

Parish Office Hours: 9am to 3pm Monday to Friday

Marguerite Martin

Will you be there???

Michael Clay

Marguerite Martin
Aparna John (Mon & Tues)

Ashfield St Vincent de Paul Christmas Appeal

Ashfield St. Vincent de Paul will be holding their appeal on Sunday 2nd December. Envelopes will be placed on the seats for anyone wishing to donate to this appeal.

ST VINCENT DE PAUL CHRISTMAS HAMPERS

Over the next three Sundays, December 2, 9 and 16, your local St Vincent de Paul branch will be collecting non-perishable food items for Christmas hampers. These will be distributed to struggling individuals and families in our area, who have been assisted by the Society during the year. Please place your donated items in the baskets under the Christmas tree. Thank you for your generosity in making sure these families are able to share in the joy of Christmas.

Some suggested items:

Tinned fruit, vegetables, soup, tuna, salmon
Breakfast cereals and bars
Biscuits savoury and sweet
Pasta and sauces
Tea, coffee, milo, cordial
Christmas cakes, puddings and other treats

Parish Masses this week:

Monday 12 noon
Tuesday 7:00am
Wednesday 12 noon
Thursday 9:00am
Reconciliation: Saturday 8:10am to 8:40am
Morning Prayer: 8:40am
Saturday 9:00am
Sunday: 8am, 10:00am 6:00pm
Polish Mass 12 noon

Cardinal Freeman Village Chapel

Sunday 9.00 am First Wednesday of the Month,
3:30pm Reconciliation, 4:00 Mass & Anointing, First
Friday of the month 9:00am Communion Service.



Calling ALL St. Vincent's Women

Mum's, Grandma's, Auntie's & Carer's

A reflection day on Friday 7th December
from 9:30am to 2:15pm

You are invited to a day of rest, relaxation and time for you before you start getting ready for the joy of Christmas and the Summer Holidays.

It is not far away

The Venue is in beautiful Hunters Hill

Lunch is included the cost is \$15

There are two very inspiring speakers. Tina, a mum of 11 children and Eddy who came back to his faith through a Muslim taxi driver!

I am happy to arrange transport so please consider giving yourself a 'GIFT' of some YOU TIME before Christmas. RSVP by 5th December to Sinead 0420 653 637 or sinead.kent@syd.catholic.edu.au

Social Justice Corner

Dates relevant to Social Justice Issues this week:

- Sunday 2nd December is the *International Day for the Abolition of Slavery*.
- Monday 3rd December is the *International Day of Persons with Disabilities* and on this day in 1854 was the Battle of the Eureka Stockade.
- Wednesday 5th December is *International Day for Economic and Social Development and World Soil Day* and on this day 2013 Nelson Mandela died.

The Catholic Archdiocese of Sydney Safeguarding Office

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 @ 02 9390 5812.



First Sunday of Advent

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.

FIRST READING: I will cause a good seed to spring forth from David (Jeremiah 33:14-16)

PSALM: To you, O Lord, I lift my soul (Ps 24:4-5, 8-9, 10, 14)

SECOND READING: When Christ comes may he strengthen your hearts in holiness (1 Thessalonians 3:12- 4:2)

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

GOSPEL: Your redemption is near at hand (Luke 21:25-28, 34-36)

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



Next Sunday's Readings

Second Sunday of Advent

Baruch 5:1-+9

Ps 125

Philippians 1:3-6, 8-41

Luke 3:1-6