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# The Christmas Reflection

The image of Mary, Joseph and the donkey has always been with us. Through different periods of our life, whether you go to church or not, or whether you are a Catholic or Protestant, the story of the Nativity has always been very present in our mind during Christmas.

The image of Mary kneeling before the Angel Gabriel to receive the word of God is very powerful. Imagine a quiet, humble woman, living out her life in Nazareth, suddenly being addressed by a true angel. It must have been both terrifying and fascinating.

Imagine, too, how she must have felt to first hear that she was to bear the very Son of God! Despite the potential hardships and problems it would cause, she calmly accepted God's will, totally and completely. Mary's courage is almost beyond comprehension.

Joseph also showed his own courage in what was undoubtedly a difficult situation. Yet, he too, after hearing from an angel, accepted God's will and carried on with his marriage to Mary and earthly fatherhood of Jesus. Joseph was really operating on faith. He knew, because God had sent a messenger to explain it, what was happening, but it must have been difficult to know, deep in his soul, that it was real. He is truly an example of living out one's faith.

Imagine the journey to Bethlehem riding bareback on a donkey over rough country. Mary and Joseph struggled to find a place to stay in Bethlehem and for Mary to give birth in a stable. They had to endure terrible things when she was nine months pregnant. But endure it she, and Joseph, did. The birth of Jesus is so special in so many ways.

The beauty of God's plan to experience life as a human is simply incredible. He chose to come into the world like all of the rest of us, to share the human experience. This shows God's love for us.

He loves our humanness even though He created all of us and knows our very being. He chose to share the experience of truly being human. Through that action, He lived through the same experiences both physical and mental that we all do. He, of course, remained sinless, but still experienced temptation. He also experienced love, and hunger, and the act of building things with his own hands.

The image of the stable where he was born is a powerful image of His humble beginnings. God chose to enter it in humble surroundings, as a baby. In these humble surroundings, Jesus came into the world not only for us, but OF us. He started by being born in the most simple of environments. Soon after, He was visited by other humble people - shepherds, beggars, old people, and children - who gazed in awe at this newborn King.

Have a Merry and Blessed Christmas, and be sure to invite the Christ child into your lives!  
Joy to the World.

Jeff Montgomery (edited version)





## FROM THE KNIGHT'S DEN

Advent month where we can assist, support or donate to those in need? Every little bit helps and I pray that with our help they will have a Happy and Joyous Christmas.



Dear Friends,

It's Christmas once again. It is the time of the year where people begin the hype of Christmas shopping or make preparations for the Christmas celebration with their loved ones and friends and not to mention numerous Christmas parties.

I'd like to give a thought to the many people that would otherwise miss out on the festive season. We pray for those who will mourn the 1<sup>st</sup> anniversary of their deceased loved ones, people with no family or friends, street people both young and old, the marginalised, the lonely, the abused, ones in prison to name a few. We must remember as we celebrate the birth of Christ at Christmas; Christ means "the anointed one."

Jesus was God who came to earth as a human so that we could understand how much God loves us so that we would not be afraid to approach Him. The baby Jesus is a living symbol of the humility of God who left the glory of heaven to come to earth in poverty and obscurity and showed us that we, too, are to be little and simple and to give our lives to help those in need. What better way to assist these people as part of our penance during the

*Lord, be my Light in the darkness and help me to be a light to others, to show them the way to you. When all seems hopeless, help me to remember that the darkness cannot overcome Your Light. May Your Light be my hope, my God. Amen.*

God has been at work with many activities throughout the year in our community. Winding down towards Christmas, I reflect on the highs and lows of the year at Ephpheta Centre.

To begin with we are saddened by the death of our previous chaplain Fr Peter Woodward in June who struggled with health for a number of years. I admire Fr Peter for his resilience in faith and also in health before he succumbed to the later. I thank God for his time at Ephpheta Centre and I certainly will remember his faith, wisdom love of Bonsai, Bunnings and sense of humour. He is in a better place now.

There has been a lot of talk over the last few months in relation to the Royal Commission into child abuse in the institutes especially in deaf circles. I sympathise with those affected and encourage them

not be afraid to make a report. Please note Ephpheta Centre will always support, assist with respect and in a confidential manner.

On a bright note we gained the services of not one but three chaplains to assist our community. As you know we have campaigned for a long while to get their services. Bless the Lord for this wonderful gift. Fr John Paul Escarlan, Fr Michael Hanson and Fr Kim Ha are currently part time chaplains who are offered placement in an Auslan course with other priests and seminarians. We pray that they will embrace and serve well within our community.

