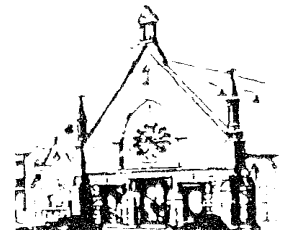




ST. BEDE'S AND ST. JAMES'



Fourth Sunday of Advent –Year C Sunday 23rd December 2018

St James' Church.

2 Woolley Street, Forest Lodge

Weekday Masses

Wednesday & Friday: 9am

Sat: 8.30am

Sunday Mass Times

Saturday Vigil: 5pm

Sunday: 9.30am

(Tongan Choir: 4th Sunday)

Children's Liturgy

1st Sunday of the month (St. James)

Confession (Reconciliation)

Saturday at 4pm (St. James)

Baptisms

2nd Sunday of the month at
12.15pm. Bookings required.

St Bede's Church

43 Pyrmont Street, Pyrmont

Sunday Mass Times

8am and 11am

Baptisms

3rd Sunday of the month at

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Christmas Mass Times

St James Forest Lodge

and

St Bede's Pyrmont

St Bede

43 Pyrmont St, Pyrmont

Christmas Midnight Mass

Carols from 11.30pm

*Christmas Day Masses 8am &
11am (with carols)*

St James

2 Woolley St, Forest Lodge

Christmas Eve Mass 5pm

Celebrated with a Tongan Choir.

Children are invited to wear angel and shepherd costumes to participate in a Nativity pageant

Christmas Day Mass 9.30am



Christmas Office Closure

The parish office will be closed from **Friday 21st December 2018** and will re-open on **Monday 7th January 2018**.

Emails and phone messages will be checked sporadically during this time.

We would like to wish you and your family a very happy Christmas and New Year.

Father Dom will be away on leave for the whole month of January 2019.



NOTICES, NOTICES, NOTICES, NOTICES, NOTICES, NOTICES, NOTICES.....

CHRISTMAS BLESSINGS

On behalf of the St James parish primary school, we would like to thank you all for your support during 2018 and wish each parishioner a very holy, blessed and joyful Christmas filled with the love of God and may he grant you all his richest blessings in the New Year.

PARISH NEWSLETTERS FOR JANUARY 2019

Please note that only the readings will be printed for the month of January 2019. No newsletters will be printed.

NEW PARISH STAFF MEMBER

Mrs Amanda Gardiner has joined our parish team as our Sacramental Co-Ordinator. Amanda's role will include preparing families for Baptisms, Eucharist, Confirmation and Reconciliations. Amanda is also our Safeguarding Officer.

Please contact Amanda on the following emails for:

Baptisms:

baptisms@stjames-stbede.org.au

Eucharist, Confirmation and Reconciliation:

ecrsacraments@stjames-stbede.org.au

Safeguarding administration or general enquiries:

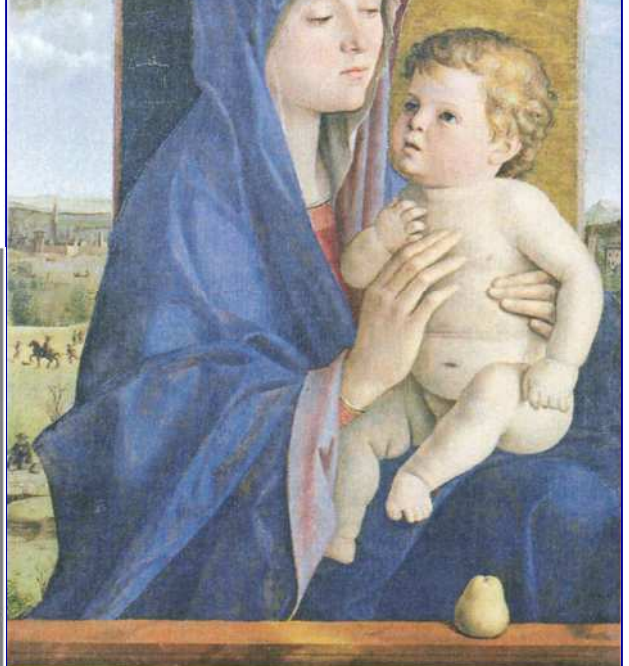
admin@stjames-stbede.org.au

AN ADVENT APP FOR CHRISTMAS! – MEET ME IN THE SILENCE.

Walk the journey to Advent on your mobile device. Each day delivers a new video, podcast or written feature to assist you prepare for Christmas and meet Jesus in the silence, despite the busyness of the Christmas season.

