

CATHOLIC PARISHES OF TAREE & WINGHAM

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TAREE PARISH & WINGHAM PARISH - DIOCESE OF MAITLAND NEWCASTLE

Mass centres of Cundletown, Harrington, Lansdowne & Old Bar

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2nd Sunday in Advent - Year A

4th of December 2016

FIRST READING

Isaiah 11:1-10

He judges the poor with justice.

SECOND READING

Romans 15:4-9

Christ, the hope of all people.

GOSPEL

Matthew 3:1-12

Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is close at hand.

SECOND WEEK OF ADVENT - LIGHTING OF THE SECOND CANDLE

The Presider or an assistant lights the second candle, which can be named John the Baptist candle.

John the Baptist: was the one that prepared the way for the Lord.

V: Lord Jesus, your coming was proclaimed by the prophet Isaiah who calls us to be a signal to the nations and to recognise the Messiah in our midst.

.R: Come, Lord Jesus

V: Lord Jesus, you come among us now. St Paul reminds us to treat each other as Christ treats us and so give glory to the God and Father of Our Lord Jesus Christ.

R: Come, Lord Jesus

V: Lord Jesus, you will come again in Glory. John the Baptist calls us to 'Repent for the kingdom of heaven is close at hand'.

R: Come, Lord Jesus

Presider: Almighty and merciful God, may no earthly undertaking hinder those who set out in haste to meet your Son, but may our learning of heavenly wisdom gain us admittance to his company.

Who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God for ever and ever.

R: Amen

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Justice shall flourish in his time, and fullness of peace for ever.



GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, Alleluia!

Prepare the way of the Lord, make straight his paths:
all people shall see the salvation of God.

Alleluia!

PLEASE NOTE THAT THE DEADLINE FOR ALL BULLETIN NOTICES IS WEDNESDAY 3PM. NOTICES RECEIVED AFTER THIS TIME WILL BE PLACED IN THE FOLLOWING WEEKS BULLETIN. THANK YOU.

HEALING MASS - WINGHAM

There will be a Healing Mass at Wingham on Sunday 11th of December during the 8.30am Mass. There will also be a Working Bee held after Mass, Please bring your own items for cleaning the Church as well as garden tools for the grounds. A cuppa will be had before and after the Working Bee. Please bring a plate to share.

WHITE/MOYLAN FAMILY GROUP

Will meet on 4th December at 11.30am at the Old Bar Tavern for a Christmas Luncheon. Please bring a non-perishable item for the St Vincent De Paul hampers. Phone Nancye on 6552 5103 or Des on 6550 1355.

ANNA'S GROUP

Will meet at the Kowin Restaurant on Sunday 4th December for lunch. No presents, just a gift for charity.

CHRISTMAS MASS TIMES 2016

2ND RITE OF RECONCILIATION WEDNESDAY 21ST DECEMBER

6.00pm Our Lady of the Rosary, Taree (for both Taree and Wingham)

CHRISTMAS EVE VIGIL MASS - SATURDAY 24TH DECEMBER

5.30pm Our Lady of the Rosary, Taree Fr Bill Burston

5.30pm Star of the Sea, Harrington Fr George

8.00pm Our Lady of Perpetual Help, Wingham Fr Bill Burston.

8.30pm Our Lady of the Rosary, Taree Fr George

CHRISTMAS DAY MASS SUNDAY 25TH DECEMBER

8.00am Our Lady of Fatima, Old Bar Fr Bill Burston

9.30am Our Lady of the Rosary, Taree Fr George

HOLY FAMILY MASS FRIDAY 30TH DECEMBER

9.00am Our Lady of the Rosary, Taree Fr George

NEW YEARS EVE VIGIL MASS SATURDAY 31ST DECEMBER

6.00pm Our Lady of the Rosary, Taree SCAE

6.00pm Star of the Sea, Harrington Fr George

NEW YEARS DAY MASS SUNDAY 1ST JANUARY

7.30am Our Lady of Fatima, Old Bar Fr George

8.30am Our Lady of Perpetual Help, Wingham SCAE

9.30am Our Lady of the Rosary, Taree Fr George

6.00pm St Patrick's, Cundletown Fr George

CAROLS BY CANDLELIGHT RAFFLE

We are seeking donations of non perishable goods for the Christmas hampers to raffle at the Carols evening. Tickets are now available.

Donations of money will be greatly appreciated to help reduce the costs of the event. Donations can be dropped in at the Parish office. Please contact Jan on 65517111 for further details.

BISHOP'S AWARD

Applications are now called for the 2016 Bishop's Award. Application packs are available from Catholic Secondary Schools Administration Office or the Parish Office. Applications can be forwarded to the Catholic Schools Office, to be received no later than 22nd of December.

MEN'S GROUP

Men's group will be holding a meeting and dinner with speakers Ian Wollard and David Denning on Wednesday 14th of December at 6.00pm dinner will be served at 6.30pm at St John's Memorial Hall, Victoria Street, Taree. \$18.00 per person. Refreshments available on site. For bookings please phone Dennis Marriott on 6553 9474 or 0409 150 229 by Monday 12th or before.

ORDINATION TO PRIESTHOOD REV. JAMES ODOH

The Mass for the Ordination to priesthood of Rev. James Odoh will be held on 10th of December at the Sacred Heart Cathedral, 841 Hunter Street Newcastle West beginning at 10am. His first Mass will be celebrated on the 11th of December at Our Lady Of Victories, 268 Sandgate Road, Sandgate Road, Shortland, beginning at 10.30am.

