

WHY SHOULD WE ONLY REST IN PEACE? WHY DON'T WE LIVE IN PEACE TOO?

Parish Week † Sunday, 25 Jan. 2026

Saturday, 24 Jan. / St. Francis de Sales, bishop & doctor

8.00 am Mass: † Amir Adatia (Valerie)
5.00 pm Mass: † Oliver Abella (George & Rey)

SUNDAY, 25 JAN. / 3-A

■ Homilist: Deacon Ramon Villardo

■ 2nd Collection: Maintenance

9.00 am Mass: † Caroline Bastiampillai (family)
10.30 am Mass: Int. D'Souza family
11.30 am Catholic Women's League
12.00 pm Mass: † Rose Rosali (Villnaueva family)
7.00 pm Mass: Pro Populo

Monday, 26 Jan. / Ss. Timothy & Titus, bishops

8.00 am Mass: † Jeyendren Rajadran (Amalia Haddad)
7.00 pm Mass: † Rose Rosali (Michael & Luvel Villa)

Tuesday, 27 Jan. / St. Angela Merici, virgin

8.00 am Mass: † Gomes Relatives (Gomes family)

Wednesday, 28 Jan. / St. Thomas Aquinas, priest & doctor

8.00 am Mass: † Crofton Martyn, 3rd death anniversary (family)

Thursday, 29 Jan.

8.00 am Mass: † Michele Morra (Carol)

Friday, 30 Jan.

8.00 am Mass: † Leonidas Arriola (family)

Saturday, 31 Jan. / St. John Bosco, priest

8.00 am Mass: † Cyril Bastiampillai (family)
1.00 pm Wedding: Joseph Ylagan & Angeline Bernas
5.00 pm Mass: † Crescencia Blanco Racoya (Sophie Salve)

SUNDAY, 1 FEB. / 4-A

■ Homilist: Fr. Edwin Galea

9.00 am Mass: Int. Thanksgiving (Antony)
10.30 am Mass: † Eduardo Gotera Sr. (family)
12.00 pm Mass: † Roger Ivory (SMG Staff)
7.00 pm Mass: Pro Populo

Focus on the Word

3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year A

Isaiah 9.1-4; 1 Corinthians 1.10-18; Matthew 4.12-23

Almighty ever-living God, direct our actions according to your good pleasure, that in the name of your beloved Son we may abound in good works. Amen.

Pray for the Deceased

The 42 victims of the bus accident in South Africa.



Catholic Women's League

The *Catholic Women's League* is a national organization of Catholic Women, rooted in Gospel values, calling its members to holiness by service to the people of God.

Have YOU considered being a member yet?

We are having our membership drive on:

24 & 25 Jan., and 31 Jan. & 1 Feb.

Come and stop by the Vestibule where CWL members will tell you more about **Who** we are & **What** we do!

This is also a chance for current members to renew their membership.

Come join us as we celebrate *Family Day* at the Parish on Saturday the 14th of February at 6.30 pm, with a Spaghetti Dinner, 50/50 Draw, Photo Booth, Music and lots of fun.

Tickets are \$5 for adults, children under 10 are free.



Stewardship 2025 Receipts, 2026 Envelopes

Soon, the Charitable *Tax Receipts* for all recorded donations last year will be in the Vestibule, for pick up after Mass.

Many thanks to all our faithful parishioners for your generous support of our wonderful parish through your weekly stewardship! This is an act of honour to God, our Creator.

COMING UP

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2 Feb.	Feast of the <i>Presentation of the Lord</i> Infant Baptism Parent-Godparent Meeting (7:40 pm)
8 Feb.	Marriage Sunday
9 Feb.	Confirmation Family Information Night [A] (7 pm)
10 Feb.	Confirmation Family Information Night [B] (7 pm)
11 Feb.	Our Lady of Lourdes; World Day of Prayer for the Sick; Mass for All the Sick (7 pm)
14 Feb.	CWL FAMILY DAY Celebration (6.30 pm)
15 Feb.	VALENTINE FAIR (9 am - 2 pm)
18 Feb.	Ash Wednesday; - Lent begins; Day of Fast and Abstinence; - Parish Mass (8.00 am); - St. Maria Goretti School Liturgy (9.00 am); - ► St. Albert School Liturgy (1.00 pm); - Parish Mass (7.00 pm)

Sacramental Preparation

1st Reconciliation prep

Remember in your prayers our parish youth who are preparing for their **First Reconciliation**:

28 & 30 Jan.: **1st Reconciliation Instructions**, 9.30 am
ST. MARIA GORETTI SCHOOL: (For students, in the school.)

