

We Respond

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ENTRANCE ANTIPHON (or a hymn) The shepherds went in haste, and found Mary and Joseph and the Infant lying in a manger.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM (Ps 83)

ANTIPHON: How happy they who dwell in your house, O Lord.

RESPONSE: How happy they who dwell in your house, O Lord.

LECTOR: How lovely is your dwelling place, Lord, God of hosts. My soul is longing and yearning, is yearning for the courts of the Lord. My heart and my soul ring out their joy to God, the living God. **R.**

LECTOR: They are happy, who dwell in your house, for ever singing your praise. They are happy, whose strength is in you; they walk with ever growing strength. **R.**

LECTOR: O Lord, God of hosts, hear my prayer, give ear, O God of Jacob. Turn your eyes, O God, our shield, look on the face of your anointed. **R.**

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION Alleluia, alleluia! Open our heart, O Lord, to listen to the words of your Son. Alleluia!

COMMUNION ANTIPHON (or a hymn) Our God has appeared on the earth, and lived among us.

TODAY'S READINGS 1 Samuel 1:20-22, 24-28; 1 John 3:1-2, 21-24; Luke 2:41-52

NEXT WEEK (The Epiphany of the Lord) Isaiah 60:1-6; Psalm 71; Ephesians 3:2-3, 5-6; Matthew 2:1-12

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*Looking
back, looking
forward*



Slim Dusty is fondly remembered as Australia's 'King of Country'. During his lifetime, Slim released more than a hundred albums, selling more than seven million records and earning over 70 gold and platinum album certifications.

'Looking forward, Looking Back' is a famous Slim Dusty song. As another year comes to an end and the countdown to 2019 begins, Slim's song title offers some practical wisdom. Today is a timely opportunity for all of us to look forward and look back, to reflect on the past year's blessings and to set our goals for 2022.

Imagine the Holy Family of Nazareth doing the same. They, too, had much to look back on and much to anticipate! Mary might have recalled the angel's words about Jesus at the Annunciation, "He will be great and will be called Son of the Most High God. The Lord God will make him a king ... his kingdom will never end" (Luke 1:32, 33b). Joseph might have recalled his dream, when the angel told him to name Mary's son Jesus, "because he will save his people from their sins" (Matthew 1:21).

Mary and Joseph might also have reflected again on their experience with Simeon. Holding the infant Jesus, Simeon shared his vision where he saw the fulfillment of all God's promises and the hope for the future salvation of Israel. "For my eyes have seen your salvation ... a light to reveal your will to the gentiles and bring glory to your people

26 December 2021 Holy Family Year C Israel' (Luke 2:30, 32). No wonder Mary and Joseph were amazed!

Remembering and reflecting on these special moments of God's presence and grace must have helped Mary and Joseph to trust in God's faithfulness and to know that whatever the future might hold, they would not be alone.

Think now about your own 'holy family'? How was God present to you this year? Were there times of joy: like the birth of a new child or grandchild, a marriage, a new job, a graduation? Were there times of sadness and struggle: like illness, death, disharmony, financial troubles? Spend some time reflecting on how God has been with you through it all.

But don't just look back; look forward too. How has the past year prepared you for the blessings to come? Maybe God is beginning to unfold something new in your life. How might you embrace it? Does it call you to trust, especially if the situation seems unclear or uncertain? Looking forward is an invitation for you to be open to God's blessings, to be amazed at how God is at work in your life and to know that even better things await!

Looking back on the year just gone, we thank our loving God for being with us during these hard times. Looking forward to the new year, we pray we will remain close to the One who is always present and faithful to us.

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FYI Regina Caeli delivers newsletters to those who find themselves isolated and unable to visit parish.

Children's Church will resume in Feb next year 2022 for Term 1. We look forward to all joining us.



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PUT THIS on YOUR CALENDAR! Coming Dec-Jan 2021 - 2022
Dec 26 Feast of The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary, Joseph
Jan 1 Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God
1 World Day of Peace (The Holy See)
Jan 2 The Epiphany of the Lord
Jan 9 The Baptism of the Lord

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Arrangements for Masses in 2022
Dear Parishioners of Regina Caeli, As you know 2022 will be a time of transition as you move towards a new model of parish. While there are a number of unknowns in this

process, there are a number of knowns as we begin the New Year.

Sunday Masses
For the time being the 3 Sunday Masses, 6pm Saturday evening, 6:30am and 8:30am Sunday morning, will continue with visiting priests. Fr Leo Burke & Fr Kevin Smith will supply for Jan & Fr Jim Smith & Fr Roger Burns will be with you during February. This schedule will remain in place until Easter, by then we will have come to a new arrangement of the number and times of Sunday Masses. You will be invited to participate in this process during February & March. More about this later.

