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Weekday Masses:

Tues—Sat 9:00am

1st Friday Monthly:

Mass at 7:30pm
Adoration at 8:00-9:00pm

Reconciliation (Confession):

Saturday: 9:30am-10:00am
5:00-5:30pm

Sacrament of Baptism:

Contact Jacinta & John Fisher
0438 793 630
hopperscrossingnorth.baptism@cam.org.au

Weddings:

By appointment only
9401 6367



ST JAMES PARISH BULLETIN

336 Derrimut Rd, Hoppers Crossing North, 3029
Under the Pastoral Care of the Paulist Missionaries
www.stjamesapostlehcn.com.au

We acknowledge the living culture of the Wurundjeri people, the traditional custodians of the land we stand on, and pay tribute to the unique role they play in the life of this region.

St James Parish is committed to the safety, well-being and dignity of all children and vulnerable adults.

33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time 15 November 2020

YOUNG PAULISTS PRESENT: LETTUCE SPRING INTO ACTION



Ever wanted to start your own veggie garden but aren't sure where to start? Want a fresh perspective on this? Join the YPs for a gardening workshop to learn all these things.

At our event you will: get a crash course composting, learn the ABC's of gardening, find out what to grow when, using recyclables to create pots and makeshift greenhouses and see Fr Silvio demonstrate building a planter box out of pallet wood.

Seedlings will also be available for purchase at the event to kick start your summer garden!

All proceeds from this event will contribute to the ongoing renovations of the Parish.

When: Wednesday 18 Nov, 6:30PM to 8:00PM

Where: St James the Apostle Play Plaza

Cost: \$5 (entry and access to information + Lettuce Seedling)

Registration required: <https://forms.gle/nRELgTMexBGGX5Bc8>

Registration essential due to limited spots available. Alternatively you could email us on hopperscrossingnorth.paulists@cam.org.au to register. Payment for the ticket will be **on the night by card only**.

WEEKDAY MASSES—AT THOMAS CARR—BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL

With the expected easing of restrictions on Sun 08 Nov, weekday 9:00am liturgies will resume at Thomas Carr College Chapel from Mon 09 Nov.

Mondays will be a Liturgy of the Word with Holy Communion and Mass on Tues—Fri. All liturgies will be live streamed on Facebook. Please note that the 9am Sat morning Mass will only be live streamed.

Due to the government restrictions for indoor faith gatherings, a maximum of 20 people + the faith leader are allowed.

Parishioners who wish to attend morning Mass need to pre-book to ensure that we abide by the government regulations.

Bookings will be taken by phone (9401 6367) or email (hopperscrossingnorth@cam.org.au). Bookings close at 2:30pm the day before. Bookings for the Monday liturgy close on Friday at 2:30pm.

Weekend Mass: Online on Sun 8:30am (www.stjamesapostlehcn.com.au)

SUPPORTING ST JAMES PARISH



We encourage you to continue supporting our parish through online payment. Thanksgiving contributions or Church Extension donations can be made directly to the Parish Bank Account through an Electronic Fund Transfer (EFT).

Account Name: St James the Apostle Parish
BSB: 083-347 Account Number: 646 205 822

For Thanksgiving please use your Thanksgiving Envelope number and your surname so we can attribute your donation correctly. Eg: If your Thanksgiving number is 123, and your surname is Smith, then use the reference "123-Smith".

For Church Extension, please use as reference your surname and -ChExt. Eg: Smith-ChExt.

For Credit Card / Direct Debit contributions, please contact the Parish Office for more information.

Thank you for your continuous support and may you be blessed abundantly for your generosity.

Yours in mission,

Fr Jude Pirotta mssp
Parish Priest

Angel Hartanto
Parish Bookkeeper

CHURCH EXTENSION DONATIONS

Thank you to everyone who is supporting the Church Extensions. Thank you to the Parishioners and Thomas Carr College who together donated \$1525 including a donor who each donated \$1000 this week.

