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**Bulletin Notices: 5th, December 2021 2nd Sunday of ADVENT
(Year C)**

YES IT IS TRUE!! MASS IS OPEN WITH DOUBLE VACCINATION CERTIFICATION TO BE VERIFIED ON ENTRY. SOCIAL DISTANCING WILL BE RESPECTED, WITH MASKS OPTIONAL IF YOU FEEL SAFE IN MAINTAINING YOUR DISTANCE.

PLEASE NOTE: THAT ALL HELPING TO CONDUCT THESE MASSES HAVE BEEN DOUBLE VACCINATED, INCLUDING FATHER, THE SACRISTANS, CLEANING STAFF AND PARISH SECRETARY.

There will be a Graduation Mass for Year 6 on Monday 6th December, 2021 at 9:45a.m. BUT NO Weekday mass for this week in Wonthaggi, there will be an ANOINTING MASS at Our Lady Star of the Sea Inverloch at 11:00 a.m. on Tuesday 7th December, 2021 Followed by a Cuppa and a bite to eat. Attendees will be required to show their Vaccination Certificates please.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION WILL TAKE PLACE IN THE PARISH AT ST. JOSEPH'S WONTHAGGI ON SATURDAY 4TH DECEMBER, 2021 AT 6:30pm AND ON SUNDAY 12TH DECEMBER, 2021 AT 10:30a.m. (ALL FULLY VACCINATED PARISHIONERS ARE WELCOME TO ATTEND THESE MASSES)

- **CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE MEETING REMINDER: MONDAY 6TH DECEMBER, 2021 AT 10:30a.m. OUR LADY STAR OF THE SEA INVERLOCH. VACCINATION CERTIFICATES CHECKED ON ARRIVAL.**

A list of live streams across the Diocese is on www.cdsale.org.au/coronavirus page. This page has listed the Mass times which occur regularly, ie. Don't change from week to week.

- **JUST A REMINDER THAT MASS FOR YOU AT HOME IS AN OPTION FOR THOSE LOOKING FOR MASS ON TELEVISION (6am on Channel 10, 10am on Foxtel Aurora Channel 173) or online at www.massforyou.com.au or <https://www.youtube.com/massforyouathome> anytime from 7a.m. AEST**
- Please pray for the Anniversaries of Fr. David (Dave) Cagney, Fr. Frank Young, Fr. Patrick O'Donohue and our own loved ones. May God's merciful love shine on them and on their loved ones left behind.
- **SYNOD JOURNEY: 2021-2023 COMMUNION-PARTICIPATION-MISSION**

OUR WEBSITE IS LIVE

I am pleased to announce that our Diocesan webpage for the Synod of Bishops 2021-2023 is now live.

<https://www.cdsale.org.au/synod-of-bishops>

Our site is your one-stop shop for all the information and resources that you need for beginning to engage in the journey of walking with one another, in listening, learning and sharing with each other, as Pope Francis urges us to do. This synodal journey, which was launched by Pope Francis on 10th October and then in local churches around the world the following week, is the way that we are called to be the Body of Christ, his church. It sets us on a path of transformation: of ourselves, of the church, and of the world.

- **ASSEMBLY: PLENARY COUNCIL: Keep up with the latest Plenary news:**
 - On our Sale Diocesan website or Facebook page
 - Via the Plenary Council Facebook, website or YouTube channel.
 - Use the Mass booklets for your parish celebrations visit <https://plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au/> or the Plenary Council YouTube channel.
 - Listen to daily podcasts from Plenary Council members at <https://anchor.fm/plenarypodcast>
 - As always, please accompany in prayer our Plenary Council Members during this week of intense dialogue and discernment and prayer: Bishop Greg, Fr. Peter Slater, Fr. Denis O'Bryan, Katherine Jelavic, Lize Privitera and Sr. Mary Olofu.
- **ST. JOSEPH'S SCHOOL WONTHAGGI: ARE CONDUCTING A RAFFLE THIS YEAR WITH FIRST PRIZE BEING \$4,000, 2ND \$750 AND 3RD \$250 OF SHOP LOCAL VOUCHERS. TICKETS ARE AVAILABLE FROM THE SCHOOL AT \$5.00 EACH OR \$50 PER BOOK. DRAWN 13TH December, 2021. PHONE 03 56 721 052. (PLEASE RETURN YOUR BOOKS EITHER TO THE SCHOOL DIRECTLY OR VIA THE PARISH OFFICE. THANK YOU AND GOODLUCK 🍀)**
- **MORWELL CATHOLIC PARISH: CHURCH 50TH ANNIVERSARY**
Saturday 18th December, 6pm-12pm Kernot Hall, Morwell
3 course meal, Destiny Band, DJ Junior Trinidad and lots of prizes and surprises \$50 per person
CONTACT: 5134 2849
Attendance is strictly for fully vaccinated only. QR code check in or manual sign in system will be utilised ensuring A COVID safe environment at all times.
Holy Mass at St Vincents on the 18th December @ 2pm-celebrated by Fr. Jude Pirotta (our very own locally born priest) and on the 19th December @ 11a.m. Holy Mass at Sacred Heart celebrated with our Bishop Greg Bennet. Josephite sisters are coming and we have invited our past clergy-this will be followed by fellowship BBQ at the back of the Church.
- Cry of the Earth the Social Justice Statement can be read on <https://socialjustice.catholic.org.au/2021/06/24/social-justice-statement-2021-22/>.
- **PRAYER SHAWL GROUP & MEDITATION GROUP: END OF YEAR GET TOGETHER: Wednesday December 8th @ 6p.m. The Wonthaggi Hotel (Whalebone). RSVP essential by Dec 1st to either Philippa (0408 331 340) or Maureen (0407 055 447)**
Next Blessing of Shawls/Rugs will take place at the Healing Mass in Inverloch Tuesday December 7th @ 11 a.m.

