May They Rest in Peace: Valda Druett,

Anniversaries: Clare Jasek,

Sick / Pray for:

## Banking:

Collections last 2 weeks: Thank you for your support!

9/12 1<sup>st</sup> \$294.55 2/12 1<sup>st</sup> \$193.00 9/12 2<sup>nd</sup> \$568.00 2/12 2<sup>nd</sup> \$295.00

## **PLANNED GIVING:**

There are several ways you can support the ongoing expenses for the Taralga Parish.

- **Pg envelope**, weekly, f/n, monthly
- > **Direct debit-**set up a payment automatically
- > Credit card-set up automatic payment.
- EFT- we can give you bank details and you can transfer money into account.
   (Electronically only/ not over the counter at

the bank.) Taralga Parish Account

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Account no. 000015023 Reference- Surname- pg

Shaun Fanning
Geoffrey Croker
G Croker & S Fanning
Sarah Fanning
Margaret McGregor
L Murphy
Russell & Mary
Mona & grandchildren
P Keough & Family
Linda Walsh
Leone Walsh
Leone Walsh
Margaret. Helena
Wendy, Anne. Glbn



## **MASS TIMES:**

Taralga Saturday 6.00pm Sept-May 5.00pm (Winter June-Aug.)

Ss Peter & Paul's: Saturday (6.pm)

(5.00pm Winter June-Aug.)

Our Lady of Fatima 7.00am Sunday Ss Peter & Paul's 10.00am Sunday

Crookwell 9.00 am. SUNDAY
Binda 10.30 am Sunday (1,2,3 Sun. month)
Tuena 11.30am 5<sup>th</sup> Sun. of the month.

<u>BAPTISMS:</u> During the 6pm Mass Bookings are made through the office.

<u>**WEDDINGS**</u>: all weddings must be booked through the Mission office for all churches.

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# THE GOULBURN MISSION Christ The King Taralga 16.12.17

[Parish Established 1929] 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday Advent Yr B

#### The Saints Candle (3)

Lord Jesus, your coming was foretold by the prophet Isaiah who cried with joy for God clothes us in the garments of salvation.

R. Come, Emmanuel Come, Emmanuel Come, Emmanuel

Come, and be born in our Hearts.

Lord Jesus, you come among us now as the light of the world. St Paul urges us to be happy at all times and to pray constantly.

R Come, Emmanuel

Lord Jesus, you sent John the Baptist to be a witness for the light

R Come, Emmanuel

Responsorial Psalm: My soul rejoices in my God.

**Response:** *(if sung)* Forever I will sing the goodness of the Lord.

**<u>Right:</u>** My soul glorifies the Lord,

my spirit rejoices in God, my Saviour. He looks on his servant in her nothingness; henceforth all ages will call me blessed.

**<u>Left:</u>** The Almighty works marvels for me.

Holy his name!

His mercy is from age to age,

on those who fear him.

**<u>Right:</u>** He fills the starving with good things,

sends the rich away empty. He protects Israel, his servant, remembering his mercy.

<u>Gospel Acclamation</u>: Alleluia Alleluia
The Spirit of the Lord is upon me: he sent me to

bring Good News to the poor. Alleluia

<u>Today's Readings:</u> 1/ Is 61:1-2. 10-11 2 / 1 Thes 5:16-24 **Gospel**: Jn 1:6-8. 19-28

#### **VOCATION PRAYER:**

God of all creation,

Through Baptism you gift us with new life.

You call each of us to live that life in a unique way, so that we may truly become the witnesses of your love.

Bless all those you call: all single and married people all priests and deacons, all sisters and brothers. May we all become builders of your kingdom and sacraments of your love.

As we live out the mission of Jesus Christ through living our baptismal call.

Give us all the time and energy to assist in the work of the Goulburn Mission.

We make this prayer through Christ our Lord. Amen

#### **Communion Antiphon:**

Say to the faint of heart: Be strong and do not fear. Behold, our God will come, and he will save us.

