

LITURGY RUN SHEET

CHRISTMAS DAY MASS

Year C 2024

NOTES:

- Passing around of Collection Baskets during Offertory.
ONE COLLECTION ONLY.
- Nicene Creed to be recited instead of Apostles Creed

ROSTER:

	7.30AM SK	9AM SC	9.30AM SK
Presider	Fr Abel	Fr Paul	Fr Senan
Mass Intention			
Coordinator		Pauline	
Senior Server	Anna	Antoinette	Michael
Readers	Judith Jenny		Dale Cathie
Musician			
Welcomer/Collector		Pauline	Sol
Communion Minister	Madeleine		Edelvine Kaye Adriana
Powerpoint	Lea		

WELCOME TO THE ASSEMBLY

My name is _____ and a Blessed Christmas to you all.

We acknowledge the Traditional Custodians of this land and their ongoing connection to the lands and waterways. We pay our respect to their elders past and present, and to all First Nations people in our community.

Today, we thank God for his greatest gift to us—the gift of his beloved Son, Jesus. His Only Begotten Son is our Emmanuel, God’s presence among us. In him God makes his dwelling among us so that nothing we experience will be foreign to him: our joys and pains, our hopes and fears, our strengths and weaknesses. With this comforting thought we celebrate the Eucharist, praying especially for children and our family. May our Christmas celebration be a time of happy togetherness.

Please stand together with us now as we greet one another and begin our Mass. (PAUSE)

Thank you.

The priest presiding at this Mass is Fr. _____

Mon 7.30am	Fr Abel
Mon 9am	Fr Paul
Mon 9.30am	Fr Senan

PRAYER OF THE FAITHFUL

PRESIDER Our hearts are filled with joy on this Christmas Day when we commemorate the Incarnation and the Birth of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. With trust-filled hearts, let us address our petitions to the Father who gave us His only Son:

RESPONSE LORD, hear our prayer!

READER For the entire community of believers who rejoice over the birth of Jesus: May we be encouraged to tell and share to others how we encountered Jesus in our daily lives. May the peace of this most blessed day reverberate into the whole world through their lives. Let us pray! **R.**

For the Holy Father and all the religious leaders throughout the world: May the leadership they exercise in the name of God bring all peoples closer to one another in sincere cooperation and solidarity. Let us pray! **R.**

For our own family and all the families in our parish: May the spirit of Christmas make us always ready to support, forgive, affirm and love one another. May the spirit of Christmas help them rediscover the roots of their love and enable them to overcome all difficulties. Let us pray! **R.**

For us as we welcome the Jubilee Year: May it strengthen our faith and help us to recognize the face of Jesus in our daily lives. May it transform us into pilgrims of Christian hope, seeking Jesus in other people, especially the poor and the needy. Let us pray! **R.**

For all those fleeing from natural calamities, war, and hunger, forced to undertake journeys full of danger and violence: May they find welcome and new opportunities in the countries that receive them. May they also have the chance to return to their native places with dignity and freedom. Let us pray! **R.**

For our broken world and all the people everywhere: May the conflict in Syria, Lebanon, Palestine, Israel, Ukraine and Iran cease; all suffering come to an end. May the peace brought by Jesus at his birth lead them to seek an end to the scourge of war. Let us pray! **R.**

For those who have died since last Christmas: May Jesus take into the heavenly homeland our departed relatives and friends, along with our parishioners. We remember those who have died recently: **Primo Ganino, Judith Gasacao, Benjie Santiago, Peter John Hilson, Don Gaffney, Mavis Agnew, Maria Jakusic, Antonio Coniglio, Peggy Gallagher** and those whose anniversaries occur: **Henry Gawecki, Jean Coates, Ricki Hayes, Marion Hayes, Jeremy Hession, Mary Robb, Eric McKinnon** Let us pray! **R.**

PRESIDER Lord God, You are the source of our joy and salvation; You are the reason for our hope. May this Christmas produce in our hearts a lasting disposition of joy and peace until we celebrate it in heaven. We ask this through Christ our Lord who lives and reigns with You for ever and ever. Amen.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Christmas Wishes

Fr Michael, Fr Jumbim, Fr John and Fr Tu wish you and your family a happy, holy and safe Christmas, and a blessed New Year.

