

SACRED HEART CATHOLIC CHURCH
Kabega Park, Port Elizabeth
1961-2021
Welcoming, inclusive, united family!



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PARISH DIAMOND JUBILEE YEAR

FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT: YEAR A – 18 DECEMBER 2022 (Second Collection)

This Fourth Sunday of Advent, brings into prominence the ideal figure of this Season, Mary of Nazareth, the Virgin Daughter of Israel. Mary presented as an Advent figure par excellence because she prepared a place for the coming of the Lord in her heart and womb. In the words of St Augustine of Hippo, of the Church of the West, “*Mary, full of grace, first conceived Jesus in her heart before she conceived him in her womb.*” Hence, the Church in the East continues to teach that “*Through her ear, Mary receives Christ.*” During this final Sunday of Advent, let us allow the Word of God to penetrate our hearts, and make us dream with Saint Joseph new ways of cooperating with the will of God.

Schedule for Masses and Devotions: (All weekend masses will be preceded by the Rosary –

Time	Day	Date	Liturgical Day	Readings
17h00	Saturday	17 Dec	Holy Mass – Fourth Sunday of Advent	Isaiah 7:1-10-14; Psalm 24
08h00	Sunday	18 Dec	Holy Mass – Fourth Sunday of Advent	Romans 1:1-7
10h30	Sunday	18 Dec	Holy Mass – Fourth Sunday of Advent	Matthew 1:18-24
17h30 18h00 18h30	Tuesday	20 Dec	Exposition and Adoration (Holy Hour) Rosary (Holy Hour) Holy Mass – Liturgy of the Day	Isaiah 7:10-14; Luke 1:26-38
08h30 18h30	Wednesday	21 Dec	Holy Mass – St Peter Canisius Advent Reconciliation Service	Song of Solomon 2:8-14 ; Luke 1:39-45
08h30 09h00	Thursday	22 Dec	Holy Mass –Liturgy of the Day <i>Holy Hour – Adoration and Benediction</i>	1 Samuel 1:24-28; Luke 1:46-56
08h30	Friday	23 Dec	Holy Mass – St John of Kanty	Malachi 3:1-4, 4: 5-6; Luke 1:57-66

Joyful Mysteries)

Mass Intentions for the Coming Week:

Day	Date	INTENTION
Saturday	17 Dec	Thanksgiving – Caryn Foong 39 th Birthday
Sunday	18 Dec	Thanksgiving – Tania & Branco Prinsloo 10 th Wedding Anniversary Thanksgiving – Banato & Corrine Salsone 40 th Wedding Anniversary
Sunday	18 Dec	Repose of the Soul of Duggie Kees Thanksgiving – Jean Ah Kun for All Prayers
Wednesday	21 Dec	Repose of the Soul of Freddie Hendricks - Birthday

PRAYER AND DEVOTIONAL LIFE OF THE COMMUNITY

SACRAMENT OF PENANCE AND RECONCILIATION: Saturdays – 16h15 – 16h45
 Tuesday – 17h40 – 18h00
 Thursday – 09h10 – 09h30

Wednesday 21st December at 18h30 (Advent Penitential Service).

TUESDAY EVENING ROSARY AND MASS: You are welcome to come for the full hour or for the Rosary at 18h00 but please do come in quietly and with reverence.

THURSDAY ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT: to grow in our devotion to Jesus Christ, really and truly present in the Blessed Sacrament of the Altar, there is an opportunity to participate in the Holy Hour on Thursdays, after the 08:30am

MARRIAGE AND FAMILY PRAYER CORNER: LECTIO DIVINA (HOLY READING OF SCRIPTURE) – Nativity of the Lord, is John 1:1-18
METHODOLOGY OF THIS ANCIENT WAY OF PRAYER (READ, MEDITATE, PRAY, CONTEMPLATE AND ACT)

