

Oh come let us adore Him

Welcome to

# Kangaroo Island Catholic Community

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## KANGAROO ISLAND

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Mr Peter Clark (8559 5131,  
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(All items for the newsletter must be received no later than Tuesday evening.)

### SPONSORSHIP

KANGAROO ISLAND  
TRANSFERS (0427 887 575)  
generously donate transport for our visiting Priests.

### CHILD PROTECTION

Child Protection Unit 8210 8159

### WEEKEND MASSES

This weekend Mass will be held at Kingscote at 9.30am.

Due to current COVID-19 restrictions (1 person per 4 sqm) we are only permitted up to 39 people in our Church.



### VIGIL MASS

(celebrated during the afternoon or evening of 24<sup>th</sup> December)

### FIRST READING

*Isaiah 62:1-5*

God's grace brings about the conversion of his unfaithful people. With a new-found integrity they (and we) will be called by a new name, and their relationship (and ours) with God will lead to an intimacy beyond their (and our) wildest imaginings. God will rejoice in them (and us).

### RESPONSORIAL PSALM

*Ps 88:4-5, 16-17, 27, 29*

*Forever I will sing the goodness of the Lord.*

### SECOND READING

*Acts 13:16-17, 22-25*

Paul introduces the Jews and non-Jewish believers in the God of Israel to the new thing that God has done for them in Jesus, whom he has raised up for them as Saviour.

### GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

*Alleluia, alleluia!*

*Tomorrow the wickedness of the earth will be destroyed: the Saviour of the world will be our king.  
Alleluia!*

### GOSPEL

*Matthew 1:1-25*

This reading from the beginning of Matthew's Gospel reminds us of the mortality and even the sin the Son of God took on himself in becoming one of us, through his birth from the Virgin Mary, in order to save his people from their sins and restore us to God's friendship.

### MIDNIGHT MASS

(Celebrated at midnight on 24<sup>th</sup> Dec)

### FIRST READING

*Isaiah 9:1-7*

Light shines in the darkness and overcomes it, because a child is born for us, a son given to us, and his name is Wonder-Counsellor, Mighty-God, Eternal-Father Prince-of-Peace.

### RESPONSORIAL PSALM

*Ps 95:1-3, 11-13*

*Today is born our Saviour; Christ the Lord.*

### SECOND READING

*Titus 2:11-14*

God's grace, given in his Son, has made salvation possible for the whole human race. This Son sacrificed himself to set us free from

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## **COMPLIANCE WITH REGULATIONS**

(Current - updated 14 December)

- Attendees at Mass must maintain social distancing of 1:2 sqm.
- Funerals are capped at 200 people, whilst maintaining 1:2 sqm.
- Weddings are capped at 200 people, whilst maintaining 1:2 sqm.
- No beverage or food consumption (ie cup of tea after Mass)
- Singing as a congregation is to be avoided.
- Except for families and household groups, people should socially distance. There should be no physical contact outside one's family or household group.
- There should be no shaking of hands or holding hands during the Mass.
- Every gathering must record contact details - either with the QR code for smart phones, or the handwritten log - both located at the entrance to the Church.
- Hand sanitizer is to be available at church entrances.
- Offertory procession will be omitted. Communion is given only in hands. Precious Blood will not be distributed
- Collection plates will not be passed around but a single drop point is provided at the churches.
- Holy Water is not available at the doors of churches.
- All surfaces should be cleaned at least daily, with special attention given to frequently touched surfaces.
- Sick and high risk/vulnerable people should be encouraged not to attend.
- Care should be taken at the dismissal and on leaving the church to minimise social contact.
- The obligation for Sunday Mass for the laity HAS NOT BEEN RE-INVOKED at this stage.

all wickedness, so that our sole ambition might be to do good.

## **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

*Alleluia, alleluia!*

*Good News and great joy to all the world: today is born our Saviour, Christ the Lord.*

*Alleluia!*

## **GOSPEL**

**Luke 2:1-14**

In an out-of-the-way little town in Judea, a child is born. He is announced by angels to nearby shepherds as the Christ of the Lord, and the sign confirming this is a baby wrapped in swaddling clothes, lying in a manger. An early example of "God's Easter methods".

## **CHRISTMAS DAY MASS**

*(Celebrated during the day of 25<sup>th</sup> December)*

## **FIRST READING**

**Isaiah 52:7-10**

The Prophet proclaims good news to the disheartened people of Judah and Jerusalem - their God has not abandoned them, but is coming to save them. Good news to us too - God's salvation is for all peoples.

## **RESPONSORIAL PSALM**

**Ps 97:1-6**

*All the ends of the earth have seen the saving power of God.*

## **SECOND READING**

**Hebrews 1:1-6**

God spoke his word through his prophets and in various ways. Now he speaks to us through his Son, who is the radiant light of God's glory. He has veiled that glory with our humanity so that we can prepare by lives of faith for the full revelation of that glory in Heaven.

## **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

*Alleluia, alleluia!*

*A holy day has dawned upon us. Come, you nations and adore the Lord. Today a great light has come upon the earth.*

*Alleluia!*

## **GOSPEL**

**John 1:1-18**

The gospel passage encourages us to ponder reverently the mystery of the Word who was with God in the beginning, who was God, and who became man in Jesus and dwelt among us.

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## **FR JOSIE'S**

## **2020 CHRISTMAS MESSAGE**

There are many ways of expressing one's affection to the people we love. We can do it by sending a letter or by sending texts or by sending flowers and chocolates. We can express it by calling the person through telephone.

At Christmas we remember the best gift that we ever received. It is the gift of love from God. God sends His only Son Jesus Christ to the world as our Savior and Lord.

Sacred Scripture which is the love letter of God to each one of us, has it: "God so loved the world that He gave His only Son, so that everyone who believes in Him might not perish but might have eternal life," (John 3:16). It is also the gift of the Son who chooses to make His dwelling among us and to become like us that we may become like Him.

Christmas, which is literally meant as Christ's Mass is nothing less than God wanting to be with us.

May the Lord be with you all and all our prayers and trust in God envelope us in holy love and care for one another. This is my prayer for you and your families this Christmas and throughout the coming year.

*Fr Josy Sebastian  
Parish Priest*



## **PASTORAL CARE**

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