

# Special Announcement:

## Bishop Gerard's CatholicCare Christmas Appeal

### "People Helping People"

This year's appeal will be directed to the St Vincent de Paul Society.

The CatholicCare Appeal is the only appeal made each year for organisations which provide services within our own Diocese. Please give generously, donations of \$2 or more are tax deductible. The Appeal envelopes are provided in the pews. Envelopes containing Cash should be placed in the Offertory basket. Do not post Cash Donations. Cheque and Credit Card donations can be either placed in the Offertory basket or posted directly to the Diocese

Tuesday: 03<sup>rd</sup> January - No Mass | Wednesday: 04<sup>th</sup> January - 9.00 AM Mass | Friday: 05<sup>th</sup> January - 9.00 AM Mass

#### POCKET ANGEL INFO:

Children's Liturgy (4-10 years old). Meet at the Entrance of the Church at the Start of the Mass.

#### RCIA / RCIC INFO:

If you know anyone interested in learning about becoming a Catholic, please contact the Parish Office.

#### TOILET FACILITY:

is situated at the Back of the Parish House; or right side of the Church; or nearest to School Oval.

#### CRYING ROOM INFO:

Feel free to use this room during the Mass. Kindly pack away toys at the end of the Mass. Thank you!

#### PIETY STALL INFO:

If you wish to buy some religious articles, books, or items kindly ring the Parish Office or approach the priest.

#### FIRST AID BOX:

is located inside the Crying Room at the Entrance of the Church. Thank you!

## Monthly Roster

Special Note: If you won't be able to come on your Roster, kindly look for someone to replace you. Thank you so much!

Parish Ministries	1 <sup>st</sup> Jan	8 <sup>th</sup> Jan	15 <sup>th</sup> Jan	22 <sup>nd</sup> Jan
Greeter	Volunteer	Volunteer	Volunteer	Name
Pocket Angel	School Break	School Break	School Break	School Break
Commentator	Laline Ford	Diana Cavoli	Harry Cavoli	M Joseph
Readers	Mary Page Volunteer	Jenny Goodheart Volunteer	W Norrish Volunteer	Julie Poett Name
Minister of the Eucharist	A Schiano Volunteer	Julie Poett Volunteer	Peter Kerin Volunteer	Paulette Sugg Name
Offertory	Giorgina & Cassandra	Gairen Family	George Norrish Family	Joseph Family
Acolyte	Name	Name	Name	Name
Altar Servers	Volunteer Volunteer	Volunteer Volunteer	Volunteer Volunteer	Volunteer Volunteer



## ST PATRICK'S CATHOLIC PARISH

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Parish Pastoral Council (Chairperson) : --  
Parish Finance Committee (Chairperson): Mr Norman Flugge  
St Patrick's Catholic School (Principal) : Mr Christopher Smith (08 9821 2281)

### MASS TIMES

#### SOLEMNITY OF MARY, MOTHER OF GOD 01<sup>st</sup> of JANUARY 2017

	24 <sup>th</sup> Dec	25 <sup>th</sup> Dec	31 <sup>st</sup> Dec	7 <sup>th</sup> Jan	14 <sup>th</sup> Jan
<b>Saturday</b>					
TAMBELLUP		8.30 AM	6.00 PM		6.00 PM
BROOMEHILL				6.00 PM	
<b>Sunday</b>		25 <sup>th</sup> Dec	1 <sup>st</sup> Jan	8 <sup>th</sup> Jan	15 <sup>th</sup> Jan
KOJONUP	5.30 PM		8.30 AM	8.30 PM	8.30 PM
KATANNING	8.30 PM	10.30 AM	10.30 AM	10.30 PM	10.30 AM

#### RESPONSORIAL PSALM:

*May God bless us in His mercy.*

Tuesday; Wednesday & Friday (9.00 AM) : Mass (Katanning)

Thursday (9.00 AM) : Mass (Kojonup)

First Friday of the Month (9.00 AM before the Mass): Holy Hour (Katanning)

First Saturday of the Month (9.00 AM) : Mass (Katanning)

### Parish Prayer

Good and Loving Father, we pray for Your guidance in our Parish Community, all of our leaders and those in positions of different ministries.

Fill them with Your wisdom, knowledge and understanding. Guide and inspire them to unite them to serve our Parish as servant-leaders.

We pray for our aged and sick, grant them Your Peace, that they may experience Your love and healing presence in their lives. We pray for our parents and families, that may be inspired to serve you; and to grow in faith, love and understanding.

Guide our youth and children that they may grow in their trust of You and be strengthened in their faith, as they grow to maturity.

Inspire our teachers, staff and students of St Pat's that they may grow in love and concern.

May each of us manifest the fruits and gifts of Your Holy Spirit, as we minister with each other. We ask this through Christ, our Lord. Amen.