29 Jan. & 2 Feb: **1st Reconciliation Instructions**, 1.00 pm
ST. ALBERT SCHOOL: (For students, in the school.)

1st Reconciliation dates

Grade 2 students in St. Albert and St. Maria Goretti Schools will be making their **first Confessions** in February:

St Albert School Tuesday 3 February 9.30 am
St. Maria Goretti School Wednesday 4 February 9.00 am

Confirmation Information Meetings

Families with students ready to prepare for the Sacrament of **Confirmation** are invited to attend one of two Info Meetings:

Monday or Tuesday - 9 or 10 February

Mass will be celebrated at 7.00 pm, and the meeting will follow immediately in the Church.

Saturday Confirmation Classes begin 7 February

Classes will begin on Saturday, 7 February 2026, for students who are not in our Parish schools and who wish to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation. This is the Sacrament that completes our Christian Initiation. Lillian will be the instructor.

The classes begin at 10.00 am, and last 1 hour. Formal registration will be conducted on 7 February, and a calendar for the series will be provided. For information, call: **Lillian**, 647-909-6425.

RCIA/RCIC

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults, Children

Pray for all in our parish RCIA and RCIC processes, who celebrated the Sacraments of Initiation at the Early Initiation Rite at the 5.00 pm Mass on 22 November 2025

RCIA Adults

Baptism, Confirmation, Eucharist

Pizant FRANZ Chourpachian

Deuh Claudine MARY Dago

Sudharshan Naik ABRAHAM Rudavat

RCIC Youth

Baptism

Abhirup Siddharth Naik ISAAC Rudavat

Baptism, Eucharist

Desil TERESA Chourpachian

Naseni ANNA Chourpachian

The Sacrament of Baptism

Congratulations to the newest members of our Church, born again in water and the Spirit as brothers & sisters of Jesus:

