

We warmly welcome you too the

# Parish of Kalgoorlie-Boulder

(Boulder, Coolgardie, Kalgoorlie, Kambalda, Norseman)  
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## SUNDAY Mass Times

Kalgoorlie (St Mary)	6:30pm (Sat), 10am (Sun)
Boulder (All Hallows)	8am (Sun), 5:30pm (Sun)
Coolgardie (St Mary)	4pm (Sat)
Kambalda (St John Vianney)	9am (Sun)
Norseman (St Joseph)	12:30pm (Sun)

### Notices

#### PARISH FINANCE

**First Collection** - Fr. Thai Vu BSB: 086 136  
Ac/N: 743 713 570 please reference your name.  
**Second Collection:** Kalgoorlie Boulder Parish  
BSB: 036 125 - Ac/N: 790 100 please reference your name.

#### WELCOME TO THE PARISH OF KALGOORLIE-BOULDER

If you are new to the Goldfields or just visiting, we're so glad you're here! Please visit the Parish office (15 Porter St Kalgoorlie) during the week and introduce yourself.

#### BIRTHDAYS

David Von Perger 26/11 and Steve Hogan 28/11

#### PRAYERS FOR THE SICK/HOUSEBOUND/HOSPITALISED

Baby Audrey Schweppes, Steve and Wendy D'Monte, Logan Hughes, David and Pam Lavender, Janet Bartle, Gerhardt and Eve Novak, Lyn Stewart, Gianne, Lolita, Teresa Quilanita Tores, Peter Allen, Desmond McColl and Mad Ted.

#### DEATH ANNIVERSARIES

Reginald Brockman 29/11, Dorothy Stockwell 30/11

#### GRATITUDE TO FREIGHTLINES GROUP, KALGOORLIE

We extend our gratitude to Joshua Bratt from Freightlines Group who has arranged for our Parish to use one of their small trucks (and supply a driver) as our float in the St Barbara's Parade next Sunday.

#### CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE

Christmas Mass Schedule cards will be available from all of our Churches this weekend. Please feel free to take one home and extras for your family and friends.

#### CHRISTIAN OUTREACH CRISTMAS CRAFT STALL

A Christmas craft stall will be held after the 8.00am Mass next **Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> December at All Hallows Church Boulder** and after the **10.00am Mass on Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> December at St Mary's Church, Kalgoorlie** (cash only sales). Donations of hand-made Christmas craft items, baked goods (shortbreads, puddings etc) and home grown produce would be most appreciated for this stall and can be delivered to the Parish office during business hours or brought to the two stalls. All proceeds from the stall will support our Christian Outreach Program.

### THE WEEK AHEAD

#### DECEMBER 2025

Mon 1	1 <sup>st</sup> Week of Advent 9.30am SX Nursing
Tue 2	1st Week of Advent 5.30pm
Wed 3	St Francis of Xavier 7.00am
Thu 4	1 <sup>st</sup> Week of Advent – 7.00am

Fri 5	1 <sup>st</sup> Week of Advent -7.00am
Sat 6	1 <sup>st</sup> Week of Advent - 9.30am Mass & Reconciliation - 11.00am

#### Sun 7 SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT


### SAVE THE DATES

4 Dec	Miners' Memorial 6.30pm Museum of the Goldfields
6 Dec	Annual Seniors' Christmas Luncheon
8 Dec	The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary Mass at 9.30am and 6.00pm

#### ACYF25 PILGRIMS

The 16 young people and the Youth Leaders from our Parish, along with Fr. Errol have now travelled to Melbourne to attend the Australian Catholic Youth Festival. Please keep them all in your prayers. We wish them a very spiritual and uplifting experience and a safe journey home.

#### INVITATION TO 25<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY OF ORDINATIONS



**25TH**  
ANNIVERSARY  
OF ORDINATION  
TO THE  
PRIESTHOOD

It is with great praise and thanks to God you are cordially invited to the Thanksgiving Mass celebrating the 25th Anniversary of Ordination to the Priesthood of


**Fr. Francis Xavier HUY THANH NGUYEN**  
**Fr. Francis Xavier PHONG THANH NGUYEN**  
**Fr. Dominic SON KIM NGUYEN**  
**Fr. CHARLES WADDELL**

at  
The Holy Vietnamese Martyrs Centre  
3 Victoria Ave Westminster  
Sunday 7 December 2025 - 5.00 pm

