

Jubilee Catholic Parish

EMBRACING THE COMMUNITIES OF:

St Ambrose's, Newmarket ~ St Brigid's, Red Hill ~ St Finbarr's, Ashgrove ~ St Joan of Arc, Herston
St Mary Magdalene, Bardon ~ Sacred Heart, Rosalie ~ St Thomas More's, Petrie Terrace

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Fern Martins from her book "God's Christmas Promise"

CHRIST THE LIGHT! In the shadow of darkness, the light of Christ is born. Evil, tragedy, grief and fear continue. Into this frail cosmos God decided to send his own Son, born into a human family. This gift enables us to see the present in the light of a greater reality which continues to be born. Our belief is in the infinite creativity of God which brings good out of evil, life out of death. As Archbishop Shane has said, "(we

ask God to bring peace in our world by strengthening our commitment to being peacemakers. ... If we want to live in peace, we must renew our determination to reject hatred and violence as a response to the hatred and violence we saw (at Bondi). We must choose to be inspired by the courage of those who responded with bravery and generosity, and by the overwhelming support throughout our community for those who were attacked." We gather as people of the Light, celebrating Hanukkah and Christmas as proclamations of a God who illuminates our world. Challenged to carry that flame, we turn our backs on the darkness to build a future of peace and justice. Christmas blessings, **Fr Gerry**

MERRY CHRISTMAS TO ALL PARISHIONERS: Fr Tomi and I thank you greatly for all that you are in living your discipleship. We deeply appreciate your faith filled lives and prayerful worship. To each of you, Blessings on your Christmas. May joy peace and hope be born again into your families. May 2026 be a year of new birth and refreshing possibilities.

THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY AND JOSEPH — 28 DECEMBER 2025

FAMILY IS IMPORTANT. The feast of the Holy Family occurs on the Sunday following Christmas and within the period of Christmas. The Feast of the Holy Family directly draws attention to how God became man by highlighting the fullness of Jesus' humanity within a real family setting. We remember that Jesus grew up as a typical Israelite boy in Joseph and Mary's household. We reflect on Jesus' humanity and also acknowledge his presence in the human family and know the journey he was to take Jesus' family would have faced challenges, fear, and danger when they travelled. The flight into Egypt to escape Herod, shows Joseph and Mary's absolute trust in God's providence. Jesus lived in a family that supported each other through all the challenges life holds. Today, we are reminded to place our trust in the Lord. As a family there will always be the ups and downs. This feast today encourages us to accept those challenges and in acknowledging, sharing and growing, create a family of faith like the family of Nazareth. **Kathleen McClafferty**



The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph 28 December 2025 (Year A) **Proper of the Mass**

1st Reading: Sirach 3:2-6, 12-14 **Second Reading:** Col 3:12-21

Response: Happy are those who fear the Lord and walk in his ways.

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, Alleluia! May the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, and the fullness of his message live within you. Alleluia!

Gospel: Matthew 2:13-15, 19-23

ARCHBISHOP APPOINTMENTS: Archbishop Shane has announced clergy appointments for 2026. The full list is available on the back table of the Church.



Archbishop Shane has appointed Deacon Anthony Vassallo to Jubilee Parish. We warmly welcome Anthony to our Parish.



SEMINARIAN ADVENT PLACEMENT: This past Advent, I have been very very blessed to be based at the Jubilee Parish for my first placement. The environment here is very dynamic and fast-paced yet I have witnessed a great stability and faithfulness in the many people who attend masses in this Parish. It has not been uncommon to hear the phrase "I've been coming here for 50 years!" Some have claimed 60 or even 70 years! (you know who you are!) Truly, this is a testament to the long term fidelity and love of the people here. In particular, a highlight for me from this placement has been the various times I have been able to visit a parishioner and pray with them: either giving communion at home visits, anointing of the sick at the ICU, or the apostolic pardon at palliative care. It's in these times that the rubber truly hits the road of this Christian faith that I hold and that the joy and peace I know in Christ will be a sign of hope to all. Merry Christmas! **David Thorley**

PARISH STRATEGIC PLAN. The Pastoral Leadership Team continue to tend the light of our pastoral plan. They have workshopped outcomes and strategies for the whole of parish. These are overarching elements that affect the whole parish and will be nurtured by the respective ministry areas that have been discussed. This content is now 'locked in.' Archdiocesan Ministries who are assisting us are on Christmas holidays 10 December to 11 January. With the new year we enter a design phase. The design will go through a few drafts and be finalized early February. It goes to print. The aim is that with the first Sunday of Lent 22 February there will be the launch of our strategic plan for the next five years. This is Advent industry of preparing the way of the Lord, making His paths straight. Please keep this whole parish project in your prayers.