4 October 2025

Zeke Alijah Bayle

Arthur Calix Casero

Yael Porras Chong

Gavriel Solaire Santos

11 October

Loucio Banlat

Kairo Herrera James

Thiana Caeli Yumul

12 October

Lucyl Helaenia Carreon Condicion

18 October

Mohammed Rehaan Asgar

Zaliyah Berakah Sanni

19 October

Cirilla Beatriz Lumbang

Eric Kwan

25 October

Asher Damien Rose

Alaiah Julez Quinzon

8 November

Rebecca Oluwamurewa Adenola

Kallista Louise Dizon

Luna Bree Palomo

15 November

Nathaniel Keenan Hinds

6 December

Deuh Claudine Mary Dago

Sophia Joy Opiniano

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Lewis Dalton Elpidama

Morayo David Shodeinde

Omotala Hannah Shodeinde

20 December

Amari Antonio Botavara

Kaylee Brianna Silva

21 December

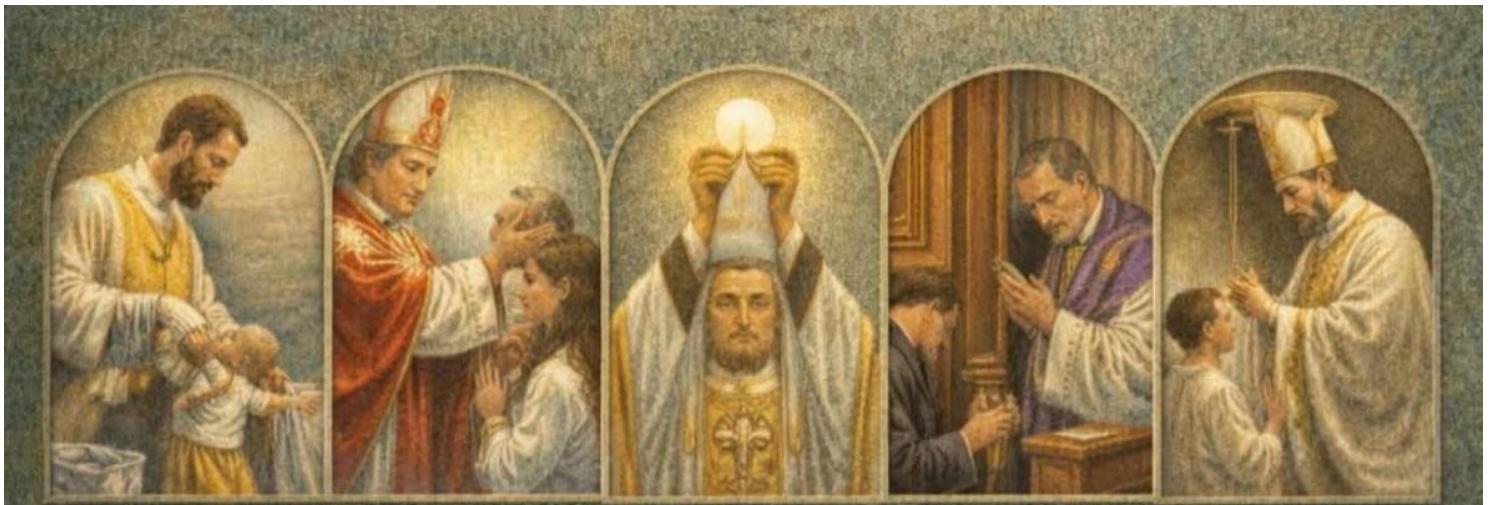
Felipe Sage Oliveros

27 December

Kieffer Flynn A. Licud

A Special Gift ALTAR FLOWERS

We thank the family of **Colin Parsons** for their gift of the three beautiful flower arrangements for our Church from his funeral liturgy on 7 June 2025. May he rest in peace.



BAPTISM CONFIRMATION EUCHARIST PENANCE ANOINTING OF THE SICK



HOLY ORDERS

MATRIMONY

What are the Biblical Roots of the Sacraments?

Baptism

John 3:5, 16 – Jesus said to Nicodemus, “Very truly, I tell you, no one can see the kingdom of God without being from above.

God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life.”

Matthew 28:19 – “Therefore, go and make disciples of all nations, Baptising them in the name of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit, and teaching them everything that I have commanded you.”

Confirmation

Luke 24:49 – “Stay in the city of Jerusalem until you are filled with power from on high.”

The Eucharist

John 6:54 – “Unless you eat the flesh of the Son of Man, and drink His blood, you shall not have life in you.”

Sacrament of Penance [Confession]

Psalm 41 - “O Lord, heal my soul, for I have sinned against You.”

John 20:22-23 – Jesus breathed on them and said, “Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive anyone’s sins, their sins are forgiven; if you do not forgive them, they are not forgiven.”

All from the Gospel Ministry of Jesus Christ.

Anointing of the Sick [Extreme Unction]

James 5:14-15 – “Is there any one among you who is sick? Let them bring in the Priests of the Church, and let them pray over him, anointing him with oil in the name of the Lord. And the prayer of faith shall save the sick person, and the Lord shall raise him up, and if he be in sins, they shall be forgiven him.”

Matrimony

Matthew 19:4-6 – Jesus said, “Have you not read that in the beginning the Creator ‘made them male and female,’ and said, ‘For this reason a man will leave his father and mother and be united to his wife, and the two will become one flesh?’ So, they are no longer two, but one flesh. Therefore, what God has joined together, let no one separate.”

