

Welcome to the beginning of the New Liturgical Year, the First Sunday of Advent.

ADVENT - Year C: The Year of Luke.

In contrast to either Mark or Matthew, Luke's gospel is clearly written more for a gentile audience. He has an educated style and the work is written for educated Gentile (non-Jewish) people.

He endeavours to show that non-Jews can belong to God's elect, be included in God's plan for salvation. Eg. Luke has Jesus praising the faith of a Roman centurion a non-Jew, and he makes a good Samaritan the exemplar of a parable of mercy.

Other minorities or marginalized groups also take centre stage in Luke: the role of women and the poor are highlighted.

Another major theme in Luke is the compassion of Jesus for the outcasts and sinners: Zacchaeus, and the thief crucified beside Jesus being examples.

One of Luke's major concerns is to show that the work, passion, crucifixion, and resurrection of Jesus are the fulfillment of the Jewish scriptures (i.e., Moses, the prophets, and the Psalms).

Luke is traditionally thought of as one of Paul's traveling companions and it's certainly the case that the author of Luke was from those Greek cities in which Paul had worked.

The author has used as his sources the gospel of Mark, the sayings collection called Q [quell = source], and a collection of material of his own.

Bible scholars generally agree that the Gospel of Luke was written around 70-75 A.D.

December 8th: Feast of the Immaculate Conception of Mary.

In 1884, Fr Chevalier, a young curate at Issoudun, France, began a Novena (9 days prayer) on November 30th to conclude on December 8th, the day in Rome when the Pope declared as a dogma of the Church, the Immaculate Conception of Mary.

Fr Chevalier's intention was to seek the intercession of Mary with regard to founding a society of Missionaries dedicated to the Heart of Jesus.

His prayer was answered on the very last morning of the Novena when funds came through which enabled him to begin. In gratitude to Mary he dedicated the Missionaries to her under the title of Our Lady of the Sacred Heart.

This date has been the foundation day of the MSC.

Let us seek her intercession in the same spirit of trust, hope and love.



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Accessible Seats -
Rows 5,6,7 and cross
aisles. Front 6 seats

1st/2nd December, 2018

First Sunday of Advent - Year C

1st Reading: Jeremiah 33:14-16

2nd Reading: Thessalonians 3: 12-4:2

Gospel: Luke 21:25-28, 34-36

Entrance Antiphon: To you I lift up my soul, O my God. In you, I have trusted; let me not be put to shame. Nor let my enemies exult over me; and let none who hope in you be put to shame.

Responsorial Psalm: To you, O Lord, I lift my soul.

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia! Lord, show us your mercy and love, and grant us your salvation. Alleluia!

Communion Antiphon: The Lord will bestow his bounty, and our earth shall yield its increase.

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Our Lady of the Sacred Heart

Monday: Midday Mass

Tuesday: 6:30am Mass, 11am (Holy Hour), Midday Mass.

Wednesday: 6:30am Mass, Midday Mass

Thursday: 11:30am (Novena), Midday Mass, 5:40pm Mass.

Friday: Midday Mass (Anointing Mass 2nd Friday), 5:40pm Mass, (Anointing Mass) 6pm (Holy Hour)

Saturday: 11am (Reconciliation), Midday Mass, 5pm (Reconciliation), 6pm Vigil Mass.

Sunday: 8am, 10am, Midday, 6pm. 10.30pm

St. Margaret Mary's

Saturday: 5:15 (Reconciliation), 5:30pm Vigil Mass.

Sunday: 9.30am

Baptisms

Held at OLSH, 1:15pm Sundays.

Contact the Parish Office on 9399 6775.

Into your loving care we commend :

Recently Deceased: Michael Bracken, Yvonne Beattie, Derek Dix, Patrick Kennedy, Katherine Sheehan.

Anniversaries and Deceased: Patricia Golsich, Alice Bitar, Eileen Bullard, Virigila Costa and members of the Costa Family, Ferdinando Andrade and members of the Andrade Family Mary Jabour, William Crothers, Len Jarman, Kenneth Fong, Marie Junior, Ronaldo Morelos, Alfredo Gechee, Heather Raymond.

Special Intentions: Holy Souls, Ann McKendry (Celebrating Birthday) Cecilia Choudhury (celebrating her birthday) Ann Kelly (Birthday,) Yvonne De Lorenzo (Birthday) Monica Locke.

