

LITURGY RUN SHEET

CHRISTMAS EVE MASS

2024 Year C

NOTES:

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

ROSTER:

	7.30 SC	7.30 SK
Presider	Fr Tu	Fr Myk
Mass Intention		
Coordinator	Philippa	
Senior Server	Ian	Louise W
Readers	Louise M Ailis M	Brian C Margaret M
Musician	Tim & Pete	Parish Choir
Welcomer/Collector	Playoust Family	Caroline, Celestine Jenica, Fatima, Sol
Communion Minister	Philippa C Gai H	Val M
Powerpoint		

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.

On this most holy night, Jesus, our Saviour, is born to give joy to the world and to save us from sin.

Though almighty and powerful, God strips himself of his glory and makes himself small. This God-become-man is the one we welcome tonight. He is our Emmanuel, our God-with-us.

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. _____

7.30pm (SC) Fr Tu

7.30pm (SK) Fr Michael

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 FOR CHRISTMAS NIGHT MASS Year C

First Reading

Isaiah 9:1-7

A reading from the prophet Isaiah

A son is given to us.

The people that walked in darkness
has seen a great light;
on those who live in a land of deep shadow
a light has shone.
You have made their gladness greater,
you have made their joy increase;
they rejoice in your presence
as men rejoice at harvest time,
as men are happy when they are dividing the spoils.
For the yoke that was weighing on him,
the bar across his shoulders,
the rod of his oppressor,
these you break as on the day of Midian.
For all the footgear of battle,
every cloak rolled in blood,
is burnt
and consumed by fire.
For there is a child born for us,
a son given to us
and dominion is laid on his shoulders;
and this is the name they give him:
Wonder-Counsellor, Mighty-God,
Eternal-Father, Prince-of-Peace.
Wide is his dominion
in a peace that has no end,
for the throne of David
and for his royal power,
which he establishes and makes secure
in justice and integrity.
From this time onwards and for ever,
the jealous love of the Lord of hosts will do this.
The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 95:1-3. 11-13 R. Lk 2:11

(R.) Today is born our Saviour, Christ the Lord.

1. O sing a new song to the Lord,
sing to the Lord all the earth.
O sing to the Lord, bless his name. (R.)
2. Proclaim his help day by day,
tell among the nations his glory
and his wonders among all the peoples. (R.)
3. Let the heavens rejoice and earth be glad,
let the sea and all within it thunder praise,
let the land and all it bears rejoice,
all the trees of the wood shout for joy
at the presence of the Lord for he comes,
he comes to rule the earth. (R.)
4. With justice he will rule the world,
he will judge the peoples with his truth. (R.)

Second Reading

Titus 2:11-14

A reading from the letter of St Paul to Titus

God's grace has been revealed to all people.

God's grace has been revealed, and it has made salvation possible for the whole human race and taught us that what we have to do is to give up everything that does not lead to God, and all our worldly ambitions; we must be self-restrained and live good and religious lives here in this present world, while we are waiting in hope for the blessing which will come with the Appearing of the glory of our great God and saviour Christ Jesus. He sacrificed himself for us in order to set us free from all wickedness and to purify a people so that it could be his very own and would have no ambition except to do good.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation

Luke 2:10-11

Alleluia, alleluia!

Good News and great joy to all the world:
today is born our Saviour, Christ the Lord.

Alleluia!

Gospel

Luke 2:1-14

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke

Today a saviour has been born for you.

Caesar Augustus issued a decree for a census of the whole world to be taken. This census – the first – took place while Quirinius was governor of Syria, and everyone went to his own town to be registered. So Joseph set out from the town of Nazareth in Galilee and travelled up to Judaea, to the town of David called Bethlehem, since he was of David's House and line, in order to be registered together with Mary, his betrothed, who was with child. While they were there the time came for her to have her child, and she gave birth to a son, her first-born. She wrapped him in swaddling clothes, and laid him in a manger because there was no room for them at the inn. In the countryside close by there were shepherds who lived in the fields and took it in turns to watch their flocks during the night. The angel of the Lord appeared to them and the glory of the Lord shone round them. They were terrified, but the angel said, 'Do not be afraid. Listen, I bring you news of great joy, a joy to be shared by the whole people. Today in the town of David a saviour has been born to you; he is Christ the Lord. And here is a sign for you: you will find a baby wrapped in swaddling clothes and lying in a manger.' And suddenly with the angel there was a great throng of the heavenly host, praising God and singing: 'Glory to God in the highest heaven and peace to men who enjoy his favour.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.