



KANGAROO POINT  
EAST BRISBANE  
CATHOLIC PARISH



#### 4th Sunday of Advent

**First Reading:** 2 Sam 7:1-5, 8-12, 14, 16  
**Second Reading:** Rom 16:25-27; Lk 1:26-38  
**Gospel:** Lk 1:26-38

#### Responsorial Psalm

For ever I will sing the goodness of the Lord.

#### The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph

**First Reading:** Sirach 3:2-6, 12-14  
**Second Reading:** Col 3:12-21  
**Gospel:** Lk 2:22-40

#### Gospel Acclamation

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

#### MASS TIMES:

##### St Benedict's Church

81 Mowbray Tce, East Brisbane

**Saturday:** 6:00 pm Vigil Mass  
**Reconciliation:** 5.30pm

**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, Jeanette McMahon,  
Michael Mulligan,  
Carmel Gleeson,  
Donna Adams, Jenny Pearsall.**

*Names of the Sick: due to privacy laws,  
names of the sick can only appear in  
the newsletter with the permission of  
immediate family.*

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

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



#### LIGHTING OF THE FOURTH ADVENT CANDLE

**Presider** On this fourth Sunday of  
Advent we reflect how Mary, at the  
message of an angel, was deeply  
disturbed but could still express her "fai",  
her act of faith "let it be done to me  
according to your word".

As we light our fourth advent candle may  
we be inspired by the Holy Spirit to be like  
Mary, ready to hear the word of God and  
put it into practice. *The fourth candle is lit.*



Did you know that the Advent wreath is  
much more than an evergreen wreath?  
The wreath's circle shape symbolises  
God's eternity, and victory over  
persecution and suffering. The pine, holly,  
and yew traditionally used in the wreath's  
construction represents immortality, while  
the cedar signifies strength and healing.  
The fruits represent the nourishing of  
fruitfulness of the Christian life. The  
seedpods, nuts and pine cones that  
decorate the wreath symbolise life and  
resurrection. The wreath as a whole is  
meant to remind us of both the immortality

of our souls and God's promise of  
everlasting life to us through Jesus Christ.

*'Tis the  
season  
to be jolly  
organised*

Book Christmas Mass with your parish now

**REGISTRATION FOR ALL CHRISTMAS  
MASSES WITH BE VIA OUR WEBSITE.**

**5PM CHRISTMAS EVE IS FULLY BOOKED.  
PLENTY OF SPACES AT THE 7PM & 9AM.  
PLEASE VISIT THE SITE TO LEARN MORE**

*(The dispensation from attending Mass  
continues to apply. If people are unable to  
attend Mass you will have the option to  
watch the live-streamed Masses from the  
Cathedral of St Stephen. Thank you for  
your cooperation at this time).*



On behalf of Fr Anthony and all  
the priests who minister to St  
Joseph's and St Benedict's, we  
wish you every joy and blessing for the  
Christmas celebrations. May everyone,  
through your Christmas gatherings, near or  
far, lead you into the deeper appreciation  
of the wonder of God-with-us.  
Every blessing and Happy  
Christmas. *Bishop Ken*



#### Kangaroo Point East Brisbane Parish

**Parish Priest:** Bishop Ken Howell  
**Administrator:** Fr Anthony Mellor  
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OFFICE HOURS

#### St Joseph's Catholic Primary School

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Mrs Sabrina Hawe  
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**Roster – St Benedict’s (Saturday 6:00pm) 26 Dec**

**Altar Servers 27 Dec**

Commentator	Readers	Holy Communion Ministers	St Benedict’s	St Joseph’s
B Navratil	J Joughin, J McIntosh	Priest		Eamonn D

**Roster –St Joseph’s (Sunday 9:00am) 27 Dec**

Readers	Holy Communion Ministers	Opener	Piety Stall	Counters	Planned Giving Direct Debit \$275.00 Loose/Envelopes \$731.60
J Wessel, K Biggs	Priest	N Prove	S O’Connell	R Donovan, T Donovan	

**FEAST DAYS THIS WEEK**

**Mon** - St Peter Canisius

**Wed** - St John of Kanty

**Fri** - The Nativity of the Lord (Christmas)

**Sat** - St Stephen, The First Martyr

**Visit our parish WEBSITE at**

<http://catholicparishebapt.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  
FREE ONLINE EACH WEEKEND**

