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.

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Schools
St Thérèse's - 4081 3400
Principal: Kathy Fleming
MacKillop Catholic College - 4081 7600
Principal: Janelle Newman

OSHC & Kindy
Bentley Park and **Mt Peter**
Contact details: Early Learning and Outside School Hours Care
Diocese of Cairns
www.ccelc.catholic.org.au

Reconciliation: Before Mass and by appointment

Priest for Emergency: 0409 622 392

Gordonvale Sunday Masses
Sat Vigil 6.00pm Sunday morning 8.00am

Edmonton Sunday Masses
10.00am and 5.00pm

For Service times across the Diocese: 4051 1990 or www.cairns.catholic.org.au

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

Sun 16/2	**6th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C** 8.00am Mass Gordonvale 10.00am Mass Edmonton 5.00pm Mass Edmonton	Thurs **20/2**	8.00am Mass – Edmonton World Day of Social Justice
Mon 17/2	7.00pm Rosary	**Fri 21/2**	8.00am Mass Gordonvale Exposition of Blessed Sacrament, Holy Hour, Benediction
Tues 18/2	8.00am Mass Edmonton Exposition of Blessed Sacrament, 10.00am Funeral Mass - Graham Wilson	**Sat 22/2**	6.00pm Vigil Mass Gordonvale 12.30pm Baptisms St Therese's
Wed 19/2	8.00am Mass Gordonvale **10.00am Mass Bupa** 10.00am - Rosary at 14 Graham Street 7.00pm Prayer and Praise	**Sun 23/2**	**7th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C** 8.00am Mass Gordonvale 10.00am Mass Edmonton 5.00pm Mass Edmonton **Shared Morning Tea after 10.00 Mass**

PICCONE'S VILLAGE
Edmonton - Feel Good!

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

R.I.P. Lord of Life raise up in glory all those who have died recently especially Maria Veach and Graeme Wilson and those whose anniversaries occur about this time, Edie Pregno, Salvatore Leotta, Mathew Goggin, Paul Del Manso, Cyril Hogan, Josephine Cantarella, Gary MacDonald, Isabel Pelizzari, Diana Reys, Rosario Barbagallo, Grethe Bunton, Santo Chillari, Bill Marsterson, Cidy Phala Catherine Gastador, Negimias Lumukso, James Lennon, Joan Sowter, Mary Andrews, Tania Craig, Brian Hopkins

16 Feb 2025	**10.00am**	**5.00pm**
Commentator/Reader	M Creswell	M Burnham
Commentator/Reader	D Thomas	Ian Davis
Minister of Communion	B Porter	
PowerPoint	Vera	M Dunstan
Church Cleaning 23/2	David Goggin	
Flowers 23/2	T Soares	
23 Feb 2025	**10.00am**	**5.00pm**
Commentator/Reader	A Kresevic	M Gaul
Commentator/Reader	A Ting	R Gaul
Minister of Communion	L Beck	
PowerPoint	Vera	M Gaul
Church Cleaning 2/3	S Brassett & T Jankowski	
Flowers 2/3	I Lee	

Planned Giving Envelopes: If you would like to become a 'Giver' please see Fr Sabu after Mass or call the Parish Office 4046 5210. You may set up your own automatic transfer to the parish Bank Account:

Edmonton Parish bank details for direct depositing:
BSB: 084352; A/c No: 000000373
Ref: Planned Giving number and/or surname

Our **Easter Season Mass Times** will remain the same as 2024.

Mass of the Last Supper	7.00pm Edmonton
Lord's Passion	10.00am Gordonvale
Stations of the Cross	3.00pm Gordonvale
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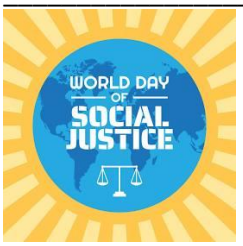
Stations of the Cross	**10.00am Edmonton**
Easter Vigil	6.00pm Edmonton
Easter Sunday	8.00am Gordonvale
Easter Sunday	10.00am Edmonton

Funeral Mass for Graham Wilson – Tuesday 18th February at 10.00am. Fr Kerry Crowley presiding.

The theme of this Sunday's readings can be summarised in two words: happiness and trust. Looking for happiness has always been at the core of people's preoccupations. In the **First Reading**, Jeremiah tells his audience that they need to make a clear choice: they either trust only in people, or only in God. With striking images from nature, Jeremiah contrasts dry, wild wastelands with a luxurious tree growing by the waterside.

So, our prayer this week may well centre around the choices we have made, do make, and will make, as we try to find happiness – not just for ourselves, but also for those around us or for the world at large. We can perhaps also ask the Lord for greater trust in him.

Next Sunday is the last Sunday of February so we will be having our Shared Morning Tea. You are all invited to stay after 10.00am Mass and asked to please bring a plate of food to share.



World Day of Social Justice is celebrated each year on 20th February and the theme for 2025 is **'Empowering Inclusion: Bridging Gaps for Social Justice.**

Bridging Gaps for Social Justice means considering those people who fall through the cracks and who have been denied opportunities that are granted to others. Bridging gaps for Social Justice means combatting systemic inequality and creating inclusive policies.

As individuals, we can wait for change, or we can choose to create change ourselves. Within our families and communities, there are gaps that we may not be able to close completely, but we can actively work to make them smaller.

Firstly, begin by asking, "Which individuals or groups in my community are most in need?" Perhaps, you live in an area with lots of isolated, elderly people. Maybe your suburb has high numbers of overseas immigrants with limited English and local knowledge.

Secondly, consider your skills and your capacity. Could you take an elderly neighbour out for coffee once a fortnight? Perhaps, your action could be as simple as initiating a conversation with a family who have recently moved to Australia and sharing your knowledge of local resources. Bridging gaps of social justice starts with the smallest and most simple of actions: conversation.

Conversation leads to connection; connections form active communities; and an active, engaged community is the precursor for social change.