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WEEKEND MASSES: Sunday 2nd December 2018		Christmas Mass Times. Friday 21st Dec: 7pm 2nd Rite Reconciliation Weekend 22nd- 23rd Dec Normal Masses Sat 6pm, Sun 8:30am, 10am & 5pm(V) Monday 24th Dec 7pm: Outdoor Family Mass. 9:30pm Vietnamese Mass. 12am Midnight Mass. Tuesday 25th Dec 9am Christmas Day Mass NB: There will be NO 6pm evening mass 25th Dec.
First Sunday of Advent		
Saturday Vigil	6:00pm	
Sunday	8:30am & 10.00am	
RECONCILIATION: Saturday.....5.00pm to 5.30pm		
BAPTISMS & WEDDINGS..... Contact Office		
WEEKDAY LITURGICAL CELEBRATIONS:		
In Ordinary Time		
Monday	9:30am LOW Liturgy of the Word. St Francis Xavier, p	
Tuesday	6:00pm MASS With Holy Hour of Power,	
Wednesday	9:30am MASS	
Thursday	9:30am MASS	
Friday	9:30am MASS Anointing Mass St Ambrose, b, d.	

CATHOLIC VOICE - Please take a free copy of the **December** edition from the Church Foyer. Also available online. This month's **EXTRA NEWSLETTER** is included with bulletin.

2018 Fete Stall Profits are up in the Foyer for those who are interested please take a look.

Anointing Mass 9:30am Fri 7 Dec in the Church followed by Morning Tea & Care Group Meeting.

BAPTISM PREPARATION 7:30pm, Tue 4 Dec. Meeting Room. FYI, please contact Parish Office.

Fr. Adrian Chan will be moving to his new Parish on **Friday 7th December**.

We would like to take this opportunity to farewell & wish him well in the next stage of his journey.

Morning tea will be held in Parish Meeting Room 10:30am (after 9:30am anointing mass)

Friday 7th December. Please bring a plate to share & come along to wish Fr Adrian all the best.

Parish Christmas Dinner. The Season of Christmas is upon us & the Vietnamese Community is putting on a Christmas Feast. 7pm, Sat 15 Dec, (after 6pm Mass). Cost is \$25 per head & we will need a few volunteers to bring a dessert. Sign up sheets are now in the foyer, please see Elizabeth in the office FYI or to make payment. *NB: Soft drinks & bottled water available for sale.*

2018 Advent Tuggeranong Valley Reconciliation St Thomas the Apostle. Fri 21 Dec.

Fr. Peter's 25th Anniversary as a Priest. On Sunday 6th January 2019, Fr Peter will be celebrating 25 years in the priesthood. On this weekend there will only be one open air mass at 10am followed by a party to celebrate. Sign up sheets & further information are available in the foyer. Please save the date & help Fr Peter to celebrate this special occasion.

NB: There will be no 6pm or 8:30am or 5pm Vietnamese Masses on this weekend.

The Christmas table for St Vincent de Paul Society will be located in South.Point opposite Coles for the duration of 1st - 24th December during trading hours. If you can donate a couple of hours to be at the table at any time over that period please contact Stan Jarzynski on 6231 8468. There will be a nativity scene present to keep Christ in Christmas. Your help is appreciated. Christmas without joy is no Christmas at all, so please bring some joy to someone this season.

VINNIES NEWS

The St Vincent de Paul Piety stall at the back of the church has a great selection of religious calendars for 2019 & Christmas Cards at prices you will not believe. Our Christmas Tree is up to the left of the Altar. If you are able to donate suitable food or gifts for Christmas Hampers please place your donation under the tree. Thank you all for your support throughout the year.

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Christmas is upon us on this **1st Sunday of Advent**. Please check out & add your name to the Christmas Masses roster in the foyer.

Reader Training will be in the Church 6pm, Thursday 6th December

If you would like to come along you will be most welcome. Contact the Office FYI.

RCIA Adult Initiation sessions Mon's 7:30pm in the Parish Centre. Call Murray on 0400 009 923.

Final 2018 **CRIM(s)** luncheon will be held **CSCC Tugg.** 12:30pm Thu 6 Dec. All men welcome.

Christmas Parish Lunch Mon 10 Dec. All welcome. Labour Club Weston. Bring \$10 gift to exchange.

