Entrance Antiphon:
Rejoice in the Lord always, again I say, rejoice. Indeed, the Lord is near.

Responsorial Psalm:
My soul rejoices in my God. 
Nhờ Thiên Chúa tôi thờ, tôi hớn hở biết bao.

Gospel Acclamation:
Alleluia! Alleluia! The Spirit of the Lord is upon me; He sent me to bring Good News to the poor. Alleluia.

Thanksgiving Collection
Church Offering: $1955.00
Loose Money: $259.75
Presbytery: $488.25

Next Weekend Readings: Fourth Sunday in Advent

FLOWERS
No Flowers
In ADVENT

ROSTERS: (20/21 December 2014)

Readers
(SAT) 6.00 pm
Ann Smith
Jaunita Jordan
Yvonne Joyce

(SUN) 9.00 am
Vicky Buhagiar
Emy Da Mato
Hang Nguyen

(SUN) 11.00 am
Mary Moran
Melinda Pereyra
Taafoanga Chong-Gum
Ian Smith
Clifford Jordan
Carole Glover
Adorebella R.
Mele Tuliau

Altar Servers
VOLUNTEERS
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Money Collectors
As Per Volunteers
At each Mass.

Money Counters
Melinda/Millicent Pereyra, Marilyn Marquis

Church Cleaners
Bushra Saeed, Dina, Soaad Sayaa, Loriss Aliass

The Chimes 14 December, 2014
Dallas & Meadow Heights

1st Reading: Isaiah 61:1-2,10-11
2nd Reading: 1 Thess.5:16-24
Gospel: John 1:6-8,19-28

Parish Priest: Fr Leenus Neetany SAC 0448 037 333
Asst. Priest: Fr Van Xua Nguyen 0431 390 220
Syrian Rite Priest: - Fr Fadhel Yakob 0433 833 647
Syrian Mass - Sundays 6.00 pm, Dallas
Pastoral Associate: Mr. Paul Gleeson
Church: 227 Blair St, Dallas, Vic 3047
Parish Office & Holy Family Centre: 133 Malmesbury Dr, Meadow Heights
Hours: Tues - Fri 9.30 am - 4.00 pm
Phone: 9002 3376  Fax: 9002 3374
Email: Dallas@cam.org.au
Parish House: 115 Corinella Cres, Dallas, Vic 3047, Phone: 9302 2057
School Principal: Mr. Alan Smith
School Phone: 9309 1620
WEEKDAY MASSES:
Dallas: Mon - Fri, 9.15 am
1st Fri, Anointing Mass: Dallas 10 am
Meadow Heights: Tues (Viet) 9 am
Meadow Heights: Thu, Sat (Eng) 9 am

WEEKEND MASSES:
Sat. Dallas Vigil Mass Sat. 6 pm
Sun. Meadow Heights 9.00 am
Dallas 11.00 am

*Note: Vietnamese Mass
2nd Sunday of the Month: 9.00 am
4th Sunday of the Month: 11.00 am

RECONCILIATION:
Meadow Heights Sat, 8.30 - 8.55 am
Dallas Saturday 5.15 - 5.45 pm

BAPTISMS:
Contact Parish Office during office hours

WEDDINGS:
Contact Parish Office. Preferably 6
months before the wedding.

ADORATION & BENEDICTION
Of the Blessed Sacrament
Fridays 5.30 pm Dallas

LEGION OF MARY
Eng. Monday at 6 pm at the Parish House
Viet. Mon. at 7 pm at Holy Family Centre

A reading from the Holy Gospel according to John:
There stands among you, unknown to you, the one who is coming after me.

A man came, sent by God. His name was John. He came as a witness, as a witness to speak for the light, so that everyone might believe through him. He was not the light, only a witness to speak for the light. This is how John appeared as a witness. When the Jews sent priests and Levites from Jerusalem to ask him, ‘Who are you?’ he not only declared, but he declared quite openly, ‘I am not the Christ.’ ‘Well then,’ they asked ‘are you Elijah?’ ‘I am not’ he said. ‘Are you the Prophet?’ He answered, ‘No.’ So they said to him, ‘Who are you? We must take back an answer to those who sent us. What have you to say about yourself?’ So John said, ‘I am, as Isaiah prophesied: a voice that cries in the wilderness: Make a straight way for the Lord.’ Now these men had been sent by the Pharisees, and they put this further question to him, ‘Why are you baptising if you are not the Christ, and not Elijah, and not the prophet?’ John replied, ‘I baptise with water; but there stands among you unknown to you the one who is coming after me; and I am not fit to undo his sandal-strap.’ This happened at Bethany, on the far side of the Jordan, where John was baptising.

