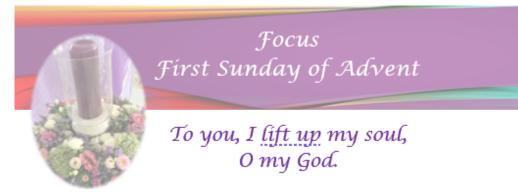
# **The Cathedral Parish** of St Joseph

**Incorporating the worshipping communities of:** St Joseph's Cathedral, St Peter's, St Paul's (Gracemere) & Sacred Heart (Mount Morgan)

## 27th to 28th of November 2021 First Sunday of Advent

## **Focus by Fr Andrew Hogan**



Advent has a twofold character: as a season to prepare for Christmas when Christ's first coming to us is remembered; as a season when that remembrance directs the mind and heart to await Christ's Second Coming at the end of time.

The antiphon above, taken from Psalm 25 immediately places Advent within the context of the coming of God and the salvation whose full realisation we await with confidence. From the beginning of the liturgical year we clearly express what is at the heart of the life of believers, the Church, and the liturgy:

- the ardent desire for God and his reign,
- the hope for the return of the Lord who is already present among his own,
- what waiting for the Lord's coming means for each believer,
- and the absolute need for the Spirit to fulfill our hope lest it be in vain.

Adapted from Days of the Lord Volume 1

## **Parish Schools**











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## The Cathedral Centre Parish Office

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#### **Rockhampton Parishes Team**

Bishop Michael McCarthy

Fr Andrew Hogan – Associate Pastor with Pastoral responsibility for the Northside Cluster of Parishes

Fr Matthias Ogwo - Associate Pastor with Pastoral responsibility for the Cathedral Parish

Fr Bill Senn – Associate Pastor

Fr Jayanthi Maddala– Associate **Pastor** 

Retired Priest Assisting - Fr Frank Gilbert

> Parish Manager: Gerard Hogan

Pastoral Volunteer: Margaret Hallinan

Parish Secretary: Jody Murphy

**Grounds Staff:** Cliff & Debbie Broom

For anointings in a medical emergency after-hours phone 07 3830 5216

Principal:

Kellie Jenkinson

Anthony Greene

Patricia Adair

## **Mass Times**

#### St Joseph's Cathedral

Week Commencing 29th November

Monday & Tuesday 5:30pm

Wednesday & Thursday 8:00am

Friday *12:10pm* 

## **Saturday Mass Times**

9:00am 9:30am - 10:30am *Confessions* 

#### **Vigil Masses**

Sacred Heart, Mt Morgan 4:00pm St Joseph's Cathedral 6:00pm

### Sunday Mass Times Second Sunday of Advent

St Joseph's Cathedral 6:30am St Paul's, Gracemere 8:00am St Joseph's Cathedral 9:30am St Joseph's Cathedral 6:00pm

#### **Ordinariate Masses**

St Peter's, Allenstown 9:30am

## **Cathedral Bookshop**

Open Monday to Thursday 9am - 2pm Open on Friday 9am - 4pm Contact 4921 2170 www.cathedralbooks.com.au Email: cathedralbooks@bigpond.com

## Pope John Paul II

Do not forget that true love sets no conditions; it does not calculate or complain, but simply loves.

# We pray for our brothers & sisters that have recently died:

Bernice Barnes, John Ebb, Laurel Pinkerton, Andrew Kennedy, Amelia Beatson, Kevin Harris, Barry Walsh, Patricia Ashton, Gloria Hansen, Benique Howes, Laurie Steer

## A Message from Bishop Michael to Volunteers

On behalf of the Cathedral Parish Pastoral & Finance Councils I invite you to join at the Cathedral Parish Centre for light refreshments to say thank for your contribution this year. This includes all worshipping communities of the parish. Date: Tuesday 7 December 2021 from 5pm to 6,30 pm RSVP by contacting the Cathedral Office by 3 December *Bishop Michael McCarthy* 

## **Synod of Bishops**

Catholics across Australia are invited to participate in a period of l consultation for the next international Synod of Bishops, themed: "For a Synodal Church: Communion, Participation and Mission". Find out more at: <a href="http://www.catholic.org.au/synodalchurch">http://www.catholic.org.au/synodalchurch</a>

#### **Shoe Box for Christmas**

Christmas celebrations this year will focus on bringing good tidings to children, who may not be able to celebrate Christmas.

