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23 December
2018
Fourth
Sunday of
Advent
Year C

Entrance Antiphon:

Drop down dew from above, you heavens, and let the clouds rain down the Just One; let the earth be opened and bring forth a Saviour.

First Reading: *A reading from the prophet Micah (5:1-4)*

The Lord says this: You, Bethlehem Ephrathah, the least of the clans of Judah, out of you will be born for me the one who is to rule over Israel; his origin goes back to the distant past, to the days of old. The Lord is therefore going to abandon them till the time when she who is to give birth gives birth. Then the remnant of his brothers will come back to the sons of Israel. He will stand and feed his flock with the power of the Lord, with the majesty of the name of his God. They will live secure, for from then on he will extend his power to the ends of the land. He himself will be peace.

Responsorial Psalm: *(Isaiah 12)*

R. Lord, make us turn to you; let us see your face and we shall be saved.

- O shepherd of Israel, hear us, shine forth from your cherubim throne. O Lord, rouse up your might, O Lord, come to our help. **(R)**
- God of hosts, turn again, we implore, look down from heaven and see. Visit this vine and protect it, the vine your right hand has planted. **(R)**
- May your hand be on the man you have chosen, the man you have given your strength. And we shall never forsake you again: give us life that we may call upon your name. **(R)**

Second Reading: *A reading from the letter to the Hebrews (10:5-10)*

This is what Christ said, on coming into the world: You who wanted no sacrifice or oblation, prepared a body for me. You took no pleasure in holocausts or sacrifices for sin; then I said, just as I was commanded in the scroll of the book, 'God, here I am! I am coming to obey your will.' Notice that he says first: You did not want what the Law lays down as the things to be offered, that is: the sacrifices, the oblations, the holocausts and the sacrifices for sin, and you took no pleasure in them; and then he says: 'Here I am! I am coming to obey your will.' He is abolishing the first sort to replace it with the second. And this will was for us to be made holy by the offering of his body made once and for all by Jesus Christ.

Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, alleluia! I am the servant of the Lord: may his will for me be done. Alleluia!

Gospel: *A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke (1:39-44)*

Mary set out and went as quickly as she could to a town in the hill country of Judah. She went into Zechariah's house and greeted Elizabeth. Now as soon as Elizabeth heard Mary's greeting, the child leapt in her womb and Elizabeth was filled with the Holy Spirit. She gave a loud cry and said, 'Of all women you are the most blessed, and blessed is the fruit of your womb. Why should I be honoured with a visit from the mother of my Lord? For the moment your greeting reached my ears, the child in my womb leapt for joy. 'Yes, blessed is she who believed that the promise made her by the Lord would be fulfilled.'

The Memorial Acclamation:

We proclaim your death, O Lord, and profess your resurrection until you come again.

Communion Antiphon:

Behold, a Virgin shall conceive and bear a son; and his name will be called Emmanuel.

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AT THE END OF NOVEM-
BER IS:**

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and Barrel collection)

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, 22 December, 6:30pm

- For the souls of Rosario Figueiredo, Joseph Pham and all abandoned souls, for the deceased members of the Lieveaux family and for Doreen Wong.

Sunday, 23 December, 9:00am

- Thanksgiving & Birthday Blessings for Fr Jean-Noel Marie.
- For the soul of Lillian D'Souza .

Note: Mass intentions envelopes & notices for bulletin are to be submitted/emailed to the office by Wednesday 6pm.

Pastoral Corner

The Gospel today describes what is commonly called The Visitation – the coming together of two women to acknowledge the action of God in their lives. Mary, a young girl from an obscure village in Palestine, becomes the mother of God. Elizabeth's words of greeting to Mary remind us that faith is firstly a gift of God. Elizabeth knew by an intuition from God about her cousin and the child she was bearing. This is symbolised by the leaping of her own unborn child inside her. God uses those who are small and powerless to bring about salvation. Today the last candle of our Advent wreath is Purple, and symbolises love. God, we have learned to love from being loved by you. And so today, let us enact that love. Let us live that love. We know that what the world needs now is more love. With that in mind in this season of good will, take the opportunity to share that love with others who may be in need of some kindness and care.

