



**Sacred Heart Cathedral  
Hamilton**



**St Joseph's  
The Junction**



**St Mary, Star of the Sea  
Newcastle**



**Immaculate Heart of Mary  
Tighes Hill**



**St Laurence O'Toole  
Broadmeadow**



**Christ the King  
Mayfield West**



**St Peter-in-Chains  
Stockton**

# THE CATHOLIC PARISHES OF THE CITY PASTORAL REGION

**SUNDAY, 27TH DECEMBER 2020**

**THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY AND JOSEPH  
YEAR B**

*Incorporating the Parishes of St Benedict's, Inner Newcastle, St Columban's, Mayfield, and St Peter-in-Chains, Stockton, our mission is to proclaim Christ in the inner suburbs of the City of Newcastle.*

*Our Parishes incorporate suburbs located on the traditional country of the Awabakal and Worimi peoples. We acknowledge their cultural heritage, beliefs and continuing relationship with the land, pay respect to their Elders past and present, and commit ourselves to work together for reconciliation and justice.*

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## **Regional Bulletin**

The Bulletin is published weekly.

Prayer requests and items for the Bulletin should be received at the Regional Office by Noon on Wednesdays.

## THE PARISH DIARY...(for the week ahead)

*Season of Christmas*

Monday— 28th December

*Feast of the Holy Innocents*

8:15am Mass @ The Cathedral

Tuesday— 29th December

*Fifth day in the Octave of the Nativity*

8:15am Mass @ The Cathedral

8:15am Rosary @ Stockton

8:30am Mass @ Stockton

9:15am Mass @ Broadmeadow

9:30am Mass @ The Junction

Wednesday—30th December

*Sixth day in the Octave of the Nativity*

8:15am Mass @ The Cathedral

9:00am Mass @ Mayfield West

9:15am Mass @ Tighes Hill

9:30am Mass @ The Junction

Thursday—31st December

*Seventh day in the Octave of the Nativity*

8:15am Mass @ The Cathedral

8:30am Mass @ Stockton

9:15am Mass @ Broadmeadow

9:30am Mass @ The Junction

Friday—1st January

*Solemnity Mary, the Holy Mother of God*

7:30am St Mary's Star of the Sea Newcastle

9:30am Sacred Heart Cathedral Hamilton

10:15am St Joseph's The Junction

11:30am Sacred Heart Cathedral Hamilton (Polish)

No New Years Day Italian Mass

Saturday—2nd January

*Memorial of Sts Basil the Great and Gregory*

9:30am Mass @ The Cathedral

10:10am Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Help

Followed by Reconciliation @ The Cathedral

5:30pm Vigil Mass @ The Cathedral

5:30pm Vigil Mass @ Broadmeadow

6:00pm Vigil Mass @ Mayfield West

Sunday— 3 January

*The Epiphany of the Lord*

7:30am Mass @ St Mary's

8:00am Mass @ Tighes Hill

9:00am Mass @ The Junction

9:00am Mass @ Stockton

9:30am Mass @ The Cathedral

*Live streamed via the Diocesan website:*

[www.mn.catholic.org.au/places/livestream/](http://www.mn.catholic.org.au/places/livestream/)

10:30am Italian Mass @ Broadmeadow

11:30am Polish Mass @ The Cathedral

5:00pm Mass @ The Cathedral

5:30pm Vietnamese Mass @ Mayfield West

## TODAY'S LITURGY

### INTRODUCTORY RITE

**Entrance Antiphon** Lk 2:16

The shepherds went in haste, and found Mary and Joseph and the Infant lying in a manger.

### Gloria

***Glory to God in the highest,  
and on earth peace to people of good will.***

We praise You. We bless You. We adore you.

We glorify You.

We give You thanks for Your great glory.

Lord God, heavenly King, O God almighty Father.

Lord Jesus Christ, Only-begotten Son.

Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father:

You take away the sins of the world,  
have mercy on us.

You take away the sins of the world,  
receive our prayer.

You are seated at the right hand of the Father,  
have mercy on us.

For you alone are the holy one. You alone are the

Lord. You alone, are the most high Jesus Christ.

With the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father.

### LITURGY OF THE WORD

**First Reading:** Gen 15:1-6, 21:1-3

*Your won son shall be your heir.*

***We pause for silent reflection.***

**Responsorial Psalm:** Ps 127:1-5. R. see v.1

(R.) Happy are those who fear the Lord and walk in his ways.

1. O blessed are those who fear the Lord and walk in his ways!  
By the labour of your hands you shall eat.  
You will be happy and prosper. (R.)
2. Your wife like a fruitful vine in the heart of your house;  
your children like shoots of the olive,  
around your table. (R.)
3. Indeed thus shall be blessed the man who fears the Lord.  
May the Lord bless you from Zion  
all the days of your life! (R.)

**Second Reading:** Heb 1:1-2

*The faith of Abraham, Sarah and Isaac.*

***We pause for silent reflection.***

**Gospel Acclamation** (Please stand)

## Alleluia, alleluia!

In the past God spoke to our fathers through the prophets; now he speaks to us through his Son.

## Alleluia!

**Gospel:** Lk 2:22-40

*The child grew to maturity, and he was filled with wisdom.*

**We pause for silent reflection.**

## Homily

### The Nicene Creed

I believe in one God,  
the Father almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth,  
of all things visible and invisible.

I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ,  
the Only Begotten Son of God,  
born of the Father before all ages.  
God from God, Light from Light,  
true God from true God,  
begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father;  
through him all things were made.

For us men and for our salvation he came down  
from heaven, and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of  
the Virgin Mary, and became man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate,  
he suffered death and was buried,  
and rose again on the third day in accordance with  
the Scriptures.

He ascended into heaven  
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.  
He will come again in glory  
to judge the living and the dead  
and his kingdom will have no end.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,  
who with the Father and the Son is adored and  
glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.

I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church.  
I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins  
and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead  
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

### Apostles' Creed

I believe in God,  
the Father Almighty,  
Creator of Heaven and earth;  
and in Jesus Christ, His only Son Our Lord,  
Who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, (*all bow*)  
born of the Virgin Mary,  
suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died, and was buried.  
He descended into Hell;  
on the third day He rose again from the dead;  
He ascended into Heaven,  
and is seated at the right hand of God, the Father  
almighty; from there He shall come to judge the living  
and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Catholic Church,  
the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the  
resurrection of the body and life everlasting.

## LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

### Memorial Acclamation

We proclaim your Death, O Lord, and profess your  
Resurrection until you come again.

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### Communion Acclamation

Our God has appeared on the earth, and lived among  
us

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### NEXT WEEK'S READINGS

#### Feast of the Holy Family

Is 60:1-6

Eph 3:2-6, 5-6

Mt 2:1-12

Weekday and Sunday readings can be  
found at [www.usccb.org](http://www.usccb.org)

## Prayer Requests

**Please remember in your prayers at this time all  
those who have recently died or who are sick, may  
they feel the healing presence of the Christ Child.**

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**JUNIOR WORDSEARCH**

**The Lord's promise came true**

Sir 3:2-6  
Ps 128:1-2, 3, 4-5, R. see v.1  
Col 3:12-17  
Mt 2:13-15, 19-23

D J M L Q L S D N H H M E Y  
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K X D B K G H S V A F F S W A H X  
Q Y V P Z P A I N Q Q J G S B W E  
D D U V H F H A L T R F Q L J T T  
T A H L A S Z V J D T U B G P Q I  
P R T K Q A E D U J R L D T F F D  
X N A F R Q O A B W X E R Z O X Y  
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