We here at St Brigid's Catholic Parish Nerang as part of the Archdiocese of Brisbane MUST ABIDE BY AND ADHERE TO THE REQUIREMENTS OF THE PRIVACY ACT & THE **AUSTRALIAN PRIVACY PRINCIPLES.** 

The Privacy Act impacts upon us all today and if you wish to peruse the Compliance Requirements and the Privacy Act, please go to the Archdiocesan Website www.bne.catholic.net.au. The Policy is not yet on our website but will be in the near future.

### ST BRIGID'S PARISH WEEKLY FINANCIAL DETAILS

1ST COLLECTION: \$ 784.30

- For Clergy Support



- For Parish expenses 2ND COLLECTION: \$ 1,104.20 such as administration, and maintenance of all our buildings and properties.

The Parish Loans currently stand at \$ 23,832.94 I sincerely thank you for your continued financial support. Fr Rafal

#### ST VINCENT DE PAUL NERANG CONFERENCE



**MEETINGS** held in St Brigid's Parish Centre - 1st & 3rd Wednesdays of the month at 6.30pm. All welcome.

#### IN EMERGENCIES or HOSPITAL CALLS

For University & Allamanda Hospital - Southport Parish on 5510 2222 For Robina Hospital - Burleigh Heads Parish on 5576 6466 For Pindara Hospital - Surfers Paradise Parish on 5572 5433 For John Flynn Hospital -Coolangatta-Tugun Parish on 5598 2165

Become a Part of the PARISH PLANNED GIVING PROGRAM And help your Parish grow.



We thank most sincerely all Parishioners who contribute to the Planned Giving Program. Your ongoing commitment and contribution assists the responsible budgeting for the operating expenses of the Parish (wages, rates, electricity,

building maintenance, etc.) as well as pastoral planning for Parish growth (faith education, sacramental preparation, resources, etc.) To obtain Planned Giving envelopes, please complete this form and place on the Collection Plate, or contact the Parish Office on 5596 2632. (Please print clearly)

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# ST BRIGID'S CATHOLIC PARISH

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### PASTORAL & ADMINISTRATION TEAM:

Fr Rafal Rucinski Parish Priest Mobi:0410887476 Email: rprucinski@tpq.com. au Parish Secretary: Lenette Evans

### CHURCHES

Second Sunday of Advent - Year C Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> / Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> December 2015

St Brigid's Church 39-49 McLaren Rd Nerang Q 4211

Thank you for your generous donations for the Peter's Pence Collection last week. We collected \$438.10.

St John's Church Windabout Rd Beechmont Q 4211 Thank you for creating our Advent decorations in the church. I hope they will help us to be better prepared for Christmas.

## SCHOOL

St Brigid's Primary McLaren Road Nerang Q 4211 Phone: 5596 4188

**WEB PAGE:** www.sb.qld.edu.au

**KEVIN BIANCHI** Principal

The shapes of the angels for our big Christmas tree are available for children to collect. Please convert them to the beautiful angels and return till the 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Advent.

The times for reconciliation before Christmas and the times for Christmas Masses are available at the entrance to the church.

Next weekend 12<sup>th</sup> and 13<sup>th</sup> December we will be having a special collection for the Vinnies Christmas Appeal. Envelopes are available at the entrance to the church.

Fr Rafal Rucinski

## Mass and Prayer Times at St Brigid's Church

**Daily Mass 7am Monday to Friday** 

Saturday Mass 9am

Rosary 8.00am Sunday, 7.30am Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday, 8.30am Saturday

Divine Mercy Prayer at 7.30am on Wednesday.

Adoration with Benediction Thursdays from 7-8pm

Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Help Saturday 9.30 am

Sunday Mass Vigil at 6pm on Saturday and 8.30am on Sunday.

**Reconciliation** 5.15pm Saturday

St John's, Windabout Road, Beechmont: Mass on the 2nd Sunday of each month at 10.30am.

Next Mass at St John's Sunday 13th December 2015

### MASS TIMES IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING CHRISTMAS DAY

Saturday 26th December—Mass 9.00am & Novena (No School of the Word)

Saturday 26th December—Vigil Mass at 6.00pm

Sunday 27th December— Mass at 8.30am

Monday 28th, Tuesday 29th, Wednesday 30th, Thursday 31st—Mass at 7.00am Friday 1st January 2016—Mass at St Brigid's at 8.30am

No Vigil Mass on 31st December

No Adoration or Benediction on Thursday 31st December

No Mass at Earle Haven on 1st January

### ST VINCENT DE PAUL—CHRISTMAS HAMPER APPEAL

The Nerang Conference of Vinnies are again requesting donations

for their Christmas Hampers to be given to those needing assistance prior to Christmas. Items required are: Activity gifts (building blocks, sewing kits, jigsaw puzzles for children, books with good moral or spiritual principals, gifts without a violent theme (no guns etc),gifts without a TV/Movie theme, toiletries for women and men. Hamper items: tins of ham, Christmas cakes or puddings, long life custard, cordial or 6 pack fruit drinks, tins of corn kernels, beetroot, green peas, baby potatoes, fruit and packets of jelly, lollies and shortbread biscuits. Please leave your donations in the baskets at the entrance to the church. Your generosity to those less fortunate in our community will be greatly appreciated.

### ST BRIGIDS' CRAFT GROUP

The St Brigid's Parish Craft Group are currently on holiday and will recommence on Tuesday 2nd February at 9.30am in the Parish Centre. Everyone welcome. For more information call the Parish Office during office hours.



# **Second Sunday of Advent**



Today's readings remind us that Christian Hope works most powerfully in times of darkness and desolation where it is God who comes to meet us so as to lead us along His way.

First Reading: Baruch 5: 1-9

Jerusalem—the centre and symbol of God's presence with his people—is the focus of God's joy and is called to be a witness to the nations.

Second Reading: Philippians 1: 4-6, 8-11

Paul encourages the community at Philippi to grow in love as they prepare for the Lord's final coming.

Gospel Reading: Luke 3: 1-6

Hope in its practical expression shows itself in preparing for the salvation of God.

We remember all those who have gone before us to rest in the loving embrace of Jesus. We also remember their families - may they be comforted and supported in their loss by this Community of Faith.



We pray for the recently deceased: Michael Timothy Brack

We pray for the dearly departed whose anniversaries occur at this time:

We pray also for those who are sick: Beryl Nilsen, John Ritchie, Maurice Pyke, Mary Hutchinson ,Joan Gordon, Valda Silvy, Sharon Lawler, Frank Kelly, Charlie Nolan, Amanda Gordon , and Billy J Smith

Our prayers are also offered for those who are elderly and in Nursing homes.

### WORD OF GOD



The Verbum Dei Missionary Community will be leading us in prayer and meditation on the Word of God that enables one to live and share it with others. We will be concentrating on a different theme each month. The meetings are usually held on the last Saturday of each month in the Parish Centre at 10.00 am but the next meeting which was to be held on 28th November has been postponed and will now be held on 12th December 2015. This will be the final meeting for the year.

Feast of the Immaculate Conception of The Blessed Virgin Mary will be celebrated on Tuesday 8th December at The Shrine of Our Lady Help of Christians, Marian Valley, Canungra. Bus will leave Sacred Heart Church, Clear Island Waters 8.15 am. \$18.00 . For bookings and more information please phone Paula Groom (07) 55827950 or 0402 930 918 or Viviane (07) 55359623.