

# Read it in the GRAPEVINE

## SACRAMENT DATES 2011

- + **First Communion** June 25/26
- + **Reconciliation** August 10/11
- + **Confirmation** September 10/11

## PARISH 25 YEAR JUBILEE CELEBRATIONS

Next year, our Parish will be celebrating our **25th Silver Jubilee**. We would like a committee to organize the celebration for the Parish. If you would like to be involved, register in the foyer.

## BUILDING MANAGEMENT TEAM

We have a building Management Team. Our members are Andrew Booth (Coordinator), Craig Fairhead, David Nicholson, Deacon Bruce, Jeff Parker, Les Connors and Ben McCarthy. Your support of the Building Committee will be most appreciated as they seek to keep our buildings and facilities in good condition for us.

## TRADES AND HANDYMAN SERVICES

We are seeking your services in many trades and handyman and even general volunteering in different times when required to support our Building Management Team. If you can volunteer or provide services or expert advice in any of the different areas, please register at the foyer: General volunteer work, handyman, bricklayer, cabinetmaker, carpenter, carpet layer, ceiling flusher, ceramic tiler, drainage plumber, electrician, glazier, granite specialist, paver, painter, plumber, roof plumber, waterproofing, window cleaner. Thank you

## BATEMAN PARISH RENEWAL

Success: Full Relating. 10—13 April 2011. Fr Justin Belitz OFM will present a new programme based on his latest book—*Success: Full Relating*.

We are seeking help from parishioners to organise the renewal. Committee members are needed as well as volunteers during the renewal. If you would like to help, please contact Marianne Cole on 0423 105 611 or email [adultfaith@batemancatholic.org](mailto:adultfaith@batemancatholic.org).

## Christmas Day Saturday December 25

8.00am Christmas Mass in Church

9.30am Christmas Mass in Church

11.00am Christmas Mass in Church

## Boxing Day Masses Sunday December 26

8.00am; 9.30am; 11.00am and 6.00pm

**NO MASSES** on Friday 24 Dec 5.30pm & Saturday 25 Dec 6.30pm



## THANK YOU

### SVDP CHRISTMAS HAMPER APPEAL

The Bateman Conference would like to thank Fr Philip, Yidarra Catholic Primary School, Corpus Christi College, Majellan Group, Parish Playgroup and all parishioners who generously donated hampers, toys, Christmas items and cash as well as Gift Cards. Your generosity towards the needy people is greatly appreciated. The conference members take this opportunity to wish you all a Merry Christmas and a Joyous & Happy New Year. May God bless each and every one of you.



*The giving of gifts is not something man invented. God started the giving spree when he gave a gift beyond words, the unspeakable gift of His Son.*

- Robert Flatt

## BULLETIN HELPERS

Bulletin helpers needed to type the Parish bulletin. If you are interested in typing the bulletin, please contact Juliana at the Parish office on 9310 1747. You are only rostered about 3 times a year—not a very big job.



# Parish Notices

## CHRISTMAS MESSAGE—2010

Some people say that Christmas is for children. In truth, Christmas invites us to be like little children, for it is with the eyes of a child that we can see the deeper joys that Christmas brings. In the Gospels, Jesus says, "In truth I tell you, anyone who does not welcome the kingdom of God like a little child will never enter it."

Let us see then with the eyes of a child that we may see the wonders of God's goodness in the Christmas message. A King, God Himself is born in a manger; Shepherds heard what Angels sang, "Peace on earth and to all people of goodwill"; Kings come from all over to pay him homage; God is with us! May this Christmas fill us with the joy that children most eloquently express not because we have big and beautiful things but because we know how much we are loved by God.

Fr. Philip.

## THANK YOU!

A very big Thank You to all the lovely ladies, both young and older, who made some really lovely biscuits. The response from the parishioners has been so overwhelming and the Parish received over 5,000 biscuits which were packed into little packets by the Parish Staff last week. These packets were decorated with red and green ribbons representing the Christmas colours. Due to the tremendous amount of biscuits donated, we were able to pack 400 over packets of biscuits and six big platters of biscuits.

These packets have been distributed to the Prisons - 150 packets, the St. Patrick's Community Support Centre in Fremantle - 100 packets, the Women and Children Refuge in Fremantle - 60 packets and the balance to St. Vincent de Paul Call Centre in Belmont and the Shop Front, the Archdiocese support centre in Maylands. The six platters of biscuits were distributed to the various nursing homes in our surrounding areas.

The Parish Staff are grateful for the very generous donations and wish to thank the parishioners who donated the biscuits, for their support and kindness. Normally we are only able to reach out to the prisons with only 100 packets each year but this year because of the generosity of the parishioners we were able to reach out more through the various organizations and groups to people in need.

Once again thank you very much and have a holy and blessed Christmas and best wishes for the New Year. Juliana Doss

## CHRISTMAS CAROLLING ON 18TH DEC.

Last Saturday the Bateman Parish Carolers visited Regents Garden, RAAF, St. Ives and Applecross Nursing Homes to entertain the residents with Christmas Carols. Adults and children were there to sing with so much joy that the residents started to follow and clapping their hands as well. Our carolers performed with a true spirit of Christmas and the residents were so grateful and happy that they kept saying thank you, thank you.

The group was led by Doug, Stephen, Adrian and Anthony. Thank you all — you all are indeed super. I take this opportunity to wish each and everyone of you a MERRY CHRISTMAS AND A HAPPY AND JOYFUL NEW YEAR. GOD BLESS.  
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