

St Peter Apostle Mission Parish

38 Guinane Avenue, Hoppers Crossing 3029
Archdiocese of Melbourne
Committed to the safety, well-being and dignity of all children, young people and vulnerable adults



Mary, the Holy Mother of God

1 January 2023
Year A



DEVOTIONAL PRAYER FOR JANUARY

Prayer for Feast of Mary, Mother of God

Father, source of light in every age, the virgin conceived and bore your Son who is called Wonderful God, Prince of Peace. May her prayer, the gift of a mother's love, be your people's joy through all ages. May her response, born of a humble heart, draw your Spirit to rest on your people. Grant this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Entrance Antiphon

Hail, Holy Mother, who gave birth to the King, who rules heaven and earth for ever.

1st Reading Num 6:22-27

A reading from the book of Numbers.

The Lord spoke to Moses and said, 'Say this to Aaron and his sons: "This is how you are to bless the sons of Israel. You shall say to them: May the Lord bless you and keep you. May the Lord let his face shine on you and be gracious to you. May the Lord uncover his face to you and bring you peace." This is how they are to call down my name on the sons of Israel, and I will bless them.'

The Word of the Lord.

Responsorial Psalm

May God bless us in his mercy.

2nd Reading Gal 4:4-7

A reading from the letter of St. Paul to the Galatians.

When the appointed time came, God sent his Son, born of a woman, born a subject of the Law, to redeem the subjects of the Law and to enable us to be adopted as sons. The proof that you are sons is that God has sent the Spirit of his Son into our hearts: the Spirit that cries, 'Abba, Father', and it is this that makes you a son, you are not a slave anymore; and if God has made you son, then he has made you heir.

The Word of the Lord.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia. In the past God spoke to our ancestors through the prophets; now he speaks to us through his Son.
Alleluia!

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OFFICE HOURS

Mon to Fri: 9:00am – 3:30pm

CONTACT DETAILS

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WEEKEND MASSES

Sat: 6:00pm

Sun: 8:30am, 10:30am, 5:00pm

Spanish – 1st & 3rd Sun at 1:15pm

Filipino – 4th Sun at 12:00 noon

WEEKDAY MASSES

Mon to Fri – 8:30am

Wed – 7:00pm

Sat – 9:00am

CONFESSIONS

Wed: 6:30pm

Sat: After 9:00am Mass

DEVOTIONS

First Friday: 7:00pm to 8:15pm

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

Fri 9:00am & Divine Mercy Chaplet

Sat 2:30pm

Our Lady of Perpetual Succour Novena

Wed after 7:00pm Mass

Rosary

Mon to Fri 8:00am

Sat 8:30am

Sun 8:00am

BAPTISMS

1st & 3rd Sundays at 12 noon

Baptism Preparation Meeting

1st Monday of the month, 7:00pm

WEDDINGS

By Appointment

ANOINTING OF THE SICK, HOUSE BLESSINGS, VISITS & QUERIES

Parish Office on (03) 9749 4300

Gospel

Lk 2:16-21

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke.

The shepherds hurried away to Bethlehem and found Mary and Joseph, and the baby lying in the manger. When they saw the child they repeated what they had been told about him, and everyone who heard it was astonished at what the shepherds had to say. As for Mary, she treasured all these things and pondered them in her heart. And the shepherds went back glorifying and praising God for all they had heard and seen; it was exactly as they had been told. When the eighth day came and the child was to be circumcised, they gave him the name Jesus, the name the angel had given him before his conception.

The Gospel of the Lord.

Communion

Jesus Christ is the same yesterday, today, and for ever.

Antiphon

Next Week's

Is 60:1-6; Eph 3:2-3, 5-6; Mt 2:1-12

Readings

Feasts of the

Sts Basil the Great & Gregory Nazianzen

Mon, 2 Jan

Week

FR. VINCENT & THE PARISH OFFICE TEAM wish all our parishioners God's Blessings for 2023. May He fill your lives with comfort and love. May this day and the days ahead hold many blessings for you and your families. **Happy New Year!!**

THE PIETY STORE has a stock of **WORD OF GOD 2023** for \$20 and **Columban Calendars** for \$10 for anyone who would like to purchase these items.

EXTENSION TO ST PETER'S SCHOOL BUILDING

Dear parishioners, Extension work of St Peter's school building has commenced. During this period, you are requested to exercise CAUTION while accessing the basketball court to park your vehicle. Please be cautious and prudent as there will be only **ONE Point of Entry** and **Exit** for vehicles. Your patience and consideration for other drivers is appreciated. Thank you.

PARISH OFFICE CLOSURE

The parish office is now closed and will **re-open on Monday 9th January 2023**. Bulletin for 8th January will be single sheet with mass readings. Normal bulletins will resume from 15th January 2023, along with names for Death Anniversaries, Recently Deceased and Sick List.

JANUARY 2023

Please note that there will be **NO** Healing Mass or Baptism Formation Meeting in January. The Healing Mass and Baptism Formation meeting will resume in February 2023.

JOURNEYING TOGETHER WITH SR. NATHALIE BECQUART XMCJ, TUESDAY, 31 JANUARY 2023

Sr Nathalie Becquart XMCJ is the Undersecretary of the General Secretariat of the Synod and one of the most influential women in the Church today. As part of Sr Nathalie's tour of Australia, we are delighted to have this opportunity to hold this conversation on 'journeying together' as Church both universally and locally. As our local Church in Melbourne walks the path of *Take the Way of the Gospel*, the universal Church is on her journey of synodality (Synod 2021-2024: For a Synodal Church: Communion, Participation and Mission). These journeys are connected and they invite us to walk together, and listen to the Holy Spirit and each other. We hope that this event will be beneficial for parish leadership, *Take the Way of the Gospel* coordinators and Archdiocesan staff, particularly those leading or who have an interest in *Take the Way of the Gospel*.

Journeying Together with Sr Nathalie Becquart XMCJ

Date: Tuesday 31 January 2023 10am-12midday

Where: Catholic Leadership Centre, 576 Victoria Pde, East Melbourne

Free event

Registration is essential via <https://www.trybooking.com/CFARB>

Registration closes Friday **27 January 2023**

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