

Third Sunday of Advent $\stackrel{\sim}{}$ Year $\stackrel{\sim}{}$

16th December 2018

Our congratulations are extended to 17 people who were fully initiated into the Catholic faith on 23rd November. The course of preparation – known as the Catholic Enrichment Programme –was administered over five months by Father Michael and Father Joe. Who have their own topics of interest and specialisation.



The next programme will begin in June 2019. Adults who may be interested in being initiated into the Catholic faith are welcome to contact Father Michael or Father Joe well before the official commencement.



Sacrament of Penance Programme

Many thanks to the parents who have so far enrolled their children in the Penance Programme (158). Please return the enrolment forms after Mass with \$20. Early registration is important as it allows planning to take place well in advance for workshops, groups leaders and the ordering of books. Parents are asked to avoid any tendency of simply turning up after Mass. Similarly, if a child is unwell, please try to leave attendance at Mass until Sunday afternoon. Kids can often make a quick recovery.

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Second Rite of Reconciliation

This coming Thursday at 7:00 PM. Highly recommended as an ideal form of Advent preparation for Christmas. Your presence at the Second Rite would make John the Baptist a very happy prophet!

Christmas Masses ~ All Indoor with vision and audio in the chapel.

Mass Time	Celebrant	Musicians and Vocalists	Especially suited for
Monday 5:00 PM Vigil	Father Michael	Maria, Sarah and Sally	Little children & elderly folk
Monday 7:00 PM Vigil	Father Michael	Belinda, Tasha, Damian & Betty	Older kids and teenagers
Monday 9:00 PM Vigil	Father Joe	Tony LoCascio and the band	Families a little older
Midnight Mass	Father Joe	Choir ~ carols from 11:30 PM	Those who love solemnity
Tuesday 9:00 AM Mass	Father Michael	Jen and Josh	All families, all ages

NATIVITY PLAY ~ 5:00 PM VIGIL: Parents with little children from about K-3 are welcome to include their little cherubs in the Christmas Nativity play after Holy Communion. This little dramatic presentation of the Christmas story is always a wonderful few minutes for the children. Cheryl & Elizabeth will be organising a rehearsal on this coming Friday in the Church at 2:00 PM. If interested, please be on time. And Santa might be at this Mass as well.