Holy Orders

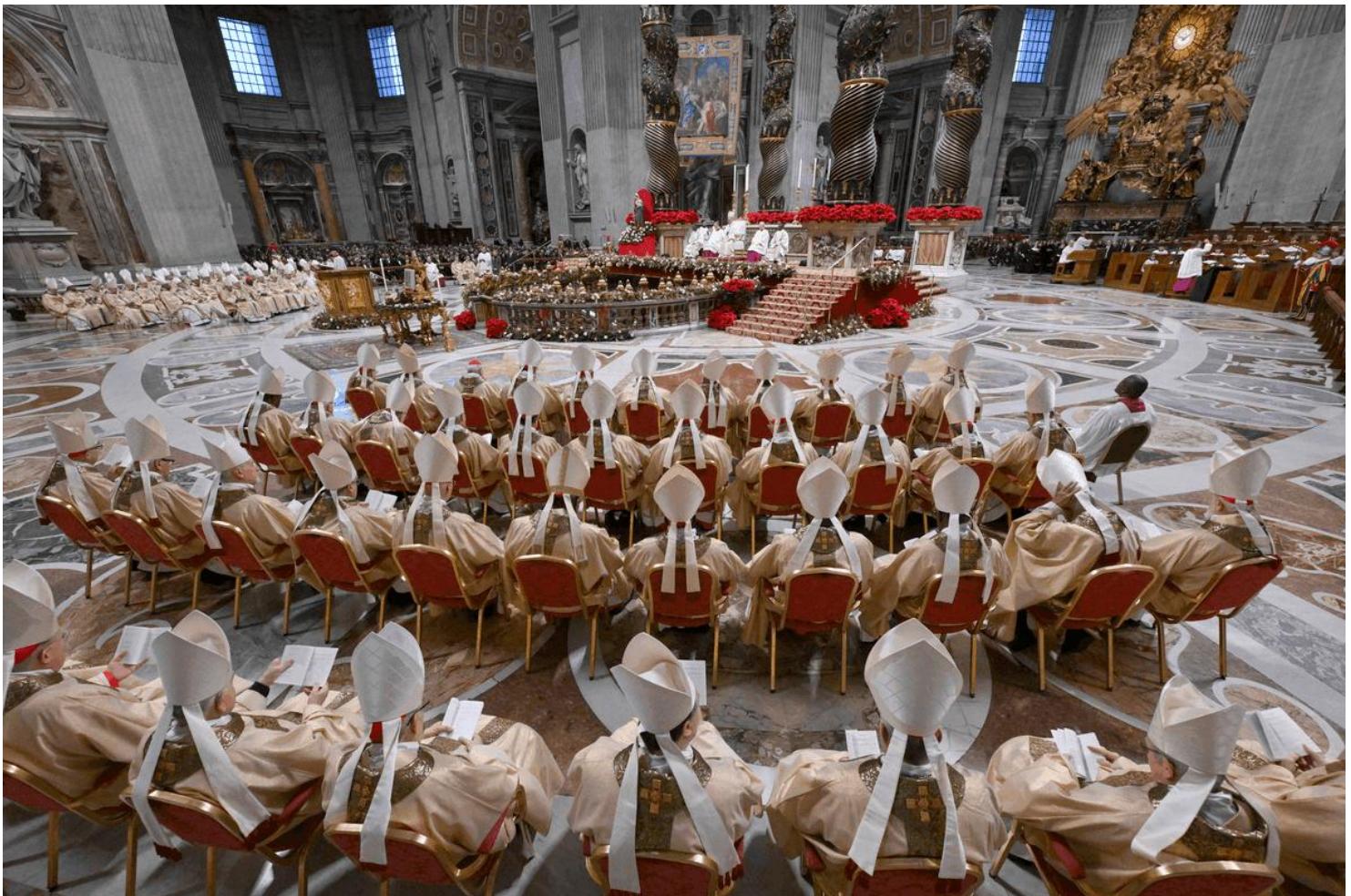
Matthew 10:1 – Jesus called the Twelve and gave them authority to drive out unclean spirits and to heal every disease and sickness.

John 20:22-23 – Jesus breathed on them and said, “Receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained.”



Above: 19 January – 1st Communion Candidates at their meeting.

