



HOLY SPIRIT CATHOLIC PARISH

North Ryde

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Under the care of the Congregation of St. Michael the Archangel
(Michaelite Fathers)



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SUNDAY MASS: Saturday 6:00pm, Sunday 8.30am, 10.00am & 6:00pm.

WEEKDAY MASS: Mon. 8:30am; Tues. 7:00pm; Wed. 8:30am; Thur. 8:30am;
Fri. 7:00am & 9:30am (during school term); Sat. 8:30am.

Public Holidays 8:30am

BAPTISMS: 11.00am each Sunday	One month's notice required.
Preparation Nights held monthly	Application forms at Parish Office
MARRIAGES:	By Appointment (6 months' notice required).
FILIPINO (TAGLISH) MASS:	Fourth Sunday of the month at 12:15pm
SPANISH SPEAKING MASS:	Every Sunday 12:30pm
RECONCILIATION:	Saturday after morning Mass or by appointment.
PARISH OFFICE HOURS:	9:00am to 3:00pm Mon – Fri
ST VINCENT DE PAUL REGIONAL HELP CENTRE:	9809 2757

Next Week: 2nd Sunday Advent (C) Baruch 5:1-9; Philippians 1:4-6, 8-11, Luke 3:1-6.

Fr Stan writes ...

Today is the **First Sunday of Advent** and so, the start of the new liturgical year. This new liturgical cycle is Year C and features the Gospel of Luke.

The **Advent Wreath** will be in a prominent place in our church during Advent, which helps us to spiritually contemplate and prepare for the great event of the birth of Jesus in the history of salvation. Today we light the first candle symbolising **Hope** reminding us that Jesus is coming ...

This weekend on Sunday, we welcome back **Bishop Terry Brady** who will be the main celebrant at all Masses. This will conclude his pastoral visitation to our parish. We thank you Bishop Brady for your continued ministry at Holy Spirit North Ryde.

This coming Saturday, 8th December, we celebrate the **SOLEMNITY** of the **IMMACULATE CONCEPTION** of the **BLESSED VIRGIN MARY**. The Church teaches us that from the very moment of her conception, Mary was free from all stain of original sin. This simply means that from the beginning, she was in a state of grace, sharing in God's own life. This is one of the principal feasts in the Church's year. **Mass will be at 8:30 am** to celebrate this Solemnity.

We welcome into our Christian community through the Sacrament of Baptism
Jesse Di Mento and congratulate his family.

CALLING ALL CHILDREN! Come and celebrate Jesus' birth during our special outdoor Mass at 6:30pm on Christmas Eve. Any child wishing to take part in the Christmas pageant during the Mass should be present at a meeting on **Tuesday 18th December at 3:30pm** in the church. All who come will be involved. There will be a final practice on **Saturday 23rd December at 10am** in the parking lot in front of Parish/School Hall. For all enquiries please call Nadia on 0419 269 692.

INSPIRING ONE DAY RETREAT - Need a bit of inspiration right now? There will be a one day retreat next Friday 7 December at Holy Name of Mary Parish Hunters Hill from 9:15-2:30. The day will feature two amazing speakers that will give their extraordinary testimonies. You'll be glued as well as inspired! The day will also include Mass, reflection, lunch and morning tea. Cost \$15. Please contact Elsa Manu 0433914230 to register by 5 December. All Welcome!



Christmas Shopping?

Come and see **Flame Gifts** first for a large range of Christmas gifts, nativity sets, Christmas trees and decorations. Shop is open 7 days and all proceeds are in support of the parish. **THANK YOU to all the new volunteers!**

CatholicCare Home Care Packages: CatholicCare provides services in your home to help you remain living independently. From occasional or short-term services to round-the-clock options, CatholicCare can help you decide on the services to meet your individual needs. For more information please contact CCareline on 13 18 19.



A Choral Christmas Celebration Concert

On Friday 14 December, St Mary's Cathedral will celebrate with carols and an overwhelming feeling of Christmas joy for the annual, and much anticipated *A Choral Christmas Celebration* concert. There will be two performances at 11am & 7pm with tickets starting from \$20. Visit www.cathedralchoir.sydney/acc for more information.

PRAY FOR THE SOULS OF: Maria Pantalone, Elzbieta Gorzkowski (Fr George's mother), Anna Cremasco, George Paterson, Walter Gaspari recently deceased.

Also, *Charlie Bietola, Dr Raphael Panetta, Rosina & Michele Panetta, Rosa & Raffaele Fazzolari, Vincenzo & Caterina Cincotta, Mary & Sam Bietola, Frank Ientile, Maria Ientile, John, Annarita, Antonio Ientile, Natale Papandrea, Papandrea, Ientile, Cessario families, Angelo Fazzolari & Fazzolari family, Fortunato & Rosa Galluzzo & Galluzzo family, Rosina, Giuseppe, Salvatore & Bruna Panetta, Luigi, Rosina, Pasquale & Santa Genova, Mario & Dirce Gualdi, Antonino & Tindara Caravello, Alberto Tanzini, Vincenzo Surace, Giuseppe & Maria Caterina Pupo, Baby Cove Rose Pupo, Emanuela Delia, Frank & Edgar Falzon, Angelo, Carmela & Paul Scicluna, Gregory Zammit, Christopher & Cissie Zahra, Maria & Joe Mallia.*

New edition of 'The Angels', a Catholic magazine on the Holy Angels is now available from the church foyer for \$5. Please place money in box on the bench.