The Gospel of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.
Please keep them in your prayers

| SICK: | Sia Nyugân, Ioane Toevai, Maria Nguyen, Valasi Fata, Hoa Ngo, Jack Salau, Joseph, Darren Crowley, Raymond Cassar, Kevin Sheridan, Manu Tukuafu, Nu Nguyen, Sita Tuafuti, Maria Napoleão, Rosie Vieira, Mark Elmer, Elyssa Morris, Grace King, Antonia Abela, Norn Henkel, Dina Azevedo, Rosentina Napoilia, Patricia Whyte, Bailey Atkin, Duc Pham |
| ANNIVERSARIES: | Rachael De Oliveira, Dr Lloyd Marquis, Phanxico Xavie Tran Quang Vinh, Anna Tran Thi Thinh |
| REMEMBRANCE: | Anthony Cachia, Connie Gauci, Tomé Andrade, Norberto Saide, Joseph Georges, and all those mentioned in the Book of Remembrance. |

John was a humble man, he did not say “hey look at me I am important, I am a cousin of Jesus”. No, when asked why he was baptising he answered simply and honestly, I baptise with water, “I make straight the way for the Lord”. Like John the Baptist I have a tiny part to play, but it is a tiny part in the greatest drama of all time, my part is to allow Christ to be in this world. The challenge to each of us this Advent is to do our part and not pretend we are greater than we are.

Rotary Club of Broadmeadow In Results
Congratulations!! We have two winners in our Parish. The 5th Prize 02410 Yvonne Joyce and the 6th Prize 03163 Mohammed.

Special Collection This Weekend: Melbourne Overseas Mission Appeal
There will be a special collection next weekend at all Masses.
Thank you for your generosity. God bless.

Craft Stall After Mass This weekend
Handmade and beautifully crafted items, Toys, Cakes, and much more.

Choir Practice for Children
The 6 pm Christmas Eve Family Mass will have a children’s choir. The choir will practice on Mon. Dec 15th 7pm in Holy Child Dallas. Children are welcome to come to the practice.

 Entire School Thanksgiving Mass Tuesday, Dec. 16 at 9.15 am

Christmas Luncheon Meeting on Tuesday, Dec 16 at 5 pm at Dallas.
Hand made Christmas Cards and cards for all occasions available on sale after Mass this weekend. These cards are made by orphans. All proceeds to Parish.

Second Rite of Reconciliation Before Christmas
Thursday, 18 & Friday, 19 December at 7.00 pm at Holy Child, Dallas.

Pilgrimage from Holy Child to Holy Land
All those interested, Applicant’s/Information Forms for the above are available in the Foyer. Complete and Return to Parish Office ASAP. Check Notice Board for more information.

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Vacancy - Part-time Book-keeper/Finance
Holy Child Parish, Dallas, is seeking to employ a part-time Book-keeper/Finance. The position is on going and the working hours are 10 per week at times to be negotiated. For a job description and required qualifications, please contact the Parish Office: email: Dallas@cam.org.au or 9302 3376. Application close Thursday, 31 December, 2014.

Christmas Mass Times 2014

**Christmas Eve Wed. 24 Dec.**
**FAMILY MASS (ENGLISH)  6.00 PM**
Holy Child Church, Dallas
Christmas Carols begin at 5.30 pm
Children invited to dress up as Nativity characters
Car Park MUST be empty by 7.45 pm.

**VIGIL MASS (ENGLISH) MIDNIGHT**
Holy Child Church, Dallas
(Christmas Carols begin at 11.30 pm)

**CHRISTMAS DAY (THURS. 25 DEC.)**
Holy Family Centre, Meadow Heights 9.00am (English)
Holy Child Church, Dallas 11.00 am (Viet)

**YEAR ENDING MASS (WED. 31 DEC.)**
Holy Child Dallas 7:00 pm (English)

**NEW YEAR’S DAY (THURS. 1 JAN.)**
Holy Family Centre 9:30 am (English)

**NO MASS AT DALLAS**

Christmas Luncheon
The Christmas Dinner Committee would appreciate donations of soft drinks for the Annual Christmas Lunch. They can be left at Holy Family Centre/Parish Office. Also, helpers needed on Christmas Eve and Christmas Day. Please contact Paul/Parish Office.
To any Parishioner /anyone who may be alone on Christmas Day, please contact the Parish Office so that we can send them an Invitation. Your help on the day in any way would be appreciated. Thank You.