

Colour the picture of Mary, Joseph, and Jesus.
Then colour one star each day until Christmas.



"Still a wonderful place to pray & stay."

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WEEKDAY MASS Tuesday-Friday 8.00am
WEEKEND MASS Saturday Vigil 6pm

RECONCILIATION Saturday 4.30-5.30pm
BAPTISMAL PREPARATION 20th January 2021 7.30pm



1st Sunday of Advent
Year B - 29 November 2020

All are welcome to join us for **Our Lady of Lourdes, Seven Hills, Sydney, NSW, Australia Facebook LIVE-STREAM WEEK-END MASSES** celebrated by Fr. Henry Huu Duc Tran on **Saturdays 6PM (Vigil), Sundays: 8AM, 9:30AM and 5PM (Vietnamese) AEDT (UTC +11):** <https://www.facebook.com/OLOL7Hills/>

REMINDER

KEEP COVID SAFE



We must continue to:

- MASKS** Please wear your mask to, during & after Mass.
- SANITISE** Use hand sanitizer upon entry and exit.
- DISTANCE** Please maintain social distancing at all times. Including when lining up for Holy Communion.
- SIGN IN** By Law, EVERYONE must SIGN IN. If the church has reached the MAX. capacity of 100 people, please proceed to Hall.
- MARKED SEATING** Please sit behind the WHITE TAPE or in family designated areas.

Let us Pray for the Sick



Chula Abey, Leonila Ahillon, George Alagiah, David Barrow, David Benjamin, John Bourke, Lina Cabaero, Barrie Chamberlain, Gabriel Chung, Myrna G Cruz, Paul Daniel, Therese Do, Ronald Gomez, Anthony Janicska, Wendy & Klaus, Lawrence Family, Carmenu M, Gerard Marcello, Maria V, Mark McGilligan, Mary Mifsud, Blago Milicevic, Laurel Morris, Anna Mun, Patricia Oreo, Lekisha Grace Panlilio, Roger & Kimberley Payoe, Wiranjan Peiris, Salome Pillay, Debra Price, Camy Ratnam, Susantha Seranayake, Bernie Sivapatham, Rose Stambouliah, Denis Symon, Lourdes Tibig, Sue Tipaldo, Natalie Woodward.

If you would like to add to our Sick List or know of any Parishioner that is unwell please contact Father Henry or the Parish Office on 9622 2920. We can also arrange for Holy Communion or a visit if required.

Let us Pray for the Deceased

Recently Deceased: Mary Grech, Philomena Corera, Mary Grech, Lee Francis Pisch, Stephen Pisch, Gladys Pitel, Bungon Sangchalouy, Verna Soris.

Anniversaries: Michelle Azzopardi, Carolina Borg, Lionel Bosen, Mary Camenzuli, John Falzon, Martha Joseph, Barbara Loria, Felicidad, Felina & Apolinario Maglaya, Pauline Meilak, Patrick Molloy, Paula Mula, Lakshman Perera, Rohan Senanayake, Gabriel Singh, Carmen Vella, Jim & Alison Vella, Aloysius Welangoda.



BOOK OF ETERNAL LIFE IN THE MONTH OF REMEMBRANCE

Planned Giving Program

On behalf of the Parish Community, I would like to thank you so much for your ongoing support, which has been very vital to keep our Parish going strong. Current projects being including the Hall Kitchen renovation, Parish Meeting Room painting, Parish Office and Meeting Room Roof painted, Church roof cleaned and ceiling repaired and painted.

ON-LINE BANK DONATIONS

BSB: 067 950;
Account Number 000552;
Account Name: Seven Hills Catholic Church.
(please include your NAME and ENVELOPE NUMBER in the reference description, or write DONATION if you haven't joined the Planned Giving Prog.)

IN-PERSON BANK DEPOSIT (at a Bank Institute/Branch)

Seven Hills Catholic Church
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AGENT # - 660

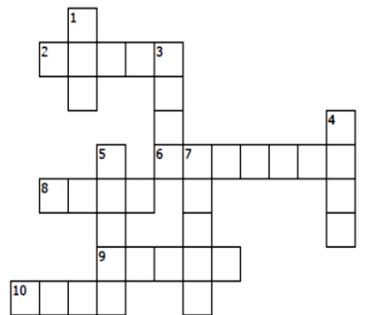
Your generosity is greatly appreciated.