Corpus Christi Parish Festival of Carols Sat 8 Dec Holy Family Church (after 6pm Mass) *carols, nativity plays, food, drinks, fun & laughter.*

O VIRGO SPLENDENS 6:30pm, Sat 15 Dec. Holy Rosary Church, Watson. Lady's Mantle Canberra-based women's vocal ensemble of experienced singers. Entry by donation.

St Cecilia's Choir will hold its annual Carol Service 7:30pm, Sun, 9 Dec PM at the Chapel of St John the Evangelist, ANU. All welcome.

Discounted 2019 Social Justice Diary Parishioners are invited to join in the diocesan bulk order of the 2019 Social Justice diary Cost \$5.60ea. Contact Mike Cassidy: 0412 145 088 SocialJustice@cg.org.au by 26th Nov.

12 Dec Caritas Australia Global Gifts. This Christmas help protect the miracle of motherhood with a Caritas Global Gift. We can help provide clean water, food or sustainable livelihoods - things we so often take for granted here in Australia. Donors will receive a beautiful card to give to a loved one on whose behalf the contribution was made. 1800 024 413 or www.caritas.org.au/globalgifts (Order by 12 Dec)

Upcoming Events & Other Info

Please see **notice board** for more info, & don't forget previously advertised events.

Archdiocesan website: www.cgatholic.org.au

St Thomas the Apostle Upcoming Events

- **St Vincent de Paul Meets** Mon 7:30pm - Parish C.
- **Becoming a Catholic - RCIA** Mon 7:30pm - Parish C.
- **Baptism Preparation Night** 7:30pm Tue 4 Dec - PC
- **Bible Study / Prayer Groups** Wed 10am - Parish C
- Annette 6231 9357. Thu's 10am Moya's 6231 6015
- **CRIM(s) Lunch** 12:30pm Thu 6 Dec CSCC Tugg
- **Reader Training** 6pm, Thu 6 Dec. Church
- **Anointing Mass** 9:30am Fri 7 Dec
- **Fr Adrian Farewell Morning Tea** 10:30am Fri 7 Dec
- **Parish Luncheon** 12pm Mon 10 Dec Venue TBA
- **Parish Vietnamese Christmas Dinner** 7pm Sat 15 Dec
- **Advent Reconciliation** 7pm Fri 21 Dec. Church.
- **Fr Peter 25th Anniversary** 10am Mass Sun 6 Jan. Followed by lunch. Bring a salad or dessert to share.

Upcoming School Dates

- **Kinder Nativity** 12pm, 13 Dec School Hall
- **Community Christmas Carols** 6pm 13 Dec Gum tree
- **Year 6 Celebration Mass** 9:30am, 19 Dec, Church
- **Year 6 Graduation Dinner & Disco** 6pm, 19 Dec.
- **Opening Mass of School Year** 9:30am, 7 Feb Church
- **Mass of Welcome for Teachers & Staff** 6pm, 9 Feb.

Other Events in the Diocese

- **Annual Catechist Masses.** BYO Shared meal 2 Dec @ 10am Cooma / 4 Dec @ 6:30am. Charnwood.
- **Corpus Christi Carols** After 6pm Mass Sat 6 Dec
- **St Cecilia's Choir** 7:30pm Sun 9 Dec St John's ANU
- **O Virgo Splendens** 6:30pm Sat 15 Dec Holy Rosary
- **Buy a Brick for Marymead.** - marymead.org.au
- **Evenings for the Engaged,** marriage preparation program, Contact Mark & Kathy Haseler, 6166 7634.
- **2020 Plenary Council** plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au

2018 Advent Tuggeranong Valley

Reconciliation will be at St Thomas the Apostle. Friday 21st December 2018. All welcome.

Weekly Collection: for weekends 24-25 November

1st Collection: \$ 1,167.55 **2nd Collection:** \$ 1,443.85

Pope Francis (26 Nov) Let us ask the Lord for the grace of being generous, so that our hearts may be opened & we may become kinder

Roster for 2nd Weekend of Month (8-9 Dec)

	6.00pm	8.30am	10.00am
Acolyte	Nick	Bryce	Warwick F
Altar Servers	Pip Niven Rachel Niven	Samuel & Elise Warner	Ian Rebello Grace Taylor
Readers	Chiara Strmota Silvana Piper	Therese W Maryellen M	Janice R Prakash R
Music	Youth for Christ	Bruna Strmota	Margaret, Bernie, Sandy
Counters	Tom	and	Tracey
Cleaning	Glenn Schwinghamer & D & W Poulton		