

Celebrate Christmas with Us

2025 Christmas Schedule

Advent Reconciliation Times

Tuesday 16 December 6pm-7pm & 8pm for as long as required
 Saturday 20 December 9am-11am
 Tuesday 23 December 5pm-7pm

The Nativity of the Lord

Christmas Eve – Wednesday 24 December

5pm Holy Family Church Ingleburn
 7pm Holy Trinity Church Minto
 10pm Holy Family Church Ingleburn

Christmas Day – Thursday 25 December

9am Holy Family Church Ingleburn

Christmas Octave

9am Friday 26 December Holy Family Church Ingleburn
 9am Saturday 27 December Holy Family Church Ingleburn
 9am Monday 29 December Holy Family Church Ingleburn
 7pm Tuesday 30 December Holy Family Church Ingleburn
 9am Wednesday 31 December Holy Family Church Ingleburn
 6pm Wednesday 31 December Holy Trinity Church Minto
 7pm Wednesday 31 December Holy Family Church Ingleburn
 9am Thursday 1 January Holy Family Church Ingleburn
 7pm Thursday 1 January Holy Family Church Ingleburn

Feast of the Holy Family

Saturday 27 December

5pm Holy Family Church Ingleburn

Sunday 28 December

8am Holy Trinity Church Minto
 9am Holy Family Church Ingleburn
 5pm Holy Family Church Ingleburn



Holy Family
 Catholic Parish
 INGLEBURN & MINTO
 136 Oxford Road, Ingleburn



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Holy Family Church
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Holy Trinity Church
 57 Guernsey Ave, Minto

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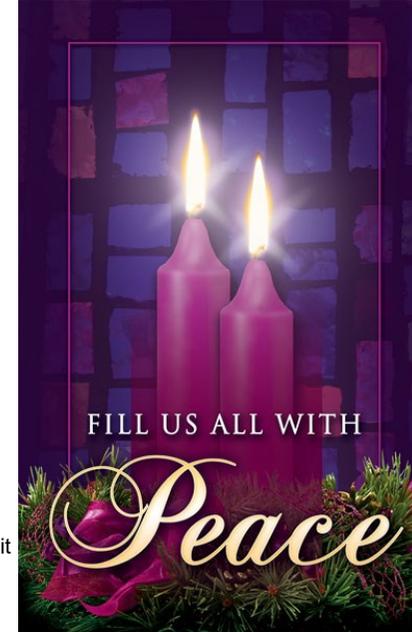
Second Sunday of Advent, Year A 7 December 2025

Reflection by Father Henry

The Second Sunday of Advent calls for preparing the way of the Lord by repenting and bearing the fruit of justice, kindness, and peace. Just as John the Baptist prepared the way for Jesus, we are called to prepare our hearts and the world for Christ's coming. John the Baptist's message was not just words, but a call to change our actions and bear the "fruit" of a transformed life, such as kindness, humility, and justice.

The readings emphasize trusting God rather than our own understanding. True humility allows us to receive God's wisdom and joy, which is the opposite of the pride often seen in the world. The hope of Advent is for a world of justice and peace, reflecting the promise of the coming King described in Isaiah. Our actions should reflect this hope by working for a better world and standing with the poor, the needy and the oppressed.

In this season of Advent, the church presents John the Baptist to us as a model. John teaches us that waiting for the coming of Christ is not merely a joyful expectation - it is also careful preparation. It requires a commitment to making the world more just for everyone. It involves fearlessly challenging the structures of sin and oppression. Often, it means standing courageously against abusive power, protesting if necessary. Most importantly, it demands that our lives, at every moment, embody the fullness of the gospel of Christ, especially its emphasis on love, justice, mercy, and peace.



Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary



Mass
Monday 8 December
7pm

HF YOUTH + YOUNG ADULTS MINISTRY 2025

End of Year Meeting

SUNDAY 14 DECEMBER 2025

Join us for our final Youth & Y.A gathering of the year after 9am Mass in the Parish Meeting rooms

Bring a friend 🍷 And your ideas in preparation for an exciting year ahead 🍷 we look forward to seeing you there!

