

**CHURCH CLEANING ROSTER: DECEMBER: Julie**

**CRYING ROOM:** Feel free to use this room during Mass.

**FIRST AID BOX:** located inside the Crying Room at the entrance to the Church.

**TOILET FACILITY:** Situated at the back of the Parish house; nearest to school oval.

**RCIA/RCIC:** Anyone interested in learning about becoming a Catholic please contact Fr Marlon or Julie Poett.

**WEEKDAY MASSES:** Friday 27th December NO MASS

**VANUATU EARTHQUAKE APPEAL** - Vanuatu has experienced two earthquakes within 24 hours impacting over 116,000 people and causing significant damage to infrastructure. Hundreds of people have been injured or trapped under rubble and at least 14 people deceased with the death toll expected to continue to rise. Donate today: <http://www.caritas.org.au/vanuatu>

**WEEKEND MASS TIMETABLE:**

<u>SATURDAY</u>	21st December	24th December	25th December	29th December
TAMBELLUP		4.30PM	--	8.30AM
BROOMEHILL				
<u>SUNDAY</u>	22nd December			29th December
KOJONUP	8.30AM	6.30PM	--	8.30AM CS
KATANNING	10.30AM	8.00PM	9.00AM	10.30AM

**PARISH MINISTRIES:** *If you are unable to attend on your rostered date please arrange for someone to replace you. Thank you!*

	22nd December	24th December	25th December	29th December
Greeter		8.00PM	9.00AM	
Intro & Second Reader	A. Schiano	D. Bearcroft	Collins	D. Cavoli
First Reader	D. Quartermaine	L. Ford	Family	L. Ford
Minister of the Eucharist				
Offertory	Volunteers			Volunteers
Acolyte	Angelo	Volunteer	Volunteer	Sam
Altar Servers	Volunteers	Volunteers	Volunteers	Volunteers



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*"Inspired by our Patron Saint and guided by the Gospel teachings of Jesus, St Patrick's Parish strives to welcome and serve one another"*

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**PARISH PRAYER: Please refer to the overhead screen**

**SUNDAY 22nd DECEMBER— FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT YEAR C**

**First Reading: Micah 5:1-4**

The Lord says this:

You, Bethlehem Ephrathah, the least of the clans of Judah, out of you will be born for me the one who is to rule over Israel; his origin goes back to the distant past, to the days of old. The Lord is therefore going to abandon them till the time when she who is to give birth gives birth. Then the remnant of his brothers will come back to the sons of Israel. He will stand and feed his flock with the power of the Lord, with the majesty of the name of his God. They will live secure, for from then on he will extend his power to the ends of the land. He himself will be peace. **The word of the Lord**

**Responsorial Psalm: Lord, make us turn to you; let us see your face and we shall be saved.**

**Second Reading: Letter to the Hebrews 10:5-10**

This is what Christ said, on coming into the world:

You who wanted no sacrifice or oblation, prepared a body for me. You took no pleasure in holocausts or sacrifices for sin; then I said, just as I was commanded in the scroll of the book, "God, here I am! I am coming to obey your will." Notice that he says first: You did not want what the Law lays down as the things to be offered, that is: the sacrifices, the oblations, the holocaust and the sacrifices for sin, and you took no pleasure in them; and then he said: Here I am! I am coming to obey your will. He is abolishing the first sort to replace it with the second. And this will was for us to be made holy by the offering of his body made once and for

all made holy by the offering of his body made once and for all by Jesus Christ.

**The word of the Lord**

**Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, Alleluia!** I am the servant of the Lord: may his will for me be done. **Alleluia!**

**Gospel: Luke 1:39-44**

Mary set out and went as quickly as she could to a town in the hill country of Judah. She went into Zechariah’s house and greeted Elizabeth. Now as soon as Elizabeth heard Mary’s greeting, the child leapt in her womb and Elizabeth was filled with the Holy Spirit. She gave a loud cry and said, “Of all women you are the most blessed, and blessed is the fruit of your womb. Why should I be honoured with a visit from the mother of my Lord? For the moment your greeting reached my ears, the child in my womb leapt for joy. Yes, blessed is she who believed that the promise made her by the Lord would be fulfilled. **The Gospel of the Lord**

**Next Week’s Readings: The Holy Family of Jesus Mary and Joseph 29th December 2024:**

Samuel 1:20-22,24-28; First Letter of St John 3:1-2,21-24; Luke 2:41-52

*A Christmas message from Fr Marlon:*

Greetings!

It’s been a while since I came here to the lovely Parish of St. Patrick, it is 2 years and 8 months to be exact. It is my great pleasure to be part of this community. I find it challenging, yet enjoy every moment; and I have the chance of learning. As I recall during the first part of my one and a half year of ministering in our Parish, it has been a time of adjustments and considerations that we need to do in order for us to meet the needs of our parish. I thank the Lord for all the blessings and guidance that He showered on to us during my ministry here. I also thank the Good Lord for the good people who supported me through and through, to make the managing of the parish smooth. I know what we went through was just a time of purification in order for us to appreciate the good things that we are now enjoying together, as we journey towards the call of “Synodality”; in line with what Pope Francis wants us to do in order to hear the voice of every members of the Church to be in line to the needs of our time. All of us in one way or another are part of this journey. Thank you to all of you! And now, as we celebrate the Birth of our Saviour, join me in thanking Him for another term of serving all of you here. Let us move forward together in this journey of listening to one another and following the path where the Holy Spirit guide us in our faith journey. Let us support one another. Let us celebrate together as members of the Body of Christ, the joyous season of the year. Rest assured of my prayers to each one of you together with your families. Happy Christmas and a Blessed New Year! God bless you all!

In Christ,  
Fr. Marlon  
Parish Priest  
St. Patrick’s Parish Katanning



**PARISH NEWS**



The Fourth Sunday of Advent symbolizes Love. The Fourth Candle, called the **Angel’s Candle**, symbolizes love and the message of God’s love that the angels announced at Christ’s birth. All four candles will be lit on our Advent wreath and we will have a full circle of light. “Advent is not a time of passive waiting. It is a time to ponder the various ways that God sustains life in its diverse forms. It is a time to become householders, like Elizabeth, who clear the paths and open our doors for the God of life to enter in. *Sr Veronica Lawson RSM*”

**Envelopes are available in the pews for Christmas Offerings to our Parish Priest Fr Marlon. We are very fortunate to have the spiritual guidance and presence of a priest in our community and this is a tangible way of offering our appreciation.**



This week we also farewell Lina from our Parish. We shall miss her presence and happy smile and wish her every blessing and safe journey home. Thank you Lina for your commitment and being part of our parish family!

**TWO Columban Calendars left for sale - \$7 each. See Julie or Diana for your copy.**

Next Sunday 29th December, being the fifth Sunday, Tambellup will have the 8.30am Mass, Kojonup 8.30am Communion Service and Katanning the normal 10.30am Mass.

Let us continue to pray for the sick members of our families and also within our Parish especially: Laline Ford; Also our Parishioners in Kerry Lodge and Bethshan, Clara Illiano and Bonnie Quartermaine. Please keep them in your prayers.



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 please contact the Parish Office or Mr Peter Kerin.



COLLECTIONS	8th December	15th December
1 <sup>st</sup> Collection	\$ 534.50	
2nd Collection	\$ 85.60	
Planned Giving Envelopes	\$ 100.00	
Planned Giving Direct Debit	\$ 302.00	
Candles	- -	