IF YOU ARE EXPERIENCING ANY FLU LIKE SYMPTOMS PLEASE STAY HOME AS THE MASS IS STILL AVAILABLE ON LIVE-STREAM THROUGH OUR OLOL FACEBOOK PAGE.

PLEASE HELP US KEEP OUR PARISHIONERS AND VISITORS TO THE CHURCH SAFE.

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- 1-21-19-19-5-6-3-23 _____
- 26-11-24-25-9 _____
- 11-21-19-13-24 _____
- 4-6-10-3-6-23-9-24 _____
- 9-22-8-13 _____
- 23-8-11-13-10 _____



ACROSS

2. To keep an eye on; to guard
6. An adult male chicken
8. To have information about something; to be aware of something
9. To be in a period of rest such as when we go to bed at night
10. A particular moment in the day, such as eight o'clock

DOWN

1. A period of 24 hours
3. A period of sixty minutes
4. The loud cry of an adult male chicken
5. The place where a person or family lives
7. The person who has something such as property

HOUR	WATCH	KNOW	DAY	DAWN
MIDNIGHT	EVENING	SLEEPING	GUARD	ALERT

HOUR	DAY	WATCH	OWNER	KNOW
CROW	TIME	ROOSTER	SLEEP	HOUSE

FIRST READING

A reading from the Prophet Isaiah 63:16-17; 64:1, 3-8

You, Lord, yourself are our Father, Our Redeemer is your ancient name. Why, Lord, leave us to stray from your ways and harden our hearts against fearing you? Return, for the sake of your servants, the tribes of your inheritance. Oh, that you would tear the heavens open and come down at your Presence the mountains would melt. No ear has heard, no eye has seen any god but you act like this for those who trust him. You guide those who act with integrity and keep your ways in mind. You were angry when we were sinners; we had long been rebels against you. We were all like men unclean, all that integrity of ours like filthy clothing. We have all withered like leaves and our sins blew us away like the wind. No one invoked your name or roused himself to catch hold of you. For you hid your face from us and gave us up to the power of our sins. And yet, Lord, you are our Father; we the clay, you the potter, we are all the work of your hand.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

(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 first letter of St Paul to the Corinthians 1 1:3-9

May God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ send you grace and peace.

I never stop thanking God for all the graces you have received through Jesus Christ. I thank him that you have been enriched in so many ways, especially in your teachers and preachers; the witness to Christ has indeed been strong among you so that you will not be without any of the gifts of the Spirit while you are waiting for our Lord Jesus Christ to be revealed; and he will keep you steady and without blame until the last day, the day of our Lord Jesus Christ, because God by calling you has joined you to his Son, Jesus Christ; and God is faithful.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

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

GOSPEL

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark 13:33-37

Jesus said to his disciples: 'Be on your guard, stay awake, because you never know when the time will come. It is like a man travelling abroad: he has gone from home, and left his servants in charge, each with his own task; and he has told the doorkeeper to stay awake. So stay awake, because you do not know when the master of the house is coming, evening, midnight, cockcrow, dawn; if he comes unexpectedly, he must not find you asleep. And what I say to you I say to all: Stay awake!'



PRAYER FOR SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

**My Jesus, I believe that you are truly present in the Most Blessed Sacrament of the altar.
I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul.
Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least into my heart.
I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You.
Never permit me to be separated from You.**



VATICAN CARDINAL SAYS OUSTER DEPRIVED HIM OF POSSIBLE PAPACY

By Nicole Winfield, The Associated Press

ROME — The Vatican cardinal sacked by Pope Francis amid a corruption investigation is suing an Italian news magazine, claiming that his ruined reputation has eliminated his chances of becoming pope and will undermine the legitimacy of any future papal election.

Cardinal Angelo Becciu is seeking 10 million euros (\$11.9 million) in damages, to be given to charity, in a lawsuit filed Nov. 18 in the Sassari, Sardinia tribunal against L'Espresso magazine, the weekly affiliated with Italian daily newspaper La Repubblica.