MASS INTENTIONS & 2ND COLLECTION

For those who would like to offer a Mass Intention during this time, you can submit the name and intention to the Parish Office via email (hopperscrossingnorth@cam.org.au) or via phone (9401 6367). In answer to a common query, Mass Intention donations can be made to:

Account Name: Missionary Society of St Paul
BSB: 083-153

Account number: 869470113

Reference: M.Int-[Surname of intention]

For Presbytery Collection (2nd collection) contributions, please use the account above and use the Reference: Presby-[Your Surname]

ADVENT ANGELS

Small change can make a big difference. Your \$3 will help to support the victims of the recent typhoon disaster in the Philippines through the mssp missions.

Advent Angels will be on sale at St James (church car park/play plaza) on the first weekend of Advent - Saturday 28th Nov and Sunday 29th Nov between 1:00pm and 3:00 pm

Please support this initiative by buying an Advent Angel. Thank you.

BAPTISMS AT ST JAMES

Baptisms are now available at St James, subject to the current set of restrictions. Due to the nature of the changing set of restrictions as we move towards COVID normal, please contact the Baptism Coordinator regarding the current set of restrictions along with the number of people allowed at the celebration for your desired date at hopperscrossingnorth.baptism@cam.org.au.

BIBLE STUDY SESSION—MON 16 NOV

The combined Parishes of St James and St Peters is hosting their next Bible Study session on Mon 16 Nov from 7pm-8pm via ZOOM:

Meeting ID: 919 8422 0776

Password: 899140

This session will be on the Gospel of John, Chapter 16. For more information please email gonsalvesclive@hotmail.com.

ST JAMES YOUTH ONLINE

St James Youth is the Parish Youth Ministry, connecting those in yrs 7-12 with other young people in our Parish and helping us discover God in action in our lives.



From Sun 15 Nov until the end of the year, we are inviting those in year 6 to experience our Youth Group in preparation for next year.

If you are in year 6 and would like to experience our online youth group on Sunday nights 6:30pm -7:30pm via Zoom, simply contact us via email at HoppersCrossingNorth.Youth@cam.org.au or call on 0409 184 299 to get the Zoom link.

UPDATE—WEEKEND MASSES AT ST JAMES

With the expected changes to restrictions by the end of this month, the long awaited weekend Masses (Saturday and Sunday) will soon be starting up again at St James.

Please refer to next weekend's Parish Bulletin for Mass times and how to register/book. Please note that restrictions and conditions will still apply towards physically attending Mass at St James which will be detailed in the next Bulletin.

Weekend Mass will continue to be streamed/be available from the Parish website until further notice.

VINNIES CHRISTMAS HAMPER APPEAL

Christmas is approaching and our Parish would normally be putting up our **St James Giving Tree** and asking for donations to provide Christmas Hampers to our Community.

This year, because of COVID-19, we are asking for Parishioners and our four schools to assist us with monetary donations. The money will be given to our vulnerable families in the form of a Coles Gift Voucher(s). We are requesting that this be **done by the 11th December** so we can deliver in time for families to shop before Christmas.

You can deliver your donation in an envelope and place into the Parish Letterbox.

Please note, for this year only, donations towards the St James Giving Tree and the Vinnie's Christmas Hamper Appeal is via monetary donation only and **not through gifts of food, clothes or toys.**

We thank you in advance and will keep you in our prayers and thoughts.

NOVEMBER MASS INTENTIONS

During the month of November we remember our departed relatives and friends. Each Mass intention will be individually celebrated and the stipends used to support our missions. You can write names of your departed loved ones using the link on the Parish web page (stjamesapostlehc.n.com.au) or on the Facebook page. These will then be listed on our Book of the Living. The names will also be printed on the back of our Parish Bulletin.

CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to the students at St Francis of Assisi Primary who completed their First Reconciliation this past week. Let us keep them in our prayers as they continue their sacramental journey, living out and witnessing to mercy, renewal and living life to the full.

