

PRAYER REQUESTS

Recently deceased: Raymond Brian Hopkins and Carmen Savona.

Those who are ill: Vince La Terra, Jacob Gatt, John Licciardo, Marshall Bell, and Brian Richards.

NOTE: Names for prayers of the sick will be listed for 4 weeks and will then be removed. You must call the parish office requesting to relist again, if needed.

And for those whose anniversaries occur about this time especially: Angela Spadavecchia (1 year), Pasencia Sembrano, Vince Truda (1 Month), Josie Tabone (1 Year) and John D'Errico (26th Anniversary).

Deceased Souls: Fredrick Bantlemen and Marino Spadavecchia.

A Big Thank You & Goodbye to Fr An

As we near the end of the year, we would like to share the recent news that Archbishop Peter A Comensoli has made a decision to give Fr An a new appointment as an assistant priest to St Macartan's Parish in Mornington.

We extend our deepest gratitude to Fr An for gracing our Parish with his presence and dedication over the past 12 months. Our warmest thanks for his contributions and the positive impact he has had on our community.

We will be having a farewell after the 11am Mass this Sunday in St Joseph's Room. All are welcome. If you would like to say goodbye, Fr An will be celebrating all weekend Masses.

Fr An's last day at the parish will be Tuesday the 12th of December.

Church Roof Appeal

As you may be aware, the church roof has suffered some damage over the past few months. We have now received an estimate of the overall costs; \$50,000, insurance has informed us that it is a maintenance issue and will not be covering it. If you would like to donate toward fixing our roof, our building and maintenance account is:

Building & Maintenance Account

-BSB 083347 -ACC 473192225

***Donations to this account are NOT tax deductible**

Christmas Gifts for Vulnerable Families

Thank you to all who've taken a tag to place on a donated gift for a child this Christmas. **It's time to start bringing all gift back to Mass or directly to the office.** During next week the officers will be picking up the gifts and donating them to children who need them most!

Gift suggestions are:

Arts & Crafts, Puzzles, Books, Bluetooth Speakers (Kmart), Sports Equipment, Fidget Items, Sensory Items, Beach Toys, Stationary, Drink Bottles.

Last year was a huge success and the feedback from schools and community groups was very heart warming. Your generosity makes the most difference to children during this time of year.

Thank you again for your support!

Annual Christmas Lunch

The Good Shepherd Parish will be hosting a Christmas Lunch in our Parish Hall, at no cost to you. If you are feeling lonely and have no one to share Christmas with, or are unable to prepare your own Christmas meal, please come along.

12 noon, 25th December 2023

88 South Circular Road, Gladstone Park
Please **RSVP** your attendance **by 15th**

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*Forms in Church & Office
Volunteers/donation forms due back to office on 9/12/23.

Annual Parish Raffle

Tickets for the Annual Parish Raffle are now available!

Book of 10 tickets for \$20.

Please buy a ticket or collect a book from the Parish office to sell to your family and friends.

All proceeds will remain in the Parish and prizes will go to our Parishioners!

Please return all tickets purchased/unpurchased to Mass or to the parish office.

The raffle is being drawn on Sunday 17/12/23, after the 11am Mass.

THANK YOU!

CHRISTMAS MASS TIMES:

Sunday the 24th of December:

-6pm Family Mass – Good Shepherd

-Midnight Mass – Good Shepherd

***9pm Mass at St Carlo has been cancelled**

Monday the 25th of December:

-9am Mass – St Carlo

-11am Christmas Day Mass – Good Shepherd

***There will be no 5pm Mass**