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**Mass Times**  
**Tues 31:** 5.30 Mass  
(Thanksgiving)  
**Wed 01:** 8.40 Rosary  
9am Mass  
**Thurs 02:** 9am Mass  
**Fri 03:** 9am Stations of the  
Cross 9.15am Mass  
5.30pm Adoration  
**Sat 04:** 9am Rosary/Mass  
5pm Reconciliation  
6pm Vigil Mass  
**Sun 05:** 9am Mass  
5pm Mass  
**Sacristans**

**6pm:** Craddy & Carmody  
**9am:** Scicluna & Bemelman  
**5pm:** D. & B. McCormack

**ROSTERS**  
**Church Cleaning**  
R & K Ison (30/12-3/1)  
**Welcomers**  
6pm C. Brownlie  
9am M Law  
5pm D Ebejer  
**Readers**  
6pm M Weatherall, P Billington  
9am A. Horsfall, Sr Marie  
5pm K O'Sullivan; J O'Sullivan

**Commentator**  
6pm M Bridges  
9am L Page  
5pm S Ebejer  
**Extraordinary Ministers**  
6pm C Brownlie, Y Oerder  
9am L Page, L Stevens  
5pm D Gorzalka,  
B McCormack  
**Computer**  
6pm K Conway  
9am T Jackson  
**Children's Liturgy**  
Holidays  
**Morning Tea**  
Nola Beatty  
**Hospital Visits (5th Jan)**  
**Maureen Brears**

Dear Parishioners,

Compliments of the Season.  
I do hope you all had a fulfilled  
Christmas celebration.

Using this platform, I would  
like to express my sincere  
gratitude to you all for your  
generosity in every way throughout this year 2019, from the pas-  
toral to the practical demands of our parish. We could not have  
come this far without your support.

Many thanks for your financial contributions. These has enabled  
us to install New Overheads Screen in the Church and the  
servicing of the ongoing administrative and maintenance costs of  
running the parish along with other needs this year.

Sincere thanks to all our staff members, volunteers and all those  
who served in different ministries, working as individuals and col-  
laborating in a team spirit. Your time, talents and energies are  
highly treasured. Your effort behind the scenes is much  
appreciated, even when it seemed unnoticed.

To the many visitors and holiday makers, thank you for spending  
your time with us. Your feedbacks will continue to be a source of  
inspiration to us in our desire to be a better faith community.

My brother Priests and Deacons and our Seminarian have been  
very supportive. What could we have done without your help;  
thanks for being part of our team.

Our prayers goes out to those affected by the ongoing drought,  
fires, smoke and the fire crew. We also remember the local  
retailers who bears the direct impact of holiday cancellation this  
year. May the Christ-Child sustain you with strength and hope.

Importantly, our hearts are with those who celebrated their first  
Christmas without their loved ones this year. We ask God to  
comfort you and grant them respite in his kingdom of peace.

Wishing one and all a joyful yuletide and a happy new year on  
this Feast of the Holy Family.

**Fr. Martins**  
**(Parish Priest)**

**Weekly Events:**  
**Singalong:** Monday at 1pm in the Church.  
**Bible Study/Faith Formation** Wed. at 9.30am  
**Rosary:** Wednesday at 8:40am, Church  
**Stations of the Cross:** Friday, 9am in church  
**Adoration/Vespers:** Friday at 5:30pm  
**Craft:** Thursday 10 –12pm Meeting Room  
**Wrap With Love:** 2nd Tue & last Wed,  
Church  
**Men Alive:** Every 1st & 3rd Wed in Church  
**Reconciliation:** Saturday at 5pm in Church  
**Cenacle Prayer:** Tues at 4.45pm in Church

**Monthly Events**  
**First Saturday:** 9 am Mass  
**Opal Mass:** Every 1st Wed at 10:30am  
**Glen Mass:** Every 3rd Thurs at 10:30am  
**Maranatha Mass:** Every 4th Wed at 2pm  
**Baptism Preparation:** Last Wed at 6.30pm  
**Mass of the Sick:** Every 1st Tue at 5.30pm  
**Weddings and Funerals** by arrangement  
**Upcoming Events: January**  
Wed 1st Mary Mother of God Mass 9 am  
Sat 18th Men's Breakfast 8am Meeting Room  
Sunday 26th Australia Day Masses



## NATIONAL PRAYER CAMPAIGN

*For Rain, Drought, Fires*

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ETERNAL GOD

In Wisdom and Love

You created our Earth

To sustain us and give us life.