Weekday Masses
The decision has been made to not celebrate weekday Masses until the beginning of February. It is not sustainable to have a Mass each day, so again we will need to discuss & decide on what is possible. Along with Mass you may like to look at a weekly lay-lead liturgy or a prayer group or a Scripture reflection group to nourish your life of faith. There are many possibilities. Again, you will be invited to contribute your thoughts around this. There will be a Mass, Australia Day, Wednesday Jan 26, you will receive more details about this in the coming weeks.

I look forward to working with you over the months ahead. Change is challenging but can also breathe new life into old structures. This is what we celebrate at Christmas, the newborn Christ Child bringing hope and peace. May your celebration of Christmas bring you and your loved ones this hope and peace.

Sr Kari Hatherell *osu*
Transition Project Officer



In Our Thoughts & Prayers
RECENTLY DECEASED: NEIL CREMIN, TONY DEUTSCHMANN (FATHER OF BRIAN, TONY & LAVINIA (DEC)) DR JOHN RUTHERFORD, PADDY LOGAN, FAITH COLLINS, MARIE DUNN, DAWN GRIGSON, WAYNE HOUGHTON, MAUREEN LANGRIDGE, GRACE OGILVIE, MAUREEN THORNTON, ANNIVERSARIES Bob & Marie Ward, Anne-Marie Ward, Peter Ward, Rick Randell & members of extended Ward family; SPECIAL INTENTIONS: Joshua Chester, Pat Cochrane, Veronica & Cathy Comiskey, Claire Cotter, Brian & Thera Harding, Paul Heathwood, Allaura Hows, Quinn Johnston, Kath Keogh, Nicky Logan, Trish McConnell, Fr Ron Mollison, John Mulcahy, Michael Mulcahy, Marie-Louise O'Brien, Pam O'Reilly, Peter Owen, David Parker, Peter Reid, Wal & Joyce Smith, Lester Steen, Marie Taylor, Nathaniel Williams, Pat Weir, Zelina & family.

Christmas Season Mass Times
Friday ~ Christmas Eve: Carols 6pm with Mass 6.30pm
Saturday ~ Christmas Day: 6.30am, 8.30am
No Saturday evening 6pm Mass Christmas Day
Sunday Dec 26 : 6.30am, 8.30am
During coming week Mass will be celebrated Friday Dec 31 at 9am only and therein during parish transition there will be NO Weekday or Saturday morning Masses celebrated Normal 6pm Saturday and Sunday 6.30am & 8.30am will remain. Funerals, Weddings Baptisms will be arranged as usual in the parish.



Parish Giving Envelopes available next week. If you wish to be a part of any parish giving (envelopes, EFT, Credit Card) please contact office. **Thank You** for all support.



Stay Home
Stay home if you are unwell
Check-in via mobile on arrival
Use provided hand sanitiser on entry
Keep 1.5m from others
Wear a face mask

PROCESSIONAL BOB HURD GATHER YOUR PEOPLE
Refrain: Gather your people, O Lord. Gather your people, O Lord. One bread, one body, one spirit of love. Gather your people, O Lord.



Draw us forth to the table of life: brothers and sisters, each of us called to walk in your light.
V1 Gather your people, O Lord. Gather your people, O Lord. One bread, one body, one spirit of love. Gather your people, O Lord.
We are parts of the body of Christ, needing each other, each of the gifts the Spirit provides.

OFFERTORY K BATES OUR SUPPER INVITATION
V1 Take of my bread and eat, drink my new wine. Take of my life and live, branch of my vine. Let me befriend you now; eat take your fill. Don't be afraid to dream; love has its will.
V2 Take up your burden now, walk 'til you find just what the journey means; walk while there's time. Food for the journey will answer your need. Don't be afraid to walk; love, my love will lead.

COMMUNION JOHN FOLEY ONE BREAD ONE BODY
Refrain: One bread, one body, one Lord of all, one cup of blessing which we bless. And we, though many, throughout the earth, we are one body in this one Lord.

V1 Gentile or Jew, servant or free, woman or man no more.
V2 Many the gifts, many the works, one in the Lord of all.
REFLECTION PUBLIC DOMAIN SILENT NIGHT
V1 Silent night! Holy night! All is calm; all is bright. Round yon virgin Mother and child, Holy Infant so tender and mild, sleep in Heavenly peace! sleep in Heavenly peace!

V2 Silent night! Holy night! Shepherds quake at the sight. Glories stream from Heaven afar; Heavenly hosts sing Alleluia. Christ, the Saviour, is born! **[Rep]**
V3 Silent night! Holy night! Son of God, Love's pure light, Radiant beams from Thy Holy face with the dawn of redeeming grace, Jesus, Lord at Thy birth, Jesus, Lord at Thy birth.

RECESSIONAL PUBLIC DOMAIN JOY TO THE WORLD
Joy to the world, the Lord is come!
Let earth receive her King;
Let every heart prepare Him room,
And heav'n & nature sing, And heav'n & nature sing,
And heaven, and heaven, and nature sing.