Dear Parents,

How fantastic it was this week to see all of the Advent Calendars coming into school. The calendars were our special family homework projects for the past 2 weeks and it never ceases to amaze me how talented our children (and parents) are. Please take the time to visit our foyer and junior corridor to appreciate the work that has gone into these projects.

This Friday 2nd of December is the last day our School library will be open. All books need to be returned so that we can have a full and accurate stocktake. Thank you for your assistance in this matter.

Our school carols night is fast approaching and will be held on the 6th December from 6:30pm in the Church. This year the evening performance is a ‘parents only’ event due to crowd congestion in the church. There will be a matinee/rehearsal for grandparents and special friends at 10am on the same day. Children can come to school dressed in their designated ‘colours’ or ‘costumes’ for the carols.

On Wednesday 7th December we will be holding our ‘Up Day’ which is when children will get to meet their 2017 class teacher and classmates. 2017 Foundation students will also be in attendance for this session. One of the big tasks we undertake at this time of year is the placement of children in classes for the following year. Many of you may think it is a simple task, however, in reality it is quite a challenging task for all staff. It is about ‘getting it right’ so all children can succeed in their learning and in a social setting. Often these two factors can cause some conflict because the children who they socialize with may not always be the best children to be in the class with, due to them distracting each other on a regular basis. However, what is quite apparent is that often the parents who are most apprehensive about their children and where they will be placed, have the most anxious children. In all situations, I advocate that children need to be risk takers and problem solvers and this can be applied to the children they have in their class. For example, the foundation children from 2016 will be mixed up next year and instead of looking at whether the children will not be with some of their friends, I see it as an opportunity for the children to meet many more friends. The same applies for children in all the classes. Sometimes parents have valid reasons as to where their child is placed in a class. These reasons can be educational or social. The full staffing schedule for 2017 will be published in the newsletter dated 8th December.

On Friday we will have our inter house swimming carnival which has been eagerly anticipated by many students and staff alike. Special thanks to Mrs Thompson who has been instrumental in coordinating this event. Thanks also to all of the parents who have volunteered to help with supervision and running events.

Well done to our ‘Skipz’ teams who performed for us at snack time on Monday. I was wonderful to see the skills on show in their choreographed routines. Special thanks to Isabelle and her team who have worked with the students this year.

On Wednesday I had the good fortune to be a part of the special afternoon tea which involved our staff and the Year 6 students. It was amazing seeing the interactions between the staff and the students sharing stories of their time at St. Finbar’s and discussing successes and future aspirations.

Peace and Blessings,
Pat Berlingerri
Principal
TERM 4 UPCOMING EVENTS:

December
Fri 2  Whole School Swimming Carnival
Tue 6  Carols Night 6.30pm
Wed 7  ‘UP’ Day F – 6 2017 Classes
Thu 8  Year 6 Graduation ~ 6.30pm
Fri 9  Year 6 Big Day Out
Mon 12  Brighton Cluster Day – Year 6
Thu 15  End of Year Mass
        Year 6 Farewell parade 1.50pm
        Students dismissed 2pm
Fri 16  School Closure – Teacher Day
Mon 19  School Closure – Teacher Day
Tue 20  School Closure – Teacher Day

TERM 4 UPCOMING ASSEMBLIES:

Monday 5th December – Year FG & FI
Monday 12th December – NO ASSEMBLY

All parents are warmly welcomed to attend our weekly assemblies.

Assembly every Monday at 2:40pm. Please arrive on time to avoid disappointment.

St Finbars School (Brighton East)
2017 Stationery Requirements

YEAR 5 AND 6 stationery lists are now available to order online via the OfficeMax website.

ORDERING INSTRUCTIONS
Ordering is fast, secure and convenient, just visit officemaxschools.com.au and follow these easy steps:
1. Search for your school St Finbar’s Primary School, Brighton East, VIC and enter your school access key 24WF4D.
2. Complete the student’s details and select Year 5 or 6.
3. Review your requirements list and make changes (if required).
4. If you need additional items, top up from our Back to School special range, and checkout.

Please note: For home deliveries only, if you have more than one student at the same school repeat above steps. Once completed, an order confirmation will be sent to your email address.

ORDER DEADLINES and DELIVERY INFORMATION

Home Delivery:
Your order will be delivered to your home or work.