Christmas Wishes - PPC

Linda Williamson, the co-chair of our Parish Pastoral Council, shares the Council's Christmas wishes in a special message for all parishioners. You can read these Christmas greetings in today's bulletin.

Farewell to Fr Tu

All members of our parish community are invited to join us for a special Mass on Sunday, 29 December at 9:30AM at St Kieran's to farewell Fr Tu. Fr Tu will begin his new assignment in Vietnam, commencing January 2025.

Liturgical Ministries

Our parish is supported by wonderful volunteers who assist in Eucharistic ministry, reading at Mass, music ministry, and many other ways. If you would like to be part of our parish's liturgical ministries, please scan the QR code in the parish bulletin. All training will be provided.

Christmas Closure

Our Parish Office is closed over the Christmas break. It will reopen on Tuesday, January 7 at 9:00AM.

READINGS

First Reading

Isaiah 52:7-10

A reading from the prophet Isaiah

All the ends of the earth shall see the saving power of our God.

How beautiful on the mountains,
are the feet of one who brings good news,
who heralds peace, brings happiness,
proclaims salvation,
and tells Zion, 'Your God is king!'
Listen! Your watchmen raise their voices,
they shout for joy together,
for they see the Lord face to face,
as he returns to Zion.
Break into shouts of joy together,
you ruins of Jerusalem;
for the Lord is consoling his people, redeeming Jerusalem.
The Lord bares his holy arm in the sight of all the nations,
and all the ends of the earth shall see the salvation of our God.
The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 97:1-6. R. v.3

(R.) All the ends of the earth have seen the saving power of God.

1. Sing a new song to the Lord
for he has worked wonders.
His right hand and his holy arm
have brought salvation. **(R.)**
2. The Lord has made known his salvation;
has shown his justice to the nations.
He has remembered his truth and love
for the house of Israel. **(R.)**
3. All the ends of the earth have seen
the salvation of our God.
Shout to the Lord all the earth,
ring out your joy. **(R.)**
4. Sing psalms to the Lord with the harp,
with the sound of music.
With trumpets and the sound of the horn
acclaim the King, the Lord. **(R.)**

Second Reading

Hebrews 1:1-6

A reading from the letter to the Hebrews

In our own time, God speaks to us through his Son.

At various times in the past and in various different ways, God spoke to our ancestors through the prophets; but in our own time, the last days, he has spoken to us through his Son, the Son that he has appointed to inherit everything and through whom he made everything there is. He is the radiant light of God's glory and the perfect copy of his nature, sustaining the universe by his powerful command; and now that he has destroyed the defilement of sin, he has gone to take his place in heaven at the right hand of divine Majesty. So he is now as far above the angels as the title which he has inherited is higher than their own name.

God has never said to any angel: You are my Son, today I have become your father, or: I will be a father to him and he a son to me. Again, when he brings the First-born into the world, he says: Let all the angels of God worship him.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

A holy day has dawned upon us.

Come you nations and adore the Lord.

Today a great light has come upon the earth.

Alleluia!

Gospel

John 1:1-18

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John

The Word of God became flesh and dwelt among us, and we saw his glory.

In the beginning was the Word:
the Word was with God and the Word was God.
He was with God in the beginning.
Through him all things came to be,
not one thing had its being but through him.
All that came to be had life in him
and that life was the light of men,
a light that shines in the dark,
a light that darkness could not overpower.
A man came, sent by God. His name was John.
He came as a witness, as a witness to speak for the light,
so that everyone might believe through him.
He was not the light, only a witness to speak for the light.
The Word was the true light that enlightens all men;
and he was coming into the world.
He was in the world that had its being through him,
and the world did not know him.
He came to his own domain and his own people did not accept him.
But to all who did accept him
he gave power to become children of God,
to all who believe in the name of him
who was born not out of human stock
or urge of the flesh or will of man
but of God himself. The Word was made flesh,
he lived among us, and we saw his glory,
the glory that is his as the only Son of the Father,
full of grace and truth. John appears as his witness,
He proclaims: 'This is the one of whom I said:
He who comes after me ranks before me
because he existed before me.'
Indeed, from his fullness we have, all of us, received –
yes, grace in return for grace,
since, though the Law was given through Moses,
grace and truth have come through Jesus Christ.
No one has ever seen God;
it is the only Son, who is nearest to the Father's heart,
who has made him known.
The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.