



## SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT – YR B

10TH DECEMBER, 2023

Readings: Is 40:1-5, 9-11; 2 Pet 3:8-14; Mk 1:1-8

*“Building a community of Jesus’ disciples.” We welcome you - We are one family*

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Palmwoods, Yandina  
and Bli Bli*

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### **Called to hear and obey the Word of God**

John the Baptist's life was fuelled by one burning passion - to point others to Jesus Christ and to the coming of his kingdom. **Who is John the Baptist and what is the significance of his message for our lives?** Scripture tells us that John was filled with the Holy Spirit even from his mother's womb (**Luke 1:15, 41**) by Christ himself, whom Mary had just conceived by the Holy Spirit. When Mary visited her cousin Elizabeth John leaped in her womb as they were filled with the Holy Spirit (**Luke 1:41**). The fire of the Spirit dwelt in John and made him the forerunner of the coming Messiah. John was led by the Spirit into the wilderness prior to his ministry where he grew in the word of God and was tested in preparation for his prophetic mission. John's clothing was reminiscent of the prophet Elijah (**Kings 1:8**).

John broke the prophetic silence of the previous centuries when he began to speak the word of God to the people of Israel. His message was similar to the message of the Old Testament prophets who chided the people of God for their unfaithfulness and who tried to awaken true repentance in them. Among a people unconcerned with the things of God, it was his work to awaken their interest, unsettle them from their complacency, and arouse in them enough good will to recognize and receive Christ when he came.

Jesus tells us that John the Baptist was more than a prophet (**Luke 7:26**). John was the voice of the Consoler who is coming (**John 1:23; Isaiah 40:1-3**). He completed the cycle of prophets begun by Elijah (**Matthew 11:13-14**). What the prophets had carefully searched for and angels longed to see, now came to completion as John made the way ready for the coming of the Messiah, God's Anointed Son, the Lord Jesus Christ. With John the Baptist, the Holy Spirit begins the restoration to the human race of the "divine likeness", prefiguring what would be achieved with and in the Lord Jesus.

John's baptism was for repentance - turning away from sin and taking on a new way of life according to God's word. Our baptism in Jesus Christ by water and the Spirit results in a new birth and entry into God's kingdom as his beloved sons and daughters (**John 3:5**). The Lord Jesus comes to baptise each one of us in his Holy Spirit so that we may walk in his truth and holiness and radiate the joy of the Gospel to all we meet. **God's word has power to change and transform our lives** so that we may be lights that point others to Jesus Christ. Like John the Baptist, we too are called to give testimony to the light and truth of Christ. **Do you point others to Jesus Christ** in the way you live, speak, and treat others?

*Extract from One Bread, One Body courtesy of Presentation Ministries © 2023*

### **CHRISTMAS ROSTERS**

*The Christmas rosters are available for viewing on the table near entrance to the church. There are some vacancies and if you can assist, please leave your name against that vacancy. Thank you to all who have offered to assist.  
Maureen*



*St Joseph's Church  
P.O. Box 569  
177 Currie Street  
Nambour*

#### **St. Joseph's Parish Mass Times**

*Monday 8:00am , Wednesday 10:00am, Friday 8:00am,  
Saturday 6:00pm, Sunday 8:00am*

#### **Reconciliation**

*Wednesday 9:30, Saturday 4:30pm*

*St John Bosco Church Kenilworth Mass Time  
Third Sunday of the month 10:00am*

*St Augustine's Church Palmwoods Mass Time  
Third Sunday of the Month 5:30pm*



*St John Bosco Church  
21 Anne Street  
Kenilworth*

**Saturday 9 December**

4:30pm Reconciliation  
**5:00pm Mass @ St Joseph's**  
 6:00pm Shared meal followed  
 by Christmas Carols for all.  
 7:00pm Impact Youth Group

**Sunday 10 December**

*SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT*

8:00am Mass @ St Joseph's

**Monday 11 December**

8:00am Mass

**Wednesday 13 December**

9:30am Reconciliation  
 10:00am Mass  
 10:30am Cenacle of the  
 Marion Movement  
 of Priest

**Thursday 14 December**

5:30pm The Temple Week 4

**Friday 15 December**

8:00am Mass

**Saturday 16 December**

9:00am Baptism Parent  
 Information Session  
 x 5 families  
  
 4:30pm Reconciliation  
 6:00pm Mass

**Sunday 17 December**

*THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT*

8:00am Mass @ St Josephs  
 Church

*Baptism* Ophelia Wetherall  
 (Talisha & Samuel)

10:00am Mass @ St John  
 Bosco Church  
 Kenilworth

5:30pm Mass @ St  
 Augustine's Church  
 Palmwoods

**Please pray for the Sick and needy** and all the sick and needy and their families, particularly Yvonne & Bob Reid, Aiden Doyle and Doreen Brennan and all those affected by any illness or virus, locally and globally, and their loved ones, and also those remaining in the Parish Journal for the Sick.



**Mass on Demand** is available 24/7 on <https://www.youtube.com/user/cathnews>. Please advise the Parish office when you or your loved ones are well enough to be removed from the prayers.