• Orders placed on or before 4th December 2016 will be delivered free of charge before the end of December 2016
• Orders placed between 5th December 2016 and 18th December 2016 will incur a delivery fee of $9.95, and be delivered before the beginning of Term 1, 2017
• Orders placed after 18th December 2016 and before 31st December 2016 will incur a delivery fee of $19.90, and be delivered before the beginning of Term 1, 2017
• Unfortunately, delivery of orders placed after 31st December 2016 cannot be guaranteed before the start of Term 1, 2017

YEAR 5 BOOKLIST 2017

PLEASE NOTE:
Foundation – Year 4 have a book levy included in the school accounts and are not required to purchase any stationery. Thank you.
A voice cries in the desert: prepare a way for the Lord, make his paths straight. 
Matthew 3:3

The desert is a dangerous environment lacking in water and life. It is also a land of profound silence that has haunted many seekers of a deeper spiritual life. In this week’s gospel, John the Baptist, emerges from the desert crying out for us to change our ways.

Preparation for Christmas can be a ‘desert’ time for us as we cope with the demands of a consumerist society in the midst of a world of inequality, poverty and violence. We lose our way as we chase the next sale item. We forget which way leads to life. The voices of refugees coming from the Middle Eastern deserts today challenge us to change our priorities.

Perhaps we can withdraw a little this week from the hectic celebrations of Christmas and concentrate instead on waiting and prayerfully preparing for what is to come. Maybe we can also reflect on this question: What ‘good fruit’ have I produced so far in my life?

(Adapted from The Summit & Emmanuel 2016 Reflections on Advent, Sr Eileen Brown SGS)

Listed below is the class allocation for St Vinnies Christmas Hampers … your compassion for those in need and your generosity is greatly appreciated …

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Enjoy your week.

Upcoming Events
Tuesday 6th December – Carols Night 
Thursday 15th December @ 9:15am – End of Year Mass

The ‘Catholic Education Today’ magazine will be coming home next week, but we invite families to view the new online version here: link Thank you.
Accessing School Reports Online

Below you will find instructions for accessing your family information on ‘The Parent Portal.’ This will include your child/children’s Semester Report. You will also be able to access other exciting areas as we roll out more of this program in 2017.

**LOGIN:** separate email will advise you

**PASSWORD:** separate email will advise you

**PLEASE DO NOT DELETE OR SHARE THESE DETAILS.**

*Please Note: You can use*

- **Chrome** or **Internet Explorer** for Desktop/Laptop
- or **Safari** for Apple Users
to access Parent Portal.

*No hard copy of Reports will be sent home from school this semester.*

Click Parent Portal Icon on St Finbar’s homepage [http://sfbrightoneast.catholic.edu.au](http://sfbrightoneast.catholic.edu.au)

Insert your Username and Password as advised
To Access the following links click:

1) Purple...‘My Children’... *Semester Reports*
2) Green...‘My Family’... *Family Information*
3) Light Blue...‘My School’... *News etc.* (not active)
4) Navy...‘My Account’... *Account details* (not active)

**My Children**

Here you can view all of your child/children’s Reports from Prep to Grade 6

 Semester 2 Reports will be available to view at 3pm, Friday, 9th December, 2016.

Click on Reports and you will see a list of all Reports for your child/children.

Click on Report for viewing/downloading/printing
Follow further instructions online
Year 6 Student & Teacher Buddies
It feels like yesterday that the staff hosted an afternoon tea for their year 6 student buddies. What a great beginning to the year and one of the first experiences I had of just how impressive this group of children appeared to be. Well fast forward almost 11 months and yesterday the favour was returned and the teachers were hosted by the students. Apart from the spectacular array of fine food that had been carefully prepared by parents and, as we were told, by the children themselves, we had the pleasure of mingling with our amazing year 6s. My first thoughts about this group have been justified many times over throughout the year as each child has continued to impress with their maturity and ability to take on the responsibilities expected of them as leaders in the school. A huge congratulations to their parents and the great work of Mrs. D’Rozario and Ms. Durie this year and also all the teachers who have taught these children in their time at St Finbar’s. (Thanks for picking up the crumbs Mr Berlinger).}

Family Christmas Activity
WOW – What else can I say! – Come and see for yourselves.