The 74-page complaint raises questions about the conduct of Vatican criminal prosecutors, suggesting they leaked information to L'Espresso as they sought to build a corruption case around the Holy See's 350 million-euro (\$416 million) investment in a London real estate venture.

To date, Becciu has not been under investigation in that case or any other, he said in a statement announcing the lawsuit's filing.

Becciu resigned Sept. 24 as the prefect of the Vatican's saint-making office after Francis presented him with allegations he had sent some 100,000 euros (\$119,000) in Holy See funds to a Sardinian charity controlled by his brother. Becciu admitted he sent the funds to the charity — not his brother — and told reporters he had done nothing wrong.

Becciu at the time of the transfer was the No. 2 in the Vatican secretariat of state, and enjoyed full authority to manage the department's substantial asset portfolio, including using it for charitable donations.

In his legal complaint, Becciu claimed that his ouster was a coordinated hit job with L'Espresso, which broke the story of the payment to his brother in a story that went to the printers Sept. 24.

The complaint alleges Francis had a copy of the magazine's article on his desk during the Sept. 24 meeting at which he sacked Becciu, suggesting an internal leak of the article to the Vatican. The L'Espresso's publisher has said some early editions "disappeared" from the printer that night and ended up on the pope's desk.

The complaint also says that nearly eight hours before Becciu's 6 p.m. meeting with Francis, L'Espresso created a webpage with an article entitled "This is why Cardinal Becciu resigned." Citing the timestamp of the site's metadata, the complaint argues that the magazine knew about Becciu's ouster before he did, suggesting coordination with the Vatican.

L'Espresso has been leading the charge against Becciu, with a series of unsourced and speculative articles outlining prosecutors' case against him, some of them citing unnamed Vatican investigators but others offering no attribution for the magazine's claims.

Vatican prosecutors have been investigating the London real estate venture for over a year but haven't indicted anyone. Becciu's ouster came just days before the Vatican began showing off its efforts at greater financial transparency and accountability during a visit by evaluators from the Council of Europe's anti-money laundering committee. The committee, Moneyval, has faulted the Vatican tribunal in the past for failing to investigate or prosecute alleged financial crimes.

In his complaint, Becciu said the damage to his reputation had harmed him personally as well as the Catholic faithful at large.

As a powerful cardinal with pastoral, diplomatic and Vatican experience, Becciu had been considered "papabile" before his downfall. But the complaint said that by being forced to relinquish his rights as a cardinal, Becciu had lost his chance to one day become pope.

The complaint also said that Becciu's absence from a future conclave as a voting cardinal "could give rise to questions about the validity of the election," dividing the church and requiring a costly second conclave.

L'Espresso has stood by its reporting, calling his lawsuit a "stupefying attack." In Italy, journalists can be accused of both criminal and civil defamation.

The magazine's editor-in-chief, Marco Damilano, didn't deny the pope had an advance copy of its story, but said it was ridiculous to think that "a single journalistic article" caused him to fire Becciu.

"L'Espresso is accused of having not only influenced the current pope but also the Holy Spirit that could have chosen Becciu as his successor, if it weren't for an article to block his ascent," Damilano wrote.

McCARRICK REPORT: QUESTIONS NEEDING ANSWERS

By Thomas Reese, Catholic National Reporter

The Vatican is getting ready to release a report on former Cardinal Theodore McCarrick, who was found to have sexually abused minors and slept with seminarians. The report, mandated by Pope Francis, will need to be detailed and comprehensive if it is going to satisfy the public's demand for more transparency in the church.

Few scandals have rocked the Catholic Church like the story of McCarrick's sexual abuse of minors and seminarians. His actions are shocking enough, but the fact that such a predator could rise to be a cardinal in the Catholic hierarchy is flabbergasting. Well-connected with the rich, McCarrick was a superb fundraiser. He was also respected by political and religious leaders around the world. He often played an unofficial diplomatic role for the Vatican. The scandal is especially devastating to progressive Catholics who saw McCarrick as a moderate on church issues and a strong supporter of Catholic social teaching. The McCarrick report needs to respond to simple questions that may require complex answers: Who knew what, when and where about McCarrick's activities? What do we know already?