It is great news that Ephpheta Centre now has a pool car for staff and volunteers for pastoral care to the general deaf community in many ways. The popular Deaf Café continues to grow in leaps and bounds and sooner or later we would probably need to use the **ANZ Stadium!** ☺

We congratulate our community member Anthony Hastings (Deaf Person of the Year) and staff member Donovan Mulligan (Deaf Employee of the Year) who received their respective Deaf Community (NSW)/ASLIA NSW Awards for which we as a community are grateful. We are blessed to have these gentlemen who do wonderful work in our community.

I would like to comment on my staff that has done a tremendous job throughout the year. It has been a trying time to provide the many activities for the betterment of the deaf community.



There were times when it was difficult however through the support of each other I am happy to say that I am proud of their work. God bless you guys.

Most importantly I wish to thank you (the volunteers and the community) for your support throughout the year. It is my philosophy that we are all God's children and that we need to help and support each other hence that we as a Centre follow Jesus Christ's message to BE OPEN to one another.

Ephpheta Centre is grateful for the financial support of the Archdiocese of Sydney, Diocese of Broken Bay and Diocese of Parramatta for their ongoing support over the years.

I wish you all the best for Christmas and New Year and to be safe throughout the holidays.

Ephpheta to you,

Big Steve KSS



## Installation of Archbishop

Recently, the Archdiocese of Sydney joyfully received Bishop Anthony Fisher OP of Parramatta as the new Archbishop of Sydney. The Most Reverend Anthony Fisher OP was installed the 9<sup>th</sup> Archbishop of Sydney with a Solemn Mass at St Mary's Cathedral on Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> November 2014. St Mary's Cathedral was packed to capacity that included many high profile people of various religious and political figures, priests, seminarians, members of the Archdiocese of Sydney's many agencies and organisations. Some members of the Catholic Deaf Community had a great opportunity of witnessing Bishop Fisher's installation. We at Ephpheta Centre and the deaf community congratulate and pray for Rev Anthony Fisher OP in his new role. We also pray that God will send a new Bishop to the Diocese of Parramatta's faithful left vacated by Rev Anthony Bishop OP in the short term.

## *Wine & Cheese Evening for NWDP*

This year's Wine & Cheese Evening was a great event with great food and wine, beer and other drinks and some interesting presentations following the International theme "Strengthening Human Diversity".

The interesting presentations on the theme were from a panel of Deaf people from different backgrounds including Dana, a young woman who grew up isolated in the Tasmanian countryside,

Akila, from Sri Lanka, Apenisa, from Fiji and Ali, from Afghanistan, presenting about their experiences, hardships and achievements as Deaf people.

This year's event also included a Blue Ribbon Ceremony to remember those who have suffered and been mistreated because they were Deaf. Thank you to the panellists for coming to share their stories, the interpreters, the young waiters and kitchen staff for all their hard work!

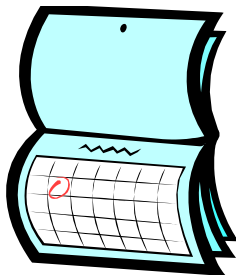
Thanks also to Deaf Australia (NSW) for sponsoring the event for National Week of Deaf People 2014!

Our Event is also on the website!! Check it out: <http://sydneycatholic.org/news/>



# Save the Dates

Some very important things to book in to your diary now so you don't miss out! See below for more information...



**7th December - Ephpheta Christmas Party**

**7th December - Giving Mass**

**21st December - Club Lunch after Seven Hills Mass**

**17th and 18th December - Charity Project**

**24th December - Christmas Eve Vigil Mass**

**Ephpheta Centre CLOSED dates**

**15th February - Mass at Blacktown**

**18th February - Ash Wednesday Mass**

**21st February - Lenten Groups start**

## Ephpheta Christmas Party - 7th December

As usual, after the Punchbowl Mass in December, we'll have our Ephpheta Community Christmas Party.



All are welcome and there is no need to bring a plate as lunch will be provided for \$10 per person or \$20 per family (under 16 years free). There will be tickets on sale for a raffle.

**When:** Sunday 7th December after Mass at 10am

**Where:** 4 Turner St, Punchbowl.

**After Mass:** Lunch for \$10 or \$20 per family. Beer & wine also available for gold coin donations.

**RSVP:** By **Thursday 4th December** to Liz on [office@ephpheta.org.au](mailto:office@ephpheta.org.au) or fax to 9709 5638 so we know how many for lunch.

## Giving Mass-7th December

We will have our usual Giving Masses at our Punchbowl Mass.

