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The Cathedral parish acknowledges the Whadjuk people of the Noongar nation, the Traditional Owners who have walked upon and cared for this land for thousands of years. We acknowledge the continued deep spiritual attachment and relationship of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples to this country and commit ourselves to the ongoing journey of reconciliation

**OUR MISSION**

We strive to be an inspiring Catholic community in the heart of our city, welcoming everyone and providing sanctuary for the marginalised, the sorrowful and the seeker of Jesus' love

**Safeguarding Officers**

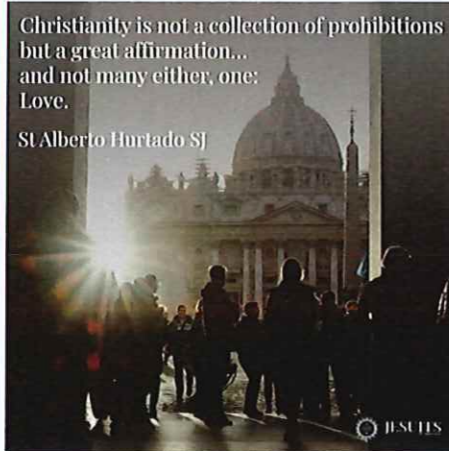
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Christianity is not a collection of prohibitions but a great affirmation... and not many either, one: Love.  
St Alberto Hurtado SJ



**Next Weekend's Roster**

**SATURDAY 13 JANUARY**

6:00 pm Fr Kenneth Acosta  
(C) Victoria Phan  
(R) Maria Borce

**SUNDAY 14 JANUARY**

8:00 am Fr Richard Smith  
(C) Damien Bowen  
(R) Eleanor Le Coultre  
(R) Jassica Patterson

9:30 am Fr Kenneth Acosta  
(C) Brendon Norris  
(R) Colette Shack  
(R) Pam Mattes

11:00 am Fr Kenneth Acosta  
(C) Amando Robles  
(R) Barbara van Reyk  
(R) Mellisa Menezes

5:00 pm Fr Richard Smith  
(C) Sean Keane  
(R) Kevin Clarke  
(R) Guilbert Cabagyo

St Francis Xavier  
9:30 am Fr Richard Smith  
(R) Minnie  
(R) Monica

**THE EPIPHANY BLESSING**  
**MARKING HOMES WITH BLESSED CHALK FOR THE NEW YEAR**

The ancient custom of marking the door of the home with blessed chalk is a way of incorporating the liturgical feast of the Epiphany into the prayer life of the family. Parishioners are invited to take home chalk blessed in the parish church at Mass for Epiphany to mark the lintel of their front door as follows:

**20 C+M+B 24**

The letters C, M and B stand for the traditional names for the Three Wise Men who come seeking Jesus: Caspar, Melchior, and Balthasar. The letters also represent the words *Christus Mansionem Benedicat* (May Christ Bless this Abode).

Take this bulletin home so that you can follow the little rite to the right as a household. Remember to leave a space between the 'C', 'M', 'B' so you can insert the crosses.



**DEANS BIT**

We have just come through a very busy period for all of us. Despite all of your busyness at home so many of you have given generously of your time and energy to help the Cathedral be a welcoming place for many visitors over the Christmas period. Thank you to all the members of our parish family for your generosity towards the bishops and Cathedral priests. We have received so many prayers, good wishes gifts and donations from you. We are thankful for them all. We do not deserve your kindness and support, but we do thank God for it. May God bless you all.



**A WORD OF CAUTION**

You may be approached by people who invite you to join a bible discussion or similar group. Please take care about such approaches if you do not know the people or if they are not from the parish. They may not fully honest about their affiliation, but may belong to a fundamentalist or cult-like organisation. If you have any questions about an approach please speak to one of the priests or to the security guard.



A reminder that the downstairs toilets and most parts of the Cathedral are open to the public. Please ensure that children and others at risk are accompanied at all times.

The Cathedral appreciates your generosity and support! Please use the devices near the baptismal font and piety stall or the QR codes below to give to the first and second collections.



FIRST COLLECTION



SECOND COLLECTION

CHALK MARK	WORDS TO BE SAID AT HOME
	<p><b>Leader:</b> Peace be upon this house and with all of us who live here. <b>All: Amen.</b></p> <p><b>Leader:</b> The wise men from the East came to Jerusalem asking: Where is the child who has been born king of the Jews? For we observed his star at its rising and have come to pay him homage. When they saw that the star had stopped, they were overwhelmed with joy. On entering the house, they saw the child with Mary his mother, and they knelt down and paid him homage. The Gospel of the Lord. <b>All: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.</b></p>
C M B	<p>THE THREE WISE MEN CASPAR MELCHIOR BALTHASAR FOLLOWED THE LIGHT OF THE STAR TO FIND JESUS, THE SON OF GOD, WHO CAME TO LIVE AMONG US.</p>
20 24 + +	<p>TWO THOUSAND AND TWENTY-FOUR YEARS AGO. MAY CHRIST BLESS OUR HOME TODAY AND REMAIN WITH US THROUGHOUT THE YEAR.</p>
	<p><b>Leader:</b> Let us pray. God of mercy, fill our home with the light and love of Christ that it may be a place of hospitality and welcome. May Christ be our shelter when we are at home, our companion when we are away, and our welcome guest when we return. Through Christ our Lord. <b>All: Amen.</b></p> <p><b>Leader:</b> Let us bless the Lord. <b>All: Thanks be to God.</b></p> <p><b>Leader:</b> In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. <b>All: Amen.</b></p>