

THESE NOTICES are for **this weekend, 4 - 5 Jan 2020**. The readings on the reverse of this page are for **next weekend 11 - 12 Jan 2020**, to help with preparation for Mass.

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The Epiphany of the Lord - Year A
Sunday 5th January 2020.

Saturday Vigil.....6:00pm
Sunday8:30am & 10:00am
RECONCILIATION: Saturday.....5:00pm to 5:30pm
BAPTISMS & WEDDINGS..... Contact Office

WEEKDAY LITURGICAL CELEBRATIONS:

Year A - Christmas Time

Monday	9:30am	LOW	Weekday in Christmas Time
Tuesday	6:00pm	MASS	Weekday in Christmas Time
Wednesday	9:30am	MASS	Weekday in Christmas Time
Thursday	9:30am	MASS	Weekday in Christmas Time
Friday	9:30am	MASS	Weekday in Christmas Time

Elizabeth will be out of office until Monday 13th January 2020.
 Answering machine will be on & messages will be checked.
 I hope that you had a wonderful Christmas & a Peaceful New Year. See you in 2020.

Stay in touch with Archdiocesan goings on in 2020.
 Chancery, Archdiocese of Canberra & Goulburn website <http://cg.org.au/chancery/Home.aspx>

The 1st Tuesday of each month our parish will pray the holy rosary in different languages during the holy hour. Mass 6pm, Silent Reflection 6:30pm-7pm, Rosary 7pm-7:30pm. All welcome.

As you are all aware there have been a lot of repairs going on within our Church.
Thank you all for your patience. Unfortunately the water has come back up in the Sacristy.
The insurance has been informed & the plumber is on the job.

What's next: The water will be turned on during weekend services & turned off after. Investigations are ongoing to try & find the cause of this leak. This is a new claim as far as the insurance is concerned. Lucky the damaged cupboard had not yet been repaired, these repairs will be delayed until we have a resolution, as has the replacing of the pavers & filling of the holes. We are currently getting quotes for this extra work.

Restoration: Water to sinks at the back of the church at our own cost is also delayed.
For your own safety please stay away from cordoned off areas. Costs: Parish costs insurance excess 3 x \$500, roof make safe \$500, roof repair \$6,800 & pipe diversion \$1,700. We are hopeful that this further damage will be covered by insurance.

Vatican City (CNS) Pope Francis. Mass is the highest form of prayer & not an appropriate moment for small talk. At church, Catholics should spend their time in silence before Mass, preparing "to meet with Jesus" instead of engaging in "chitchat". Silence is so important.
In response to this message from Pope Francis it is imperative that we observe silence in our Church especially before & after Mass. It is a **MUST** that we should have respect for all those who enter the Church to spend time praying & preparing themselves for Mass & time for reflection after Mass. Most importantly the reverence of being silent in the presence of the Lord in the tabernacle is a form of prayer in itself & helps us to receptive to hearing God's word.

VINNIES NEWS

February 2020 will once again focus on the Annual Doorknock Appeal. This has been a tradition for St Vincent de Paul Society members for over 30 years. We once again call on parish members who are able to allocate some time to doorknock in February to come forward & help. Michael Tabart is our coordinator. Please call him on 0408 626 918 to volunteer for this worthwhile cause.

Diocesan Delegates for the Plenary
25th January 2020

Have you been a part of the Plenary Council process of listening, prayer, dialogue & discernment?
 Do you feel called to express your interest in being a delegate from our diocese?
 Speak with your parish priest, school principal or agency leader today about the details.
 Expressions of Interest due by January 25th 2020.

Tribunal of the Catholic Church

Marriage breakdown is usually a traumatic experience for all those concerned with many divorcees unsure of the validity of this marriage within the Catholic Church. The Church reaches out in support of those whose marriage has broken down, while upholding the permanence of a true Christian marriage. If you are divorced or in the process of finalising your divorce and would like information about the annulment process, please contact the Tribunal on 6239 9813 or by email tribunal@cg.org.au. All enquiries to the Tribunal remain confidential.

Arthritis ACT provides services for people with chronic pain, mobility or balance issues. If you would like more information about services please contact local volunteer Linden Moffatt on 0404 142 427 or please collect brochure from the foyer. Please share with family & friends.

FOOTSTEPS OF ST PAUL Journey with St Paul as you relive the Acts of the Apostles & the famous letters of the New Testament. 10 night pilgrimage led by Catholic Priests explores Greece & Greek islands incl. Athens, Corinth, Mykonos, Kusadasi, Crete, Santorini, Hosios Loukas, Delphi, Thessaloniki, Philippi & Kavala. All-inclusive Land Package price of \$4490 + Tips. Covers Entrances & Sites as per itinerary, Local Transfers in Deluxe coaches, Premium Hotels, 3N Cruise with Lunch. All Breakfast & Dinners, Catholic Priest & English speaking professional guides. 2020 dates: **12th May & 20th Oct.**
 FYI **03 8839 6615 or 1300721561** or email info@magiholidays.com.au

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

- **Becoming a Catholic - RCIA** Mon 7:30pm Parish C FYI Contact Murray on 0400 009 923

Upcoming School Dates

- **First Day of Term 1, 2019** 9am Mon 3 Feb 2020
- **Mass of Welcome for Teachers & Staff** 6pm, 8 Feb.
- **Opening Mass of School Year** 9:30am, Fri 14 Feb

Other Information in the Diocese

- **Buy a Brick for Marymead** - marymead.org.au
- **2020 Plenary Council** plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au
- **Evenings for the Engaged** marriage preparation program, Contact Mark & Kathy Haseler, 6166 7634.

To keep informed about upcoming retreats and events at the Centre, please visit the website <http://www.stclement.com.au>. If you would like to subscribe to our regular enews, click on Newsletters and follow the prompts.

St Thomas has a Quest Payment System.
 The EFTPOS tap & go machine is in the foyer. You can donate \$10 by tapping your EFTPOS card to the machine. Want to donate more simply tap your card again. All money goes to St Thomas to help with running the Parish (& repair costs). Many thanks to those who tried the machine.
 Have a go.

Catholic Voice website: Delivering useful, relevant, valuable local, national & international content from Catholic perspective – all day, every day. www.catholicvoice.org.au
 We are also on Facebook: **like & share** today.

Weekly Collection & Repair Fund will be updated
18/19 Jan 2020

Required / wk:	\$ 950	Required / wk:	\$ 1,200
Roof & Pipe Repair Fund as at 20 December 2019		Target:	\$ 8,504
	\$ 10,500	Raised	\$ 8,504

Pope Francis (10 Dec) Like a shepherd He feeds His flock, in His arms He gathers the lambs, carrying them in his bosom, leading the ewes with care" (Is 40:11), so the Lord comforts us.
#HomilySantaMarta

Roster for 2nd Weekend of Month (11-12 Jan)

	6.00pm	8.30am	10.00am
Acolyte	Nick	Bryce	Warwick F
Altar Servers	Angela Strmota Help Needed	Samuel & Elise Warner	Ian Rebello Help Needed
Readers	Penny Vanzwol Sue Barber	Maryellen M Help Needed	Janice R Prakash R
Music	Youth for Christ	Bruna Strmota	Margaret, Bernie, Sandy
Counters	Trish	And	Kim
Cleaning	Tunningley Family		