ANNUAL COLLECTION FOR THE DEAF

The John Pierce Centre (JPC) provides Mass in Auslan (Australian Sign Language), faith development, marriage preparation, weddings, funerals and preparation for Sacraments. JPC also provides resources and support to schools, pastoral care & family support, counselling, activities for deaf parents and their children throughout Victoria.

JPC is thankful to the people of every parish in their support over many years. This is important because JPC does not receive any money from government and rely on donations.

This year, we are able to support the JPC with donations to www.jpc.org.au/donations. The donation from this Appeal assists with a stipend for a chaplain at JPC. Their programs are limited to the funding they receive from donations or bequests. Thank you for your support.

MEET THE PRIESTS—SUN 22 NOV

Our next Meet the Priests is on **Sun 22 Nov from 3:00pm-4:00pm**. A good opportunity to meet our priests (Fr Jude, Fr Silvio & Fr Mario) and get an update of what's happening in our Parish. We look forward to meeting you over the ZOOM platform.

ZOOM Meeting ID: 919 4821 1939
Password: mass

KEEPING OUR PRAYER LIST CURRENT

To keep our Prayer List for the Sick current, kindly contact the Parish Office with the names of people you would like on it and they will be on the list for 8 weeks. Simply contact the Parish to renew for another 8 weeks.

PRAYER LIST

Let us pray and support those in our community who are sick. We especially pray for Paul Cutajar, Graciano Licup, Anne Campbell and all those who are ill.

RECENTLY DECEASED & ANNIVERSARIES

Please pray for our loved ones whom we remember especially Peter Muscat, John Axiaq and Werner Zimmermann who passed away recently, Sam Pirota, Concetta and Giovanni Del Grosso, Robert Del Grosso, Nicola and Giovannina Tedesco, Alphonse Massako, Berthe Besseke, Marie Ebelle, Marie Therese Ngongah, Henri Yepmout, Alexandre Djoki, Bruno Tonye, Michel Edouka, Zita Raymonde No, Leonard Ebaha, Antoine Mbong, Adolphe Stephane Ebongo, Charlotte Singui Diah, Norbert Ulrich Moukoko Djoki, Etienne Ewandje, Germaine Zita Tadonki Kana, Marie Ngo Nguiten, Emy Saffarese, Natu Portelli, Geff Ruthburn, Ron Gamble and all whose anniversaries occur at this time.

RCIA CANDIDATES

Anna Vo, Alize Zhang and Nancy Chohan will be initiated in the Sacraments and Morteza Babaei and Ronald Main will be brought to full communion in the Catholic Church, setting the example for all to appreciate the grace we share. Long have they awaited this time, with the delay for this celebration from Easter this year due to COVID. Let us journey with them in prayer as they prepare themselves to join us fully at the beginning of December.

JDP ORCHESTRA CONCERT

The Jose De Piro String Chamber Orchestra which visited us in June 2019 from the Philippines, are hosting an online concert on Sun 29 Nov. Stay tuned for more details and how to view their concert.

PALMS—REACHING BEYOND 2020

People of all trades and professions are being requested by communities abroad seeking to build the capacity of their organisations and the skills of their people. Restrictions this year have made communities' needs acute, but your assistance will help to develop self-reliance and sustainable solutions to poverty. Palms Australia will provide you with thorough preparation to ensure your readiness as travel resumes, and support on assignment

See www.palms.org.au and talk to Roger on 0431 995 058, or email palms@palms.org.au.

LEO'S LETTER TO HIS DYING GRANDPA

Dear Nannu,

I pray that you can stay here as long as you can, but please know that I am praying for you every night. It's really hard for me to say bye but if it is what you want, I am happy for you. I also pray that you look after yourself for the next couple of weeks or maybe days. You are very special to me that is why I don't want you to go. I reckon your praying helped me when I was little.

It is your choice, and when you think you are ready, say in your prayers to God "Okay, I am ready". But please tell someone so they can tell me and I'll be praying for you.

