



St Anthony's Parish Picton

Bargo – Balmoral – Buxton – Couridjah –
 Douglas Park – Lakesland – Menangle –
 Picton – Pheasants Nest – Tahmoor –
 Thirlmere – Wilton – Yanderra

Fr Peter Tien
 Parish Priest



FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT—YEAR A

Parish Bulletin

Sunday 1 December 2019

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON:

To you, I lift up my soul, O my God. In you, I have trusted; let me not be put to shame. Nor let my enemies exult over me; and let none who hope in you be put to shame.

FIRST READING: Isaiah 2:1-5

A reading from the prophet Isaiah
The Lord will gather all nations in eternal peace in the kingdom of God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM:

Let us go rejoicing to the house of the Lord.

SECOND READING: Romans 13:11-14

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Romans
The time has come, our salvation is near.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

Alleluia, alleluia!
 Lord, show us your mercy and love,
 And grant us your salvation.
 Alleluia!

GOSPEL: Matthew 24:37:44

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew
Stay awake, you must be ready.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON:

The Lord will bestow his bounty, and our earth shall yield its increase.

Next Weeks Readings:

Second Sunday of Advent—Year A

Is 11:1-10; Rom 15:4-9; Mt 3:1-12

WEEKEND MASS TIMES:

St Anthony's Church - Tahmoor

Saturday Vigil - 6.00 pm
 Sunday - 7.30 am & 9.30 am

WEEKDAY MASS TIMES:

Tuesday - 5.00 pm— Adoration
 5.30 pm— Tahmoor
 St Francis Xavier, priest
 Wednesday - 8.30 am— Tahmoor
 Thursday - 8.30 am— Tahmoor
 Friday - 9.30 am— Picton

Reconciliation (Confession)

Saturday 5.00 pm—5.40 pm

Adoration: Tuesday: 5pm

St Patricks Church—Menangle

6.00 pm Mass on the First Sunday of the month

Douglas Park

Sunday 9.00 am Mass

OFFICE HOURS

Tuesday & Thursday

9.00a.m. - 3.00p.m.

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PRAYER FOR RAIN AND THOSE AFFECTED

Eternal God,

In wisdom and love you created our earth to sustain us and give us life.

We turn to you now in faith, hope and love, asking you to look with favour on our drought-stricken land, on our starving animals, on our failing crops.

Strengthen, sustain and give new heart to our farmers and to all who are affected by drought; be with those who support them.

In your loving providence, send abundant rain and restore our parched earth. Father of all compassion, hear our prayer through Jesus Christ your Son, in whom the promise of new life has dawned, and through the power of

the Holy Spirit, the Lord the giver of life: Renew your faithful people; Renew the face of the earth.

Our Lady of the Southern Cross, Mary, help of Christians –
Pray for us.

St Mary of the Cross MacKillop –
Pray for us.

Plenary 2020 - Phase 2

You are invited to come along to a Dialogue and Listening session to discern St. Anthony's Parish's response and proposed actions on the National Theme :-

"to be a Church that is a Joyful, Hope-Filled & Servant Community"

in The Admin. Centre on Sun. 8th December 2019 at 2:00pm.

and again for the last National Theme :-

"to be a Church that is Open to Conversion, Renewal & Reform"

in The Admin. Centre on Sun. 15th December 2019 at 2:00pm.

*Resources on the themes are available at the back of the church and on
plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au*

All parishioners are invited and most welcome.

PlenaryCouncil2020

Listen to what the Spirit is saying ...

PRAY FOR THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED: Jill Struthers

Lord grant them eternal peace & joy and to their families and friends strength and comfort

PRAY FOR THE SICK Christine Jupe, Tony Portelli, Ray Mason, Janelle Clifton, Peter Wood, Graeme Menser, Ross Spirou, Lesley Thompson, Mauro Mariano, Mary McMahon, John Debono, Melony Cox, Joanne McMahon, Daniel Clarke, Margaret Brown, John Prey, Lesley Gardiner, Janine Tiller, James McNeil, Ian Macnamara, Stephanie Macnamara, Jim Matthews, Elizabeth Linsell

GREETERS: THIS WEEK

Vigil: Lisa McSweeney
7.30 am Sandy Porter
9.30 am Allan Cox

NEXT WEEK

Gaynor Mason
Jenny Coughlan
Knight family

READERS: THIS WEEK

Vigil: Sandra Ryan
TBA
7.30 am Don Turvey
9.30 am Maree Galea
Jeff Brown

NEXT WEEK

TBA
Trish Lindner
Jenny Coughlan
Anna Schutt
Olga Upton

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTER

THIS WEEK

Vigil: John Ryan
Frances Micallef
TBA
7.30 am John McGarry
Jenny Coughlan
9.30 am Adrian Vannan
Allan Cox
Paul Wyatt