**Please pray for those who are seriously ill or suffering in hospital including** Tita Marshall, Neal McIntyre, Tom Mathews, Peter Madue, Glenda Kassulke, Dave Pitt, Diane Price, Noeline Herdy Ferguson, Grant Allen (Kenilworth), Olivia McNamee (12 yr old), Jim McLeod, Tom Wilson, Michael & Cathy Crust, Maree Kruger, Val Chatterton, Baby Koa Pegler, Bruce Power, Marie Gannon, along with all those who work and serve in hospitals, in any capacity.

**Please pray for all Parishioners & Friends in residential or home care and those who care for them including** all those in the Parish Prayer petition book. Especially Margaret Cody, Elvira Quinn, Edna Veronica May.

**The Prayer petition book** is present at masses where the larger list of names of the sick, seriously ill and residential people are placed. The petitions will be updated regularly and present at all masses.

**Please pray** for the holy souls in Purgatory, especially deceased relatives and friends.

**Anniversaries:**

Remember in your prayers Robbie Keegan 18/12/22, Mark Turner 17/12/22, George & Florence Kenyon, Raymond (Tom) Leslie McDougall 03.12.2022, Jason Kunkel 28/11, Dorothea Cornish 24/11, Hilda Pulache 19/11, and all those whose Anniversary occurs at this time and we pray for all their families and loved ones.

**Deceased:**

*Please pray for the repose of the souls of* all the recently departed especially Lachlan James Robbins 29 years old (Grandson of Joan & Barry Pobjoy) Joseph Clutterbuck (Mackay), Sesto Porcellini (Peter & Jennifer's father/inlaw) Please also pray for loved ones in their grieving.

PARISH WEEKLY DIARY

**Sundays:**

6:00am TV Mass at Home ch10

**Tuesdays:**

9:15am Tai Chi  
 (recess from 21/11/23—20/2/2024)  
 Ryan Room  
 Enquiries 0427 690 072

**Fridays:**

6:00pm RICA - Ryan  
 Room

**ST JOHN BOSCO CHURCH KENILWORTH**

**Thursdays:**

9:30am Christian Meditation

**Sundays:**

9:00am Lay Led Liturgy of the  
 word with Communion

**Third Sundays:**

10:00am Mass

**Fifth Sundays:**

9:00am Ecumenical Service



**ST JOSEPH'S PARISH NAMBOUR  
 CHRISTMAS MASS  
 TIMES**

<p>ST JOSEPH'S CHURCH                  177 CURRIE ST NAMBOUR</p> <p>ST JOHN BOSCO CHURCH                  21 ANNE ST KENILWORTH</p> <p>ST AUGUSTINE'S CHURCH                  13 HILL ST PALMWOODS</p> <p>WWW.NAMBOURCATHOLICS.NET                  PHONE: (07) 5441 1034</p>	<p><b>SUNDAY 24TH DECEMBER</b></p> <p>CHRISTMAS EVE                  4:00PM MASS                  @ ST AUGUSTINE'S                  CHURCH, PALMWOODS</p> <p>7:00PM MASS                  @ ST JOSEPH'S NAMBOUR</p> <p><b>MONDAY 25TH DECEMBER</b></p> <p>CHRISTMAS DAY                  8:00AM MASS                  @ ST JOSEPH'S NAMBOUR</p> <p>10:30AM MASS                  @ ST JOHN BOSCO CHURCH                  KENILWORTH</p>
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**VINNIES CHRISTMAS  
 AND EDUCATION APPEAL**

**ST VINCENT DE PAUL,**

The spirit to feed, heal, shelter and inspire – the power to change lives- is in everyone. As we enter this Advent season, your commitment to helping those experiencing disadvantage, poverty, loneliness, and homelessness is still very much needed and appreciated. With your help we can make a difference.

**Ways you can assist:** Support our raffle for Education support (Commencing 2/3 Dec) Donate foods to our Pantry, Contribute financially. Envelopes and tax receipts available, or make a direct deposit. SSB 064 786 ACCT 100027059 ACCT Name St Joseph's Conference Nambour. Would you like to know more about our work? Please make contact.

Thank you for your generous support. *Annette Baker (President) 0407 928 217*

**The Sign':**

**Daily Advent and Christmas Reflections 2023**—a captivating 80-page book containing spiritually rich, yet accessible, daily reflections from the beginning of Advent (3 December 2023) through to the Baptism of the Lord (8 January 2024). *Available now for \$5.00—only 5 copies left*





**Blessing of the Dedication plaque for**

Fr Graham Gatehouse in recognition of his 20 years of service to St Joseph's Catholic Parish in Nambour.

Thank you to all for your attendance and support at the 11:00am Mass on Saturday 02/12/2023.




  
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Rosanna Tumelty.

**Ecumenical Ministry**

Joan Pobjoy.

**Eucharistic Adoration**

Rosanna Tumelty

& Adrian Eldridge.

**Helping Hands**

Kate Bourassa & Jan Imarisio.

