



# KANGAROO POINT EAST BRISBANE CATHOLIC PARISH



First Sunday of Advent	Second Sunday of Advent
<b>First Reading: Is 2:1-5</b> <b>Second Reading: Rom13:11-14</b> <b>Gospel: Mt 24:37-44</b>	<b>First Reading: Is 11:1-10</b> <b>Second Reading: Rom15:4-9</b> <b>Gospel: Mt 3:1-12</b>
Responsorial Psalm	Gospel Acclamation
Let us go rejoicing to the house of the Lord.	Alleluia, alleluia! Lord, show us your mercy and love, and grant us your salvation. Alleluia!

## MASS TIMES

### St Benedict's Church

81 Mowbray Tce, East Brisbane

**Saturday:** 6:00 pm Vigil Mass

**Reconciliation:** By appointment

**Wednesday:** 9.00 Mass  
*Changes will be in newsletter*

### St Joseph's Church

26-36 Leopard St (Anglesey St),  
Kangaroo Point

**Sunday:** 9:00am Mass

**SVdP Helpline - 07 30101096**

**Furniture Helpline 1300 551 894**

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We pray for our fellow parishioners and friends who are ill, especially

**Mary Miller, John McIntosh,  
Annette Mahoney, Michael  
Mulligan, Jeanette McMahon,  
Pauline Burnett and  
Fr Dennis Riley**

We pray for our recently departed, may they rest in peace.

For those whose anniversaries are at this time, we remember them.

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As promised, I will use this column to help inform our appreciation of the various aspects of a Catholic liturgical space and the essential purposes of the furniture. Today, I start with the Altar. These quotes are taken from the official documents of the Church and have been edited into a recent publication authorised by the Australian Catholic Bishops entitled: 'And When Churches are to be Built'.

### ALTAR

In our theology there are various points that explain our understanding of the significance of the altar. Its central and focal position are significant. The materials used and our respect for the Table of the Eucharist are essential.

• 321 "The Christian altar is by its very nature a unique table of sacrifice and of the paschal banquet: a unique altar on which the Sacrifice of the Cross is perpetuated in mystery throughout the ages until Christ comes;

# a table at which the Church's sons and daughters are gathered to give thanks to God and to receive the body and blood of Christ.

In every church, then, the altar is 'the centre of the thanksgiving that is accomplished through the Eucharist' around which the Church's other rites are, in a certain manner, ordered.

Because it is at the altar that the memorial of the Lord is celebrated and his body and blood given to the faithful, it came to pass that the Church's writers see in the altar a sign of Christ himself — hence the saying arose: The altar is Christ" (ODCA IV.4). Order of the Dedication of a Church and Altar

• 323 "As we come together at one altar, we draw near to Christ, the living stone, in whom we grow into a holy temple" (ODCA IV.35). "Since Christ, Head and Teacher, is the true Altar, his members and disciples are also spiritual altars on which the sacrifice of a life lived in holiness is offered to God... The Christian faithful who make time for prayer, who offer petitions to God and make sacrifices of supplication, are themselves living stones from which the Lord Jesus builds the altar of the Church" (ODCA IV.2).

### How is the Altar used and appreciated in our rituals?

• 327 The altar is the centre of the Liturgy of the Eucharist. It is here that the bread and wine are placed for consecration and it is here that the priest stands as he proclaims the Eucharistic Prayer. It is from the altar that the people are nourished with the body and blood of Christ. Out of reverence for the celebration at altar, it is clothed with a white cloth (see GIRM 304), it is honoured with incense at the beginning of Mass and at the preparation of the gifts (see GIRM 276), it is venerated with a bow by all ministers and greeted with a kiss by the ordained (see GIRM 273, 275), and it is adorned with a crucifix and candles GIRM 307-308)... General Instruction Roman Missal GIRM

### How to design an Altar?

• 338 "The altar should occupy a place where it is truly the centre toward which the attention of the whole congregation of the faithful naturally turns" (GIRM 299).

• 340 Any dignified solid and well-crafted materials may be used to support the mensa. Its form and material composition should convey both 'altar of sacrifice' and 'table of the Lord'.  
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## Kangaroo Point East Brisbane Parish

**Parish Priest:** Bishop Ken Howell  
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AND BE SAFE AT THIS CHURCH. STOPline 1300304550**

<b>Roster – St Benedict’s (Saturday 6:00pm) 03 Dec</b>	
<b>Commentator</b>	<b>Readers</b>
B Navratil	L Horner, L Shetty

**Planned Giving**  
D/D \$615.00  
Loose/Envelopes  
\$570.20

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<b>Roster – St Joseph’s (Sunday 9:00am) 04 Dec</b>			
<b>Readers</b>	<b>Opener</b>	<b>Piety Stall</b>	<b>Counters</b>
C Goldsworthy, C Finn	N Prove, Lauren M		Phyllis M, Rose K

**FEAST DAYS OF THE WEEK**

Wed - St Andrew, Apostle  
Sat - St Francis Xavier

Visit our parish WEBSITE at <http://catholicparishebkpt.org.au>  
Visit the website and subscribe to the weekly newsletter.