CONGRATULATIONS:
Congratulations to Clair S ~ 6D on recently performing with Stage Left Performing Arts school in Alice in Wonderland. Clair had a leading role as the White Rabbit. Well done!
I.C.T. NEWS ~ Miss Michelle Hill

Hour of Code
This year St Finbar’s will be participating in the Hour of Code. Hour of Code is a one hour introduction to computer science, designed to demystify ‘code’ and show that anyone can learn the basics of coding. It is a worldwide phenomenon involving tens of millions of students in more than 180 countries.
Each teacher at St Finbar’s from Foundation to Year 6 will run their Hour of Code at some point during the week of December 5th-11th.

SPORT NEWS: Mrs Tania Thompson

St. Finbar’s Inter House Swimming Carnival

FRIDAY 2ND DECEMBER
MSAC, AUGHTIE DRIVE, ALBERT PARK, OUTDOOR SHELTERED 50M POOL
*F-2 carnival: 10am – 12.40pm  *Yr 3-6 carnival: 10.00am-2.40pm

Please read over all information provided via the Care Monkey email AND support your child in packing their required items for TOMORROW.

* REMEMBER: Wear their full sports uniform, bathers & thongs on the day and bring the following items in their SCHOOL BAG:  * House-swimming cap  * Goggles (recommended) *Spare bag for wet items  *Full water bottle *Sunscreen (pre-applied before school & also taken in bag)  * School hat  * All food (lots of snacks and lunch)
*2-3 Towels  *F-2’s: sneakers & socks in school bags *Optional for all, but encouraged: a dash of house-coloured zinc, pom-poms /streamers
HOUSE SWIM CAPS - are compulsory.  Foundations will receive their ‘pre-named’ House coloured cap on the day.  Yr 1-6’s: please locate yours from last year.  If a new one is required, caps can be purchased for $5 from Yvette at the office BEFORE 8.45AM.
*F-2’S ONLY: please remember to pack AT LEAST 2-3 TOWELS & their SNEAKERS & SOCKS (these will be put on once back at school).

PARENT HELPERS: JNR & SNR SWIM CARNIVAL
Many thanks to the many volunteering Parent Helpers.
If required, you would have received your Helper email on Tuesday.
*Anyone else keen to support on the day, please email Tania this afternoon.
tthompson@sfbrightoneast.catholic.edu.au

VENUE: Melbourne Sports & Aquatics Centre (MSAC), Albert Park.
PARKING FOR SPECTATORS: please check time limits when you park.  We suggest long-hour sections of Canterbury Rd (walk under under-pass) or a side street off this road (Wright St, Mills St, Middle Park) or in MSAC’s 2 car parks: Multi Level car park, entry off Albert Rd – closest to pool (pay & display ticket), or Southern Car Park - entry via Aughtie Drive (pay & display ticket), or in Lakeside Stadium parking off Aughtie Drive (pay & display & ticket).  Car Parking may ask for C/C or coins so please be pre-prepared.

SPECTATOR ENTRY:  Closest to pool: free entry via ground level rotating entry doors near the Multi-Level Car Park off Albert Rd.  You may enter from the Stadium/Wave Pool entry side, please state you are attending the St. Finbar’s Swim Carnival in the outdoor 50m pool, may be an entry charge.
Last Friday saw our second team of basketballers head off to the State Hoop Time Finals in Dandenong; this time it was our Year 5&6 Future Stars ‘Fury’ mixed team’s turn.

The team played very well across all four pool-games, winning all but one to place 2nd in their pool. ‘Fury’ then went on to play the 1st place getters in an opposing pool. Despite fantastic ‘courageous’ team efforts, the team narrowly went down in this Elimination final. To their credit though, the team then went on to win their Consolation final to finish the day off on a high; placing them in the top 24 of the state out of 900 original teams! Well done to all players.

An enormous THANK YOU goes to our parents that drove the team members and coached and scored over the entire day. Tony and Breda – we appreciate your amazing time and efforts to support the team at this event. From all accounts each player is also to be congratulated for their fine team efforts over the day; it was lovely to hear of the positive behaviour feedback we received.