Light refreshments provided

Legion of Mary
 Our Lady Queen of Peace Curia

Annual General Reunion

Everyone is invited, Active and Auxiliary members for Legion get-together and celebration

Friday 12th December 2025 at 6pm

St. John the Evangelist Church Campbelltown

Commencing with Legion Prayers, Mass at 6.30pm, Social get-together after Mass in Parish Hall

Refreshments provided bring a plate if you wish

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SERVICE TIMES		
Holy Family	Mass	Wed - Fri 9am
		Tue 7pm
		First Friday of each month 6.30pm
		Sat 5pm Vigil
		Sun 9am and 5pm
	Adoration	Tues 7.30pm
	Benediction	First Friday of each month 9.30am
	Reconciliation	Tue Sat 6.30pm - 7pm 9am - 10am
Holy Trinity	Rosary	Mon 7pm
	Reconciliation	Wed 5.45pm - 6pm
	Mass	Wed 6pm Sun 8am

What's On In Our Parish

December

- 8 Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary, 7pm Mass
- 13 Parish Advent Reflection Day with Charbel Raish, 9am-5pm
- 14 Youth & Young Adults End of Year Meeting after 9am Mass
- 19 Bible Study, 7pm
- 20 Aboriginal Mass and Baptisms 10am, Holy Trinity
- 27 & 28 Patronal Feast Day Social Gathering Weekend

January

- 16 Bible Study, 7pm

PARISH GROUPS & MEETINGS

LEGION OF MARY

6.30pm every Wednesday in the Church Meeting Room.

BIBLE READING

Has concluded for 2025. Will recommence in 2026.

BIBLE STUDY

7pm 1st & 3rd Friday in the Parish Meeting Room.

BIBLE SHARING

7pm 2nd & 4th Friday in the Parish Meeting Room.

YOUTH & YOUNG ADULTS

6.30pm 2nd & 4th Friday in the Parish Meeting Room.

CHILDRENS LITURGY

Every Sunday during 9am Mass.

Liturgical Dates

December

- 7 St Ambrose, *Bishop and doctor of the Church*
- 8 The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary
- 12 Our Lady of Guadalupe
- 13 St Lucy, *Virgin and Martyr*
- 14 St John of the Cross, *Priest and Doctor of the Church*
- 25 The Nativity of the Lord (Christmas Day)
- 26 St Stephen, *Apostle and Evangelist*
- 27 St John, *Apostle and Evangelist*
- 28 The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph



Saturday 13 December Parish Advent Recollection Day

Saturday 27 & Sunday 28 December

Social Gathering Weekend - Patronal Feast Day

Ingleburn St Vincent de Paul Society Conference Christmas Appeal Thank You

The Ingleburn St Vincent de Paul Society Conference members would like to offer our sincere thanks to the Holy Family Ingleburn parishioners, including those who contributed directly to our online fundraising page, for your generosity in contributing to our Christmas appeal. The total amount of money raised, is \$4,075.35, which is a fantastic response.

Volunteers Needed for Church Upkeep

We are looking for friendly volunteers to help with various tasks around the church - gardening, lawn maintenance, and general cleaning both inside and outside.

If you are handy and willing to assist with small repairs or maintenance projects, we would greatly appreciate your help.

Your time and effort make a real difference. Thank you for considering lending a hand.

Please leave your details with the Parish Office.

Christmas Carols by the Marian Singers

The Marian Singers are bringing the sounds of the season to our parish community!

Throughout this Advent and Christmas seasons, they'll be spreading joy with heartwarming carols at homes, gatherings, and events. If you'd like to be serenaded with festive cheer, please contact Aida 0422 907 250 or Recto 0436 911 827 to schedule a visit. **Support Our Parish** While the music is free, donations are warmly welcomed to support parish initiatives. Let's make this season meaningful for all. Let's celebrate with music, joy, and the spirit of togetherness!