Fr Gerry

IN TRANSITION :As a parish family we welcome into the Church, **Carter O'Malley** who is to be baptised this weekend.

We especially pray for **Joy Bourke** who died recently and for all the souls of all the faithful departed; May they rest in peace.



FUNERAL: A funeral Mass will be held at 11.30am on Tuesday 30 December at Sacred Heart Church, Rosalie to celebrate the life of **Joy Bourke**. Please keep the family in your prayers



NEW PARISH WEBSITE: We have a new look parish website which went live 18 December. It should be much more user friendly. Take a tour around at : www.jubileeparish.com

NEW YEARS DAY MASS TIME
St St Finbarr's Church
Ashgrove 9.00am

FIRST FRIDAY MASS
ST MARY MAGDALENE CHURCH,
Friday 2 January at 7.30pm

Gloria

Glory to God in the highest and on earth peace to people of goodwill.
We praise you, we bless you,
We adore you, we glorify you.
We give you thanks for your great glory,
Lord God, heavenly King, O God, Almighty Father.
Lord Jesus Christ, only Begotten Son,
Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,
You take away the sins of the world
have mercy on us;
You take away the sins of the world,
receive our prayer.
You are seated at the right hand of the Father,
have mercy on us
For you alone are the Holy One,
You alone are the Lord,
You alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ,
With the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God the Father. **Amen**

Apostles Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth, and in Jesus
Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was
conceived by the Holy Spirit, *(all bow)*
born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under
Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was
buried; he descended into hell; on the
third day he rose again from the dead; he
ascended into heaven, and is seated at the
right hand of God the Father almighty;
from there he will come to judge the
living and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy
catholic church, the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of
the body, and life everlasting. **Amen.**

PARISH DIARY

Monday 29 December

Mass (Red Hill) 6.30am

Tuesday 30 December

Mass (Newmarket) 9.00am

Wednesday 31 December

Mass (Rosalie) 6.30am

Mass (Bardon) 9.00am

Thursday 1 January 2026

Mass (Ashgrove) 9.00am

Friday 2 January

Mass (Bardon) 9.00am

**The Epiphany of the Lord
3/4 January 2026**

Saturday 3 January

Individual Reconciliation
(Rosalie) 4:00pm-4:20pm

(Newmarket) 4.00pm-4.20pm

3 January Vigil

Mass (Rosalie) 4.30pm

Mass (Newmarket) 4.30pm

Sunday 4 January

Mass (Herston) 7:30am

Mass (Ashgrove) 8:30am

Mass (Bardon) 9:00am

Mass (Red Hill) 10:00am

Korean Mass (Rosalie) 10:00am

Mass (Rosalie) 5:30pm

Monday 5 January

Mass (Red Hill) 6.30am

Tuesday 6 January

Mass (Newmarket) 9.00am

Wednesday 7 January

Mass (Rosalie) 6.30am

Mass (Bardon) 9.00am

Thursday 8 January

Mass (Ashgrove) 9.00am

Friday 9 January

Mass (Bardon) 9.00am

**The Baptism of the Lord
10/11 January 2026**

Saturday 10 January

Individual Reconciliation
(Rosalie) 4:00pm-4:20pm

(Newmarket) 4.00pm-4.20pm

10 January Vigil

Mass (Rosalie) 4.30pm

Mass (Newmarket) 4.30pm

Sunday 11 January

Mass (Herston) 7:30am

Mass (Ashgrove) 8:30am

Mass (Bardon) 9:00am

Mass (Red Hill) 10:00am

Korean Mass (Rosalie) 10:00am

Mass (Rosalie) 5:30pm

St Michaels Dorrington Mass Times

Monday 5.30pm. Thursday 7.00am

Friday 9.00am Mass & Adoration

Saturday 5.00pm. Sunday 8.30am