No one appears to have known about McCarrick's abuse of minors until the first victim came forward in 2017 to request assistance from the New York Archdiocesan Independent Reconciliation and Compensation Program. The victim said the abuse had taken place in the early 1970s when McCarrick was a priest in New York. The archdiocese immediately reported it to Rome, and the pope told New York Cardinal Timothy Dolan to investigate. In the meantime, McCarrick was banned from public ministry. He was forced to resign from the College of Cardinals and was dismissed from the clerical state in February 2019. On the other hand, rumors had circulated for years about McCarrick sleeping with seminarians from the Immaculate Conception Seminary at Seton Hall University in New Jersey while he was bishop in Metuchen (1981-86) and archbishop in Newark (1986-2000). Some New Jersey journalists had heard the rumors and tried to investigate but were stymied when no seminarians were willing to come forward at that time.

As early as 1994, while McCarrick was archbishop of Newark, a woman expressed concerns about McCarrick to the papal nuncio in Washington, Agostino Cacciavillan.

In 2000, before McCarrick became a cardinal, the Rev. Boniface Ramsey, a seminary professor from 1986-1996, wrote Archbishop Gabriel Montalvo Higuera, the papal nuncio, about the complaints he had heard from seminarians regarding McCarrick. The letter was forwarded to Leonardi Sandri, who was the Vatican substitute for general affairs and is now a cardinal.

Beginning in 2005, the Archdiocese of Newark and the dioceses of Metuchen and Trenton reached financial settlements with former seminarians who had accused McCarrick of abuse. McCarrick retired the following year after turning 75.

All of this is in the public record, but what is in the Vatican files?

The first place to check would be the nunciature's in Washington, D.C. Are there any letters accusing McCarrick in the files? When did they arrive and what was done about them? Are there any staff memos concerning the McCarrick accusations?

Also in the nunciature's files would be the information gathered prior to McCarrick's appointments as auxiliary bishop in New York (1977), bishop of Metuchen (1981), archbishop of Newark (1986) and archbishop of Washington (2000). Before each of these appointments, the nuncio would have been required to write a thick report for the Congregation for Bishops based on his investigation of the suitability of the candidate. This would include confidential questionnaires sent to priests and laypeople who knew McCarrick as well as input from American bishops and cardinals.

Is there anything in the questionnaires that should have raised red flags? Who received questionnaires? Did anyone at the seminary receive a questionnaire? Did any of the nuncios' reports indicate there might be a problem? Why did this vetting process fail?

In Rome, the next place to look would be the files of the Congregation for Bishops, which is the committee that recommends candidates to the pope for appointments as bishops. The congregation was very successful in weeding out candidates who did not embrace the conservative theology of John Paul II and Benedict XVI. Why did it fail by repeatedly promoting a man like McCarrick?

The congregation would have had the reports sent by the nuncios prior to McCarrick's appointments as well as other information sent by the nuncios. What did it do with this information? Are there accusations in the nunciature's files that never made it to the congregation?

The congregation is also responsible for dealing with any complaints against a bishop, which could come from other sources than the nunciature. For example, bishops, priests or even victims could write directly. What is in the files and what did they do with it? Did the prefect or head of the congregation ever bring any concerns to the attention of the pope or the Secretariat of State? Next, the files in the Vatican Secretariat of State should be searched for information on McCarrick, especially the files kept by the substitute for general affairs, who acts like a chief of staff for the pope. We know that Sandri, when he was in that position, received Ramsey's letter. What other information on McCarrick is in these files? Was any of it passed on to John Paul or Benedict? Were their personal secretaries involved? But a decent investigation also needs to go beyond the paper trail and interview those who should have known about McCarrick.

This would include three secretaries of state, the men second only to the pope in the Vatican: Cardinals Angelo Sodano, Tarcisio Bertone and Pietro Parolin. The investigation would also require interviewing those who led the Congregation for Bishops, who were substitute for general affairs in the Secretariat of State or who were nuncios in the U.S. The staff of these offices also need to be questioned. Nor should the interviews be limited to Vatican officials. The seminary administration, faculty and students of the time period should also be interviewed. Why did the seminary fail to protect its students? It will not be enough to simply admit that "mistakes were made." Was information ignored or covered up? By whom? A superficial report will not satisfy.

We need to know how the system failed and how the Vatican will ensure this never happens again.



