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*Bulletin Highlights*

*Thirty Second Sunday of Ordinary Time - Year C*

*10th November 2019*



*Prayer in*

*Time of Drought*

(Missal page 1368)

O God, Lord of all creation, by whose power the whole earth came to be. Look upon our parched land, we pray, and bestow upon it abundant rain, that pastures, fields and paddocks, may by your goodness, thrive once more. We offer You this prayer through Christ our Lord, Amen.



*Significant Anniversaries and Advent Event*

Our parishioners are invited to the wonderful occasion scheduled for Saturday 30 November after the Vigil Mass. About 65 people have so far registered and there remains room for another 25. Those attending are invited to gather for pre-dinner drinks from 6:00 PM with the meal served by 6:30 PM. The formalities come to conclusion by about 8:00 PM though guests are welcome to stay longer. The only significant anniversary registered so far is from the PP. Others are still invited to contact Elizabeth to register or to simply advise of their intention to be present. Cost is just \$15 and includes a two-course meal and beverages.

## *First Holy Communion Programme*

From various reports, the workshops have proceeded quite well over the past two weeks. Thanks to the overwhelming number of parents who have embraced the programme with a strong sense of commitment. The importance of being at Mass with children cannot be overestimated. It's another way of teaching children the importance of Catholic spirituality as a way of life. And BTW, if sacrifice has been necessary for attendance at Mass and the workshops, then that has a strong upside. We can work on that basis that "the bigger the sacrifice, the better the preparation". For this coming week, parents are asked to read page 18 and assist their children with their activity work on pages 19-20.



## *Disadvantaged Children of India Fund - Thank You*

Thank you to everyone who supported the Disadvantaged Children of India Fund charity by purchasing a card or by donation a few weeks ago. A total amount of \$1080.00 was raised by the card sales and an additional \$959.00 was raised by donations from parishioners as well as sale of cards sold outside the parish. A total of \$2039.00 will be directly sent to the Carmelite Fathers to purchase the Christmas outfits for each of the 169 children currently in their care. We are so grateful to belong to such a supportive caring parish. God Bless you all. Richard and Ann Stomber.



## *Catholic Mission Appeal*



About three weeks ago an appeal was conducted in our own parish on behalf of Catholic Mission. The proceeds are dedicated to a variety of places both overseas and within our own country. And it's reassuring to know that administrative costs are kept to an absolute minimum. It's a tribute to our own parish that an amount of \$4,619 was raised. Thanks to all for such generosity. Greatly appreciated.



## *The Australian Catholic Youth Festival*

A national gathering of Catholic young people has been established by the Australian Catholic Bishops Conference as a way of providing young people with the opportunity to attend worship, workshops and plenaries that will deepen their faith. This year the festival will be held in Perth from 8-10 December 2019 and the Diocese of Wollongong will be organising a group of young adults (ages 18-30) to attend. Please Note: that applications to attend with the Diocese will close November 1, 2019. For more information contact Georgia on 4222 2427 or at [youth@dow.org.au](mailto:youth@dow.org.au).