## **Prayer of Commissioning:**

Christ's Mass unites us in his life and love. Now take the gift of his body and blood to our sick brothers and sisters, sharing that life and love with them

<u>CATHOLIC VOICE</u>: available this week. Yr 12 Catholic Schools pictures, The 'Heffernan's story", Recalling the installation of an Archbishop, Eris O'Brien and Arch. Mass Times for Christmas.

The Goulburn Mission is working on new **websites**, a work in progress, please have a look at it and watch it develop.

Bulletins for, rosters, sacramental updates, parish news, Mass times.

# Taralga has its own site.

http://cg.org.au/taralga/Home.aspx

We are always looking for items to include, if you would like anything uploaded please email into Sharon.

<u>A TRAY is left in the Sacristy</u> for anything you would like to be sent in for Father or the office.

## **Mission News:**

Welcome back to Fr Assin, still on the road to a full recovery.

Thank you to those who continue maintaining our church and surrounding grounds, and to the many volunteers behind the scene who keep things rolling!

**CHRISTMAS GIFTS:** Two books, *Meditating on the Holy Rosary* and *Little AI* would make great Christmas gifts. The first details the life of Christ and his Mother through the mysteries of the Rosary. The second is a story book for primary school children. Both are available at the Parish Office, OLOF Kiosk Glbn. for Five Dollars each. Or send a note via the tray.

<u>Christmas cards</u>, Josephite <u>Calendars</u> are available for sale at the SVDP Kiosk at OLOF Church, Lagoon St. Glbn. Open Saturday 9.30am-10am, Sundays 8am-8.30am.

## Parish Reconciliation: 7pm

Tues.19<sup>th</sup> Dec.Glbn SPP Wed. 20<sup>th</sup> Dec. Taralga Thurs. 21 Dec.C'well

# **Christmas Mass Times**:

Christmas Eve 24th, Sunday: 6pm Taralga

6pm Goulburn SPP 6pm Crookwell 8pm Goulburn SPP

Christmas Day 25th, Monday :9am Goulburn OLOF

9am Crookwell 10.30 Binda

<b>ANNIVERSARIE</b>	<u>S:</u>	Mary Hogan	31/12/16
Kenneth Halls	3/12 71	Patrick Mullaney	8/12/72
John Elliott	14/12/72	Les Whipp	25/12/75
Max Woods		Cecile Regan	23/12/92
Mary Walsh	8/12/93	Ron Gardener	17/12/95
Jack Walsh	3/12/99	Therese McInness	17/12/07
Richard Kelly	24/12/14	Fr Frank Keogh	6/12/15

\*Children's activity sheets, relating to the Sunday Gospel for each Mass are available at the back of the church

#### Reflection: 3rd Wk Advent

In contrast to last week's text on John the Baptist, this one comes from the last of the written gospels. The Gospel of John was penned at the very end of



the first century. One common

characteristic, however, is clear: the Baptist is again presented as the forerunner.

The evangelist presents John the Baptist as the most reliable of witnesses, 'Sent by God ... to speak for the light'. The only other person in John's Gospel to come from God is Jesus himself.

## Did you know?

In the early years, there was rivalry between the disciples of John the Baptist and of Jesus. This gospel makes it clear that John does not see himself as a rival to Jesus but as a witness to him. It is Jesus who is the one sent from God.

The quote from Isaiah comes from a section of his Book which is addressed to the people in Exile in Babylon in the sixth century BC. It is designed to bring comfort and promises that, when the paths are made straight, the Lord will be revealed.

Bethany, as mentioned in this gospel text, is not the same town which was home to Mary, Martha and Lazarus. They lived close to Jerusalem but the Bethany mentioned here lies on the east bank of the Jordan River.

Meditate on these words of Isaiah this week:

The Spirit of the Lord has been given to me for the Lord has anointed me. He sent me to bring good news to the poor, to bind up hearts that are broken. How can you do this?

(The Summit)