

CHURCH OF THE HOLY FAMILY Maroubra

As the light of
Jesus brightened the
humble stable,
may He bring you all
Light, Peace and Joy.



Grace for Christmas Dinner

God of Christmas and of every day, giver of all good gifts,
We thank you for the many ways you have blessed us.
We are grateful for each person gathered around this table.
Bless us, the food and our company today.
Bless those who love who are not with us.
Help us to see what really matters and to respond with faith, hope and love.
Make our hearts a crib in which to place the Christ child.
Keep us safe and close to you in the year ahead.
For you are our Christmas Lord, now and forever.

Amen

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THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD (CHRISTMAS) DAY

25 December 2021
Year C

MASSES

Monday - Saturday: 9.10am.
Saturday (Vigil): 5.30pm.
Sunday: 8.00am, 9.30am, 6.00pm.

PRIESTS

Fr Allan Casquejo

Parish Priest

Fr Rafael Silva Galicia

Assistant Priest

RECONCILIATION

Saturdays: After 9.10am Mass &
before Vigil Mass
(or anytime by appointment)

BAPTISMS

Sundays: 10.30am
(Enquiry: please approach the priests
after Mass)

MARRIAGE

By appointment (*six months' notice*)

SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM

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PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Mon, Tue, Thurs : 9.30am - 12.30pm
Friday : 9am - 3pm

ST AIDAN'S PRIMARY

Mrs Leonie Palmer (*Principal*)

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May you experience a new wave
of grace as you contemplate the
Nativity of our Lord Jesus Christ;
And may the Lord bless and
reward you with
Joy, Peace and Love.



Dear brothers and sisters, parishioners, families & friends

Our warm greetings to all of you this Christmas. We rejoice for the scripture promise, He will send us the “Emmanuel” (“God Is With Us”). The mission to bring the Good News is given to the Church and we as witnesses, to share with our family, relatives and loved ones as we carry around the gifts that He has given each of us.

As 2000 years ago Jesus was born in the midst of threats and fears, Jesus still can be born today in our present life, especially now with the pandemic situation. His glory and power surpasses all our fears and give us the gifts of Joy, Hope and Peace on this Christmas.

To all who have been an instrument in making the Church celebrations beautiful and memorable (our list is too long to mention all of you), thank you very much for all your help, commitment, donation of time, talent, and your prayers.

Some may be travelling or joining their families celebrating Christmas in other parishes, our special wishes and prayers for them too.


Thank you, also, for the gifts, cards and wishes that you gave to us. Your generosity and love is most appreciated.

We wish you all a very blessed Christmas.

Fr Allan & Fr Rafael



PLEASE COMPLY WHEN COMING TO VISIT THE PARISH :

- **FACE MASK is NOW mandatory (over 12 years old).**
- **SIGN IN** with the NSW Government QR code or use the Attendance Register provided in the foyer as you enter the Church. 
- **Keep physical distance** - from Wednesday 15 December, there is no density limits for all venues and events.
- **Please take home your bulletin copy; do not return to the foyer**
- **DO NOT ENTER THE CHURCH** if you have a fever, cough, sorethroat, loss of smell or loss of taste; or shortness of breath, OR in the past 2 weeks been in contact with someone COVID-19 positive or visited a COVID-19 ‘hot spot’.



Thank you for your cooperation & support

More information:

<https://www.sydneycatholic.org/coronavirus-frequently-asked-questions/>



TAP DONATION - From 1 DECEMBER, the tap devices will be no longer be specifically 1st & 2nd collections but pooled and halved between the two.

Thank you for your generosity in supporting our Parish throughout the year through WEBSITE, tap donation machines, weekly collections (planned giving envelopes and loose collections at Mass), monthly planned giving by credit card and various appeals. Your support is much appreciated. May God Bless you.

SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM 2022

Catholic children in Year 3 2022 are eligible to be presented for First Reconciliation, then First Holy Communion. Those in Year 6 are eligible for Confirmation. Please register ONLINE now via <https://forms.gle/SDYkgasmQMmSz7hN9>

2021 Christmas message - Most Rev Anthony Fisher OP

Christmas is the story of God-made man holding out his hand in friendship to humanity. The offer is real, tangible, personal, even physical. After two years of isolation, we need it more than ever. In such dark times, Christmas is a ray of light, a sliver of hope. May the Christmas Babe find a home in the manger of our hearts! God bless. For full video here: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=TSYTaIXYIFk>

MASS INTENTIONS

Recently Deceased: Doris Cimijotta, Mate Karlovic, June Anderson, Peter Boidin, Antonia Zammit

Anniversaries: Pasquale de Martino, Jose Gomes, Jose Ferreiro, Manuel Quintal, Virgilio Costa, Corlos da Silva, Alice Quintal, Leonardo Goncoldes, Evangelina & John Gomes; Philomena, William & Leny Platt; Walker & Andrews Families ; and all souls in Purgatory

Through the mercy of God, may their souls rest in peace.