The Advent Calendar App is free and available on your iPhone, iPad and Android devices. Search for "Xt3 Advent" in the Google Play store or the App store, or visit www.sydneycatholic.org/xt3advent

2019 Columban Art Calendar
\$10 each. Please put money in the
St Vincent de Paul box.



2019 Columban Art Calendar

We would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone who has volunteered their services or time at our parishes during this year. We are truly grateful and appreciate everything you do.



WISHING YOU
AN ABUNDANTLY
BLESSED HOLIDAY
SEASON!

FROM THE FULLNESS OF
GRACE WE HAVE ALL
RECEIVED ONE BLESSING
AFTER ANOTHER.
JOHN 1:16

Readers for next Sunday, 30th December 2018

	St. James'	St. Bede's	St. James'	St. Bede's
	5pm	8am	9:30am	11am
First Reader	Michael & Sue McAlister	Gus & Kathy Loo	READER NEEDED	Antonia Budriah
Second Reader	Michael & Sue McAlister	Gus & Kathy Loo	Anne Connolly	Gianna Swadling

Please pray for the sick:

James Price, Terrie Iglesias, Joh Lockhart, Dr Ron Morstyn, Karen Ingui, Guido Gianni, Peter Spillane, Mia Hoad, Audrey Tate, Elizabeth Fletcher, Neave Mackey, Patricia O'Leary, Gillian Ellis, John & June Ebert, Debbie Julius, Fran Campisi, Irene Malin, Fr. Michael Walsh, Bp Geoffrey Robinson, Kate Mara, Leslee Hoad-Mara, Lee Tillam, Kay White, family members, parishioners, friends.

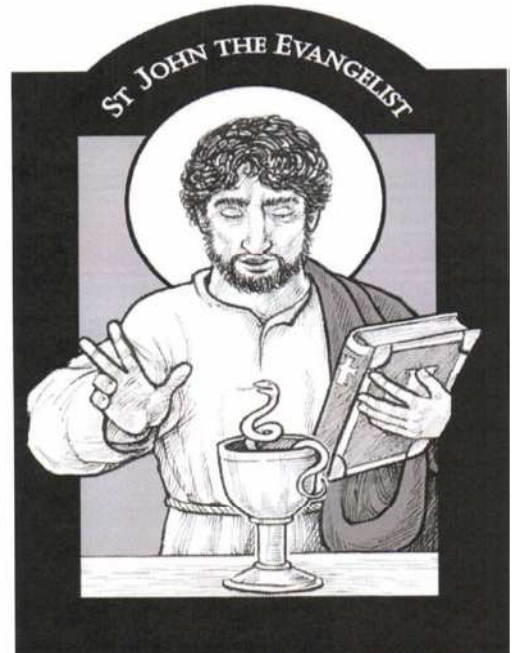
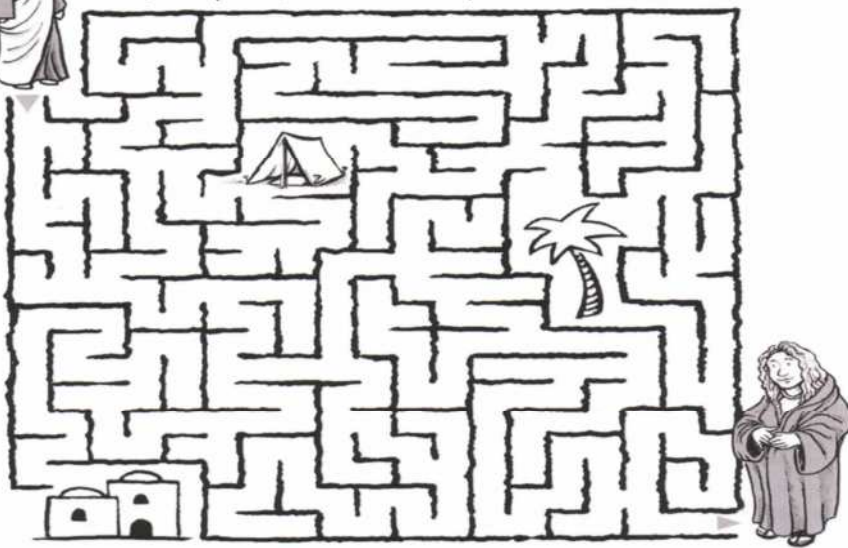
Please pray for the deceased:

Natalia Sutantri, Sr Katherine Larkey SGS, Jack Williams, Tran Thi Duc, James Fitzpatrick, Noel Prosser, Brian Hickey, Noreen Hayes, Anthony Creighton, Allan White, Georgia Hoad, Hazel O'Connor, Sam Tinman, Maria Lo, Sean & Pat Flanagan, Frank & Melina Galluzo, O'Connor family members & all the faithful departed Parishioners.