NEXT WEEK

Michael Chaumont
Beth Nolan
Gaynor Mason
Stan Cichocki
Anne Cordingley
Kevin Devine
Paul Wyatt
Sue Spiteri

CLEANERS

WEEK COMMENCE: 1.12.19
Colin Dunn

WEEK COMMENCE: 8.12.19
Helen Willis &
Jean LeRoux

FLOWERS

THIS WEEK 1.12.19

NEXT WEEK 8.12.19

NO FLOWERS DURING ADVENT

SACRISTY

WEEK COMMENCE: 1.12.19

Gillian Dobson

WEEK COMMENCE 8.12.19

Mary Gilbert

MORNING TEA: 7.30 am next week:

Anne Connell

9.30 am next week:

Kerry Mackrill

"The world needs you. Never forget that! The Lord needs you, so that you can encourage all those people around us who are looking for a helping hand to lift them up." Pope Frances



- Monday 2 December, St Vincent de Paul Meeting, 4.30pm in the admin centre
- Tuesday 3 & 10 December, Baptism Course, 7.30pm in the admin centre
- Friday 6 December, Parishioners & Friends Lunch, 12 noon in the admin centre
- Tuesday 10 December, Catechist Lunch, Picton Bowling Club, from 11.30am
- Sunday 15 December, Plenary Meeting, 2pm in the admin centre

THE WAY—ADVENT BOOKS Are now available to be collected and paid for, for those that were ordered, from the Piety Shop. Cost \$2.

JESSY TREE: The St Vincent de Paul Jessy tree has been put up and is located at the rear of the church near the confessional. Please take a tag for a gift for a child or adult to help make their Christmas brighter. If there are no tags left and you would like to contribute to the hampers we deliver, please leave a non-perishable food item under the tree. Please return them to the tree by weekend 14/15 December, so they can be distributed in time for Christmas.

COLUMBAN CALENDARS & VINNIES CHRISTMAS CARDS now available. Calendars are \$8. Last years Christmas cards are \$2.50, this years are \$6.00

PARISHIONERS & FRIENDS LUNCH—Friday 6th November, at midday. Please come along with a plate if you can, to share a meal and company.

POINSETTIAS—If you have any that could be used to decorate the altar for advent/Christmas, please let Fr Peter know, they will be returned after Christmas.

“LEFTOVERS” Items that still remain from the fete, in the area behind the shack, are available to be viewed & taken, for a donation, if anyone is interested. Monies can be placed in the large wooden letterbox located near the driveway, close to the units.

“SONGS OF JOY” 15 December 15 at SS Peter and Paul Church Kiama 2:30 p.m. A combined chorus of over 180 singers from Sydney and the South Coast are joining together for a sensational afternoon of song. Entry to the concert is by donation with all proceeds going to Charity “The Homestead of Hope”. A proud collaborative endeavour by Kiama Churches to support those in need within our community.

PARISH FETE

There are still some vouchers leftover from the fete. If you are interested in any of the following, please contact the parish office

- Glitz N Glamour \$565 package - This 3.5 hour package is inclusive for 1 female, 1 male and 2 kids 12years and under (11'x 14' PRINT INCLUDED WITH RETOUCHING)
- Glitz N Glamour \$515 package- This 3.5 hour package is inclusive for 1 female, 1 male and 2 kids 12years and under (10'x8' PRINT INCLUDED WITH RETOUCHING)
- The Brow Studio— \$100 off eyebrow tattoo
- Pumphouse Gym - 1 month membership
- Framed Cigarette Cards
(Pictures of frames/cards in foyer of church)

ADVERTISING:

If you have a business that you would like on the back page of the bulletin, please contact the parish office.

THE EPIPHANY PILGRIMAGE 2 – 8 January 2020
The Epiphany Pilgrimage, through the Blue Mountains, is a not-for-profit event of the Diocese of Parramatta and outreach of the Blue Mountains Deanery. Beginning at Emu Plains on 2 January and finishing 7 days later at Bell, pilgrims walk 110km through the beautiful Blue Mountains bushland, celebrating the Christmas season with each parish along the way. Registration and details at epiphanypilgrimage.org and [facebook.com/epiphanypilgrimage](https://www.facebook.com/epiphanypilgrimage)

**GREETER— READING –EUCCHARISTIC MINISTER—
& CLEANING ROSTERS FOR 2020 —**
IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO BE INCLUDED OR
REMOVED FROM THE ROSTERS PLEASE
CONTACT THE PARISH OFFICE

CHRISTMAS MASS TIMES

TAHMOOR: Christmas Vigil 24 December at 7 pm
Christmas Day 25 December at 9 am
MENANGLE: Christmas Vigil 24 December at 6 pm

2nd RITE OF RECONCILIATION:

TAHMOOR: Thursday 19December at 7pm



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