We turn to you now

In faith, hope and love,

Asking you to look with favour  
on

our drought-stricken land, on  
our starving animals,

On our failing crops.

Strengthen, *sustain* and give  
new

heart to our farmers

And to all those who support  
them.

In your loving providence, send  
abundant rain

And restore our parched earth.

Father of all compassion,

Hear our prayer

Through Jesus Christ you Son,

In whom the promise of new life

has dawned, and

through the power of the Holy

Spirit, the Lord the giver of life:

Renew your faithful people,

Renew the face of the earth.

Our lady of the Southern Cross,

Mary, help of Christians -

*Pray for us.*

St Mary of the Cross MacKillop -

*Pray for us*

## THE SOLEMNITY OF THE HOLY FAMILY

This weekend, we celebrate the solemnity of the  
Holy family. This solemnity call to mind the family of  
Joseph, Mary and Jesus.

Joseph was the foster father of Jesus. Mary is the  
chosen human mother of Jesus. Jesus son of God and  
son of Mary remains the known child of the family of  
Joseph.

Each member of the Holy family remains very  
important part of the whole family. Minus anyone of them  
the family will be incomplete. Joseph, identified in our first  
reading as a father set by God to watch over his children,  
in this case the Holy Family

They lived in love, compassion, kindness, humility,  
gentleness, patience and forgiveness. This reflects the  
admonition of St. Paul in his letter to the Colossians in our  
second reading. They attended the Jewish Passover feast  
together as a family. They sort the Lord in the temple  
together when they realised that he was missing.

### Lessons

The solemnity of the Holy Family of Joseph, Mary  
and Jesus calls us to focus attention on our own individual  
family pictures. In doing this, we are invited to re-  
appreciate the importance of each member of the family,  
young or old, strong or frail. Let the oneness not only be  
seen on the frame of the family picture, taken on an im-  
portant event, but be visible in the living experiences.

Mary and Joseph experienced rejection. They had no  
room. They had to give birth to Jesus in a stable. How  
about making time for the disconnected family members,  
perhaps creating rooms for one another during this  
yuletide.

The Holy Family being the model of family life  
inspires us to live in love, in kindness, in humility, gentle-  
ness and forgiveness especially in the face of drought,  
fires and smoke.



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**Operating**  
**Account**  
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NAME. Eg: Jones

**Remembering the Sick:** Dennis Sheather, Mary Henderson, James Lee,  
George Fitzgerald, Declan Holmes, Diane Lanzon, Marion O'Grady, Victor Edith,  
Jan Simpson, Dawn Robinson, Margaret Harris, Patricia McLennan, Bill Giust,  
Allan Odium, Luke Ward, Rosemary Cooley, Andrew Morton, Judy Betts, Ken  
Evendon, Janet Thornberry, Anica Bautovic, Glenda Gallagher, Joan, Evelyn  
Freiburger and those in our local Nursing Homes and Hospital.

**Rest In Peace:** Des Beckhaus, Guiseppe Ferrante, Anthony Clift, Marie  
Stewart, June Bowditch, Nick Shannon, Peter McKeon, Joe Borg, Katima  
Skuzma, Desmond Lyons, Norma Phillips, Ted Gillis, Vincenzo Biondo,  
Brian Jose, Edith Bruce, John Hay, Donald Walker, Colin McGrath, James  
McArdle, Fran Cloude, Sean Griffin and Betty O'Naill

Pope Francis Monthly  
Prayer Intention

**JANUARY**

**Promotion of World Peace**

We pray that Christians,  
followers of other religions, and  
all people of goodwill may  
promote peace and justice in the  
world

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### PARISH COFFEE CLUB

All are welcome to join the cof-  
fee Club on Thursdays after the  
9am mass.

VENUE: closed until 13th  
FEBRUARY  
**COFFEE, CONNECT**  
**& CHAT**

