

CATHOLIC PARISH OF MELBOURNE and CASTLE DONINGTON

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LITURGICAL YEAR: SUNDAY A / WEEKDAY 1

READINGS: CHRIST THE KING: Ezekiel 34:11-17; Ps. 22; 1 Cor. 15:20-28; Matthew 25:31-46.
Next week: 1ST SUNDAY of ADVENT: Isaiah 63:16f,64:1-8; Ps. 79; 1 Co. 1:3-9; Mark 13:33-37.



MASSES & LITURGIES

Saturday, Nov. 25 th	5.00 pm Castle Donington	VIGIL MASS	Innes & Tosh Families RIP
Sunday, November 26 th	9.00 am Castle Donington 10.30 am Melbourne	CHRIST THE KING	Franco Mazzotti RIP People of the Parish
Monday, Nov. 27 th	9.00 am Melbourne		Walsh & Kirk Families RIP
Tuesday, Nov. 28 th	6.00 pm Castle Donington		Tommy Reilly RIP
Wednesday, Nov. 29 th	9.00 am Melbourne		Thanksgiving (M McC)
Thursday, Nov. 30 th	6.00 pm Castle Donington	St. Andrew	McGuckin Family RIP
Friday, December 1 st	NO MASS	-	-
Saturday, December 2 nd	5.00 pm Castle Donington	VIGIL MASS	Cathie McKay (intentions)
Sunday, December 3 rd	9.00 am Castle Donington 10.30 am Melbourne	1 ST SUNDAY of ADVENT	John Caffrey RIP People of the Parish

RETIRING COLLECTION: For Poor and Needy parishes – transferred from December 17th.



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CAKE AND COFFEE: After 10.30 am Mass in Melbourne this Sunday.
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ADVENT SPIRITUALITY: Advent begins next Sunday. To prepare ourselves in a fitting way, we are invited to take part in the following events:

December 2nd: **Advent Retreat** at the Rosmini Centre led by Cyprian Blamires, a Carmelite. Starts at 10.00 am with Mass followed by talks, prayer, confessions. Lunch provided at 1.00pm. Adoration at 3.00 pm. Cost £15.

December 3rd: 6.30 pm. **Advent Readings & Carols:** Melbourne Anglican church. All welcome.

December 5th: 2.00 pm. **Advent Service** given by Mother's Union, Melbourne Anglican church.

December 7th: 6.00 pm. **Service of Reconciliation and Mass,** Castle Donington.

December 17th: 10.30 am. **Nativity Play,** Melbourne church, during Mass.

6.30 pm. **Traditional Lessons and Carols** at Melbourne Anglican church.



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THANK YOU OF THE WEEK: To our parishioners who work to keep both our churches clean, tidy and fit for our liturgies. Extra volunteers are always welcome.
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100 CLUB: Latest winners: 1st No. 37 Carmel Lycett; 2nd No. 74 Adam O'Connor; 3rd No. 10 Pat Cormack.

CHILDREN'S NATIVITY PLAY: To be presented during Mass at Melbourne on Sunday, December 17th.

Practices are during Mass as follows:

November 26th 2nd Practice

10th Dress Rehearsal

December 3rd Practice & Costume fitting

17th **Nativity Play**

Please make sure that you bring your children to Mass on the Sundays leading up to the play.



ADVENT PROJECT

The retiring collections during Advent will be for our chosen annual Advent Project. This year we will support the YMCA hostel in Derby for their Christmas Safety Campaign, in which they supply accommodation, food, safety and support for homeless young people.



CHRISTMAS CRACKER COFFEE MORNING: This **Saturday, December 2nd**. This special coffee morning in Castle Donington will have a Christmas theme, with a seasonal tombola, additional stalls and, of course, home-made cakes and coffee and tea. We would love to have all our parish community support this event.

We need seasonal prizes for the tombola: Christmas treats, drinks, stocking fillers and decorations would be greatly appreciated. Please leave any contributions in our baskets in the church porch in Castle Donington and Melbourne.

CHRISTMAS RAFFLE: There are various lovely prizes. To enter the raffle, put £1 in an envelope and write on it your name and telephone number. This is your raffle ticket. The raffle will be drawn at our Castle Donington Christmas Coffee Morning on December 3rd.



CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS GET-TOGETHER: On **Saturday, December 16th**, from 2.00 till 4.30 pm, there will be a children's Christmas film (The Grinch? Cinderella? Polar Express? Etc?) followed by a shared party table in St. Mary's Hall, Melbourne. The film will be suitable for all ages. Please add this to your children's social engagements.

THE SICK: Pray for the recovery of our parishioners, family members and friends who are ill, including Ian Dingley, John Sutton, Patrick McKiernan, Brian Sutcliffe, Edwin Knight, Robert Burns, Kevin Kelly, Roseanne Kelly, Jill Beasley, Angela Scouller, Rosia Williams, Michael McIvove and our parishioners in care homes.



PRAY FOR: The repose of the souls of Margaret Baron, George Williamson, Henry Flint, Patrick Buckley, Alice Ryle, Rose O'Flaherty, Elizabeth Scotney, Selina Botton, Christina Kerr, Norman Saunders, Sadie Cushanan and Robert Macauley, whose anniversaries are this week.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

December

2nd Christmas Coffee Morning [CD]

16th 2.00pm Children's film & party [M]

17th Nativity Play [M]

February

13th Shrove Tuesday Feast [M]

ONLY JOKING:

If the apostles had been Snowmen ...

