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**PARISH INFORMATION**

www.petertheapostle.org  
Facebook: St Peter the Apostle Catholic Church—  
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Weekday Mass	Tuesday - Friday 9:00am
Eucharistic Adoration	Thursday 9.30am—12.00pm
Reconciliation	Saturday 5:00pm - 5:30pm
Weekend Masses	Saturday 6:00pm
	Sunday 8:30am
	Sunday 10:00am
	5:00pm

Baptisms and Weddings **0492 091 376**  
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4 Sunday of Advent  
Year C 2021

**St Peter the Apostle Catholic Church**  
95 Wood Street, Inglewood WA 6052

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19 December, 2021

Fr Jeronimo Flamenco  
Parish Priest



*Merry Christmas and Blessings from  
El Salvador*

During 2021 like 2020 the world and all of us have been faced with many challenges. Lock downs, closed borders, job losses, financial burdens just to mention a few. Of course, the inability to travel to see our loved ones who are living either overseas or interstate has challenged us to face, in some cases the passing of family members and close friends. Not being able to travel to attend funerals and support our close family and friends has been very difficult. Whilst in Western Australia we have not experienced the full reality of COVID-19 we cannot discount the affect it has had on many of us.

With all these overwhelming factors around us how can we say we are rejoicing in celebrating Christmas this year? Pondering over this question again and again, the gospel truth hit my whole being. We don't hide our sorrows or ignore them while celebrating Christmas, we in fact truly celebrate the message of 'God-incarnate' with us. We may be feeling overwhelmed with our experiences and thoughts but the truth is that God is truly present among us, with us in this Christmas. Jesus our saviour, who is God-incarnate, is with us. He is Emmanuel - God with us. This is what makes us to rejoice even in our suffering. We rejoice and give thanks!

I am happy to advise you that having the opportunity to be in El Salvador with my mum during her illness and to be able to share with her the news that at this time she is as good as can be is a reminder to me of the Incarnation. Also, I will be able to share in the happiness of the wedding of my brother I can truly say that I feel very blessed. I wish you, my parish community of St Peter the Apostle a joyful and blessed Christmas and a safe and new beginning to 2022. The opening up of the WA borders means that I will be able to return in early February without the need to isolate for two weeks. I am very much looking forward to seeing you all.

*Feliz Navidad  
Merry Christmas.*

Fr Jeronimo





**Advent means 'coming'.** During Advent we celebrate God's love for us through the birth of Christ. Christmas embraces the past through Jesus' birth; the Holy Spirit present in the Church today; and, God's promise of His second coming in the future.

**LIGHTING OF THE CANDLE OF LOVE**

**Priest:** With this flame we signify the love of God that surrounds and fills us at all times. There is no greater power than love. It is stronger than rulers and empires, stronger than grief or despair, stronger even than death. We love, because God loves us.

**We pray together:** Loving God, as we light these candles in this Advent season, help us to see the light you shine for us. Let your unfailing love be the source of inspiration for all we do this day and each day forward. We raise our voices with renewed courage and hope to face the challenges set before us. Come Lord Jesus, be our light. **Amen**

**LETTER BOX DROP**

Can you help? Would you like to place some Christmas Flyers in letter boxes in your street? If so, can you please put your name on the sheet at the back and cross off your street on the map. Thank you.

**Baptism**

We welcomed **Bleu Larkins** to God's family last weekend.  
Congratulations to Bleu and his family.

**Parish Finances**

Planned Giving	12 Dec	\$1,595.80
D/Debit	(Nov)	\$2,304.00

Commencing Sat 18 Dec normal **weekend** Mass times apply.

Tues 21, Wed 22, Thurs 23 Dec 9am—Mass

Fri 24 & Sat 25 Dec—**Christmas Timetable**

Sun 26 Dec - Mass— 8.30am. 10am & 5pm

Fr Greg Donovan is the supply priest for these dates. Please make him welcome.

**Readings for Christmas Masses**

**Friday, 24 December at 9.00pm & Midnight**

First Reading: Isaiah 9: 1-7  
Second Reading: Titus 2: 11-14  
Gospel: Luke 2: 1-14

**Saturday, Christmas Day at 9.00am**

First Reading: Isaiah 52: 7-10  
Second Reading: Hebrews 1: 1-6  
Gospel: John 1: 1-18

**A Reading from the prophet Micah 5: 1-4**

The Lord says this:

You, Bethlehem Ephrathah, the least of the clans of Judah, out of you will be born for me the one who is to rule over Israel; his origin goes back to the distant past, to the days of old.

The Lord is therefore going to abandon them till the time when she who is to give birth gives birth. Then the remnant of his brothers will come back to the sons of Israel.

He will stand and feed his flock with the power of the Lord, with the majesty of the name of his God.

They will live secure, for from then on he will extend his power to the ends of the land.

He himself will be peace.

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

**A Reading from the letter to the Hebrews 10: 5-10**

This is what Christ said, on coming into the world: You who wanted no sacrifice or oblation, prepared a body for me.

You took no pleasure in holocausts or sacrifices for sin; then I said, just as I was commanded in the scroll of the book, 'God, here I am! I am coming to obey your will.'

Notice that he says first: You did not want what the Law lays down as the things to be offered, that is: the sacrifices, the oblations, the holocausts and the sacrifices for sin, and you took no pleasure in them; and then he says: Here I am! I am coming to obey your will. He is abolishing the first sort to replace it with the second. And this will was for us to be made holy by the offering of his body made once and for all by Jesus Christ.

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

**Gospel Acclamation: Luke 1: 38**

**Alleluia, alleluia!** I am the servant of the Lord: may his will for me be done. **Alleluia!**

**A Reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke 1: 39-44**

Mary set out and went as quickly as she could to a town in the hill country of Judah. She went into Zechariah's house and greeted Elizabeth. Now as soon as Elizabeth heard Mary's greeting, the child leapt in her womb and Elizabeth was filled with the Holy Spirit. She gave a loud cry and said, 'Of all women you are the most blessed, and blessed is the fruit of your womb. Why should I be honored with a visit from the mother of my Lord? For the moment your greeting reached my ears, the child in my womb leapt for joy. Yes, blessed is she who believed that the promise made her by the Lord would be fulfilled.'

The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**



**Responsorial Psalm: 79: 2-3,15-16, 18-19**

**R: Lord, make us turn to you; let us see your face and we shall be saved.**

- O Shepherd of Israel, hear us, shine forth from your cherubim throne.  
O Lord, rouse up your might,  
O Lord, come to our help. **R.**
- God of hosts, turn again, we implore, look down from heaven and see.  
Visit this vine and protect it,  
the vine your right hand has planted. **R.**
- May your hand be on the man you have chosen,  
the man you have given your strength.  
And we shall never forsake you again:  
give us life that we may call upon your name. **R.**