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MASS TIMES

MONDAY

(ROSARY prior to Mass)

7.00am & 10.00am

TUESDAY TO FRIDAY

(ROSARY prior to Mass)

7.00am & 10.00am

SATURDAY

9.00am; 6.00pm (Vigil)

SUNDAY

7.30am; 9.30am; 11.00am;
12.15pm (Polish); 5.30pm

RECONCILIATION

9.30am Saturday

NOVENA to OUR LADY of PERPETUAL HELP

Monday after 10.00am Mass

NOVENA to ST. ANTHONY

Tuesday after 10.00am Mass

ADORATION OF BLESSED SACRAMENT & DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET

Thursdays at 9.00am

PLEASE NOTE:

The **Parish Pantry** doors will open for service to the community on:
Tuesday, Jan 15, 2019.

The Baptism of our Lord - Year C - January 13, 2019

Readings for this week:

Isaiah 42: 1 - 4, 6 - 7; Acts 10: 34 - 38; Luke 3: 15 - 16, 21 - 22

Reflection on the Gospel

by Fr Michael Tate

What did it mean for Jesus to come up out of the waters of the Jordan to experience the special presence of the Holy Spirit as though it were a dove, gently hovering over him? As a Jew, he would have been reminded both of the Divine Wind hovering over the void-become-creation, and of the dove bearing an olive twig as God restored humanity's life on earth after the Flood. The Holy Spirit was empowering Him for a re-creative role on behalf of humanity.

His second experience was to sense God's delight and joy sounding, reverberating through every fibre of his body, every reach of his soul: 'You are my beloved Son, my favour rests on you.'

Any baby, any adolescent, any adult who is baptised shares in these wonderful experiences. The dynamic power of the Holy Spirit hovers over the person as a gentle presence, preparing the one baptised for a mission on behalf of humanity. And every baptised person senses, below the range of hearing, the echo of the same marvellous words: "You are my beloved son or daughter, my favour rests on you."

Is it any wonder that Our Lord adopted this water rite to incorporate his followers into such wonderful experiences as a power-full impetus to fulfil their mission to cooperate in God's saving plan for humanity?

We could take a moment to pray in gratitude for the parent/s or other person/s who brought us into this tradition stretching over almost two millennia. May they be filled with all that flows from their being beloved sons and daughters of God.



BULLETIN NOTICES

For the month of January the Bulletin will take on this format.

Please do not send in any notices for the Bulletin from December 29, 2018 - January 29, 2019.

Notification of **Anniversaries** and **Deaths** will still be accepted. They will be included in the Bulletin, but not on the screens at the Sunday Masses.

Please contact the Parish Office on 5222 1977

ST MARY'S PIETY STALL

The Piety Stall will open on **Sundays only** from 10.30am - 12.15pm until Monday Feb 4, 2019 when normal opening times will resume.

Normal opening times after Feb 4 will be:

Mon-Fri 10.30am - 1.00pm. Not open Saturdays.
Sundays 10.30am - 12.15pm.

Café Light is open after the Sunday morning Masses.

AS A COMMUNITY WE PRAY FOR:

RECENTLY DECEASED: Maria José Da'Silva

CURRENT ANNIVERSARIES OF DEATH: Reg Butcher, Roy Stoneham, Charles McFarlane, Brian Sexton, Betty Dowie, Aloysius Selvarajoo, Jeanne Duhau, Filomena D'Agostino, Raffaele D'Agostino, Barry McMahon, Tony Houlihan, Patricia Biscombe, Jan Czarnuch



St. John of God Hospital Chapel Mass: Thursday - 11.30am

Radio Mass: Sunday 7am on Light FM, 89.9 and 10am on The Pulse 94.7 FM

<u>TIMES</u>	<u>AV Computer</u>	<u>Readers</u>	<u>Special Ministers</u>
6.00pm	Georgia Cowdery	Brendan Sullivan	Denis Turnbull, Kevin Mark
7.30am	Paul O'Toole	Paul Buttigieg	Peter Baker, Ian Kelly, Lorraine Cotter
9.30am	Anjali Joseph	Philip Redfern Des Guinane	Damian Moynihan, Ann Salerno, Keith Vriens, Philip Redfern
11.00am	Joan Belleville	Georgia Cowdery Shirley Carroll	Irena Godlewski, Angelito Mercado, Maureen Zampatti, Shirley Carroll, Rosa Marino, Nina Taristano
		<u>NO Children's Liturgy of the Word:</u> School Holidays	
5.30pm	Kevin Kleijn	Peter Mackinlay Marita Fitzpatrick	Elizabeth Fleming, John Morton, Marita Fitzpatrick



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cheryledouglas50@gmail.com
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