Prayer of St. Emilie:

St. Emilie, Good and generous labourer of the Gospel. You who were attentive to the call of the Spirit in the church and reached out to all peoples regardless of religion, race or colour, give us this spirit to reach out in love, so as to reveal by our lives the infinite love of the Father for all humanity. *St. Emilie, pray for us. AMEN*

PARISH MASS & PRAYER SCHEDULE

Weekend Mass Sat: 6.30pm Sun: 7.15am, 9am & 5pm

Weekday Mass Tues-Fri: 6pm

Wednesday morning Mass: 9am (Except 1st Wed at 8am)

Adoration & Rosary Tue: 9 - 10am

Legion Of Mary: Every Wed after Morning Mass

Birthday Wishes - *Wishing Fr Jean-Noël a very Happy Birthday for 24 December filled with many blessings and graces from our Lord Jesus Christ. God bless you today and always.*



Buy-A-Brick Campaign: Please pick up a donation envelope from the foyer. All proceeds will fund our building project. Your help is very precious.

The Plenary Council 2020 is a gathering of the Church in Australia to make decisions for the future. The Plenary Council agenda will be developed from the stories you share and the questions you raise. To join a small group for Plenary Council Listening and Dialogue, please contact the Parish office on 9456-5130 and visit plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au for more information.

Wishes from Fr. Chien Nguyen: I would like to wish you all parishioners a very Holy and Blessed Christmas and a Very Happy New Year. I take this opportunity to thank you all for your continued prayers and support throughout this year. While on leave I feel rested and stronger day by day. I have few tests to be done, in order to get onto the transplant list. I have been granted a further 3 months of leave. I ask you to continue to keep me in your prayers and by God's grace I am hopeful for a transplant in the near future.

St Emilie's Parish After School RE Program is now in recess. Classes will begin on Tuesday 12th February 2019. Enrolment starts in January 2019. Enquiries: Lyn Harkins on 0404 325 900 or email lharkins@iinet.net.au.

YOUTH NOTICES: Summer School of Evangelisation

Please contact the youth leaders for more info regarding this. Email us at "youthstemilies@gmail.com", or Christian on 0413894535 or Lauren on 0414998043. More information is available on the youth notice board in the church foyer

The Social Committee: would like to Thank the parishioners, the various choirs and everyone that helped in making our annual "Carols by Candlelight" a great success. Thank You.

Enrolments Available at St Emilie's Catholic Primary School :

Due to family relocations, we currently have a number of positions available in our Year 3 and 4 classes for 2019. If you are interested in a quality catholic education for your child, please contact the office on 0892569696.

Tuesday Adoration Hour: The 9am Adoration and Benediction hour will be in recess from 24 December to 8 January 2019. It will resume on Tuesday, 15 January 2019.

Piety Stall: We have left ten copies of the book God's Word 2019 at the special price of \$15. In store also available are a few Nativity sets/plagues and appropriate gifts for the season. Thanking everyone who has supported us during the year and hoping you will continue to do in the coming new year, please feel free to browse.

Schoenstatt announces: Splendour of Schoenstatt and Oberammergau Pilgrimage 2020. For more info look at notice board.

Choirs seeking for new members. For more information, please contact: **St Emilie Choir**, Philomena or any choir member after the 9am Mass. **Holy Family Choir**, Hazel 0424 959405 email keithazel@gmail.com

Christmas Mass Timetable

24 December: Mass 6:00pm (Family Mass)

25 December: 12:00am (Midnight Mass)

7:15am, 9:00am (Christmas Day Mass).

26 December: only 9:00am Mass

31 December: End of the Year Thanksgiving Mass 6:00pm

1 January 2018: New Year Day Masses at 9:00am and 6:00pm

The **Parish Office** will be **closed** for the Christmas Break from 21 December 2018 to 08 January 2019.



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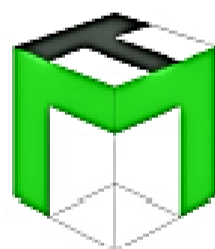
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