Please join us for some celebratory remarks and refreshment afterwards

RSVP BY 15TH NOVEMBER 2025  
Fr. Francis: [francis.nguyen@perthcatholic.org.au](mailto:francis.nguyen@perthcatholic.org.au)  
Fr. Phong: [phong.nguyen@perthcatholic.org.au](mailto:phong.nguyen@perthcatholic.org.au)  
Fr. Son: [chassonnguyen@yahoo.com.au](mailto:chassonnguyen@yahoo.com.au)

*The Spirit of the Lord is upon me...*  
Isaiah 61:1



#### CATHOLIC Q & A

*During the last few years I've heard of priests hesitating or even refusing to baptize children. Recently my nephew told me that when he and his wife took their first child to the priest for baptism, the priest gave them a hard time. He told them he would have to talk to them a few times about their own practice of the faith before he would baptize the baby.*

*I don't know what my nephew will do, but I do know that other parishes do not hold up a baptisms like this. Isn't there a church law that says children are to be baptized as soon as possible after birth? Does the priest have any right to postpone baptism this way just because the parents don't go to mass as often as they should?*

The answer is that the Catholic Church requires parents to be practicing Catholics in order to have their children baptized, and that priests have the right to delay baptism if the parents are not prepared to raise their children in the faith.

The same law requires that immediately after birth, or before, the parents go to their parish priest to request the sacrament of baptism for their child and not be properly prepared for it.

At least twice during the ceremony, Catholic parents openly proclaim that they accept and believe the faith in which the child is being baptized and that they are willing to give the example and teaching necessary for that child to be raised in the faith. This promise cannot be made by supposedly Catholic parents unless they themselves are faithful to the practice of their faith, and are not brining that child for baptism out of a sense of family tradition or a vague feeling that "it's the right thing to do" - which is often true today with parents who do not got to Mass regularly or otherwise are weak in their believes, or are not faithful in practicing what they say they believe.

We are in a situation different from the one we were in when the church instituted the practice of almost automatic baptism of children of baptized Catholic parents. The objective of the Catholic Church is to ensure that children are raised properly in the faith, and that parents are prepared to give the example and teaching necessary for their children to be raised as good active Catholic men and women.

The method used by the Catholic Church to achieve its objective is to require parents to meet with the parish priest before baptizing their child, in order to assess their preparedness to raise their child in the faith are prepared to raise their children in the faith, and that the child will be raised properly as a member of the Catholic religion.

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#### MONDAY 8<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER 2025

#### THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

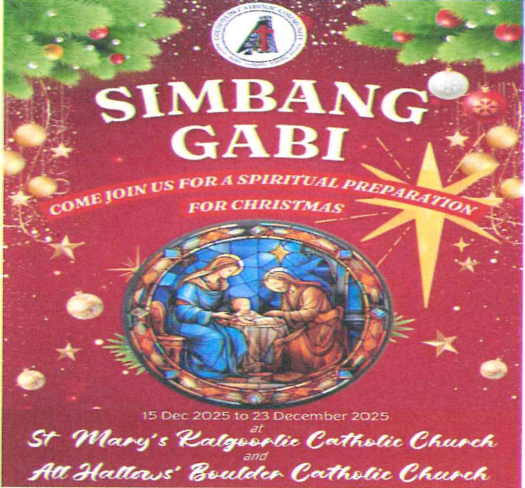
The Mass for this Feast will be held at **9.30am at the SX Nursing Home Chapel** and at **6.00pm** that night at **St Mary's Church, Kalgoorlie**.

During the 6.00pm Mass, our much-loved parishioners, Shuie and David will be getting married. Everyone who attends this Mass is invited by the happy couple to join them in the Parish Centre afterwards for light refreshments.

#### OUR ANNUAL CHRISTMAS HAMPER APPEAL

Please place grocery and festive food items in the specially marked baskets in St Mary's Church Kalgoorlie and All Hallows' in Boulder before and after weekend masses (no perishable foods or chocolates please). Donations can also be taken to the Parish office during business hours. These items will then be placed in our Christmas Hampers. If you or anyone you know could benefit from receiving A Christmas hamper, please phone our parish office with the details.

#### SIMBANG GABI 2025 SAVE THE DATES



#### PARISH SAFEGUARDING OFFICERS

The Catholic Archdiocese of Perth is committed to the safety and security of all children, the elderly, and any other vulnerable people. If you have any safety concerns, you can discuss it with the Parish Safeguarding Officer(s) **Carmel O'Neil:** 0437 902 812 and **Carmel Salmon:** 0428 240 086