



23/24 December 2017-Year B Fourth Sunday of Advent



ST ANTHONY'S PARISH CHURCH 320 Edmondson Ave AUSTRAL 2179

Pastor:
Fr. Robert Hayes PP RFD VF
Dean of the Western Deanery

Secretary: Cheryl McKell
House Manager: Cathy Sanders

**Presbytery: Parish Office is
open on:** Tuesday - Thursday
Closed for lunch 12.30-1.30 pm.

Phone: 9606 0206; **Fax:** 9606 0153
Email Address:
stanthonysaustral@bigpond.com
Web Address:
www.stanthonysaustral.org

Archdiocesan website:
www.sydney.catholic.org.au
Presbytery is closed on Mondays.

**St Anthony of Padua Catholic
College**
School Principal:
Mrs Lea De Angelis
Phone: 9606 8600
Email: info@stapaustral.catholic.edu.au

Sacramental Life

Celebration of the Eucharist:

Mass Schedule:

Saturday - 5.30pm Vigil (Includes
Children's Liturgy during School
Term)

Sunday - 7.30am

Sunday - 9am (Includes Children's
Liturgy during School Term)

Monday - No Mass

Tuesday - 9am

Wednesday - 9am

Thursday - 9am

Friday - 9.00am

Reconciliation: Saturday

4.30 - 5.15pm

Baptisms & Marriages:

By appointment at Presbytery

Anointing: Every 2 months -
check bulletin for dates

Sick Calls: Any time - day/night.

Funeral Masses: In co-operation
with Funeral Directors.

Entrance Antiphon: Drop down dew from above, you heavens, and let the clouds rain down the Just One; let the earth be opened and bring forth a Saviour.

Responsorial Psalm: Forever I will sing the goodness of the Lord.

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, Alleluia!

I am the servant of the Lord: may His will for me be done. **Alleluia!**

Communion Antiphon: Behold, a virgin shall conceive and bear a son; and His name will be called Emmanuel.

Dear Parishioners,

We celebrate the Fourth Sunday of Advent

1. The Building is God's

By the time of the First Reading, David is King. He has won a lot of victories, and he is rich and prosperous too. His house is built of wood and stones. But the ark of God is housed only in a tent.

David thought about the fact that God had only a tent while he, the King, had a real house; and so he made a decision to build a house for God too. He made it his responsibility to take care of God, you might say. Like David, we can love the holy things of God, and we can give our service to God's Church

And God laughed at him. God told David, "I will build *you* a house!" And so he did. The Son of God, born of David's lineage, is that house. The kingly line of David's lineage finds its everlasting fulfillment in Christ. And every Christian finds a home there, too, in the body of Christ that is the Church.

David's son Solomon did eventually build a house for the ark of God in Jerusalem, and it was magnificent. But any earthly building, even the great temple in Jerusalem, is puny by comparison with the house that God built for David and for all God's people in Christ the Lord.

David did well to revere the ark of God, just as we do well to revere the Church. But it was foolish of David to feel that it was his responsibility to care for God. God wants our love, but he does not need our protection. Without our help, God is still himself Lord of heaven and earth.

Like David, we can love the holy things of God, and we can give our service to God's Church. But it is not our responsibility to make the Church big, strong, and successful. If we think that God's church, or anything built for God, will lose and go down without our building it up, we will be as foolish as David in the First Reading.

The building is God's.

CHURCH CLEANING ROSTER

25-30 December

V Zoric, L Eljiz,
L Lopez



15-20 January 2018

V Laferla, L Pecotich,
M Gimellaro, M DeVries

READERS ROSTER

23/24 December

Saturday Vigil: 5.30pm

Commentator: Marcelo Steimbeisser

Readers:

Marcelo Steimbeisser: 1st Reading

Natasha Steimbeisser: 2nd Reading & Prayers of Faithful

Sunday: 7.30am

Commentator: Catherine Emery

Readers:

Catherine Emery: 1st Reading

Chris Pisani: 2nd Reading & Prayers of Faithful

Sunday: 9am

Commentator: Tessie Christophers

Readers:

Tessie Christophers: 1st Reading

Mary Burton: 2nd Reading & Prayers of Faithful

30/31 December (Feast of the Holy Family Year B)

Saturday Vigil: 5.30pm

Commentator: Francine Zappia

Readers:

Francine Zappia: 1st Reading

Rita Zappia: 2nd Reading & Prayers of Faithful

Sunday: 7.30am

Commentator: Margaret Pisani

Readers:

Margaret Pisani: 1st Reading

Chris Pisani: 2nd Reading & Prayers of Faithful

Sunday: 9am

Commentator: Margaret DeVries

Readers:

Margaret DeVries: 1st Reading

John-William Fisher: 2nd Reading & Prayers of Faithful



Extraordinary Minister of the Eucharist Roster

23/24 December

Saturday Vigil

David & Sarah Casha

Sunday 7.30am

Margaret Pisani & Pasqualine Catanzariti

Sunday 9am

Frances Musso & Ken O'Leary



30/31 December

Saturday Vigil

Victoria Bugeja & Robert Gimellaro

Sunday 7.30am

Virginia Romeo & Pasqualina Catanzariti

Sunday 9am

Karen Power & Faye Palamara

ACOLYTES ROSTER

23/24 December

Saturday Vigil

Eric Hockings

Sunday 7.30am

Matt Young

Sunday 9am

Peter Grizelj

30/31 December

Saturday Vigil

Gerry Crescini

Sunday 7.30am

George Ajkay

Sunday 9am

Anthony Zanetic

ALTAR SERVERS ROSTER

23 December

Saturday Vigil

Daniel Garzaniti

Zac & Taliyah Stepic

24 December

Lucas & Jayden LaFerla

30 December

Saturday Vigil

Mark & Lauren Vassallo

Matthew Modolo

CHILDREN'S LITURGY ROSTER

23 December

School Holidays

30 December

School Holidays

9am Sunday

School Holidays

NURSING HOME ROSTER

24 December

Sister Rosa & Jayann

7 January 2018

Santina & Frances