**BAPTISMS**

Baptisms are held in the parish on Sunday following the 9.00am mass or other times by arrangement.

Preparation is held on the 1st Saturday of the month at the Cathedral at 9.30am.

**THE CATHOLIC LEADER LATEST ONLINE HEADLINES**

Archbishop Coleridge appointed to Caritas Australia board.

Protest against NT anti-discrimination bill that could force Catholic schools to close.

Brisbane’s new deacons ready to serve.

Minje travelled to see ‘how Australians worshipped God’, he’s stayed to become a deacon.

Pope Francis removes Caritas Internationalis administrator

**LUCKY NUMBERS**

**\$2.00 could win you \$25**  
Support your parish and buy your lucky number from the piety stall. Drawn weekly.

**Winner - J McIntosh & M Kelly #14**

**PLANNED GIVING BY DIRECT DEPOSIT**  
BSB: 064 786; A/c No: 100023838; A/c Name: Kangaroo Point East Brisbane Parish; Reference: PG/Surname  
Thank you

**WELCOME TO NEW PARISHIONERS! LET US KNOW YOU’RE HERE.**

Please let the piety stall volunteer know that you’re new to the parish.

**Census forms** are available at each church or we can email one to you.

SCAN THIS QR CODE DIRECT TO THE WEBSITE.

**HAVE A GREAT WEEK!**

**MASSES THIS WEEK AT ST BENEDICT’S**

**Wednesday - 30th Nov - 9am**

- 345 The style of the design and the adornment of an altar should be dignified and express the noble beauty of sacred architecture. The altar is itself a symbol of Christ.

I look forward to meeting with you next Sunday after the 9 am Mass to further discuss the proposed changes to St Joseph’s sanctuary. Morning tea will be provided. *A happy Advent to all! Bishop Ken*

**LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT WREATH**

**Presider:** As we celebrate the season of Advent we think again of the love of God for us, endless and ever new, symbolised in this circle of greenery. The candles of the wreath signify the way how this eternal and all-embracing love has been manifested in time, and will be manifest forever when the Lord appears in glory. Today we light the first of the candles, looking forward to the Day of the Lord.  
*The wreath is sprinkled with holy water. As the Advent candle is lit, all say:*

- The coming of our Lord with eager minds we greet, and joyful hasten on our way his glorious reign to meet.
- The everlasting God, a virgin’s son we see; he takes a humble, servile form to bring us liberty.

**Presider:** Christ we sit in darkness, but you are our light.

**All:** We long for Christ’s coming into our hearts and into our world.

**Presider:** Our lives have been shaken by fire and drought and storm; our security has been shaken by bombings and wars and uncertainty.

**All:** We wait in hope for God’s light to penetrate our darkness and radiate within us.

**Presider:** In the midst of our doubts and our insecurities we are reminded that God’s Faithfulness reaches to the ends of the earth.

**All:** We watch for new light to shine as the season of joy approaches.

**Presider:** Christ is our rock and our refuge, an ever present help in trouble.

**All:** We wait in hope, attentive to all the

signs of Christ’s coming.



**THE VINNIES CHRISTMAS GIVING TREES** will be at each church from this weekend. Parishioners are invited to take the cards and bring back the food item listed on the card. Our Vinnies conference is anticipating preparing 40 hampers that will be delivered to people in the local area who seek our assistance. Hampers will be delivered on Saturday December 17.

Parishioners have always been very generous in support of our appeal and we look forward to that same level of support in 2022. We wish to acknowledge the support the parents and children at St Joseph’s Primary school are providing again. Thank you to the staff for coordinating this help.

May God bless the members of our parish as we embark on this season of Advent in preparing for Christmas. If you require any additional information please speak to any member of our conference after mass.  
*John Wessel*

**THE JOY OF GIVING**

See noticeboard or website for Christmas Masses.



The 2023 Columban Art Calendar is now available for purchase from the piety stall for \$10.00



If you are a **Parish Volunteer** or working in the parish, the onus is on you to comply with all Archdiocesan policies. Safeguarding training & registration is available online - [www.safeguardingaob.com.au](http://www.safeguardingaob.com.au). You must be registered to Volunteer at <http://archbne.org/welcome>.