Well done to eight Team ‘Fury’ members: Ryan B (6A), Jack L (5L), Seb C (6D), Will B (6D), Tara C (6A), Tess B (6D), Millie F (6A) & Izzy M (6D)

Please ensure all borrowed St. Finbar’s Sports Singlets are returned to your class teacher ASAP. Please ‘cold-wash’ & ‘air-dry’ before returning – thank you!
**Holiday Program Flyer ~ Click here for further details**

**BYO HEALTHY LUNCH, SNACKS (extra snacks) AND DRINK BOTTLE WITH WATER:** where food is brought from home, the service encourages families to provide food that is consistent with the: Australian Government guidelines Get Up & Grow: Healthy Eating and Physical Activity for Early Childhood, and/or Dietary Guidelines for Children and Adolescents in Australia. We encourage parents to provide extra fruit and vegetables for afternoon snack and “sometimes foods” to be kept to a minimum. Store lunches in our fridge (chilled water is always available @ the service) Snack time 10.15am - Lunch 12.15pm.

Please note that the service aspires to be a nut free environment.

**Anaphylaxis:** Under regulations, children who have been prescribed an adrenaline auto-injection device such as an Epipen® must bring it to the service. Please note that the school office will be closed during the holiday program and as such OSHC staff cannot access the first aid room.

To ensure parents/guardians of the child/ren diagnosed at risk of anaphylaxis are provided with a copy of the policy (r. 20(2A)), the service has now posted the policy on the school website. (Community tab; OSHC; Anaphylaxis policy)

**Clothing and footwear:** comfortable and protective

**Excursions:** Children will not be permitted to attend an excursion unless a form is completed.

**Behaviour:** Children are expected to follow the rules and practice positive behaviour, where a mutual respect between staff and children shall be fostered. If a child/rens behaviour is deemed unsatisfactory, behaviour management action will take place to positively change the behaviour (redirect to quieter activities) if unsatisfactory behaviour persists, then an incident record will be completed and parents/guardians notified. The Directress reserves the right to exclude the child/ren from participating in the program.

**Electronic games** are welcome although items bought from home are the children’s responsibility. St Finbar’s OSHC will not take responsibility for lost or broken games. Screen time is only permitted during a viewing of a movie.

**Kids on wheels:** bring anything with wheels and a helmet for safety.

| Holiday program 8-6 | $38 | After rebate $19 |
| Holiday Program 1/2 day | $19 | After Rebate $9.50 |
**Holiday Program—Special excursion Tuesday 24/1/2017**

Special Excursion - PRE- BOOKINGS ONLY

40 tickets offered and bookings will be subject to availability.

**ESSENTIAL** - Please contact Melissa BY EMAIL PRIOR TO THE EXCURSION to book and pay for tickets by direct transfer to the St Finbar’s OSHC account. (name of children essential)

Payment for the day will not be required until after the holiday program. The $38 attracts CCB and CCR. EXCURSION costs ($27) do not attract CCB or CCR rebate

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**Thunderstorm Asthma: Supporting children**

Advice from Dr Jenny Proimos Principal Medical Advisor Early Childhood and School Education Group

Thunderstorms have been linked to epidemics of asthma, especially at the end of Spring, when grasses are flowering. An asthma attack can be life threatening. Anyone experiencing wheezing, chest tightness and difficulty breathing should call 000.

Anyone with a known history of asthma is at risk of experiencing an exacerbation of their usual symptoms at this time. In addition, people who do not usually experience symptoms of asthma but have a history of allergies may be at increased risk.

The common signs of asthma are difficulty in breathing (gasping for air), chest tightness and wheezing.

If a child’s condition is deteriorating, parents or guardians should seek urgent care. Signs of rapid deterioration include little or no relief from a reliever inhaler, inability to speak comfortably, or lips turning blue.

**Actions required by staff in OSHC**

If a child is experiencing symptoms, staff must notify their parents immediately (and if staff require advice, they call Nurse on Call in the first instance, 1300 606 024).

If the child’s symptoms include wheezing, chest tightness and difficulty breathing, staff call 000.

For any child having an asthma attack, staff follow the instructions in their medical management plan and risk minimisation plan:

Staff Ensure the child’s medication is with the child at the service and is within expiry dates.

