

Congratulations to our children who are receiving their First Eucharist today. They celebrated the Sacrament of Reconciliation last week and prepared to receive their First Eucharist today. It was indeed an enriching time to spend with you. Thanks for your enthusiasm and desire to receive Jesus. I encourage you to receive Jesus in the Eucharist very often to keep you deep-rooted in Jesus and in His love. Jesus loves you and lives in you... *Frs. Joshy & Alex*

Thankyou ... I sincerely thank our dedicated Sacramental Team. Your hard work and commitment contributed tremendously to prepare our children for this beautiful moment in their life. Also, I thank the parents, grandparents, and support people who journey with the children's faith life. I appreciate your constant care and support to bring up your child as an authentic Christian. Thank you for your commitment and witness. Please continue this journey of faith, May God bless you. **Fr Joshy**

The RCIA or the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults is a wonderful journey to a new beginning for those who consider becoming a catholic. We encourage members of our parish family to offer this invitation to people they know who might be interested in becoming a Catholic, or at least exploring the Catholic faith. For details contact parish office.

PARISH PLANNED GIVING PROGRAMME

*Each of us is blessed by God with many gifts,
and we are called to return our thanksgiving to Him a small portion of His blessings to us.*

Dear Friends in Christ,

The Planned Giving Program is the major source of income for our parish. It contributes to the finance of the parish to maintain and manage our resources (eg wages, rates, electricity, maintenance costs, insurance etc...), and to invest in pastoral projects: such as sacramental preparation, resource materials, etc... Our material assets are the necessary means to ensure that we celebrate our faith together, to provide pastoral outreach, faith formation and efficient administration. We need to share the load to ensure the upkeep of the material assets of our parish.

Someone said if each person coming to our parishes were to give the extra cost of a couple of coffees on top of their regular giving, we could double the Giving at our parishes overnight. It's that easy. Please consider.

You may attend Mass in our church, you may have been married here, or had a baby baptised. For others their children may attend our Parish schools or are at the age to celebrate the sacraments of Reconciliation, First Eucharist and Confirmation. At some stage you may have or may need its support for personal reconciliation or for a funeral for a loved one.

The greatest gift of all is to give, and your generous support of the Planned Giving Program is gratefully appreciated. Each and every one of you is important to us. With a predictable source of income, we can responsibly set a budget and monitor our stewardship. I strongly encourage all to embrace the parish Planned Giving. Let us together build the church and sustain it for the future generation.

In addition to regular giving to the parish, parishioners when able, can also provide one off gifts in the form of Donations or Bequests. A gift in your will, no matter how big or small is one way you can personally advance the work and the mission of the Church.

Please consider to do your contribution electronically which would make our administration lot more efficient and less expensive. You don't need to provide your account details; instead you set it the regular Plan Giving in in your bank account. The details are below, for any further assistance please contact the parish office.

As I am thanking you for your ongoing support, I wish and pray that may the good Lord bless you in abundance of peace and prosperity.

Fr Joshy Kurien
Parish Priest

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