



**The Holy Family of Jesus,  
Mary and Joseph  
26th December 2021—  
Year C**

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PAUL'S CHURCH WILL BE CLOSED FROM THE  
23RD OF DEC 2021 TO THE 5TH OF JANUARY  
2022 INCLUSIVE.

**Our Lady of the Pines Parish is a wel-  
coming, inclusive community that  
aims to live our Christian faith by ex-  
ample in our daily lives.**

**Our Lady of the Pines Parish is com-  
mitted to upholding the safety and  
dignity of each child and young per-  
son, ensuring they are able to grow  
and develop in a caring and support-  
ive environment within our parish. Visit  
our parish website or contact our par-**

**We pray for Better Health:**

Brian Sullivan, Kath Potger, Alden  
Ong, Lisa Dallow, Josephine Noli, Te-  
resa Talia, Sharon Rodrigo, Laurel  
Wood, John Gool, Meredith  
Barnes, Judith Frood, Jean Rive.

Anniversary and Mass offering for :  
Colin Latimour, Ivan Jansz,

Annie Pinnock

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On this day for the last time in the cycle of the liturgical year, the Church invites us to contemplate the mystery of Jesus' humble, hidden life. A feeling of close intimacy and tenderness characterizes this Feast and is expressed in the liturgy of the day: "... it is good for us to recall the little home at Nazareth and the humble life of those who lived there.... In it, Jesus learned Joseph's humble trade, and grew in age, and was happy sharing the work of a carpenter: 'Let the sweat,' He seemed to say, 'trickle over My limbs before they are drenched with the torrent of My Blood, and the pain of this labor shall go to atone for the sins of men!'" (*Roman Breviary*). Let us enter the little house; in the presence of such humility, which conceals Jesus' infinite Majesty, let us repeat the words of the sacred text: "Thou art indeed a hidden King, O God the Savior, King of Israel" (*Roman Breviary*).

Today's liturgy particularly emphasizes one typical aspect of the humble life of this hidden God: obedience. "Although He was the Son of God ... He learned to obey; He humbled Himself, becoming obedient even unto death" (*Roman Breviary*). From Bethlehem to Calvary obedience was His companion. The Gospel (Luke 2:42-52) stresses this obedience of Jesus at Nazareth in words which carry for all time the strength of their first utterance, "He was subject to them." Let us ask ourselves with St. Bernard, "Who obeyed? Whom did He obey?" The Saint replies, "God obeyed man! Yes, the God to whom the angels are subject ... was subject to Mary, and not only to Mary, but also to Joseph. For God to obey a woman is humility without parallel.... Learn then, man, to obey; learn, O earth, to be submissive. God subjected Himself to men; and do you, desiring to rule others, place yourself above your Creator?"

**Fr Jerald Away**

Please note, after very many months of being on call 24/7, Fr Jerald will finally be taking a week off from the 27th to the 31st of December.

There will be communion services held during the week at this time.

## ROSTERS FOR NEXT WEEKEND

### The Epiphany of the Lord

**HOSPITALITY TEAMS**— Evans, Spence and Given

#### READERS & COMMENTATORS

Sat 5.00 pm: Mary Ann Payne and Ophelia Wong

Sun 9.30 am: Patrick and Juanita Monahan

#### PROJECTOR OPERATORS

Sat 5.00pm : Maria and Lyn

Sun 9.30am : Julian Pirota

#### Covid Captain:

5.00pm : Rose and Richard Chapman

9.30am : Monica Luttkick and Jill Howell

#### Money Counting Roster:

**Group8 :** Sue Separovic, Chris Healy, Bruce Stewart and Alex Alexander

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## Year C –The Epiphany of the Lord — 2nd of January 2022

### GOSPEL

After Jesus had been born at Bethlehem in Judaea during the reign of King Herod, some wise men came to Jerusalem from the east. 'Where is the infant king of the Jews?' they asked. 'We saw his star as it rose and have come to do him homage.' When

King Herod heard this he was perturbed, and so was the whole of Jerusalem. He called together all the chief priests and the scribes of the people, and enquired of them where the Christ was to be born. 'At Bethlehem in Judaea,' they told him 'for this is what the prophet wrote:

And you, Bethlehem, in the land of Judah, you are by no means least among the leaders of Judah, for out of you will come a leader who will shepherd my people Israel.'

Then Herod summoned the wise men to see him privately. He asked them the exact date on which the star had appeared, and sent them on to Bethlehem. 'Go and find out all about the child,' he said 'and when you have found him, let me know so that I too may go and do him homage.' Having listened to what the king had to say, they set out. And there in front of them was the star they had seen rising; it went forward and halted over the place where the child was. The sight of the star filled them with delight, and going into the house they saw the child and his mother Mary, and falling to their knees they did him homage. Then, opening their treasures, they offered him gifts of gold and frankincense and myrrh. But they were warned in a dream not to go back to Herod, and returned to their own country by a different way.

### MASS TIMES for partner Parishes of Our Lady of The Pines, Donvale & Ss Peter & Paul's, Doncaster East

	OLOP	SSPP
Monday	No Mass	9.00am Communion Service
Tuesday	No Mass	9.00am Communion Service
Wednesday	9.00am Communion Service Rosary after Morning Mass	9.00am Communion Service
Thursday	No Mass	9.00am Communion Service
Friday	9.00am Communion Service Rosary after Morning Mass	9.00am Communion Service
Saturday	5.00pm Vigil Mass	9.00am Mass and 6.00pm Vigil Mass
Sunday	9.30am Morning Mass— Rosary after mass	8.00 and 11.15am Morning Mass