CHRISTMAS 2022/NEW YEAR 2023

Time	Day	Date	Liturgical Day
17h00	Saturday	24 December 2022	THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD – At the Vigil Mass
20h00	Saturday	24 December 2022	THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD – At Mass during the Night
08h00	Sunday	25 December 2022	THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD – At Mass during the Day
08h30	Monday	26 December 2022	Holy Mass – St Stephen, The First Martyr
08h30	Tuesday	27 December 2022	Holy Mass – St John, Apostle and Evangelist
08h30	Wednesday	28 December 2022	Holy Mass – The Holy Innocents, Martyrs
08h30	Thursday	29 December 2022	Holy Mass – St Thomas Becket, Bishop and Martyr
08h30	Friday	30 December 2022	The Feast of the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph
17h00	Saturday	31 December 2022	VIGIL MASS – SOLEMNITY OF MARY, MOTHER OF GOD
08h00	Sunday	01 January 2023	THE SOLEMNITY OF MARY, MOTHER OF GOD
08h30	Monday	02 January 2023	Holy Mass – Saints Basil the Great and Gregory Nazianzen
08h30	Tuesday	03 January 2023	Holy Mass – Most Holy Name of Jesus
08h30	Wednesday	04 January 2023	Holy Mass
08h30	Thursday	05 January 2023	Holy Mass
08h30	Friday	06 January 2023	Holy Mass
17h00	Saturday	07 January 2023	VIGIL MASS OF THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD
08h00	Sunday	08 January 2023	THE SOLEMNITY OF THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD
08h30	Monday	09 January 2023	Holy Mass – The Feast of Baptism of the Lord
08h30	Tuesday	10 January 2023	Holy Mass – First Week in Ordinary Time

SACRAMENTS

INFANT BAPTISM/NEW PARISHIONERS: Contact the Parish Office for details.

REGISTRATION FOR MARRIAGE PREPARATION: Contact the Parish Office for details. Please be advised that registration for classes should take place at least **6 months** before the wedding.

MINISTRIES AND SODALITIES

SACRED HEART OUTREACH MINISTRIES:

Saturday Soup Kitchen:

- Group 2 will be distributing soup on Saturday, 17 December 2022, at 08:00am, in aid of the unemployed.

St Vincent de Paul Society:

- **BLUE RIBBON BREAD BAGS** – Please collect all your Blue-Ribbon bread bags and place them in the box in the foyer.

UPCOMING PARISH AND DEANERY EVENTS

FUNDRAISING: NEW YEARS EVE DANCE: Tickets sales available at R100 per person please contact Liz Williams on 084 247 3503
Parish New Year's Jubilee Carnival – 22 JANUARY 2023 – Thank you for your participation in the survey.

The Dementia Support Group Meeting for December: The support group for family members of persons with Dementia /Alzheimer's will meet in the small hall at Sacred Heart Parish on Monday 19th December 10h00. New members are always welcome. For further information contact Kaye on 083 299 1842

STEWARDSHIP

WEEKLY COLLECTIONS AND MONTHLY PLEDGE: The Parish of the Sacred Heart is grateful to all the parishioners who continue their financial support of the parish through their monthly pledge, either via EFT or the envelope system. All parishioners (father, mother, and adult working children) who are employed or have a regular income, are expected by the Church to pledge every month, and, if they are not already doing so, to register and request a pledge number through the Parish Office. Make use of the "smart option" – Electronic Transfer/EFT of weekly collections directly into the Parish Bank Account – use your name and "virtual collection"/pledge number as a reference. The Banking Details, for this purpose, are as follows – Standard Bank: Sacred Heart Catholic Church; Account Number: 080389007; Branch: Port Elizabeth; Branch Code: 050-017.

REPOSITORY: Please come and collect your ordered Liturgical Resources for 2023 (**God's Word, Springs of Carmel, Liturgical Calendars**)

PRAYER CORNER

FOR THE SICK AND HOUSEBOUND: Leigh Ah Shene, Sally Botha, Natalie Bray, Valerie Brown, Gerald Burger, Deanna Dickson, Pat Douglas, Patrick Dwyer, Sylvia Dyson, Roland Edgar, Shirleen Grobbelaar, Gladys Harper, Graham & Thora Hempel, Lydia Hendricks, James Henderson, Eden Kempthorne, Jocelyn Keun, Lucia Leander, Ann Lentz, Isobel Lloyd, Stuart Mandy, Cynthia Rumbles, Leo Smithies, Timothy Teulon, Joe & Thelma Trow, Annie Maria Van Rooyen, Joyce Weimers, Wally Yet Law.