



HOLY ROSARY PARISH

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Parish Priest	Fr. Max Vodola	Mass Times
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Pastoral Associates	Sr. Pat Dimeck CSB Carmel Powell	HOLY ROSARY KENSINGTON
Secretary	Jo McEwen	Saturday (Vigil) 5.30 pm
Parish House	35 Gower Street (Opposite Church)	Sunday 9.00 am
<i>Weddings & Baptisms Welcome by Appointment</i>		Wednesday & Friday 9.15am
		St Brendans Flemington
		Saturday (Vigil) 6.00 pm
		Sunday 10.30 am
		Reconciliation:
		Saturday 9.45 am

Next Week: 7th & 8th December 2013

2nd Sunday of Advent

Readers

5.30 pm Louise Aiton, Maureen Treacy
 9 am Ruth Keily, Paul Merrigan,

Eucharist Ministers

Russell Clayburn
 Elizabeth Grieve, Max Stephens

Children's Liturgy of the Word Sharon O'Neill

Recent Deaths: Helen Muscat

Anniversaries:

TEN TON: Week 18 – Shepherd family

If you haven't paid for your ten ton please pay as soon as possible!

PRAYER TIMES THIS WEEK Wed 4th December 9.15 am Mass (in the Parish House)
 Fri 6th December 9.15 am Mass

Church Cleaning – Wednesday 4th December at 10am we clean the brass, wash the chalices etc. If you are able to help please come.

Thanksgiving Envelopes
 The new ones are available this week-end. Thanks to everyone who so generously contributes to our Parish. Please take yours home!

MELBOURNE OVERSEAS MISSION APPEAL – DECEMBER 7 & 8 (next week-end)

THE JOY OF THE GOSPEL – POPE FRANCIS

As we enter into this holy season of Advent and Christmas, Pope Francis has issued an important document called an Apostolic Exhortation on 'The Joy of the Gospel'. In it, the Holy Father reminds us that the Church's permanent mission is to bring joy into the lives of those in most need. Pope Francis repeats his concern for the poor and for peace. He reminds us that the local parish community is the place where the faithful gather to hear God's word and to celebrate the sacraments and that 'the Eucharist in particular is not a prize for the perfect but a powerful medicine and nourishment for the weak'.

He calls on Catholics to be bold, courageous and imaginative in how we live and proclaim the gift of faith and this is our common call to 'evangelization'. In this Advent season, Pope Francis reminds us that because Jesus came to us in his poverty, each individual Christian and every community is called to be an instrument of God for the liberation and the promotion of the poor. The gift of the Holy Spirit transformed the life of the Virgin Mary into one of remarkable fidelity, tenderness, love and compassion. Mary is always at the service of the Word made flesh. This is our call during the Advent season. It is interesting to note the particular themes of the pope's document and how many times they are mentioned:

- Love 154 times
- Joy 109
- The poor 91
- Peace 58
- Justice 37
- Encounter 34
- Dignity 23
- Common good 15

The document can be accessed on the Vatican website
www.vatican.va

PARISH WEBSITE
 Each week Fr Max's homily and the newsletter are uploaded to our website.
Please visit
holyrosary.com.au

Ecumenical Carol Service
Christ Church Kensington
Tuesday 17th December
6.30pm BBQ
7.30pm Carols

ANOINTING MASS
Wednesday 11th December
at 11am
Mass, followed by a light luncheon.
Transport provided

Caritas Collection for Philippines Typhoon Disaster raised \$778.45. Thanks for your generosity. We continue to pray for the victims of the typhoon and those assisting them.

Columban Calendars \$9.00 & Christmas Cards \$4

Christmas Hamper Raffle: Tickets \$1 each or 3 for \$2.