Macarthur Combined Churches Christmas Lunch

If you have no plans for Christmas Day this year, members of the Macarthur Combined Churches invite you to come and enjoy a day out and share the meaning of Christmas by attending their annual Christmas lunch at the Campbelltown Civic Centre. People from all walks of life attend this free celebration.

The event runs from 10:30 am to 2:00 pm at the Campbelltown Civic Centre, which is located at 91 Queen St, Campbelltown. Morning tea is at 10:30 am and lunch is served at 12 noon.



We pray ... For world leaders and policy makers to work to foster peace and justice in all nations.

For those feeling overwhelmed and challenged in mind, body, soul and spirit. For those who have nobody to pray for them. For all the forgotten Souls and Holy Souls in Purgatory.

For the sick and homebound: *May the saving power of the risen Lord bring healing, comfort and peace to their bodies and send strength to their carers. Amen.* For our sick relatives, friends and parishioners and all who have nobody to pray for them; Maria Elizabeth Tuason, Emerlida Castillo, Rebecca Velasco, Susitina Unasa, Josephine Flores Ferrer.

For our recently dearly departed: *Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May the souls of the faithful departed through the mercy of God rest in peace. Amen.* lakimo Vilis, George Mikhael, Maria Paz Maracha, Juanita Sibi, Agustin F. Lenado, John Payne, Mary Kathleen and Graeme Hunter, For the parents and 8 siblings and loved ones of Mrs Belen H. Bernardo.

For those whose death anniversaries occur at this time: *Having returned to the Father, may they rest in peace. Amen.* For those who have nobody to pray for them; For all of our family members and friends; , Paul Collins and Jan Collins, Anthony William Eskett, Jacob Pullan.

Other intentions: The Diocesan representatives attending the Australian Catholic Youth Festival.



With joyful hearts, during November, we welcomed the newly Baptised into our Parish community:

Evie Gudge, Antonio Mavros, Greyson Patti, Elijah Lang, Eden Harris, Henry Berry and Gwendolyn Yiu.

We ask God to bless these children, their parents, Godparents and families, to surround them with your goodness and lead them in Your light each day of their lives.

Parish Planned Giving

Thank you for supporting your parish.

You can continue to contribute financially to the Parish via the two collections at the weekend Masses, but if you prefer, the Holy Family Parish bank account details are:

First collection

Acct name: Ingleburn Presbytery

BSB: 066711

Account number: 001978

Second collection

Acct name: Ingleburn Parish

BSB: 066711

Account number: 001773

To contribute via planned giving envelopes, please contact the Parish Office.

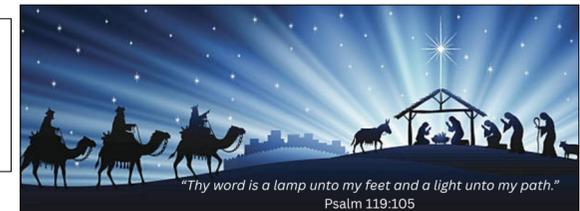
Visiting the Sick and Homebound: There are an increasing number of people who, whether due to age or ill health, are not able to attend Church, but would like to receive Holy Communion. If you, or someone you know, is in this situation, please contact the Parish Office so that a visit can be arranged.

The **Piety Stall** is open after each weekend Mass, offering a wide range of Bibles, prayer books, rosary beads, and gifts for Confirmation, Holy Communion and Baptism, other religious items are available. All profits support the work of the Ingleburn Chapter of the St Vincent de Paul Society.

Neocatechumenal Community Morning Prayer will take place in the Church at 6am, Monday to Friday beginning the first week of Advent. Everyone is welcome.

Weekend Readers Rosters If you are interested in joining this ministry, please neatly and clearly write your name, contact details and preferred mass time on the sign up sheet in the Church foyer.

If you are a current reader and would like to be removed from the roster, please speak with Sharon.



ADVENT RETREAT FROM EDEN TO BETHLEHEM



Retreat Facilitator:
Charbel Raish

Saturday 13 December 2025
9am to 5pm

Please register on the parish website hfi.org.au



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