Special Christmas newspapers are arriving at Brisbane parishes this week

Ethics of the investigation into prolific Brisbane sperm donor explained

Children’s book on screen time a novel idea for concerned parents

Australian initiative helps women find their God-given life purpose

Pandemic increased the need for healing prayer, Charismatic community leader says

Iraqi Catholic sent to ACU to support Erbil rebuild homes to be home for Pope’s visit

Tamil family who settled in Biloela have spent 1000 days in immigration detention

South Sudanese priest living in Brisbane praying for flood victims

**LUCKY NUMBERS**

**\$2.00 could win you \$25.**

Support your parish and buy your lucky number from the piety stall. Drawn weekly

**Winner - Bishop Ken #24**

**FOLLOW US ON FACEBOOK  
and TWITTER**



**Give the parish page a ‘like’ and share with your family and friends.**

**MASS STREAMED FROM  
THE CATHEDRAL OF ST STEPHEN  
SUNDAY 8am & 10am**

**MASS THIS WEEK AT ST BENEDICT’S**

Wednesday 9 December at 9.00am

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**BAPTISM** We welcome to our faith community, **Benjamin Williams**, son of Danielle and Neil, who was Baptised this weekend at St Joseph’s.

**THANK YOU FROM VINNIES** The members of the local Vinnies conference wish to extend our sincere thanks to the parishioners at both St Benedict’s and St Joseph’s for your generous donations of food items for the Giving tree, as part of our annual Christmas appeal. The large quantity of food and novelty items received enabled our local Vincentians to fill over 30 hampers, which are being delivered this weekend to local families and individuals living in the East Brisbane and Kangaroo Point area. We also wish to extend our thanks to the families at St Joseph’s Catholic Primary school who have also supported our annual appeal.

The local conference has responded to over 375 requests for assistance throughout the year and have been able to provide emergency food hampers, furniture and white goods, as well as financial support for things like rental assistance.

To the members of the parish, thank you sincerely, and we take this opportunity to wish each of you and your family a very happy and holy Christmas! *John Wessel*

**CHRISTMAS MASSES - REGISTRATION FOR ALL CHRISTMAS MASSES WILL BE ESSENTIAL THIS YEAR. PLEASE GO TO OUR PARISH WEBSITE TO REGISTER.** If you have no access to a computer, please phone the parish office to register.

If you are able to assist in any way over the Christmas Masses, please put your name on the forms located in the piety stall or email the parish office. We will also need marshals for registration and cross checking to our attendance list and people to assist with tidying the church after mass.

Children may like to dress for the 5pm Mass in Nativity costume - angels, shepherds, Joseph, Mary, sheep, donkey, etc. Sheets and tea towels work a treat.

**Christmas Eve - St Joseph’s - 5pm (Fully booked) and 7pm (Carols commence 4.30pm)**

**Christmas Day - St Benedict’s - 9am**

**REGISTRATION CLOSING AT 4PM ON 23 DECEMBER.**



**\*\*\* PLEASE REMEMBER TO STAY HOME IF YOU ARE UNWELL, AND GET BETTER\*\*\***

**THE CATHOLIC LEADER CHRISTMAS SPECIAL** - In the spirit of Christmas joy, The Catholic Leader team is proud to announce that our Christmas 2020 edition will be available in print this weekend in parishes across the Archdiocese of Brisbane. The Christmas 2020 newspaper will be free to all readers, as a small gesture to our supporters who have prayed for the print newspaper to return. We have limited copies, so please pick one up from the piety stall.

**2021 COLUMBAN ART CALENDAR’S** are available at the piety stall for \$10. There is limited stock, so please get in early to avoid missing out.

**POSITION VACANT** – Parish Secretary Albany Creek Parish. The position is a part-time 16-hour role over 2 days per week (Wed & Fri). For additional information, please visit the Archdiocese of Brisbane website <https://brisbanecatholic.org.au/> and to careers

**PLANNED GIVING** – Thank you to all who have continued to support the Parish during these times. Some parishioners have asked for our bank details to contribute to planned giving. Details for internet banking: **BSB: 064 786; A/c No: 006631500** ; A/c Name: Kangaroo Point East Brisbane Parish; Reference: Planned Giving/Surname.

Please visit the Archdiocese of Brisbane website to see what’s happening in and around Brisbane. Keep up to date with news and events <https://brisbanecatholic.org.au/>

**PARISH OFFICE** The office will be closed on the 6th and 13th January.

*Wishing you a very happy and Holy Christmas! From Catherine & Patricia*