FROM FR. HENRY DUC

If you have been to church in the last two weeks, we might be able to recognize a shift in terms of colors for the priest's vestment and the tabernacle from green the week before, to white last week, and this week purple suddenly takes the central stage. What is going on?

This is quite a symbolic shift, marking our movements from the end of our liturgical year with the last Sunday of Ordinary Time and the feast of Christ the King to the start of a new liturgical year, which is the First Sunday of Advent we celebrate today.

Despite the appearance of the crib and the Christmas trees, the Advent wreath should be our focal point in the coming weeks for its symbolic reason, especially the four candles on it.

I remember when I grew up in Vietnam, I never saw a wreath in any church I had ever been to, and just came to see it eye to eye for the first time when I came to this country, and it wasn't in Sydney, but in the city of churches Adelaide where I spent my first Christmas in this land due to work commitments.

As we know, the Advent wreath had an origin outside the Church circle, since it began as a pagan custom carried out by people living in the far northern parts of Scandinavia, who had the habit of taking home wagon wheels during their break from all farm works outdoors due to winter, then decorated them with greens, placed candles on them, and hung them on the ceiling. Sometimes they even whirled them as a kind of prayer to the god of light in the time of winter darkness.

Our Christian ancestors were quick to pick up such a great idea, and make it our own by turning it into a Christian symbol during the time of Advent, helping people to be aware of the coming birth of the Light of the World.

On top of the four candles, three purple and one pink traditionally lit on each Sunday of Advent, our parish has also added a fifth candle on the wreath to be lit at Christmas, which is commonly known as Christ's candle.

It's fundamentally important for us to remember that Advent means to offer us a three-fold preparation: number one for the yearly commemoration of Christmas, secondly for the Parousia namely the Second Coming of Jesus at the End time, and number three for our departure from this world.

For this three-fold preparation, we are asked to ponder upon the 'stay awake' message the writer of Mark's Gospel, the backbone Gospel of this liturgical year conveys to us this Sunday. We need to stay awake mentally and spiritually, because apart from Christmas, the other two comings, most important to our lives on earth, of course, are completely unknown and expected, just like the unannounced return of the master from a trip away from home, and all his housemaids have only one option to go for, which is a total and interrupted commitment to their allocated tasks.

Have a spiritually vigilant week.

PARISH NEWS...



SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM 2021

An information meeting will be held on **Wednesday 2nd December** at 6.30pm with a repeat of this meeting on **Saturday 5th December** at 4.30pm for any parents wishing to enrol their child to celebrate the **Sacraments of Reconciliation and First Holy Communion in 2021.**

An information night for parents of children wishing to celebrate the **Sacrament of Confirmation** next year will be held in April.

For more information, please contact Artelle in the parish office on 96222920 email Artelle@olol7hills.com.au

THE SEASON OF ADVENT The time of Advent is the four week period of preparation for the season of Christmas. Advent begins the cycle of the Liturgical Year and focuses on the coming of the Lord. The first weeks offer a vision of the future, looking to the end of time when Christ will come again. The final weeks point more specifically to the birth of Christ. Christ, the promised one, is awaited with joyful expectation. The First Sunday of Advent follows the final Sunday of Ordinary Time and the season concludes on Christmas Eve.



CHRIST COMMUNITY PRAYER GROUP

The last meeting for 2020 will be held Thursday 17th December at 9am in the parish meeting room. The prayer group will resume on Thursday 21st of January at the same time . 9.00am. All welcome.



HOME WORSHIP PHOTOS As previously mentioned we are going to have an exhibition in the future to showcase the photos and items to highlight our community worship during the lockdown. Please take photos of your prayer space at home and share them with the parish later on .

PIETY SHOP

Getting ready for Advent, Christmas and the coming new year 2021 available to purchase from the Piety Shop.

