

# *Our Lady of the Airways Church*

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*prepare the way...*



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## Our Lady of the Airways Christmas Schedule

### CHRISTMAS EVE

**MONDAY, DECEMBER 24<sup>th</sup>**

5:00pm - Children's Vigil Mass      9:00pm - Tamil Mass  
12:00 Midnight - English Mass

### CHRISTMAS DAY

**TUESDAY, DECEMBER 25<sup>th</sup> (Office Closed)**

9:00am - English Mass  
10:30am - Italian Mass  
12:00pm - English Mass  
NO TAMIL MASS

### BOXING DAY

**WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 26<sup>th</sup> (Office Closed)**

8:30am - BILINGUAL MASS

### THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY AND JOSEPH

**SATURDAY, DECEMBER 29<sup>th</sup>**

5:00pm - English Vigil Mass

**SUNDAY, DECEMBER 30<sup>th</sup>**

9:00am - English Mass  
10:30am - Italian Mass  
12:00pm - English Mass  
7:00pm - Tamil Mass

### NEW YEAR'S EVE

**MONDAY, DECEMBER 31<sup>st</sup>**

5:00 pm - English Vigil Mass  
10:00pm - Tamil Holy Hour ~ 11:00 pm - Tamil Mass

### NEW YEAR'S DAY

### THE SOLEMNITY OF MARY, THE HOLY MOTHER OF GOD

**TUESDAY, JANUARY 1<sup>st</sup> (Office Closed)**

9:00am - English Mass  
10:30am - Italian Mass  
12:00pm - English Mass  
NO TAMIL MASS



## Mass Intentions for the Week

**Monday: December 24<sup>th</sup>**

8:00am - †Holy Souls in Purgatory  
5:00pm - For the People of the Parish  
9:00pm - For the People of the Parish  
12:00am - For the People of the Parish

**Tuesday: December 25<sup>th</sup>**

9:00am - For the People of the Parish  
10:30am - For the People of the Parish  
12:00pm - For the People of the Parish

**Wednesday: December 26<sup>th</sup>**

8:30am - †Holy Souls in Purgatory

**Thursday: December 27<sup>th</sup>**

8:00am - †Roland & Florance Mongeon

**Friday: December 28<sup>th</sup>**

8:00am - †Bernardo Berardi  
7:00pm - †Nestor & Josephine D'Souza

**Saturday: December 29<sup>th</sup>**

8:30am - †Melicia Trinidad;  
†Margarita Chen;  
†Fr. John Britto; †Lukose K.M  
5:00pm - †John Francis Mendonca

**Sunday: December 30<sup>th</sup>**

9:00am - In Thanksgiving ~  
Pamela and Brian Nigli  
(43<sup>rd</sup> Wedding Anniversary)  
10:30am - †Silvana Nigro ~  
(3<sup>rd</sup> Anniversary of Death)  
12:00pm - For the People of Our Parish



### **Let us pray!**

For the sick members of our parish and for those who love and minister to them.



Dear Friends in Christ,

St. Peter Canisius once wrote: "Never was a whimpering bit of humanity so powerful that, while lying on His bed of straw, He could command the very stars to direct whom He wished to visit Him.... Never a child so wise or so rich as this little Infant who was full of grace and incarnate truth. Never anyone so marvelous as to be at once so small and so great, true God and true Man, the Uncreated Word and weak human flesh, mighty King and a lowly slave. Never had any child so emptied himself of all that he really was in order to become a tiny, speechless, naked, unknown babe.... Christmas Day is nothing if not a day of universal joy.... All faithful Christians should rejoice that their Creator and Lord has taken on human flesh and begun His reign over the hearts of men, not only as God, but also as the Son of Man among the children of men."

On behalf of the entire pastoral team at Our Lady of the Airways Parish - Fr. Canisius Raj, Enza Lamberti and Mike Caslin - I pray that the loving peace and joy emanating from the Infant Child Jesus may be upon you and your loved ones. Merry Christmas everyone!

Pax Christi, *Fr. Thomas*



As a mother, I remember well those first fleeing taps that signaled the kicks of my growing baby and knowing that one day, soon, the baby would arrive. After all the preparation and waiting, we would welcome an everyday miracle into a home that would perhaps never be truly ready enough.

This Advent, we hear once more how Elizabeth greeted Mary, and we feel the Christ child move, already within us through the grace of baptism. Christ quickens within us in anticipation as we clean, shop, bake, write cards or emails, practise for the pageant and wrap gifts. But sometimes we feel like the child is not leaping with joy but rather lagging a little. We miss loved ones and are burdened by imperfect relationships. We can feel that no matter how hard we work, something is lacking. It is so easy to become caught up in the material aspects of the season. We forget that all we need to do is be ready.

This Sunday, we are so close to the fulfillment of the promise contained in today's readings. What does fulfillment mean for us? For Elizabeth, it meant she was assured of God's blessing. This Christmas, let us, with Elizabeth, lay claim to that promise and may we all find some small moments to leap for joy.

*(Maureen Wicken, Living with Christ)*

Oggi il vangelo ci rivela come si sono realizzati la venuta del Messia e il mistero della redenzione che essa contiene.

La persona di Maria, la sua fede, il suo "sì", la sua maternità, sono le vie scelte da Dio per fare visita ai suoi e portare la salvezza a tutti gli uomini. Il centro dell'avvenimento evangelico di questo giorno si sviluppa, dunque, attorno a Maria: lei è la più profonda e più radicale via dell'Avvento. Si capisce la ragione della visita a sua cugina Elisabetta nel messaggio dell'angelo (Lc 1,36). Ella si dirige rapidamente verso il villaggio in Giudea, perché la grazia ricevuta da sua cugina Elisabetta, che diventerà mamma, la riempie di gioia. Il suo saluto ha un effetto meraviglioso su Elisabetta e sul bambino. Tutti e due si impregnano di Spirito Santo. Elisabetta sente il bambino sussultare dentro di sé, come fece tempo prima Davide davanti all'arca dell'Alleanza, durante il suo viaggio a Gerusalemme (2Sam 6,1-11). Maria è la nuova arca dell'Alleanza, davanti alla quale il bambino esprime la sua gioia. Dal bambino l'azione dello Spirito è trasmessa anche ad Elisabetta, cosa che la conduce a riconoscere la Madre del suo Signore. Sotto l'ispirazione dello Spirito, conosce il mistero del messaggio dell'angelo a sua cugina Maria, e la riconosce "felice" in ragione della fede con la quale ella l'ha ricevuto. La testimonianza di Elisabetta è la più antica testimonianza della venerazione della prima Chiesa per la Madre del Salvatore.

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### Eucharistic Adoration

Our parish has Eucharistic Adoration in the church every Friday from 8:30am to 7pm. Can you spare a few moments from your busy schedule to come and spend some time before Jesus in prayer and adoration?

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