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

 Responsorial Psalm:
Cry out with joy and gladness: for among you is the great and Holy One of Israel.

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

**THIS Weekend ROSTERS: (12/13 Dec. 2015)**

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Profitable Collection:
Church Offering: $2053.00
Loose Money: $374.20

**Next Weekend’s Readings:**
1st Reading: Zephaniah 3:14-18
2nd Reading: Philippians 4:4-7

A reading from the Holy Gospel according to Luke:
What, then, must we do?
When all the people asked John, ‘What must we do?’
he answered, ‘If anyone has two tunics he must share
with the man who has none, and the one with some-
thing to eat must do the same.’

There were tax collec-
tors too who came for baptism, and these said to him,
‘Master, what must we do?’
He said to them, ‘Exact no more than your rate.’
Some soldiers asked him in their turn, ‘What about us? What must we do?’
He said to them, ‘No intimidation! No extortion! Be content with your pay!’

A feeling of expectancy had grown among the people,
who were beginning to think that John might be the
Christ, so John declared before them all,
‘I baptise you with water, but someone is coming,
someone who is more powerful than I am, and I am not fit to undo the
strap of his sandals; he will baptise you with the Holy
Spirit and fire. His winnowing-fan is in his hand to
clear his threshing-floor and to gather the wheat into
his barn; but the chaff he will burn in a fire that will
never go out.’

As well as this, there were many other
things he said to exhort the people and to announce
the Good News to them.

The Gospel of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

**Next Sunday’s Readings:**
1st Reading: Micah 5:1-14
2nd Reading: Hebrews 10:5-10
**RECENT DEATH:**

REMEMBRANCE:
- Duc Duy
- Ivana Bertelli
- Peggy
- Shenia Dwyer
- Abogadie, Nemesio Malibiran
- Armando Roxas (Snr.), Hong Nguyen
- Lucy Grech
- Christa Schmidt
- Luis Cardoso
- Crispina Tuilau (Snr), Cath Davy
- Madelaine Georgeos
- Margaret Gower
- Lucio Klau

ANNIVERSARIES:
- Rosa Maria Santos
- Jose Miguel Lopez
- Barcheam Mushee
- Wendy Aziz
- Jennifer Abraham
- Pham Duc Duy
- Ivana Bertelli
- Peggy
- Shenia Dwyer

**SICK:**

- Raymond Cassar
- Theresa Borges
- Bailey Aiken
- Bernadine Pauline Nugara
- Grace King
- Peter Toner
- Bro. Kevin Clark
- Jose Miguel López
- Barcheam Mushee
- Wendy Aziz
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The names of the sick will only be printed for a month, unless the Office has been notified otherwise.

(To any Parishioner who may be involved in any way, please come along and join us.

**REMEMBRANCE**:

Bernadette & Eddy Donadel, Mary Abraham, Moses Vella, Peter Toner and those mentioned in the Book of Remembrance.

**RECIENT DEATH:**

Third Sunday of Advent

Each Advent we prepare for the birth of Christ among us. Do we see this as a rebirth of ourselves as Christians or is it the same old same old. This Advent do I have higher expectations of myself than I did last year? In the Gospel today it says Jesus will gather the wheat into his barn but the chaff he will burn in an everlasting fire. These days we don’t speak of people being destroyed because they do not measure up. As Pope Francis says, be aware of God’s mercy rather than think of his judgement. Over the generations Christian thinking and Christian language has had many re-births. The message of the Gospels is expressed in language that suits the 21st century, if we could comeback in 100 years I hope there would be signs that Christian expression had grown through people’s wisdom and through their inspiration from God.

St Vincent de Paul Society’ Christmas Appeal

The Annual Christmas Appeal’s special collection will take place this weekend at all Masses. Thank you for your generosity towards this Good Cause.

Holy Child School Thanksgiving Mass for 2015

The Staff of Holy Child School invite all Families to join them in giving Thanks for the 2015 School Year on Tuesday, 15 Dec. at 9.15 am at Holy Child Church, Dallas.

**School Helpers Morning Tea Invitation**

Throughout the year, the Principal and staff have been very appreciative of the support given by parents/guardians and friends of our students. All are invited to join the school for Morning Tea in the Staff Room on Tuesday, 15 after the Thanksgiving Mass. If you have been involved in any way, please come along and join us.

**SECOND RITE OF RECONCILIATION BEFORE CHRISTMAS**

Monday, 21 & Tuesday, 22 December at 7.00 pm at Holy Child, Dallas.

**Carols by Candlelight at St. Mark’s Church, Fawkner**

On Monday, 14 Dec at 7.00 pm.

Archbishop Denis Hart: Information from the Archbishop’s Office that Archbishop Denis Hart was admitted into hospital earlier in the week to receive treatment for a knee injury. Please remember him in your prayers.

**‘Walking Into Mercy’ - Sunday, 13 Dec, at St Patrick’s Cathedral**

- To mark the opening of the Extraordinary Jubilee Year of Mercy in Melbourne, a special holy door of mercy will be opened by Archbishop Denis Hart at St. Patrick’s Cathedral on 13 December, 2015.
- The door will be open for pilgrims to pass through as a prayer for personal conversion and action.
- The afternoon festivities include live music, games, activities, food stalls and special mercy prayer flags.
- Everyone is invited to make a special pilgrimage to the Cathedral from every region of the archdiocese - north, east, south or west.
- Gather your family, friends and parishioners and make a real day of it!

**Programme:**

- 2.00 pm Cathedral Bells to ring to gather everyone;
- 2.10 pm Acknowledgment of Land and Smoking ceremony by Aboriginal Ministry;
- 2.30 pm Opening of the Holy Door of Mercy by Archbishop Denis Hart;
- 3.00 pm ‘Walking Into Mercy’ Festival (fun activities, food/drink stalls and live music in the Cathedral grounds);
- 4.00pm Hour of Adoration, Prayer and Reflection led by Bishop Vincent Long;
- 5.00 pm Official programme concludes.

**The Holy Door of Mercy will remain open until 6.00 pm**

We, Holy Child Parishioners will meet at Coolaroo Station before 1.00 pm and go together by Metro Train to St Patrick’s Cathedral. Organise your Myki card. If you wish, you may also go on your own. All Welcome.