The Little Blue Book for Advent (\$2.00) Six-minute reflections on the Sunday Gospels to help you explore the depths of Scripture and deepen your relationship with Christ. **Christmas cards** and the **2021 Columban Art Calendar** (\$10.00)





FROM POPE FRANCIS

CHAPTER FOUR— An Ecclesial Dream

61. The Church is called to journey alongside the people of the Amazon region. In Latin America, this journey found privileged expression at the Bishops' Conference in Medellin (1968) and its application to the Amazon region at Santarem (1972), followed by Puebla (1979), Santo Domingo (1992) and Aparecida (2007). The journey continues, and missionary efforts, if they are to develop a Church with an Amazonian face, need to grow in a culture of encounter towards "a multifaceted harmony". But for this incarnation of the Church and the Gospel to be possible, the great missionary proclamation must continue to resound.

The message that needs to be heard in the Amazon region

62. Recognizing the many problems and needs that cry out from the heart of the Amazon region, we can respond beginning with organizations, technical resources, opportunities for discussion and political programmes: all these can be part of the solution. Yet as Christians, we cannot set aside the call to faith that we have received from the Gospel. In our desire to struggle side by side with everyone, we are not ashamed of Jesus Christ. Those who have encountered him, those who live as his friends and identify with his message, must inevitably speak of him and bring to others his offer of new life: "Woe to me if I do not preach the Gospel!" (1 Cor 9:16).

63. An authentic option for the poor and the abandoned, while motivating us to liberate them from material poverty and to defend their rights, also involves inviting them to a friendship with the Lord that can elevate and dignify them. How sad it would be if they were to receive from us a body of teachings or a moral code, but not the great message of salvation, the missionary appeal that speaks to the heart and gives meaning to everything else in life. Nor can we be content with a social message. If we devote our lives to their service, to working for the justice and dignity that they deserve, we cannot conceal the fact that we do so because we see Christ in them and because we acknowledge the immense dignity that they have received from God, the Father who loves them with boundless love.

64. They have a right to hear the Gospel, and above all that first proclamation, the *kerygma*, which is "the principal proclamation, the one which we must hear again and again in different ways, the one which we must announce one way or another". It proclaims a God who infinitely loves every man and woman and has revealed this love fully in Jesus Christ, crucified for us and risen in our lives. I would ask that you re-read the brief summary of this "great message" found in Chapter Four of the Exhortation *Christus Vivit*. That message, expressed in a variety of ways, must constantly resound in the Amazon region. Without that impassioned proclamation, every ecclesial structure would become just another NGO and we would not follow the command given us by Christ: "Go into all the world and preach the Gospel to the whole creation" (Mk 16:15).

[Pope Francis, Post-Synodal Apostolic Exhortation **QUERIDA AMAZONIA—to the people of God and to all persons of good will.**]



ST VINCENT de PAUL CHRISTMAS HAMPERS

Tags for Christmas hampers are available this Sunday.



DIOCESAN NEWS

Central Deanery Youth Mass

SUNDAY 29TH NOVEMBER 2020

St Patrick's Church
Mary, Queen of the Family Parish
51-59 Allawah St, Blacktown NSW 2148

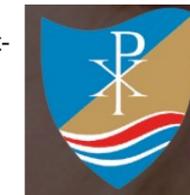
MASS AT 5:30PM
FOLLOWED BY FOOD & FELLOWSHIP



Booking is essential!
Use the QR code to book a spot in Mass

BISHOP'S CHRISTMAS APPEAL

This Christmas, let us unite in demonstrating God's unconditional love and keep families together. Your compassionate gifts and prayers will help CatholicCare's Project Elizabeth to support vulnerable families to build strong, loving relationships. You can help give people the emotional and practical support they need to live their lives in love and joy. Please give generously to the Bishop's Christmas Appeal: yourcatholicfoundation.org.au/appeal



Reflection & Action Session

Pastoral Planning would like to recall the message, "Reignite the Flame of Plenary Council | Reflection & Action Session | Thursday, 3rd December | A Joyful, Hope-filled & Servant Community? - 11.00 am to 12.30 pm via ZOOM". **Upcoming Sessions:**
5th December: Pope Francis – Our Moral Imperative to Act on Climate Change
12th December: Advent Recollection – Join us for the last Saturday Sessions for 2020.

Revisit earlier Sessions at the <https://thewell.org.au/series/#content4form> to host your own group within your community. Email lisa.bright@parracatholic.org to join the Saturday Sessions mailing list.

