

Catholic Church of the Resurrection

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Third Sunday of Advent Cycle A

WEEKEND MASSES: 14th & 15th December Saturday 6.00pm, Sunday 7.30am, 10am and 3.00pm (Sotho/Zulu).

WEEKDAY MASSES: Monday – Thursday & Saturday at 8.00am Fridays 7.40am.

CONFESSIONS: Saturday: 8.30-9.00am, 5.00-5.45pm and anytime on request

READINGS: 3rd Sunday of Advent Cycle A: Sunday Missal on page 29 and in the Daily Missal on page 68

BAPTISMS: Parents and Godparents are required to attend baptism preparation talks. Please contact the Parish Office.

MARRIAGES: 6 months' notice is required and the marriage preparation course is compulsory. Couples must make an appointment to see Fr Keith to book. It is customary not to have weddings during Lent.

PROCLAIMERS NEXT WEEKEND: 6.00pm: T Gonyora & C Balson Polycomp: F Dlamini 7.30am: K Barrett & C Gonzo 10.00am: R Duley & K Polycomp: L Sakdeo 3.00pm: **EMHC NEXT WEEKEND:** 6.00pm: C Aab, R Hawkins, V Pillay & I Teixeira 7.30am: J & M Barbosa, P Jacquet, S Routier & P van den Bergh 10.00am: G Masson, D & D Poultney & L Warinda 3.00pm: J Lesejane C1: P vd Bergh C2: K Barrett Visits: J & M Barbosa, P Jacquet, Z Nxumalo, S Routier & A & J Stark (W): D Behrendt, A Choi, K De Villiers, T Sturges & M Wicks **CHILDREN'S LITURGY:** C Thomas

VOCATION REFLECTION: Be patient until the Lord comes. Be patient and listen; ask the Lord what he wants of you. (James 5:7-10)

We are appealing for **Catechism teachers** for both Primary and High School. Please contact the parish office.

Parish Diary

WEDNESDAY, 18th December
8.30am Holy Hour after the 8.00am Mass and reflections ending with Benediction
6.30pm Carol Service in Parkade

THURSDAY, 19th December
10.00am Penitential Service

Prepare for Christmas by receiving the Sacrament of Reconciliation.

The Penitential Service will be on Thursday 19th December @ 10.00am

Christmas Masses

Tues 24 Dec 6.00pm Children's Mass
11.15pm Carols
12.00 Midnight Mass
Wed 25 Dec 7.30am Mass
10.00am Mass



Youth? Or young adult? Either way, we're calling on all you fresh, up and coming leaders to help us lead the way with our Lifeteen program, starting at Bryanston Catholic Church in January 2020. For more information, contact Dwight on 0761982408. We're excited to get to know you and start this journey with you!

San Salvador Christmas puddings are on sale after Mass in the Repository. The sale of these puddings supports this home for ladies with disabilities. Large R160.00 and small R80.00



Join us next Wednesday the 18th December in the parkade for an evening singing your favourite carols. Kids dress up in your shepherd and angel outfits. Bring a picnic basket or perhaps give Mom the night off - try the delicious *gourmet* boerewors rolls in support of Alpha. We will start around 18:30, so come early to secure your space.

Christmas Gifts! Put a smile on a child's - donate a Christmas gift. Please stick the tag onto your gift and return it to the boxes in the foyer. REMINDER - no battery operated toys and a **new** toy please!

MARFAM's 2020 Family Year Planner with the theme OUR WORLD, A FAMILY OF FAMILIES and an explanatory leaflet are now available. Monthly themes, including a practical and spiritual focus on environmental issues and building strong families, make this a helpful resource for families and the Church. Costs: Calendar plus leaflet R15. To register for accompanying DAILY THOUGHTS by email send name and e-address to info@marfam.org.za visit www.marfam.org.za. Toni 082 552 1275

We are looking for more **Ministers of Holy Communion** who are able to take Communion to the sick at home and in hospitals. If you are called to this important and special ministry, please give your name to Fr Keith. Our next training course will begin in Jan 2020.

Greening the Parish is appealing for contributions to put energy saving globes in the church. If you want to know more see the J&P market stall after mass. For technical information contact Warren 060-996-0690



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All are invited to the **priestly ordination of Rev Tshepo Duik** on 21st December 2019 at St Albert's Catholic Church, Vosloorus at 9.30am. Tshepo spent 6 months as a seminarian with us in Bryanston.

PRAYER LIST FOR THE WEEK: Grant Thurgood & Family, George Drewes, Georgia Neilsen, Lesley-Anne Culhane, Lee-Ann Baker, Elly Sangweni, Robert & Brandon Hancock, Dolores Rubio, Nicholas Poulos, Fletcher family, Kristen, Dave Martin, Rebecca West, all in our Parish facing hardships and undergoing surgery and cancer treatment

Our Lady Pilgrimage 2020

This unique pilgrimage will take us to Lourdes in France, St Peter's and major basilicas in Rome, discover St Francis in Assisi, see the visionaries of Our Lady in Medjugorje. This is a once in a lifetime opportunity to be in these sacred places. More info - Tony at tsturges@mweb.co.za

PRAYER FOR ADVENT

God of hope, be with us on our Advent journey. Keep our hearts aflame with the hope of Christmas. Help us to welcome Christ into our homes and situations, into our hearts and into the hidden parts of our lives. Help us to put you as the centre and focus of our lives, for sometimes we are distracted by the snares of the world. God of majesty and might, help us to receive the gift of salvation which you offer us through the incarnation of Jesus. We ask this through Christ, our Lord. Amen.

