

OUR LADY STAR OF THE SEA - NAROOMA

ST MARY'S - COBARGO / BERMAGUI

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25th December 2019 Year A; *Mary's Child: The Emmanuel*: God's choice rested on the House of David which was to bring forth the Emmanuel, the God-with-us, But Mary's Child was to belong to all the nations. We are one of those nations who, by God's call, belong to Jesus Christ.

Masses	Weekday Masses
Next weekend	Narooma
	Tuesday:
2nd Sunday Advent	Wednesday:
	Thursday: 9.30am
Saturday Vigil	Friday: 9.30am
Cobargo 5:00pm	
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Sunday	Every 2 nd and 4 th
Bermagui 7:30am	Wednesday 9.30am
Narooma 9:30am	Communion service

Reconciliation: Cobargo and Bermagui before Mass. Narooma on Saturday at 9.30am.

Please pray for the sick: Jennie Gahan, Joan Fernandes, Jozefa Wojtas, Isabella & Mark Whitty, Colleen Mann, Rita Winkler.

Recently deceased: Constance Short, Josefa Cernanec, Betty Stevens, Fr. Allan, Frank Reilly, David Roberts.

Anniversaries: Frank McGarry, Carmen Atair, Marjorie Andreatta, Jean Kinsela, Grace Gay, Bill Borg.

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WWCC new regulations have been implemented. Details will be given to the parishioners concerned

MERRY CHRISTMAS and

SAINT CARDINAL JOHN HENRY NEWMAN: "God has created me to do some definite service. He has committed some work to me which has not been committed to another. I have my mission. I am a link in a chain, a bond of connections between persons. He has not created me for naught. I shall do good; I shall do His work."

PRAYER for the BLESSING OF RAIN
Bless Australia – Our Great South Land of the Holy Spirit. Grant that as the Cross shines in our southern skies, so may Christ bring light to our nation, to its peoples old and new.

May we receive the blessings of abundant rain so that the 'desert blooms with the life that lies in wait. We ask this through Christ, Our Lord. Amen
By Fr Tony Percy VG

CHRISTMAS PROGRAM
Vigil Tuesday 24/12 - 5.00pm Cobargo
Christmas Carols will be sung from 4.45, please join us.

Wednesday 25/12 - 7.00pm Narooma
7.30am Bermagui
9.30am Narooma
Wednesday 1/1/20 4.30pm Narooma

A BIG WORD OF GRATITUDE to you all for the journey together as members of each community throughout the busy year of 2019. Particular those who have been eagerly involved in the different ways of the Parish ministries, from church cleaning to caring for the liturgical arrangements of flowers, singing and music; from gardening to mowing; altar serving to caring for the sick; finance to Parish council, catechism and sacraments, in all over 20 ministries, which keep the Parishes growing and going.

On behalf of all, I would like to thank each and everybody for your love and dedication. God bless and may the blessing of ever peace and joy of Christmas and the New Year be upon you and your loved ones always.

If you travel for the holidays may you have peace and safe roads. Cheers

NEW WEEKDAY MASS TIMES FOR NAROOMA
Please note that a new mass time table will be introduced from 15 December 2019 as follows:
Tuesday: 4:30pm

HAPPY NEW YEAR

Wednesday: Narooma Public School
1st Wednesday 10:30am ESTIA Nursing Home
Thursday: 9:30am
3rd Thursday: 9:20am Bermagui Public School
Friday: 9:30am followed by an Adoration

THE NEW COMMUNITY BIBLE for sale. It is an excellent version of the Bible which is easy to read with commentaries at the bottom of each page. An ideal Christmas gift for family and friends. Someone said BIBLE is an acronym for **Book of Information Before Leave Earth** A GPS leading to God's Home. Good Value \$30

CATECHISM No 81 – What is the meaning of the name "Jesus"? – Given by the angel at the time of the Annunciation, the name "Jesus" means "God saves". The name expresses his identity and his mission "because he will save his people from their sins" (*Matthew 1:21*). Peter proclaimed that "there is no other name under heaven given to men by which we can be saved" (*Acts 4:12*).

ARCHBISHOP'S CHRISTMAS APPEAL – a retiring collection at all Christmas masses. Please support this particular appeal to help;-
-Overseas countries of Zimbabwe, South Sudan, Jordan, Sri Lanka and Tonga
-Our local diocese of Wilcannia Forbes
-Bush fires in NSW.
Thank you very immensely for your support.

CATHOLIC CHRISTMAS ITEMS FOR SALE FROM THE PIETY STALL Please see Leon after Narooma mass to purchase your Christmas gifts including mangers, Holy Christmas tree baubles, cards. **The Columbian Calendars** also another ideal gift for Christmas – cost \$10 each

NEW ROSTERS ARE AVAILABLE However, it would be wonderful if some other parishioners could volunteer to help lighten the load, particularly counters, Eucharistic ministers. See Suzanne

FLOWERS FOR CHURCH ALTAR CHRISTMAS DAY. Please bring to the church by Tuesday 24th 2pm, leave in a bucket of water in the room behind the altar. Contact Therese Short 0400 046 314 for more details.

PRAYER OF COMMISSIONING Take the Body of Christ to share with those who are sick and housebound. May his presence in the Eucharist strengthen them in peace and joy, through Christ our Lord. Amen

Collections (Narooma)		
1 st Collection	\$1223.55	
2 nd Collection	\$ 462.95	
Cobargo/Bermagui		
1 st Collection	\$ 205.35	
2 nd Collection	\$ 225.60	
NAROOMA ROSTER		
This week	22nd	Next Week 29th
<u>Welcomer</u>		
Denise Thirtle		Margaret Latimer
<u>Commentator</u>		
Tulipe Nugent		Therese Short
<u>Reader</u>		
Pauline Verrell		Pauline Verrell
<u>Offertory Procession</u>		
K Day/ V Wallens		M Latimer / S Nash
<u>Eucharistic Ministers</u>		
P Verrell/		J Verrell / K Smith
<u>Counters/Collectors</u>		
M & A Morrison/Hans		J & M Young/Hans
<u>Pilgrim Statue</u>		
J & P Verrell		Ann Morrison
<u>Flowers</u>		
No Flowers		Annie Ovington
COBARGO		
This week	Next Week	
<u>Eucharistic Minister & Server</u>		
T Tarlinton	A Cotterill	
<u>Reader</u>		
J Froud	T McDonald	
<u>Offertory Procession</u>		
Collectors	Collectors	
<u>Cleaning</u>	C Grant	
<u>Flowers</u>		
No Flowers	C Grant	
BERMAGUI		
<u>Reader</u>		
N Cridland	M Wall	
<u>Prayers of the Faithful</u>		
G Marsh	J Lazzaro	
<u>Welcoming Committee</u>		
J Manns	N Cridland	