When you're up there, I will be talking to you a lot about what is happening down here through my prayers. When you are also up there I'm sure you'll make heaps of friends and see some of your old mates. I'm still praying for you every night, you are a very strong man. I'm sure you will be able to go to the centre up there and I'm sure you can watch all of the stories there as well. If you want me to do something, tell me in my prayers and I will do it for you.

Lots and lots of praying, lots and lots of love from Leo.

NOVEMBER MASS INTENTIONS

Armando Pena, Rosario Somo, Nancy Bantay, Teoderico Somo, Juan Bugay, Angie Bugay, Clarissa Rodriguez, Mariano Pena, Rosa and Angelo Caltabiano, Maria and Giuseppe Vivona, Michael Papavero, Vita and Salvatore Grasso, Angelo Giunta, Maria, Francisco and Sam Marino, Isabella and Sara Laws, Finnish, Vin and Noel Grasso, Concetta Grasso, Angelo Giunta, Rosa and John Virgona, Bradley Revell, Charles Summit, Mary Summit, Sister Adele Sammut, Len Revell, Filomena Go, Domingo Go, Corazon Moscos, Placido Moscosa, Frank Corres, Lilia Moscosa, Vicenta Pabalan, Francis David, Felix Pabalan, Tony Power, Castor Estomo, Zosima Estomo, Alex Estomo, Venancio Bumaat, Venrose and Viola Bumaat, Pedro Estomo, Leoncia Estomo Hilario and Sofia Estomo, Pastora and Alfredo Estomo, Zenai Tan, Avelina Go, Teodora Chan, Crispin Chan, Zosima Tano, Zenanda Tano, Rolando Chan, Jay Padilla, Resty Padilla, Menhing Chan, Rosario Chan, Mary and Joe Porter, Porter Family, Falzon Family, Micallef Family, Fleri Family, Carmela Stefanelli, Nunzio Stefanelli, Nicola, Carmela, Michele Golia, Rosa Pozzuto, Leela Lourdes, Xavier, Antony, Francis, Peter, Rayo, Josephine & Vincent Attard, Louis & Grace Spiteri, Reno Baldacchino, Natalina & Charlie Sammut, Georgia Refalo, Margaret Grima, Laura Spiteri, Emy Saffarese, Natu Portelli, Bevan Wilson, Jeff Ruthburn, Ron Gamble, Jake Shaw, Matthew Montebello, Gloria Montebello, Amber Potter, Lilly & Henry Saffarese, Adelaide, Alan & Collin Gamble, Tony Cassar, Tony Scerri, Mary Headley, Emmanuel Scicluna, Gaetana Scicluna, Annie Cassar, Doris Scicluna, Joe Scicluna, Cettina Sammut, Joe Sammut, Josephine Scerri, Rita Scicluna, Deceased members of Duggan family, Deceased members of Blake family, Pauline Handysides, Leslie Morris, Bruce Soares, Christine McSorley, Nadine Smith, Mary Xerri, Charlie Xerri, Joseph Xerri, Carmen Tabone, Felix Tabone, Angela Sacco, Salvatore Sacco, Sidora Xerri, Joseph (Senior) Xerri, Rosa Abela, Marlene Mercieca, Frances Mercieca, Rosary Mercieca, Gonsalves, Soares and O'Shanassy families, Jose Salita, Alvin Laxamana, Ramon Alonzo, Lola Pising, Salita siblings, Teresita Abada, Frank & Tony Folino, Joe & Frances Chircop, Paul & Marthese Spiteri, John & Maryanne Abdilia, Joe & Carmen Chircop, Charlie & Angela Gelisamino, Ronald Vincent Rawlins, Teresa Marie Rawlins, Agnes Rawlins, Tom Rawlins, Fredrick Thomas Rawlins, Norma Hard, Mario Mijares Snr, Nina Mijares, Jose Moneda, Filomena Moneda, Jonathan Gauci, Baldacchino and Gauci parents, Grech & Hili Families, Kristinu, Carmen & Joe Cutajar; Catherine, Joe & Angelo Schembri; Nina & Robert Lewis; Carmen & Joe Micallef, Angela & Angelo Schembri; John & Theresa Psaila