SACRAMENTS OF INITIATION 2017

Parents and carers of school aged children turning 8 next year, or older who wish to make their Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation, First Holy Communion and Reconciliation next year, are advised that the program will commence early in the First Term of 2017. **The first information session will be Wednesday 22nd February 2017 for parents only.** If further information is required please contact the Parish Office on 6552 1084.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK IN THE TAREE & WINGHAM PARISHES:

Patricia Wolfenden, Mary and Helen Trapple, Bev Crouch, Julie Rice, Tom Berryman, May and Terry Bailey, Teresa Harvey, Kelvin Cowan, Sue Davis, Eve Collins, Judy Nies, John O'Keefe, Barry Armitage, Mary McCaffrey, Maree Dunne, Ken Campbell, Linda Norris, Margaret Barrett, Luka-Angel Cairns, Sue Berry, Cameron Hyde, Gloria Ellis, Ronan Moon, Chris Wright, Mary Eyles, Ashlyn Rick, Mary Headley, Ursula McLoughlin, Nicolette Zacarri, Violet Lyall, Gustav De Bono, Peter Holden, Rupert McLennon, Betty McLennon, Margaret Howell, Noreen Corben, Dennis Connolly, Makala Dwyer, Paul Waite, Doug Welch, Lawrence Mason, Sharon McCarthy.

ANNIVERSARIES: Annamma Abhraham, C.C Michael, Florence Pearl Ritchie.

RECENTLY DECEASED:

May they rest in peace.



GRACES OF MARY PILGRIMAGE

Expressions of interest are invited for Parishioners, family and friends who would like to participate in the Parish 15 days/12 nights Barcelona to Fatima Marian journey in May 2017.

From Barcelona you will travel to the spectacularly beautiful Benedictine Monk Retreat of Montserrat in Catalonia. Here you will see the Holy Grotto on the mountain, the Black Madonna in the Basilica Montserrat Monastery. Listen to the famous Basilica choir boy performances of Gregorian chants and other genres of religious choral music.

You will then travel from Montserrat to Lourdes in France. Visit the world's most beloved Shrine nestled in a valley of the southwestern part of the Hautes-Pyrennes. The tour includes a visit to the Grotto of Massabielle, the Upper Basilica and the Miraculous Spring where many miracles are said to have taken place.

Return to Spain to Avila. Visit the shrines honoring St. Teresa including the Convento de Santa Teresa which contains her relics and also the Monastero de la Encarnacion where St Teresa lived and where her cell can be visited.

From Avila you will travel to Fatima in Portugal one of the most famous Marian shrines in the world. Here you will visit the Basilica of Our Lady of Fatima, the Monument of the Sacred Heart of Jesus. You will see the 15 altars dedicated to the 15 mysteries of the Rosary as well as the tombs of the young visionaries and you will visit the Chapel of Apparitions. Whilst in Fatima you will also witness the Centenary Anniversary Celebrations with their parades and torch light processions, an unforgettable and spiritual experience.

This tour departs Australia on Mon 1st May and returns 17th May. Cost per person is approximately \$5,797.00 which includes airtfares. If 25 people are interested it will be possible to have our own group tour with a Tour Leader and Fr. George as the Chaplain. If we have less than that number we would be included as part of another group tour with other people.

This will be an extremely popular tour so it imperative that we book early if we want to travel to the Centenary Celebrations. Please advise the Parish Office on 6552 1084 or visit the office to register your interest.



CAROLS BY CANDLELIGHT

4th of December 2016
Our Lady of the Rosary Church Taree
Activities start at 4.30pm
Carols will commence at 6.00pm
Admission is by gold coin donation
Entertainment includes;
School Choirs, Soloists, Band, Group Singing
Special guest appearance by the Super Heroes
Sausage sizzle, Santa, Drinks, Lucky Dips, Balloons
All Welcome



MASS SCHEDULE & MEETINGS

Monday 5th			10.00am 1.45pm	Meditation Group-Rd Rm Taree Hr of Prayer for Priests
			6pm	Year 6 St Joseph's Wingham Graduation
Tuesday 6th	9.30am 9.30am	Harrington Liturgy of the word Communion & Ex. Taree Mass	10.00am 10.30-11.30am 1.00pm-3.00pm	Women's Prayer Grp - Old Library Old Bar Church open for rosary and prayers. Men's Bible Study Grp-Old Presbytery
Wednesday 7th	9.30am 11.00am	Taree Mass Old Bar PS Advent Liturgy	8.50am 9.30-11am 5.30pm	Taree Marian Movement of Priests T&W Library Open-Old Presbytery T & W PPC Meeting-Res C
Thursday 8th		<u>The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary</u>		
	5.30pm 6.00pm	Taree Rosary OLR Mass		
Friday 9th	9.00am 9.00am	Taree Healing Mass Wingham Liturgy of the Word with Communion.	9.30am 3.00pm	Taree Exposition Old Bar Exposition and Marian Movement of priests
Saturday 10th	6.00pm 6.00pm	Taree Vigil Mass Harrington Vigil SCAE	9.30am-12.00pm 11am - 12pm 5.30pm	Our Lady Rosary Makers Taree Reconciliation Taree Rosary
Sunday 11th		<u>3rd Sunday of Advent</u>		
	7.30am 8.30am 9.30am 6.00pm 6.00pm	Old Bar SCAE Wingham Healing Mass Taree SCAE Cundletown SCAE Lansdowne Mass	7.50am 8.00am-8.20am 9.00am	Wingham Rosary Wingham Reconciliation Taree Rosary

Next Week 3rd Sunday in Advent

First Reading : Isaiah 35: 1-6,10

God himself will come and save us.

Second Reading : James 5: 7-10

You also must be patient; do not lose heart, the Lord's coming will be soon.

Gospel : Matthew 11: 2-11

Are you the one who is to come, or must we wait for someone else?

11th of December 2016