## 2017 DIOCESAN SUMMER SCHOOL

A special presentation will be offered in the diocese during January and February on caring for the earth, our common home. Presented by Fr Tony Chiera and Mrs. Rebecca Ward, from the Diocesan Pastoral Office, this presentation will look at the challenge given to the whole world by Pope Francis in a special letter on the future of our planet.

JANUARY 14 – MANDURAH  
 JANUARY 28 – BUSSELTON  
 FEBRUARY 4 – ALBANY  
 FEBRUARY 11 – MANJIMUP  
 FEBRUARY 18 – HARVEY



All sessions are from 9.30 – 3.30. Please register with Rebecca on 9721 0518 or [rebecca.ward@bunburycatholic.org.au](mailto:rebecca.ward@bunburycatholic.org.au) one week prior to the session you wish to attend. Cost is \$10. Please bring along a plate of food to share for lunch.

## "URBI ET ORBI" MESSAGE OF HIS HOLINESS POPE FRANCIS - CHRISTMAS 2016 -

Dear Brothers and Sisters, Happy Christmas!

Today the Church once more experiences the wonder of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Saint Joseph and the shepherds of Bethlehem, as they contemplate the newborn Child laid in a manger: Jesus, the Saviour.

On this day full of light, the prophetic proclamation resounds:

**"For to us a child is born. To us a son is given.  
 And the government will be upon his shoulder, and  
 his name will be called  
 "Wonderful Counsellor, Mighty God,  
 Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace." (Is 9:6)**



"For to us a child is born, to us a son is given": he is the "Prince of peace". Let us welcome him!

To you, dear brothers and sisters, who have gathered in this Square from every part of the world, and to those in various countries who are linked to us by radio, television and other means of communication, I offer my greeting.

On this day of joy, we are all called to contemplate the Child Jesus, who gives hope once again to every person on the face of the earth. By his grace, let us with our voices and our actions give witness to solidarity and peace. Merry Christmas to all!

*(For Full Text, log on to [www.vatican.va](http://www.vatican.va))*



A special thank you for all those Parishioners who have helped us decorating our Church for this Christmas Season: especially those who have cleaned the Church; those who have donated and arranged the flowers; those who have put up our Christmas decorations inside the Church; and those who have suggested their ideas; for beautiful songs and singing from our Choir, for those have read during the Masses; and for those who have attended our Christmas Celebrations. Thank you so much.

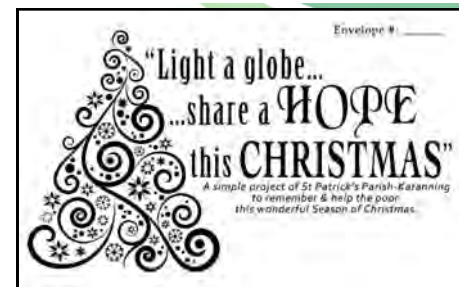
May our Loving God continue to bless you and your families! -Fr Francis

**Next Week Readings: (8<sup>th</sup> January 2017)**

1<sup>st</sup> Reading (Isaiah 60:1-6); 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading (Ephesians 3:2-3,5-6); Gospel (Matthew 2:1-12)

## Parish News:

Envelopes Distributed : **60 pieces**  
 Envelopes Returned : **40 pieces**  
 Total Amount Collected : **\$ 280.00**



I wish to thank all of you who have participated and contributed into our simple project, entitled, "LIGHT A GLOBE...SHARE A HOPE THIS CHRISTMAS," by being aware of and concern to the needs of the 'poor' especially this Season of Christmas. This is something that we, as a whole Parish, have to be proud of. As St Francis of Assisi said, "for it is in giving that we receive." (Message from Fr Francis) The money has been counted by Diana Cavoli, Harry Cavoli & Fr Francis and has been forwarded to Parish Finance Committee to be given to the St Vincent de Paul Society.

**NEW PARISHIONERS:** Welcome to our Parish. We pray you will find peace and comfort in our Parish and with our God. Please join us in fellowship and community events. Please fill up the 'Welcome to our Parish Form' from the front entrance of the Church and return it to the Parish Office asap. Thank you very much and God bless!

**CHRISTMAS OFFERING** is an expression of our generosity and appreciation to Fr Francis. Offerings in support of Fr Francis can be made in the Christmas Offering Envelopes in your pew."

## Finance News:

### PLANNED GIVING PROGRAMME

The ability to budget can only come about through the 'generous financial support of members of the Parish who make a pledge through the "Planned Giving Programme."'

Like all families, everyone's pledge is important and commitment to the financial well-being of St Patrick's Parish is VITAL. If you would like to join or know more about the programme



COLLECTION	11 <sup>th</sup> Dec 2016	18 <sup>th</sup> Dec 2016
1 <sup>st</sup> Collection	\$ 130.05	\$ 161.30
2 <sup>nd</sup> Collection	\$ 32.05	\$ 34.045
Planned Giving	\$ 305.00	\$ 655.00
Piety	\$ --	\$ --
Candles	\$ 13.25	\$ 11.50