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We acknowledge the traditional custodians of this land, the Wiradjuri peoples, Aboriginal peoples and Torres Strait Islander peoples. We pay our respects to the elders past, present and emerging, for they hold the memories, the traditions, the culture, and hopes of this land. We acknowledge that they have occupied and cared for this land over countless generations and we celebrate their continuing contribution to the life of our town and of this region. We also extend our respect to all Aboriginal peoples living in our community.

THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY AND JOSEPH YEAR C 29TH DECEMBER 2024

GOD BLESS OUR HOME. A HOUSE IS MADE OF MATERIALS THAT ARE REPLACEABLE. BUT A HOME IS FOUNDED ON RELATIONSHIPS, LOVE, MEMORIES, JOYS AND PAINS, BIRTHS AND DEATHS. NO MATERIAL COMPENSATION CAN EVER BE MADE FOR THE LOSS OF THESE. ON THIS FEAST OF THE HOLY FAMILY WE PRAY, 'GOD, BLESS OUR HOME', WHATEVER ITS SHAPE MAY BE.

Christmas Message from Fr Sijo - Christmas and New Year is a time of peace and joy, a time to celebrate with family and loved ones. It is important to be close to those who are dear to us. It is also a time to renew our relationship with God and with one another; a time to forgive and let go. May you be blessed with Peace and Joy at Christmas and in the New Year 2025. Dear friends, as I come to the end of my time here at Sacred Heart Parish Temora, I would like to acknowledge my gratitude and appreciation to you all. It has been a privilege to journey with you over the last six years. You are all a part of my growth as a priest and I will always be grateful for the support you have given me. I will miss you all, especially your wonderful presence, faith, friendship, love and care. Thank you. May God bless you all and keep me in your prayers.

Fr Sijo

New Year's Prayer

Lord, you make all things new
You bring hope alive in our hearts
And cause our spirits to be born again
Thank you for this new year
For all the potential it holds
Come and kindle in us
A mighty flame

So that in our time, many will see the wonders of God
And live forever to praise Your glorious name
Amen



MASS TIMES

TUESDAY:	No Mass	
WEDNESDAY:	No Mass	
THURSDAY:	Mass	10.00am
FRIDAY:	Mass	10.00am
SATURDAY:	Mass	10.00am Reconciliation 10.20am
4 th January	Vigil Mass	6.00pm – TEMORA
SUNDAY		
5 th January	Mass	8.00am – ARDLETHAN, 10.00am - BARELLAN

EVENTS

6PM MASS SATURDAY 28TH DECEMBER 2024

ACOLYTE:	P George	READER: D Sleigh
PRAYER OF THE FAITHFUL:	S Coleman	ROSARY: M Bremer
OFFERTORY PROCESSION:	P & C Glasgow	MUSIC: Colin, Sharron, Renae
ALTAR SERVERS:	H Drumore & J Cotton	

6PM MASS SATURDAY 4TH JANUARY 2025

ACOLYTE:	P Bleyer	READER: G Reid
PRAYER OF THE FAITHFUL:	A Letson	ROSARY: P Connolly
OFFERTORY PROCESSION:	C & A McCrone	MUSIC: C Glasgow
ALTAR SERVERS:	J Collins & B Krause	
PLANNED GIVING COUNTERS:	28 th - G & A Wood	4 th – R Coleman & J Goode
CHURCH CLEANING:	4 th – J Drum's Team	18 th – J Morton's Team

IF UNABLE TO ATTEND MASS PLEASE FIND OWN REPLACEMENT

First Collection for Sunday 22nd December 2024 **\$457.00**. Second Collection for Sunday 22nd December 2024 **\$1016.10**.

Archbishop Christopher's Christmas Message - This year, within the space of a few days, we celebrate both Christmas Day (25th December) and the Opening of the Jubilee Year of Pilgrims of Hope (29th December). Both unite together under one word: HOPE.

Pope Francis reminds us of St Paul's reassuring statement regarding HOPE. "Hope does not disappoint us, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit that has been given to us." (Romans 5/5)

Recently, we have all received this love of God poured out in our Archdiocesan Assembly. Our prayerful HOPE was realised in a refreshing way. This synodal gathering enabled us to encounter the Holy Spirit afresh. Our HOPE is that this will deepen in the times ahead.

This "pouring out" of God's love in our hopes arrives again this Christmas. Hope takes form in love itself – the Christ child. Like the first Christmas and including all creation, there is a holy silence. There is peace. There is hope for an end to warfare and all violence in our world. There is gift-giving in our lives in response to Godly grace in Jesus. There is the Holy Family animating in hope all families.

Days after the first Christmas, there is the synodal pilgrimage of exile into Egypt via present-day devastated Gaza. From these ruins, we become Pilgrims of Hope in a new world of peacemaking and justice. We start in our families and neighbourhoods.

Pope Francis names the following groups for our special hope-filled attention in practical charity – prisoners, sick, young, migrants, elderly, (grandparents), poor.

Let us start with our homes. May they be truly places of H.O.P.E. Homes of Prayer Experience. Start by gathering around your nativity sets and pray together in perfect silence, stillness and simplicity.

Hope does not disappoint. Hope leads us to Bethlehem. Hope leads us to become synodal pilgrims. We walk behind Jesus, who leads us into 2025 with bountiful hope.

Happy Christmas and New Year to all!

Archbishop Christopher Prowse
Catholic Archdiocese of Canberra and Goulburn



PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR SICK:

Danny Pinney
Lyn Gilchrist
Trish Harmon
Greg Gaynor
Rosemary Blachut
Brian Hughes
David Rolfe
Joy Cronin
Chris Morton
Janelle Bland
Beryl Muir
Jim Clancy
Cliff Cook
Michael Brady
Mavis Murphy
Noel Rigney-Johnson

Could you please contact the presbytery if you are aware of any changes to our sick list.

MASSES OFFERED:

Noel Goode
Alan Mooney
Pat & Patricia Mooney
John O'Dea
Otto Petrin
Harold & Maryann Grief
Irene Cullen
Dot Cooke
Joan Preston
Aileen McMullen

DECEASED:

Norma Gorman (née Gelfius)
Damien Smith

ANNIVERSARIES:

Rolf Waldermar
Alexis Waldermar
Joan Cassidy
Della Bland
Mavis Callaghan
Jim Field
Jarred Martin
Margaret Mahon
Graham Krause