Donate to Caritas' Asia Emergency Appeal

Caritas Australia's thoughts and prayers are with the people of the Philippines, Vietnam and Cambodia, who have been devastated by unprecedented flooding. Homes have been destroyed and hundreds of thousands of people are fleeing to evacuation centres, where the risks of spreading COVID-19 are high. With your help, Caritas can provide vital support to those affected by this and other disasters. Donate today at www.caritas.org.au or by calling 1800 024 413

Pope Francis' Prayer to Mary during the coronavirus pandemic

O Mary, you always shine on our path as a sign of salvation and of hope. We entrust ourselves to you, Health of the Sick, who at the cross took part in Jesus' pain, keeping your faith firm. You, Salvation of all People, know what we need, and we are sure you will provide so that, as in Cana of Galilee, we may return to joy and to feasting after this time of trial. Help us, Mother of Divine Love, to conform to the will of the Father and to do as we are told by Jesus, who has taken upon himself our sufferings and carried our sorrows to lead us, through the cross, to the joy of the resurrection. *Amen.* Under your protection, we seek refuge, Holy Mother of God. Do not disdain the entreaties of we who are in trial, but deliver us from every danger,



Our Lady of Lourdes

Ever immaculate Virgin, Mother of mercy, health of the sick, refuge of sinners, comfort of the afflicted, you know my needs, my troubles, my sufferings; cast on me a look of pity. By appearing in the grotto of Lourdes, you were pleased to make it a privileged sanctuary, from which you dispense your favours, and already many sufferers have obtained the cure of their infirmities, both spiritual and physical. I come, therefore, with the most unbounded confidence to implore your maternal intercession. Obtain most loving mother, my requests, through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord. *Amen.*

DECEMBER 2020		
2	Sacramental Program 2021 meeting	6.30pm
3	Christ Community Prayer Group	9am
3	Legion of Mary	1.30pm
5	Sacramental Program 2021 meeting (Repeat)	4.30pm

HAVE YOU VISITED OUR PARISH WEBSITE LATELY??

Our parish website is updated regularly with news and upcoming events - everything from youth news to social justice to Live-stream Mass times, bulletins, and much more - a great way to stay up to date with what's on in our parish! Visit www.olol7hills.org.au



28 / 29 November 2020		
Acolytes	Vigil: Derek Soares 8am: Ernie Gartner 9.30am: Kilifi Huihui	
Ministers	Vigil: Louise La Guidara, Rosey Soares 8am: Anne McNally, Michael Mifsud 9.30am: Paul Gow, VOLUNTEER	
Readers	Vigil: Catherine Rodrigues, Alison Punch 8am: Maricel Santos, Bob McNally 9.30am: Mercy Aqino, Kamela Huihui	
Altar Servers	Vigil: Alex La Guidara, VOLUNTEERS 8am: VOLUNTEER 9.30am: Chrisha Gonzales, Karuniya Maruthanayagam, Ethan Neish, Jayda-Leigh Neish, Daniel Tenn	
Flowers	Angela & Claudette	
Church cleaning	2 December	Carole Brooks, Lourdes Spiteri, Anna Bellissimo, Suzy Nemorin
Welcomers	Vigil: Annette Peatmen, Mary Bonnici 8am: Rita Paolini, Suzy Nemorin 9.30am: Maria Michael, Helen Gonzales	

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Acolytes	Vigil: Ernie Gartner 8am: James Dinning 9.30am: Ian Epondulan	
Ministers	Vigil: Benno Motha, VOLUNTEER 8am: Eugene Miu, Maricel Santos 9.30am: Noel Emmanuel, Ramzee Michael	
Readers	Vigil: Stefanie Menezes, Jemma Sarmiento 8am: Priya Joachim, Kathy Walker 9.30am: Ryan Epondulan, Megan Michael	
Altar Servers	Vigil: Genevieve Estil, Madisen Estil, Majerin Pieris 8am: Saoirse Costello, Sebastian Costello 9.30am: Chloe Attard, Eric Da, Victor Da, Rachel Lobo, Rynan Michael	
Flowers	Fenty & Gaby	
Church cleaning	10 December	Tongan Choir
Welcomers	Vigil: Ram Ugre, Jusith Deloso 8am: Rita Paolini, Joyce Hillbrick 9.30am: Maria Michael, Helen Gonzales	