



St Luke's Parish Woodvale

2 Parkside Ramble
Woodvale

BULLETIN

First Sunday of Advent

Year B/2 - 2nd December / 3rd December 2023

PARISH DETAILS

Parish Priest
Fr. Stan Bendkowski SDS

Parish Secretary
Sandra Pinto

Parish Office:
2 Parkside Ramble, Woodvale, WA 6026
www.stlukeswoodvale.org.au

Office Hours:
Tuesday, Thursday and Friday
9:30am—2:30pm

Phone: Landline 9409 6291
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Mass Times
Weekdays: Tuesday to Friday—9:00am
Weekend: Saturday—6:00pm
Sunday—8:00am, 9:30am & 5:00pm

Reconciliation
Saturday 5:00pm—5:50pm
(or contact Father to arrange another time)

Rosary & Cenacle Prayer
Tuesday, Thursday, Friday—8:30am
(prior to Mass)
Wednesday (following 9:00am Mass)

Weekly Adoration
Wednesday — 9:30am—3:00pm

Holy Hour
1st Thursday of the month—6:00pm-7:00pm
(Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament with Prayers for vocations for Priesthood and Religious Life)
(1st February 2024)

Monthly Rosary
1st Wednesday of the month —7:00pm
(7th February 2024)

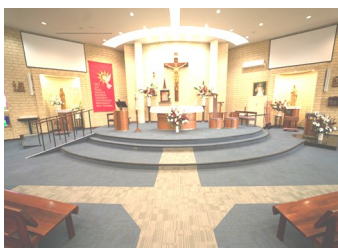
'Day with Mary' - 3rd February 2024

Baptisms
2nd and 4th Sundays of each month

Safeguarding Officers
Stephanie Rodgers—0413550389
Audrey Francisco—0403410995

Welcome to Mass everyone and a big welcome to all new parishioners and visitors to our Parish of St Luke, Woodvale.

If you are new to our parish, we invite you to complete the Visitors Book in the foyer. Fr. Stan would also love to meet you, so please introduce yourself after Mass. You are welcome to visit us at the office on Tuesday, Thursday and Friday from 9:30am—2:30pm.



WHAT'S ON IN OUR PARISH FROM 4TH DEC – 8TH DEC	
Monday 4th	No Mass Friendship Group: 11.00am—2.00pm Afternoon Tea, and Game of Cards
Tuesday 5th	Mass at 9:00am
Wednesday 6th	Mass at 9:00am Adoration 9:30am to 3:00pm Monthly Rosary at 7:00pm
Thursday 7th	Mass at 9:00am: St Ambrose Novena to Our Lady of Miraculous Medal: at 6:00pm
Friday 8th	Mass at 9:00am: The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary

We are looking for a new coordinator for the nativity play! The play takes place at the St Luke's Christmas Eve Mass and is very short and simple, no experience necessary! It's a great opportunity for families and children to be involved in the Christmas Mass. **Mass starts at 5:00pm, with carols at 4:30pm**, so nice and early for little ones.
Contact Rebecca Finlay for details 0403355299.

ST LUKE'S PARISH CHILDREN'S LITURGY

The next liturgy session to be conducted on **10th December 2023** at 9:30am Mass. All primary school children welcome. It is held in the Church hall for the first 20-30 minutes of Mass. After the sermon the children will rejoin their families in Mass. **WE WOULD LOVE TO RUN THIS EVERY SUNDAY DURING SCHOOL TERM BUT WE DON'T HAVE ENOUGH VOLUNTEERS.**

So we invite any new parents, high school students or Uni students to observe this session to see what's involved. Any volunteers will require a Working with Children card. **Please message Carissa Merton on 0431 935 449 for further information.**



ADVENT SYMBOLS—MEANING

Floral Arrangements: Traditionally, the general rule has been no altar flowers during Advent. This is because it is a solemn season of preparation for Christmas. Here at St Luke's the floral arrangements reflect the season's penitential nature as also can be seen in its liturgical colour, which is violet.

Symbolism of the Advent Wreath Candles: Set on the branches of the Advent wreath are four candles: three purple candles and one pink candle. A more modern tradition is to place a white candle in the centre of the wreath. As a whole, these coloured advent candles represent the coming of the light of Christ into the world.

Each week of Advent on Sunday, a particular Advent candle is lit. Catholic tradition states that the four candles, representing the four weeks of Advent, each stand for one thousand years, to total the 4,000 years from the time of Adam and Eve til the birth of the Saviour.