We welcome into our Catholic family:

Humphrey Gray, Henry Stuart-Grant, Billie Rose Dartnell.

Meditation and gentle exercise at Ventnor 11am on Wednesdays:

Term 4 ends - Wed 19th December, 2018

Term 1 begins- Wednesday 30th January, 2019 .

OLSH ALTAR SERVERS: Next year we have a co-ordinator - trainer for children desiring to be Altar Servers. Loretta Lam, a teacher at OLSH Primary has graciously agreed to do this for the Parish. There is a course booklet and a certificate is issued following the course. Children who have completed their First Holy Communion are eligible. A parent will need to present the children for the course, and accompany them to the sacristy and help them vest when it is their turn to serve, and accompany them at the conclusion of the Mass while the de-vest. Next year we will re-advertise this. Peter Hearn MSC

Coming Up:

- ◆ **Dec 2 Sun:**
First Sunday of ADVENT: YEAR C.
- ◆ **Dec 3 Mon:**
St Francis Xavier
- ◆ **Dec 7 Fri:**
St Ambrose
- ◆ **Dec 8 Sat:**
Feast of the Immaculate Conception

MSC LAY ASSOCIATES - our last Meeting for 2018 will be held on Sunday 9th December at 1.15 pm. Bring food to share for lunch. Visitors welcome.

MSC Mission Office Appeal: Thank you for the magnificent response to this appeal. At last count you raised just over \$26,000! May your generosity yield rich blessings for you all and those who are helped by it. Peter Hearn MSC

THANKS to all who prepared the children for their First Reconciliation. We had a gentle and beautiful ceremony on Thursday evening for 84 eager little ones who literally skipped out of the Church I am told to pick up their certificates outside the Shrine Doors. Thanks to the Office staff for managing enquiries in season and out, and volunteers who printed certificates and seat names and checked and rechecked names. Special thanks to the OLSH teachers who, as always are present in force, and to our wonderful Government School catechists.

Peter Hearn, MSC

Seniors gentle exercise on Mondays and Fridays at Ventnor will conclude their classes for 2018 on Friday 7th December.

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If you or a person close to you has been abused by someone working or ministering within the Archdiocese of Sydney we invite you to contact us. We will listen to you respectfully, offer support and discuss the options you have available to you. Please contact the Safeguarding and Ministerial Integrity Office on ph 02 9390 5812.

(See Foyer for Cards): safeguardingenquiries@sydneycatholic.org

Parish Safeguarding Officer: Please be aware that we have a Parish Safeguarding Officer: Mary Croke. Mary has experience in Community Services for Children and Families. Any concerns or worries you have can be confidentially discussed with her: 0400 620 335 I am very grateful to Mary for taking on this role for us. Peter Hearn MSC

Spirituality of Jules Chevalier: *"Our personal union with Jesus surpasses imagination. It is not just a union through imitation and love. It is a mysterious becoming-one-in-life. The complete Christ consists of Jesus and us." Le Sacré-Coeur*

St. Vincent de Paul and Majellan. Christmas cards on sale at Piety Shop next to Church. Great value. Shop open office hours Mon to Fri 9am to 5pm and Sundays 9am to 12.00noon.

New Parishioners (Hand to a Priest or Acolyte after Mass)

Name: _____ Contact No: _____

Email: _____

Address: _____ Date Submitted: ___/___/___

Mass usually attended: _____

Parish Senior Groups: Please join us as the men's and women's senior groups will have a joint Christmas get-together this Monday 3rd December at 10am in the Cloister Room. The groups will resume in February, 2019. New members welcome.

We would like to take this opportunity to wish everyone a very happy and holy Christmas.

YOUTH GROUP:

Our next meeting is on **Saturday 15th December 2018**. We will start at 4 pm with activities and games. Followed by music practice. Then we will be singing, serving and celebrating at Vigil Mass 6 pm.

ADVENT RECONCILIATION: Begins Sunday 2 December. From the Second Week of Advent, as usual, you will have the opportunity to go to Reconciliation 20 minutes before each Mass, with the exception of 6.30am Masses. PHMSC

All children of the parish are invited to be in the **Christmas play** at the 6pm kids vigil mass on Christmas Eve.

Rehearsals will be held in the church on Tuesday 18th and Thursday 20th December 3.30-4.30pm. On Christmas Eve they will need to be at the church from 5.00pm.