(The service has additional Ventolin and spacer should it be required)

If a plan is not available, staff follow the four-step asthma first aid, which is:

1. Staff sit the child upright and give reassurance – staff do not leave them alone.
2. Without delay, staff give the child four separate puffs of their blue/grey reliever medication (such as Airomir, Asmol, Bricanyl or Ventolin). If using a puffer (like Ventolin or Asmol), this should be taken one puff at a time through a spacer. staff ask the child to take four breaths from the spacer after each puff of medication.
3. Wait four minutes. If there is little or no improvement, repeat steps 2 and 3.
4. If there is still no improvement, staff immediately call 000 for an ambulance. Staff repeat steps 2 and 3 continuously while waiting for the ambulance to arrive.

All educators have updated their yearly Asthma, Anaphylaxis and CPR training in September 2016 with First Aid to be updated in 2017.

**Actions required by parents or guardians**

If a child is diagnosed with asthma all medication and asthma action plan must accompany the child to the service. It's important to note that the school is a separate entity and as such permission by the parent must be given for the child to bring their medication from the office to the After Care.

Asthma medication must be provided during Holiday Program.

**Accounts due**

Accounts are now out and due in full within seven days. Should you have any queries then please email melissa.asmar1@gmail.com The accounts cover weeks 7&8 of TERM 4 2016 usage.

Accounts are now emailed directly to a dedicated family email. If an email is not available then accounts are distributed via the office and are handed to children by their class room teacher. If you do not receive your account please contact Melissa.

Please note ALL outstanding account are to be finalised by the end of the year. This will include the Christmas holiday program. If you are experiencing any financial difficulty then please make an appointment with Melissa and Fr Ian Ranson.

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**PARENTS AND FRIENDS NEWS**

**UNIFORM SHOP NEWS:**

Tuesday 6th December (LAST DAY FOR 2016) – 9am – 9.30am.

Reminder – order forms are available from the office or they can be downloaded via the school website. Orders can be left at the office and will be filled and returned to your eldest child’s classroom.

We now accept orders via email. Forms can be downloaded HERE emailed to: uniforms@sfbrightoneast.catholic.edu.au Payment needs to be processed for orders to be sent home with the child. Thank you.
HEALTHY HUT TUCK SHOP:

As we come to the final days of school, please make a note of the days the Tuck shop is OPEN / CLOSED:

Thursday 8th December - CLOSED
Friday 9th December – CLOSED
Monday 12th December – OPEN
Tuesday 13th December – SPECIAL ORDERS ONLY
Thursday 15th December – OVER THE COUNTER SALES ONLY

Thank you for your support over the year.

PARISH NEWS

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Bethlehem in Brighton

This Saturday, 3rd December, we are invited to celebrate the real meaning of Christmas at ‘Bethlehem in Brighton’.

Helping parents bring CHRIST back into Christmas, with:
- an interactive nativity,
- live music
- animal farm
- cake stall
- craft activities,
- sausage sizzle and more.

A joint initiative of the Brighton Churches, Bethlehem in Brighton is held in the grounds of St Andrew’s Church (cnr Church and New Sts, Brighton) on Saturday 3rd December from 10am to 1pm, come along and enjoy the fun.
Christmas at St Finbar’s

Christmas Mass Times:

Christmas Eve at 5.30pm (Children’s Mass), 7.30pm (Family Mass) and Midnight Mass

Christmas Day at 10.30am

Children’s Mass
Children are invited to be part of the Nativity play and children’s Christmas Choir at the 5.30pm Mass on Christmas Eve.
Practices for the Nativity and Choir will be held on Saturday 17 Dec at 10am and Monday 19 Dec at 12.30pm.
Please contact Andrea on 0435 247 934 or BrightonEast@cam.org.au to be involved.

Mayflower Nursing Home
Following the practice on Monday 19 Dec, children are then also invited to walk up to Mayflower Nursing Home to sing some carols to the residents, from 1.30pm to about 2.30. Please note parents must accompany their children.

Family Mass
Please contact the Parish office if you would like to join the choir/band at the 7.30pm on Christmas Eve.

