



FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Blessing of the Advent Wreath

Celebrant: The time of Advent calls us to realise how we are always waiting for deliverance, always needing salvation by our God. Gathered around this wreath, let us remember God's promise.

Celebrant: Let us now pray for God's blessing upon us and upon this wreath. *Pause*

Lord God, we praise you for your Son, Jesus Christ: hope of the peoples, the Saviour of every nation. You ask us to be watchful and alert because we do not know when you will come. Let this candle bring us light and call us to a new wakefulness. At those times when you ask us to act, give us strength to respond at once.

Loving God, let your blessing come upon us gathered around this wreath. May the wreath and its light be a sign of Christ's promise to bring us salvation. May he come quickly and not delay.

We ask this through Christ our Lord. **All: Amen.**

An appointed person now lights the first candle on the wreath.

Leader: Let us pray:

All: Loving God, You call us all to be your people united in faith.

We thank you for this wreath, the evergreen sign of your faithful love.

We light this candle in hope, the hope of our coming Saviour, Jesus.

Dispel the darkness of sin, that the light and joy of Jesus may shine

in this waiting world.

Let us prepare, then, the way of the Lord. We ask this through Christ our Lord. **Amen**

Next week's Readings

1st Reading: **Isa, 11: 1-10**

2nd Reading: **Rom, 15: 4-9**

Gospel: **Mt, 3: 1-12**

Next Weekend's Mass Times

Saturday—Warrack, 6.30pm

Sunday— Hopetoun, 9.00am
Beulah, 10.30am

NHILL : LLA at 10.30am

Sunday, November 27 First Sunday of Advent,



St Marys Warracknabeal School Report

Prelude to Christmas

This annual occasion will be held on Saturday November 27th in the Lutheran Church. This will commence at 6.30pm. As in previous years we ask our children and families to support this event. The children will be singing 2 or 3 Advent songs. We will commence our Liturgical Advent Season Year A on this weekend.

Energy Breakthrough

Our student's Josiah, Samuel, Jack, Leah, Ellen, Tia, Jaslyn, and Amber, together with Miss Henke, Tim, Mr Andrew Bish, Mrs Credlin, Mrs Butuyuyu and Mrs Joy Quarrell, journeyed to Maryborough to participate in the Energy Breakthrough. This year the team consisted of 2 year 6 children and 6 year 5 children. This places us in an excellent position for next year with so many eager Year 5's prepared to continue with the event when they are in Year 6. Thanks to everyone who assisted us in any way big or small.

Baptism

Today we welcome into our Parish, Xavier Gerard McEldrew, son of Zanni and Mark, brother to Sophie and Claire, through the Sacrament of Baptism. We extend a warm welcome to all our visitors this morning.

Death Anniversary— Ken Harris, Sylve & Bonnie Farrell and brothers Charlie, Terry, Roy & Michael & Felicity Trotter, and member's of the Harris family, Marie Gould & all family and deceased member's of the Picone family & Bob Batson.

Christmas Card and Columban Calendars

These items are available for sale at the back of the church.

New Liturgy Roster

Please find a roster for the next three months at the back of the church. Take a copy home with you. Thank you.

Upcoming Dates: Tues, Dec 13: End of School Year Mass At 6pm

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St Augustine's Beulah

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St Patrick's Minyip

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Last Weekends Collections

Warrack:

Planned Giving \$ 234.00
Presbytery \$ 99.00

Minyip

Planned Giving \$37.00
Presbytery \$49.00

Nhill

Planned giving \$152.00
Presbytery \$162.00

Christmas Mass Times

Christmas Eve:

5.00pm, Nhill

7.00pm, Rainbow

8.30pm, Hopetoun

Christmas Day:

8.30am, Warracknabeal

	NHILL	Reader & Prayers	Lay Leaders	Eucharistic Minister	Offertory Procession	Monthly Collector	Counter	Cleaner
Roster for Nov 27		L Fraser	_____	K Clohesy	_____	Ewen Cameron	J Millington	A Munro
Roster for Dec 4		I Dart	D Munro & K Bendall	L Grayling	_____	Robert Picone	R Weir	M Millington

Pray for our Sick

Una Bartlett
Marj Parker
Fred Webb

St Patrick's School

1, 2, 3 ... read with me

Next Session:

Monday, 9-10am
28 November

Creating tomorrow's