**Youth Minister**

To be confirmed

**Contact all Ministry Coordinators**  
C/- Parish Office 54411034



**Seniors  
Christmas  
Gathering  
2023**



**THE PARISH PRECINCT**

In addition to the Church cleaning roster, the Parish currently has one team of 5 Volunteers (**cleaning of the Office, Community Centre, Ryan Room, lower level Good Samaritan Centre and Bathrooms**).

These volunteers excel with their service, for which we are most grateful. We need to expand the team and are seeking 3 additional offers in volunteering in a bid to achieve rotation of weekly shifts.

**Thank you to one new generous Parishioner for joining the team to date.**

*Please contact the Parish office should your spirit be called to serve and your strength willing.*

**COUNTERS**

**This week:** Group 2: S. Brinnand, J. Bourassa, M. Murphy, B. Pearce, D. Cuskelly

**Next week:** Group 3: M. & B. Barker, L. Richardson, B. Pearce, J. Goggin, J. Bourassa

**Planned Giving**

**Last week:**  
Loose: \$651.65  
Envelopes: \$943.70  
**November:**  
Credit Cards: \$1913.00  
Direct Debit: \$3658.00  
**Total for November:** \$11385.40

**ST JOSEPH'S USUAL MONTHLY DIARY**

**1st Monday:**

- ◆ 5:30pm Monday Liturgy Meeting (4 December)

**1st Wednesday:**

- ◆ 10:00am Anointing Mass
- ◆ 10:30am Seniors Gathering & M/tea—new Parishioners welcome
- ◆ 6:00pm Leadership meetings bi monthly

**1st Friday:**

- ◆ 8:30am—6:00pm 10 Hour Eucharistic Adoration Followed by Benediction concluding at 6:30pm

**1st Saturday:**

- ◆ 8:30am Baptism Preparation
- ◆ 11:00am Mass Marion Movement Combined Cenacle SSCoast—all welcome

**3rd Sunday:**

- ◆ 10:00am Mass at Kenilworth
- ◆ 5:30pm Mass at Palmwoods

**5th Sunday:**

- ◆ 9:00am Ecumenical Service at Kenilworth

**Last Monday-bi-monthly**

- ◆ 5:15pm Helping Hands Next meeting tbc

**Last Friday:**

- ◆ 6:00pm St Joseph's Men's Group



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**REMEMBERING ST JOSEPHS PARISH**

Thank you for remembering your Parish in your will.



**2024 Parish Study Program**

1. On line learning with 'Transformed Catholics' Program
2. Group studies using DVD and workbook
3. Parish Book Club
4. Arete Residential and on line training - for 2025

Sign in to any, or all of the studies via:

- The QR Code opposite
- The link: [bit.ly/CFStudygroup](http://bit.ly/CFStudygroup)
- The sign up page at the Church - The Parish Office will then register you

*(please include your email address when you sign in)*

Your early sign up will help gauge likely interest across the programs and allow more detailed information to be sent to you

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**Archdiocesan Commitment  
Statement**

The Archdiocese has zero tolerance for all forms of abuse and is committed to safeguarding everyone involved in its activities, ministries, and services. The safety and wellbeing of children and adults at risk is paramount.



# Great news for the Parish!

## *We did big things in 2023 thanks to Catholic Foundation Funding:*

- Currently delivering Flyers to 23,000 homes within our Parish Boundaries
- A successful 'Reclaiming our Parish' and 'Reclaim Review' process.
- 'St Joes Network Platform' established with Guest and Parishioner groups
- Follow through on the 'Reclaim Review' - Christmas Carols event, Parish Retreat in the New Year and a Sing-along session group next year.

## *And our 2024 Grant Proposal has been approved for:*

### 1. On line learning with 'Transformed Catholics' Program

- Exploring via video link, the ideas and methods that underpin the Popes call to a New Evangelisation (individual contribution \$20.00)

### 2. Group studies using DVD and workbook

- Unlocking the mystery of the bible in 8 sessions (individual contribution \$30.00)
- The Bible Time Line in 24 sessions (individual contribution \$50.00)
- A Biblical Walk through the Mass in 5 sessions (individual contribution \$25.00)

### 3. Parish Book Club (individual contribution \$5.00 per book)

- Why They Follow: (Lessons in church communication from that one lost sheep)
- Evangelizing Catholics: (A Mission Manual for the New Evangelization)
- The Fourth Quarter of Your Life: (Embracing What Matters Most)
- This Is My Body: (A Call to Eucharistic Revival)

### 4. Arete Formation Program (individual contribution \$500.00)

- Four residential weekends in Sydney commencing in January 2025. On line training and mentoring. Travel, accommodation and course fees all included.
- Applications will be invited and 5 parishioners will be asked to participate in all aspects of the residential and on line training and to contract to be a part of an ongoing parish team.

#### **You are invited to:**

Register your interest

Join a group or organize your own home group using any of the funded material

Participate in occasional joint gatherings of all groups to share learning

Support a quarterly report back to the Parish at large

#### **Sign in to any, or all of the studies via:**

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