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ST CARTHAGE'S NEWSLETTER



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SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT YR A

[Today's readings can be accessed via Our Website or click here: SECOND SUNDAY ADVENT YrA – Prepare the Way of the Lord – St Carthage's Parish Parkville \(stcarthagesparkville.org.au\)](#)

First Reading: [Is 11:1-10](#).

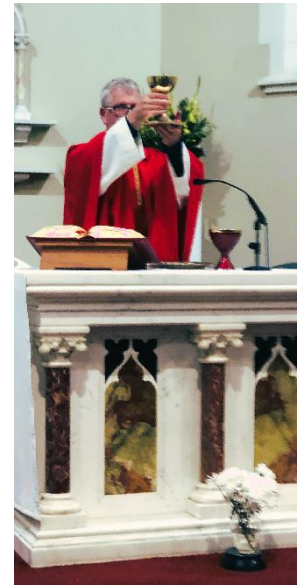
A shoot shall sprout from the stump of Jesse. Peace and justice will triumph.

Responsorial Psalm: Justice shall flourish in his time, and fullness of peace for ever.

Second Reading: [Rom 15:4-9](#)
Live in harmony with one another.

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia! Prepare the way of the Lord, make straight his paths: all people shall see the salvation of God. Alleluia!

Gospel: [Mt 3:1-12](#). John the Baptist begins to preach in the desert.

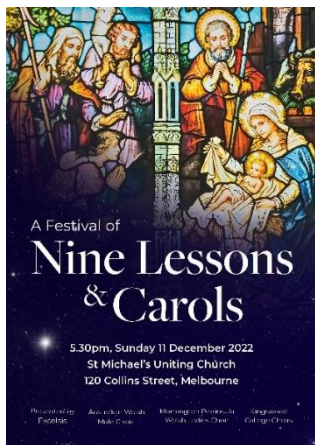


All Catholics are being asked by the organizers of the forthcoming (2023) Synod on Synodality to comment on their initial summary of their consultation with communities from different continents (counting Australia, NZ and the Pacific as a continent), called "Enlarging the space of your tent". It can be accessed as [WORKING DOCUMENT FOR THE CONTINENTAL STAGE \(synod.va\)](#) [click on ENG for the English version]. Because any response must be submitted by 9 Dec 2022, please forward any responses to Constant.Mews@monash.edu by end of **Monday 5 Dec**.

Time to Decorate the Church!

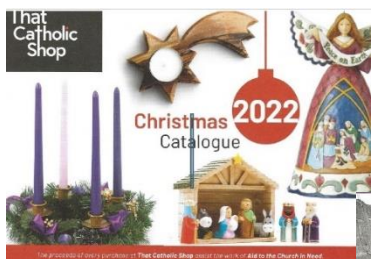
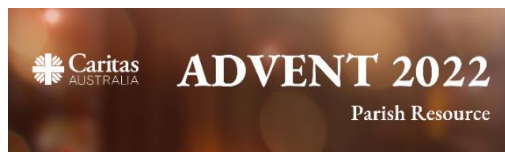
Next Saturday, December 10, Fr Joe would like to be joined by any parishioners who can assist him in setting up the Nativity scene and Christmas Tree in the Church. If you are able to dedicate some time to this occasion, please contact the office or simply turn up around 10am to join in the fun.

Anniversary acknowledgements. The parish office is currently putting together a new death anniversary list for prayers of the faithful throughout the year. If you would like to add your lost loved ones to this list, please contact Leanne at the office on 7036 9393 or sent to the office email parkville@cam.org.au



With November drawing to a close, we are pleased to announce our **Festival of Nine Lessons and Carols!** A great opportunity to enhance the Spirit of Christmas. **Hosted by Excelsis, joined by the Australian Welsh Male Choir, the Mornington Peninsula Welsh Ladies Choir, and choristers from Kingswood College (Box Hill). St Michael's Uniting Church 5.30pm, Sunday 11 December, 120 Collins Street, Melbourne Free admission.** Please visit our website or Click here to access full flyer details [Excelsis-A-Festival-of-Nine-Lessons-and-Carols-scaled.jpg \(1803x2560\)](http://stcarthagesparkville.org.au) (stcarthagesparkville.org.au)

Journey through Advent with Caritas Australia's new Parish Resource, useful for small groups or individuals. Visit www.caritas.org.au/advent to download the resource.




'That Catholic Shop' Christmas catalogues

A few copies are provided in the Church foyer



You've got a lot to give beyond Christmas

gifts. In January you can prepare for mission at home or abroad. Palms Australia has trained Australians to live and work within cultures and communities overseas since 1961. For further information on how you can be part of this charitable work, please visit our website post via this link: [Palms endorsement by The Most Rev Comensoli – St](http://www.palms.org.au)

GIVING TUESDAY IN BETHLEHEM We are almost there! We are raising \$50,000 for the Georgette Salameh Centre, a gym for Bethlehem University 

For more information or to donate please [CLICK HERE](http://www.givegab.com) or go to <https://www.givegab.com>

St Carthage's Parish Christmas Drinks

Parishioners are invited to join us for Christmas drinks in the presbytery on **Sunday 11 December 6:00 - 8:00pm.** For catering purposes please reply to the parish office by email by Tuesday 6 December if you wish to attend.



St Carthage's University Parish respectfully acknowledge that we are on the traditional territory of the Wurundjeri People. We offer our gratitude to the First Nations for their care for, and teachings about, our earth and our relations. May we honour those teachings. To find out more please visit [Wurundjeri Woi Wurrung Cultural Heritage Aboriginal Corporation](http://www.wurundjeri.org.au). As part of our commitment to the safety and well-being of all vulnerable people, just a friendly reminder to observe the signs around the Church grounds; all Children must always be accompanied by an adult. For a full overview please visit our website or click here: [PP-signed-safeguarding-statement.pdf \(stcarthagesparkville.org.au\)](http://stcarthagesparkville.org.au)