Prophecy Candle: On the first Sunday of Advent, the first purple candle is lit. This candle is typically called the "Prophecy Candle" in remembrance of the prophets, primarily Isaiah, who foretold the birth of Christ:

Therefore the Lord himself will give you a sign: The virgin will conceive and give birth to a son, and will call him Immanuel. Isaiah 7:14, This first candle represents hope or expectation in anticipation of the coming Messiah. *FROM THE LITURGY COMMITTEE*

THIS WEEKEND, 2 DEC—3 DEC	NEXT WEEKEND, 9 DEC—10 DEC
Saturday 2nd December 6:00pm Usher: Kerry Joyce Acolyte: Tom Beggan Readers: Jim Di Carlo, Siobhan Galos Special Ministers: Rosemary Buczkowski, Doreen Lopez	Saturday 9th December 6:00pm Usher: Doreen Lopez Acolyte: Luke Finlay Readers: Tom Beggan, Greg Mohen Special Ministers: Rebecca Finlay, Robyn Hatchett
Sunday 3rd December 8:00am Usher: Michael Dick Acolyte: David Lam Readers: Annette & Phil Richardson Special Ministers: Lynn Dunn, Sandra Pinto	Sunday 10th December 8:00am Usher: Sandra Pinto, Acolyte: Mike Featherstone Readers: Sarah Ellam, Phillip Pinto Special Ministers: Lynn Dunn, Keith Perreau
Sunday 3rd December 9:30am Usher: Maree Brennen Acolyte: Steve Gelle Readers: Annette Campbell, Rita Lambe, Special Ministers: Killian O'Reilly, Brigitte Westneat	Sunday 10th December 9:30am Usher: Denise Emerson Acolyte: Francis Deary Readers: Wally Galos, Brigitte Westneat Special Ministers: Mariela Maw
Sunday 3rd December 5:00pm Usher: Rosemarie Cooper Acolyte: Cris Condo Readers: Sally Hogg Special Ministers:	Sunday 10th December 5:00pm Usher: Julie Bouquet Acolyte: Gordon Robertson Readers: Tricia Starkie Special Ministers:
Cleaning—2nd December Bianca Todd, Rebecca Finlay, Mary-Jean Simms, Sandy Flugge, Mary Allen, Sam Frisina Counting—3rd December Rosemarie Cooper, Jennie Jago, Ian De Nazareth	Cleaning—9th December Clare & Simon Kanakis, Amelia Gunner, Raquel Leeks Counting—10th December Keith & Suzannah Perreau



ST VINCENT DE PAUL "VINNIES" 2023 CHRISTMAS TREE / HAMPER APPEAL

Vinnies 2023 Christmas Tree and Christmas Hamper Appeal will end next weekend

9th/10th December.
Please pick up a leaflet and help us to help those in need as you have so generously done in the past.

God Bless—Vinnies Woodvale Conference



PARISH COMMITTEES

Parish Pastoral Council: Tricia Starkie (Chairperson), Tom Beggan (Vice Chairperson), Angela Coon (Secretary), Steve Gelle, Maree Brennen, Rebecca Finlay, Sandra Pinto (Members). Kerry Hewitson, Sarah Williams and Kristy Graffin (Ex Officio School Leadership Team)
Safeguarding Officers: Audrey Francisco, Stephanie Rodgers, Neil Starkie, Catherine Rice.
Finance Committee: Lara Shur (Chairperson), Greg Mohen, Travice Von Bergheim, Natasha Morgan.
Liturgy Committee: Mike Featherstone, Tom Beggan
Maintenance Committee: Brian Fonca (Chairperson), Lara Shur, Ray Lopez, Erwin Bauernschmitt.

BUSY BEE IN PREPARATION FOR CHRISTMAS

A Busy Bee has been organised for **Saturday 9th December.** We would be most grateful if you could spare a few hours on the day to help prepare the areas around the Church for Christmas. Garden tools and the use of trailers would also help greatly to reduce the number of trips to the tip.

Time: 8-10am

Date: Saturday 9th December

Meeting Place: Church entrance

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Safeguarding Induction for all Church Workers

ALL church workers (volunteers or paid) are to attend a 1-hour safeguarding induction if you haven't attended the induction in the last 3 years.

Please register for the upcoming online session:

Wednesday, 06 December 2023 at 10 am – Online
Thursday, 07 December 2023 at 10-11am at St Lawrence and Mary Immaculate, 392 Albert St, Balcatta 6021

Registration: <https://safeguarding.perthcatholic.org.au/training/#induction>, Or phone 9221 7762 to book in.