If you would like to add names to the "pray for the sick" or "pray for the deceased" lists, please contact the office. Please note that any names added for an anniversary to the pray for the deceased will remain for 4 weeks.



When Mary heard that her much older cousin Elizabeth was with child, she hurried to Elizabeth and Zechariah's house in the hills of Judea. Can you help Mary find the correct path to her cousin Elizabeth?



Wordsearch

Try to find these words:



- baby
- believed
- blessed
- Elizabeth
- greeting
- happy
- heard
- hurried
- loud
- Mary
- moved
- woman

P B O A N C N H Y B A B U C S F B
 Z O H V U T W G T X E Z M H R G G
 F O T V G N I T E E R G A O N O R
 L F Q N F D U O L Q B P Q R V Y H
 M A P P U Q M G I U P A D A I E F
 U A S H E A R D Q W H A Z I Z M H
 Q P H U T D B E L I E V E D L U Z
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 J X D Q T E G G M K L V E P A Z O
 H R T E D Z T Y O P M S Z O I W W
 I H N G M Q Z X W H W C P B A F S

St John the Evangelist was a son of Zebedee and brother of James, John and James (the Greater) were apostles of Jesus, who referred to them as the "sons of thunder". He was a witness to many events including the Transfiguration, the raising of Jaius' daughter and the Agony in the Garden of Gethsemane. As he stood at the foot of the cross, John was told by Jesus to accept Mary as his adopted mother. John was the first to reach the tomb when told of the resurrection and the first to recognise the Risen Lord when he appeared to them at Lake Tiberias. Towards the end of his life, John wrote the fourth Gospel as a witness to the Divinity of Christ. He also wrote three epistles contained in the New Testament, and is traditionally, though perhaps not correctly, identified as the author of the Book of Revelation.

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

Drop down dew from above,
you heavens,
and let the clouds rain down the Just
One;
let the earth be opened and bring forth a
Saviour.

COLLECT

Pour forth, we beseech you, O Lord,
your grace into our hearts,
that we, to whom the Incarnation of
Christ your Son
was made known by the message of an
Angel,
may by his Passion and Cross
be brought to the glory of his
Resurrection.
Who lives and reigns with you in the
unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, for ever and ever.

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.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

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



SECOND READING

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 holocausts
and the sacrifices for sin, and you took
no pleasure in them; and then he says:
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
by Jesus Christ.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

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

GOSPEL

Luke 1:39-45

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.'

NICENE CREED

I believe in one God, the Father
almighty, maker of heaven & earth,
of all things visible and invisible. I
believe in one Lord Jesus Christ,
the Only Begotten Son of God, born
of the Father before all ages. God
from God, Light from Light, true
God from true God, begotten, not
made, consubstantial with the
Father; through him all things were
made. For us men and for our
salvation he came down from
heaven, and by the Holy Spirit was
incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and
became man. For our sake he was
crucified under Pontius Pilate, he
suffered death and was buried, and
rose again on the third day in
accordance with the Scriptures. He
ascended into heaven and is seated
at the right hand of the Father. He
will come again in glory to judge
the living and the dead and his
kingdom will have no end. I believe
in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the
giver of life, who proceeds from the
Father and the Son, who with the
Father and the Son is adored and
glorified, who has spoken through
the prophets. I believe in one, holy,
catholic and apostolic Church. I
confess one Baptism for the
forgiveness of sins and I look
forward to the resurrection of the
dead and the life of the world to
come. Amen.

PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

May the Holy Spirit, O Lord,
sanctify these gifts laid upon your
altar, just as he filled with his
power the womb of the Blessed
Virgin Mary.
Through Christ our Lord.

MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION:

We proclaim your Death, O Lord,
and profess your Resurrection until
you come again.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

Behold, a Virgin shall conceive and
bear a son; and his name will be
called Emmanuel.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Having received this pledge of eternal
redemption, we pray, almighty God,
that, as the feast day of our salvation
draws ever nearer, so we may press
forward all the more eagerly to the
worthy celebration of the mystery of
your Son's Nativity.
Who lives and reigns for ever & ever.

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