



EDMONTON CATHOLIC PARISH

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Kirby & Eddy are happy to receive ideas about how we keep our parishioners safe, and listen to your concerns about safeguarding. They will deal with all matters sensitively and confidentially.

Reconciliation: By appointment

Gordonvale Sunday Masses Sat Vigil 6.00pm Sunday morning 8.00am
Edmonton Sunday Masses 9.30am and 5.30pm

For Service times across the Diocese: 40511990 or www.cairns.catholic.org.au

A Welcoming Parish: Under the patronage of St Thérèse of Lisieux

Sun 13/12	Third Sunday of Advent 9.30 Mass - live streamed 5.30pm Mass Blessing of Columbarium	Thurs 17/12	8.00am Mass
Mon 14/12	7.00pm 2 nd Rite of Reconciliation	Fri 18/12	
Tues 15/12	8.00am Mass 8.30am Private Adoration – Church	Sat 19/12	
Wed 16/12	10.00am Mass at Bupa 7.00pm Reach Christmas Carols – St Thérèse's Church	Sun 20/12	Fourth Sunday of Advent 9.30 Mass - live streamed 5.30pm Mass

Cleaning 20/12 All members of Flower Team



R.I.P. Lord of Life raise up in glory all those who have died recently especially Letticia Brassett, Lanu Naufahu and John Rijken, those for whom we are

asked to pray and those whose anniversaries occur about this time: Patricia Freyling, Ellen Roff, Tess Poole, Danny Bresolin, Ailsa Rooke, Mervyn Barnes, Annie Mills, Terry O'Neil, Martin Baker, Casper

We acknowledge the Yidinji (Yidiny) people, our land's traditional stewards and custodians.

Hendrik Duivenvoorden, Andy Poletti, Eileen Thomas, Tina Slavic, Nathan Murphy, Keith Russell, Miriam Pedofsky, George Strange, Evelyn Wallwork, Josip Markotich

Second Rite of Reconciliation

Monday 14 at 7.00 pm

2020 Reach Christmas Carols: Reach Youth Ministries will be hosting a **Christmas Carols** evening on **Wednesday 16 December at 7pm – 9pm** in **St Therese's Church, 135 Robert Road Bentley Park.**

ADVENT – Week 3

Building a culture of peace requires an “ecological conversion,” Pope Francis says. In his 2020 World Day of Peace Message, he says, “Faced with the consequences of our hostility towards others, our lack of respect for our common home or our abusive exploitation of natural resources – seen only as a source of immediate profit, regardless of local communities, the common good and nature itself – we are in need of an ecological conversion.”

This type of conversion entails personal change of habits, but also working toward structural change, so that our systems allow us to care for the earth more easily and affordably. Building a culture of peace through care for the earth requires both personal and social action.

Mandatory SAFEGUARD INDUCTION for

Volunteers: Many thanks for the so many people who attended the Induction after both masses on 22 November. Your signed forms and Code of Ethical Behaviour have now been endorsed and will soon be entered into a new data base. In time, you will be contacted to finalise any Blue Card or Police Check requirements (at no cost to yourselves).

Remaining parish Volunteers who did not attend the Mandatory Induction will be offered an alternative time in the coming weeks.

COVID-19 – Christmas Mass Times 2020

Please plan ahead for Christmas during COVID-19 restrictions!

Allowing for time to clean and disinfect the church between Masses, **Christmas Mass** times will be:

- Christmas Eve 5.15 pm and 7.15 pm
- Christmas Day 8.00 am.

Reconciliation will be available in the church on Christmas Eve 4.00 to 4.45 pm



Salvation comes to us through all women and men who love truth more than lies, who are more eager to give than to receive, and

whose love is that supreme love that gives life rather than keeping it for oneself.

Jon Sobrino, Spirituality of Liberation

I want to live in a world where people become famous because of their work for peace and justice and care. I want the famous to be inspiring; their lives an example of what every human being has it in them to do - act from love! **Patch Adams**

If an elephant has its foot on a mouse and you say that you are neutral, the mouse will not appreciate your neutrality. **Desmond Tutu**

In keeping silent about evil, in burying it so deep within us that no sign of it appears on the surface, we are implanting it, and it will rise up a thousand-fold in the future. When we neither punish nor reproach evildoers, we are not simply protecting their trivial old age, we are thereby ripping the foundations of justice from beneath new generations.

Aleksandr Solzhenitsyn, The Gulag Archipelago

How wonderful it is that nobody need wait a single moment before starting to improve the world. **Anne Frank**

Christ is always with us, always asking for room in our hearts. And giving shelter to anyone who asks for it, or needs it, is giving to Christ. **Dorothy Day**

It is easier to fight for one's principles than to live up to them. **Alfred Adler**

A Faith Created by Courageous Movements – Richard Rohr OFM: Christianity began as a revolutionary nonviolent movement promoting a new kind of aliveness on the margins of society ... It claimed that everyone, not just an elite few, had God-given gifts to use for the common good. It exposed a system based on domination, privilege, and violence and proclaimed in its place a vision of mutual service, mutual



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responsibility, and peaceable neighbourliness. It put people above profit, and made the audacious claim that the Earth belonged not to rich tycoons or powerful politicians, but to the Creator who loves every sparrow in the trees and every wildflower in the field. It was a peace movement, a love movement, a joy movement, a justice movement, an integrity movement, an aliveness movement.