- **ANOINTING MASS AT St. JOSEPH'S CHURCH, WONTHAGGI ON FRIDAY 17TH DECEMBER, 2021 AT 9:30 a.m.**

- **ST. VINCENT de PAUL CHRISTMAS APPEAL:**

Many thanks to all parishioners who continue to assist us in our work. So many needy families in our area benefit from your generosity.

Christmas is particularly important time as we combine with other churches and community groups to provide hampers for about 160 families.

Should you wish to offer further assistance at this time, here are some options.

Donate over the phone: using a credit card by calling 13 18 12

-Donors can allocate donations to a specific conference by giving the name of the conference over the phone.

- Receipts will be issued by the Fundraising Team.

To make an online donation, go to vinnies.org.au

-Donors can allocate donations to a specific conference by putting conference name in the comments field.

- Receipts will be automatically emailed out to donor.

Cash donations: You will find a collection plate at the church exit on Sat/Sun 11th/12 December.

Thank you again and a Happy Christmas from your St. Vincent de Paul Conference. We wish you all the Peace and joy that this season brings.

- **ADVENT GROUP:**

Running on 6th, 13th & 20th Julie de Bondt is hosting a group. If you are interested in participating, please contact Julie on 03 56 741 464 or 0407 535 032 for more information. This will be in the annex of Our Lady Star of the Sea and **COVID PROTOCOLS WILL APPLY.**

- **MISSAL ON LINE:** 'An App' which Father Darren Howie finds very helpful is Universalis.

This will allow you to follow the Daily Mass.

- **COMMUNITY CAROLS IN WONTHAGGI.**

Greetings, my name is Jacqui Paulson and I have been asked to organise a choir for this year's Community Carols in Wonthaggi. They will be held on **Sunday December, 12th at the Wonthaggi Rec Centre.**

We are looking for choir members. Could you please contact me if you are interested at

paulsonjacqui1@gmail.com or **0432 934 681.**

- **CARITAS AUSTRALIA:**

There is still time to support our global neighbours as they tackle the challenges of poverty.

Your generosity today can help create a better tomorrow for people living in some of the most remote and marginalised communities in the world.

All donations over \$2 are 100% tax deductible.

Caritas Australia: www.caritas.org.au

- **CATHOLIC CARE: New self-help mental health service for parents, families and individuals.**

The demand for mental health services is becoming more and more prominent across the State, and for many regions, waiting lists to access services are becoming overwhelmingly long.

As a response to the increased need for mental health support, we've recently commenced a new state-wide mental health service with minimal wait times, called the Psychological Wellbeing Service (PWS). Using evidence based therapies, our PWS clinicians provide parenting support and mental health support focused on self-help skill learning to aid in recovery, such as problem-solving skills, progressive muscle relaxation, and traditional cognitive behavioural therapy as a more intensive support.

We've also launched a free Mental Health and Wellbeing Guide created by our PWS team.

Read more about our new service and download the guide from CatholicCare Victoria.

- **Aid to the Church in Need Australia:** ACN is running an advent appeal to help Christian refugees who are suffering due to persecution, conflict and violence. This year share the hope of Christmas with Christian refugees and help ease their burdens. To read stories and watch videos of how ACN is helping our suffering brothers and sisters and to make a donation please visit www.aidtochurch.org./adentappeal.
P.O. BOX 335, PENRITH NSW 2751
1800 101 201/ 02 9167 9517
- **We have been emailing and sending out important communications from the Diocese and if you would like to be involved and receive this information then please contact the Parish Office on 56 721 111 or email your details to wonthaggi@cdsale.org.au.**
- **WORKING WITH CHILDREN: AS WE ARE HOPING TO RETURN TO A ROSTER SYSTEM FOR READERS AND SPECIAL MINISTERS IN THE NEW YEAR, THIS IS JUST A REMINDER TO CHECK THAT YOUR WORKING WITH CHILDREN HASN'T EXPIRED AND IF IT DOES NEED RENEWING PLEASE CONTACT THE PARISH OFFICE FOR ANY ASSISTANCE WITH THIS.**
- **Our Parish is committed to the safety, well-being and dignity of all children, young people and adults at risk. Find out more at: www.catholic.org.au/childprotectionsunday and www.catholicreligious.org.au/safeguarding
If you are concerned about any form of abuse, or believe that someone is at significant risk, you should immediately raise your concerns with one of our Parish Safeguarding Officers. Contact Kristine McRae via the Parish Office: 03 56 721 111 or St. Joseph's School Safeguarding Officer 03 56 721 052. Take care, we are here to help.**