We are requesting donors to donate new essential items that a child would use and appreciate – toiletries, art supplies, children's reading or drawing materials, sweets, small chip packets, a cap or hat and a small toy (to the value of \$10).

Distribution will be at a special Christmas Eve gathering where Bishop Michael will bless the children, and together with our donors, lead in distributing the gifts. This is in keeping with the COVID-19 protocol, where gatherings in groups are being observed and safety is paramount for everyone attending, especially the children and young people.

A collection box will be located at the entrance of the Cathedral until the 19th December.

## Liturgy of the word

Thank you to all the volunteers who have carried out Liturgy of the Word for Children at the 9.30am Mass during 2021. Liturgy of the Word for children will be in recess from **28 November** – until school recommences in 2022.

#### **Rockhampton Region Christmas Mass Times**

Christmas Eve: Friday 24<sup>th</sup> December Sacred Heart, Mt Morgan 4.00pm - Mass

**Holy Family** 

5.30pm – Carols and Nativity Play 6.00pm Mass with Children

Our Lady Help of Christians 6.00pm Mass

> St Mary's 6.00pm Mass

St Joseph's Cathedral 6.00pm Mass

8.00pm Christmas Carols 8.30pm Mass

Midnight Mass

Christmas Day: Saturday 25th December

6.30am – St Joseph's Cathedral 8.00am – St Paul's, Gracemere 9.00am – Holy Family 9.30am – St Joseph's Cathedral

Feast of the Holy Family: Sunday 26th December

6.30am – St Joseph's Cathedral
7.00am – St Mary's
8.00am – St Paul's, Gracemere
8.00am – Our Lady Help of Christians
9.00am – Holy Family
9.30am – St Joseph's Cathedral
6.00pm – St Joseph's Cathedral

## **Ignite Summer Camp Diocesan Group**

When: 12-16 January, 2022

Where: QCCC Mapleton (Sunshine Coast) Who: Any 2022 high school students

Cost: \$310, Family discounts are available for

siblings.

Are you ready for an unforgettable summer? Ignite Summer Camp is back in 2022, with four days of huge outdoor games, amazing rallies, 200 new mates and connecting with Jesus. Our diocese will be taking a group to Summer Camp, providing transport to and from the event and even providing an extra night's accommodation so we will be ready to go when the camp begins on the morning of the 13<sup>th</sup> of January. If you're interested in coming, please contact youth@rok.catholic.net.au to get all the details and our group ticket code.

### **Weekly Prayer**

#### Family Prayer Week One Advent

**Dear God**, help us to accept that we are the clay and that you are the potter. Throughout this first week of Advent, help us remember that we are your people and that you are our God. Help us get our priorities right and put the most important things first: loving God and loving our neighbour.

Holy Spirit, guide the choices we make throughout this week so that we choose to do what honours our creator and what shows our love of others.

**Father in heaven**, we offer thanks to you for the many gifts and talents you have given to all the people on earth, to our family and friends, to the neighbours we know and the neighbours we have yet to be friend.

**Lord Jesus**, we wait in joyful hope for you. Come into our hearts so that when the time comes, we will be prepared to join you in everlasting joy.

#### **Ecumenical Corner**

Churches Together

This weekend please keep in your prayers the praying community Rockhampton Baptist, Norman Road.

The Catholic Church acknowledges and confesses the weaknesses of its members, conscious that their sins are so many betrayals of and obstacles to the Saviour's plan.

That they may all be One, by John Paul II Article 3

## **The Cathedral College Position Vacant**

Join our outstanding team!

The Cathedral College offers a range of employment opportunities to join our caring, talented and passionate team committed to delivering a high quality Catholic Education to young people.

We are seeking applications for a suitably qualified GROUNDSPERSON

Applications close Monday 6 December 2021.

Apply at www.tccr.com.au/employment

# Please join us in song

Gathering

O Come, O Come, Emmanuel Traditional

Procession of Gifts
Quiet Music

Communion

Bread Of Life Bernadette Farrell

Recessional

Wait For the Lord Jacques Berthier

## **This Sunday's Readings**

#### First Reading

Jeremiah 33:14-16

The prophet looks forward to a time when honesty and integrity will flourish.

#### Psalm

Responsorial Psalm 24:4-5, 8-9, 10, 14



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#### **Second Reading**

1 Thessalonians 3:12-4:2

Paul urges the Christian community to live the life that God wants.

#### Gospel

Luke 21:25-28. 34-36

Jesus tells his disciples that despite the world's troubles and turmoil, liberation is close at hand.