis Xavier**

**(Memorial)**

#### **FIRST READING:**

**Isaiah 63:16-17; 64:1, 3-8**

Oh, that you should tear the heavens apart and come down.

#### **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.

#### **SECOND READING:**

**Corinthians: 1:3-9**

The revelation we looked for, Christ Jesus Our Lord.

#### **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

**Ps 84:8**

*Alleluia, alleluia*

*Lord, show us your mercy and love,  
and grant us your salvation.*

*Alleluia!*

#### **GOSPEL:**

**Mark 13:33-37**

Stay awake! You never know when the Lord will come.

# St. Michael's Parish Notice

**Sick:** Amanda & Stephano Guidone , Joe, Steve Delgado–Reves, Anita Ruiz & Blanca Jose Vargas Family, Joseph Haggar, Nada Vucetic, Mark Vassallo.

**Mass Intentions:** Vigil: †Marie Hage & †Catherine Dolan  
8am †Mary Bee Bee Gan & †Michael Scibberas

## Baptism

We welcome **Morgan Robyn McNicholas** and her family to her Baptism this Sunday.

## Christmas Programme

**Mass Times:** Thur 24th 6pm (Family Mass) , 8pm & Midnight Mass.  
Fri 25th Dec: 8am & 10am

**Penitential Services :** Sat 19th Dec 4.00-4.45pm, Sun 20th Dec 9.00-9.45am, 11.00-11.45am

Thur 24th Dec 5.00-5.45pm, Fri 7.30-7.45am, 11.00-11.45am.

**Due to Covid Restrictions, Masses will have to be booked in advance. Please write your names and what Mass you would like to attend on Xmas Rosters at back of the church. Only 100 people will be able to attend. This includes all Ministries as well as Acolytes.**

## COVID-19 Safety Plan

Our Covid-19 Safety Plan (copy available in Church) states :

1. All must be aware of content of Safety Plan.
2. Those with Flu symptoms must not enter the Church.
3. Sanitizing hands and registration strict requirement in order to come inside the Church.
4. Congregational singing prohibited.
5. Required sanitization of the seats before and after mass.
6. Holy Communion on hand. Keep 1.5m distance when receiving communion.
7. Social distancing 1.5 apart (only 100 seats).  
Please sit on every second Pew where signs are placed.
8. Strict prohibition of gatherings after the mass, in the foyer or outside the door of the Church.

## Sanitizing Church

**Please could you take a wet wipe located at back of Church and wipe your seat and back of chair when you enter the Church. Bins located at back of Church. Thank You.**

## The Catholic Archdiocese of Sydney Safeguarding Office

Child sexual abuse is a crime. If you, or anyone you know, have been abused, please contact the police. Or contact the Safeguarding and Ministerial integrity office at (02) 9390-5810 or [safeguardingenquiries@sydneycatholic.org](mailto:safeguardingenquiries@sydneycatholic.org)

***Please observe silence in God's house.  
Please turn your mobile off or put it on silent.***



### **COVID-19 Update**

Restrictions on church attendance have been eased further to allow for up to 300 attendees at Masses, as long as churches follow a four square metre rule. It is important to acknowledge that in practice, only St Mary's Cathedral will be allowed up to 300 attendees because of its dimensions. A small number of churches with larger dimensions will now be able to accommodate over 100 people at Masses.

The latest easing of restrictions has also impacted upon the celebration of some sacraments such as weddings, baptisms and funerals. You'll find more information here:

<https://www.sydneycatholic.org/coronavirus-frequently-asked-questions/>

Churches are required to keep records of all attending Masses for contact tracing purposes and the NSW Government recommends that church-goers continue to wear face masks when attending Mass.

### **Advent**

Advent Season is a very special time of year that sometimes gets lost in the bright lights of the Christmas season it precedes. The first day of Advent is the first day of a new Liturgical (or church) calendar and begins a four week period of preparation in anticipation of the nativity of Jesus at Christmas. The Advent Season is all about reflecting on how we can prepare our hearts and homes for Christ's birth in the world as it is today. It is a time for faith communities and families to remember, through prayer, reflections, special music, and good deeds what the true meaning of Jesus' birth is. One way people like to celebrate is by counting down the days to Christmas with an Advent calendar. The excitement builds as each day passes. Or you might like to put a little something special that can be done to help prepare for Christmas, perhaps a good deed for each day! Here are a few ideas:

- Call a friend you haven't spoken with
- Visit a neighbour who lives alone
- Bring something special to your local homeless shelter
- Say a prayer for a different person each day.

Ask your family for ideas, little ones have huge hearts and great ideas!

### **St Francis Xavier**

*St. Francis Xavier* was a Spanish Jesuit who lived as a Roman Catholic missionary in the 1500s. He was one of St. Ignatius Loyola's closest friends. He was one of the first seven members of the Jesuit order and travelled extensively, particularly in India, Southeast Asia, and Japan, to share his faith. He is the patron saint of Roman Catholic missions. He has been acclaimed as one of the greatest missionaries in history. The relic of St Francis Xavier - his right forearm, with which he baptised many thousands of people came to St Michael's Parish on 2nd December, 2012. Millions have been touched for the good by his work and its legacy over many generations.

**Mass Times:**      **Saturday Vigil:** 5:00pm  
                              **Sunday:**                8:00am, 10:00am  
      *Weekday:*      **Monday:**                7:30am Holy Communion Service  
                              **Tuesday:**                7:30am  
                              **Wednesday:**                6:00pm  
                              **Thursday:**                7:30am  
                              **Friday:**                    9:15am

**On Public Holiday Monday, Tuesday or Thursday: 9:15am**

**2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Saturday: 9:30am** (Southern Cross Hostel)

### **Reconciliation**

**Wednesday:** 5:15pm – 5:45pm

**Saturday:**    4:15pm – 4:45pm



### **Contact The Presbytery**

**Parish Office Hours:** Thurs & Fri 9:00am to 2:30pm

**Holy Hour:** Wednesday, 5:00pm

**Baptisms & Weddings:** by appointment.

**Baptisms:** Sundays after the 10am Mass

#### **Volunteers Roster:**

##### **This weekend - 29th November**

**Vigil:** (A) Hartanto, A Yap (R) F Hogan, G Guerrero (C) (M) Thomas W

**8am:** (A) G Diab, Andy H (R) Joel Pinto, Joann Pinto (C) (M) Thomas W

**10am:** (A) N Jenner (R) S Newman, C Findlay (C) (M) K Chandra

**Piety Stall:** (Vigil) C Lan Kam (Sun, 8am) I Koeswanto (Sun, 10am) L Jenner

##### **Next weekend - 6th December**

**Vigil:** (A) Hartanto, A Yap (R) F Hogan, M Vassallo (C) (M) Thomas W

**8am:** (A) G Diab, Andy H (R) A Burke, T Trujillo (C) (M) Thomas W

**10am:** (A) N Jenner (R) s Williams, S Doyle (C) (M) K Chandra

**Piety Stall:** (Vigil) C Lan Kam (Sun, 8am) I J Busutil (Sun, 10am) L Jenner

Parishioners wishing to apply for any of the Ministries, please contact the Parish Office.  
 Thank you!