Below: 6 January 2026 – Cardinals in Rome with Pope Leo XIV





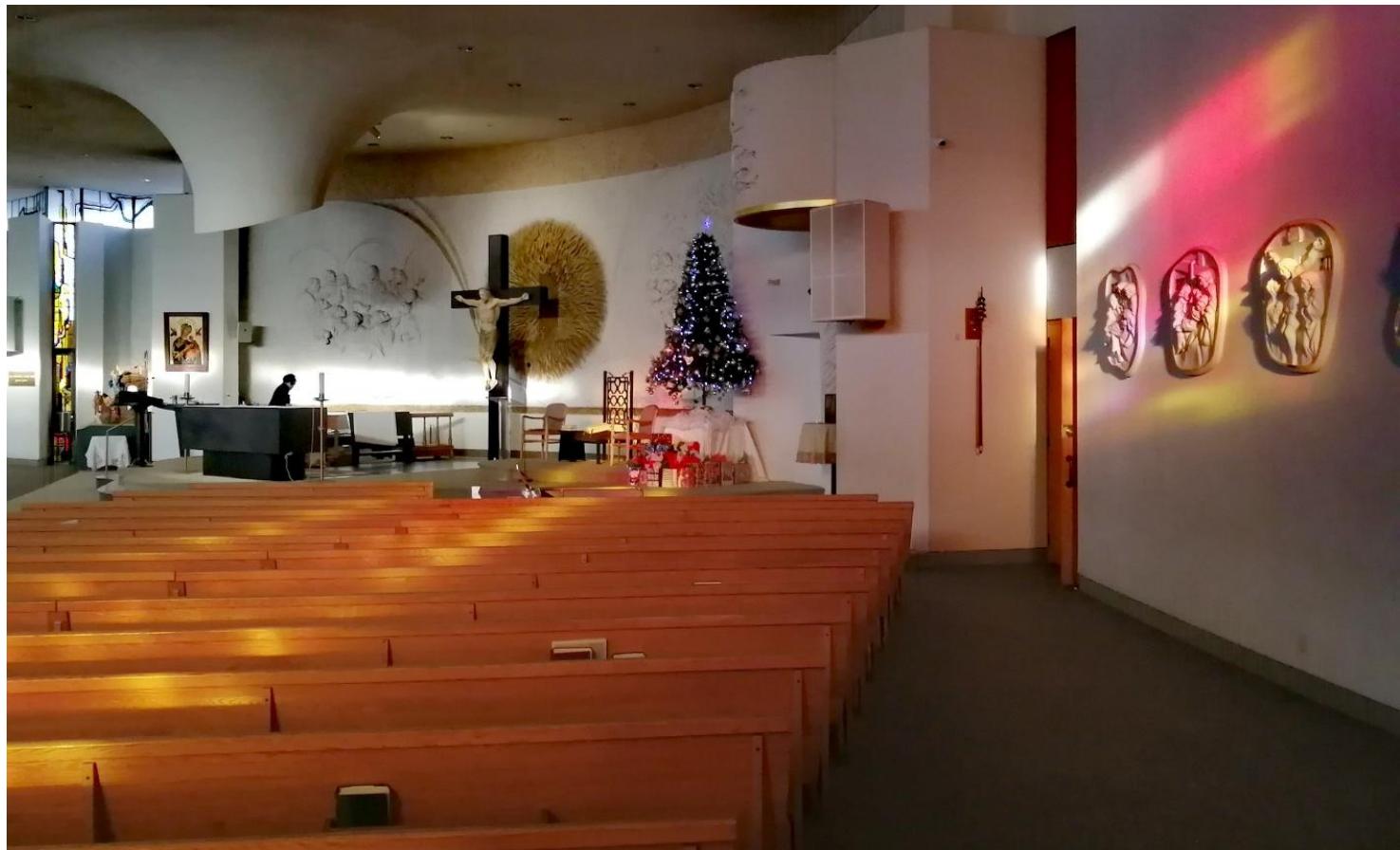
Family events.





Top: Sunday Mass at Holy Family Church, King Street West.

Christmas Pageant, St. Thomas the Apostle Syro-Malabar Church.



Above: The Church on a January morning.

Below: Morning sunlight on Christmas and funeral flowers.





Above: Bishop Vincent Nguyen with the Villardo family.

Below: Knights of Columbus and friends, 17 January.