Volunteering
Please indicate on the form in the church foyer if you are able to read, run the data projector, be Special Minister, Altar Serve or collect at any of the Christmas Masses this year.
St Finbarr’s Catholic Parish

Parish Priest
Father Ian Ranson
Parish Secretary
Bridget Cooper (Tues & Thurs)
Address
86 Centre Rd, Brighton East
Phone
9593 2122
Website
www.cam.org.au/brightoneast
Email
BrightonEast@cam.org.au
St Vincent de Paul Hotline
1300 305 330
School Principal
Mr Patrick Berlinger
9592 4479

Mass Times
Saturday
6pm Vigil
Weekdays
9am & 11am and 5pm
Reconciliation
After 9.15am Mass on Saturday
Baptisms
Most Sundays following 11am Mass

For Weddings or Sacramental Enquiries
(First Reconciliation, First Eucharist or Confirmation),
Please contact the Parish Office.

Sunday 4th December

Christmas Mass Times:

Christmas Eve
5.30pm (Children’s Mass)
7.30pm (Family Mass)
Midnight Mass

Christmas Day
10.30am

No Mass on Boxing Day

Anointing of the Sick Mass
Tuesday 20th Dec at 11.30 followed by lunch in the Marian Room
(no 9.15am Mass)

Reconciliation:
Tuesday 20th Dec at 7.00pm

Communal prayers followed by individual reconciliation.

Recent Death
Salvatore Pizzio, Mary Therese Rogers, Nellie O’Connor, Susan Bryce and Julian D’Offey

Please pray for the sick:
Brinal D’Silva, Liam Evans, Mary Barber, Kath Dyer, Denise Fitzsimmons, Louise Davis, Kathleen Chiosso, Judy Burke, Cody Fisher, Joan D’Cruz, Kerrin White, Sheldon Veith, Adrienne O’Meara, Elizabeth Bren, Michael Moroney, Lisa Tonna, Maurice Beaumont, Geraldine Farrell, Tracey Harris, Michaela Burge, Tegan Whittle, Carmel Currie, Wendy Glennister, Sandra Charles, Jane Boyd, Patricia Cowte, Annalisa Zino, Margot Rawson, Olive Mabag, Odessa Prosser, Logan Tonini, Jill McKern, Jennifer Spencer, Nick Byrne, Luke Marriott, Max Finch, Rosa Maria Santos, Tom Howard, Catherine Stahn, John Smith, Sue Heffernan, Krystyna Charbucz silica, Jon Devitt, Will Murray, Peter Cleary, Margaret Sinclair, Joan Tramer, Cate Lombard and Chau Hoang.

Some of their names will be read out each week in the Prayers of the Faithful.

Entrance Antiphon:
O people of Sion, behold, the Lord will come to save the nations, and the Lord will make the glory of his voice heard in the joy of your heart.

Communion Antiphon:
Jerusalem, arise and stand upon the heights, and behold the joy which comes to you from God.

Christmas 2018
As Christmas draws near, please indicate on the form in the foyer if you are able to read, run the data project, be Special Minister, altar server or collect this year.

Children’s Mass 5.30pm
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Family Mass 7.30pm
Please contact the Parish office if you would like to join the choir/band at the 7.30pm on Christmas Eve.

Parish Contacts
Please feel free to contact any of these people if you would like to become more involved in Parish Life.

Rosters for Lectors, Collectors and Special Ministers at Paul Dunagan
9592 2463

Counting Roster
New Volunteers please call Parish Office

Children’s Liturgy
Parish Office 9593 2122
The Little Lectors, Readers and Lectors serve or collect this year.

St Vincent de Paul
St Vincent de Paul, 1300 305 330
(Non to Fri 10am - 3pm)

Tennis Club
www.stfinbarstennisclubbrightoneast.com

Basketball Club
www.scalpers.com.au

Next Parish Pastoral Group meeting:
Church Flowers and Linen
Rita Maguire
9592 4159

Church Decoration
Senior’s Group
Sue Sharry 5952 7229
and Joan Hamilton 5992 2498

Music Joy Conheady 5956 2643

Lent/Advent Prayer Groups Parish Office
9593 2122

Sacramental Enquiries (Reconciliation, Eucharist, Confirmation) Parish Office 9593 2122

Parish Pastoral Group Parish Office 9593 2122

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tbc

Children’s Liturgy dates (9am Mass): tbc

Sunday Readings
First Reading: Isaiah 35: 1-6, 10
Psalm: Ps 145 "Lord, come and save us"
Second Reading: James 5: 7-10
Gospel: Matthew 11: 2-11