



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 **Edmonton Sunday Masses**
Sat Vigil 6.00pm Sunday morning 8.00am 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 10/1	Baptism of the Lord 9.30 Mass – live streamed 5.30pm Mass	Thurs 14/1	8.00am Mass
Mon 11/1	10.00am Funeral Service 7.00pm Rosary	Fri 15/1	
Tues 12/1	8.00am Mass 8.30am Private Adoration –	Sat 16/1	
Wed 13/1		Sun 17/1	2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time 9.30 Mass - live streamed 5.30pm Mass Handover of Priests across the Diocese

Cleaning for 17/1 Patsy Lockington-Carpet



R.I.P. Lord of Life raise up in glory all those who have died recently, those for whom we are asked to pray and those whose anniversaries occur about this time: Richard Mullen, Ivanka Kresevic, Giuseppe Bombadieri, Ned Williams, Phyllis Beck, Sister Claver, Ethel Goggin, Kenny Reys, Bridget Langford, Giuseppe Magri, Charles McLarsen, Mick Reynolds, Sue Foster,

Sue Harris, Christopher Smith, Ron Reichman, Cristina Goncalves, Malcolm Kingsley, Dennis Veronese, Leo Spina, John Roberts, Sally Garozzo, Carolina Goncalves and Tess Fraser

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



NEXT SUNDAY (across the Diocese) – HAND

OVER: The weekend of 16/17 January will see a good number of priests transferred to other parishes ... creating a knock-on effect in some cases. We greet Fr Michael Szymanski and say our farewell to Fr Karel Duivenvoorden (who will be providing supply work as needed to other parishes until he leaves the diocese in late June). A small COVIDSafe refreshment session after the 9.30 am Mass will give us an opportunity to extend our best wishes to both men.

Volunteer Application Forms and Code of Ethical

Behaviour: If you have *completed and signed* the Volunteer Application Form and also signed the Code of Ethical Behaviour, PLEASE **RETURN** them ASAP and place them in the plastic box in the entry to the Church. We would like to have them processed during January, and also undertake Safeguarding Induction for those who have not yet has an opportunity to attend a session. Queries: contact Vera Skinner at the parish office

Parish SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM 2020

The program for children of catechetical age who have already been baptism was cancelled last year. Details of the 2021 program will be available by mid-February. For any early enquiries, please contact Vera Skinner (Coordinator) at the Parish office.

Vatican City State is pesticide-free, imports green energy – Dec 23, 2020

Reaching "zero emissions" for Vatican City State is an achievable goal and is another green initiative it has been pursuing, said the head of its department of infrastructure and services.

The Vatican's reforestation program has seen 300 trees of various species planted over the past three years, and "an important milestone" is the tiny nation "has achieved its goal of being pesticide-free," Fr. Rafael Garcia de la Serrana Villalobos, told Vatican News. He also said the electricity the Vatican imports is produced entirely from renewable sources. The new watering system for the Vatican Gardens has saved about 60% of water resources, Fr. Rafael added.

The walled-in area of Vatican City State covers about 109 acres, including extensive gardens, and the papal property at Castel Gandolfo extends over 135 acres, including about 17 acres of formal gardens, residences and a working farm.

"We are promoting green economy policies, that is, circular economy policies, such as the transformation of organic waste and bio-waste into quality compost, and a waste management policy based on the concept of considering it not as waste but as a resource," he said.

The Vatican no longer sells single-use plastic products and about 65% of regular waste is being successfully separated for recycling, he said; the goal for 2023 is to reach 75%.

About 99% of its hazardous waste is properly collected, "allowing 90% of waste to be sent for recovery, thus giving value to the policy of treating waste as a resource and no longer as waste," he said.

Pope Francis pledged the city state would reach this goal before 2050. He was one of dozens of leaders contributing to the Climate Ambition Summit, held online December 12, in which they renewed or strengthened investment pledges and commitments to cut greenhouse gas emissions and achieve carbon neutrality.

The pope was one of about two dozen leaders who announced a commitment for net-zero emissions, which would be achieving a balance between greenhouse gas emissions produced and greenhouse gas emissions taken out of the atmosphere, for example by switching to "green" energy and sustainable agriculture, increasing energy efficiency and reforestation.

De la Serrana told Vatican News that "climate neutrality can be achieved by Vatican City State primarily through the use of natural sinks, such as soil and forests, and by offsetting emissions produced in one area by reducing them in another. Of course, this is done by investing in renewable energy, energy efficiency or other clean technologies such as electric mobility."