**When:** Sunday 7th December at Mass, Punchbowl

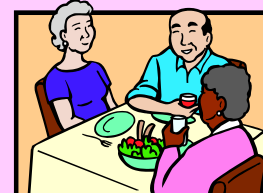
**Bring:** a gift for "Family Holiday Fun" like packets of chips and lollies, Christmas cakes/desserts with a Christmas theme, or any other food you would like to donate and Bathroom items like Body wash, to help the poor or disadvantaged to be blessed.



**PLEASE REMEMBER - you cannot donate pre-used things. Only NEW and NOT OPENED things. Food cannot be old or past use-by date.**

## CDC-NSW RSL Lunch - 21st December

As usual, CDC-NSW will have a club lunch at the end of the year so come join the Community!



**When:** Sunday 21st December about 12.30pm (after Seven Hills Mass finishes)

**Where:** Seven Hills RSL, Corner Best Rd & William St, Seven Hills

**After Mass:** Buy your own lunch at Seven Hills RSL, chat with friends & CDC-NSW!

## Charity Project - 17th & 18th December (TBC)

Advent is a time for preparing for the coming of Christ at Christmas. This year, for our Charity Project during Advent, we will be nearby - at St Jerome's church (next door to the Ephpheta Centre), helping with things St Vinnies in Punchbowl need to support the poor and disadvantaged local families during Christmas. There are two (2) times you can come and help. You are welcome to choose which one to come to or come to both. Please let us know beforehand what you will do.

1. **When:** Wednesday 17th December, 2.00pm-5.00pm (TBC)

**What:** The food donations are to be sorted in the church meeting room.

2. **When:** Thursday 18th December, 6.00pm-9.00pm (TBC)

**What:** The hampers are packed, there are around 25 hampers to pack.

**RSVP:** to Nicole on [nicole@ephpheta.org.au](mailto:nicole@ephpheta.org.au) or fax to 9709 5638.





# Christmas Eve Vigil Mass - 24th December

We welcome you all, once again, to our Christmas Mass. Many people come who don't regularly come to other Masses through the year and are very welcome. We love to see everyone at our Christmas service - from any religious background.

Our Mass and supper is a great time to catch up with old friends and wish people well for the Christmas break. We encourage you all to bring your families, bring your friends and of course bring a plate of food to share for supper!!



**When:** Wednesday 24th December, 6pm - 9pm

**Where:** Ephpheta Centre, 4 Turner St, Punchbowl.

**After Mass:** Please bring a plate to share for supper after Mass.



## Children's Liturgy

We will have Children's Liturgy this year for any young children, both hearing and deaf children, that come to Christmas Eve Vigil. Children's Liturgy will happen at the same time as Mass so their parents can be more comfortable during Mass, knowing the kids are learning about baby Jesus too!

## Ephpheta Centre CLOSED

The Ephpheta Centre office will be closed for Christmas from 12pm Friday 19th December 2014 until Monday 26th January 2015. The Centre will re-open from **Tuesday 27th January 2015**.

## Mass at Blacktown - 15th February

The usual Mass at Seven Hills on the 15th February has **changed address and time** for February 2015 **only**. It is now at Blacktown, **St Michael's**, 58 Orwell St, Blacktown at **9.30am**.

**When:** Sunday 15th February, 9.30am

**Where:** St Michael's Catholic Church, 58 Orwell St, Blacktown

This will be an Integrated Mass with the hearing parish.

**Afterwards:** To be announced early in 2015.



## Ash Wednesday - 18th February

There will be two Ash Wednesday Masses this year.



### Punchbowl - Ash Wednesday morning

**When:** Wednesday 18th February.

**Where:** Time and place To Be Confirmed

### Penrith - Ash Wednesday night

**When:** Wednesday 18th February, 7.00pm

**Where:** St Nicholas' Catholic Church,  
326 High St, Penrith

## Lenten Groups



The Lenten groups will begin on Friday the 21st February after Ash Wednesday. We will have the Lenten Group Auslan DVD program for Lenten groups again for 2015.

If you would like to host a group (of up to 8 people) in your home please contact Nicole as soon as possible and we will arrange a group for your home.

More information about this will be the next Newsletter. You can talk to Nicole about any questions or information about this Lenten group.

If you want to come, or have the group at your place, please talk to Nicole or email her on [nicole@ephpheta.org.au](mailto:nicole@ephpheta.org.au)



# Out and About in the Deaf Community

## Deaf Youth Sydney - Go-Karting Fun!!

Deaf Youth Sydney ran another very exciting activity on 17th of October, 2014 at Fastlane Karting, Minto. 10 young deaf people aged between 12 and 17 came and we all had three races in petrol driven go karts. We had to wear blue showercaps and then we put on heavy safe black helmets on. It was fast and exciting. Please visit Deaf Youth Sydney website at [www.deafyouthsydney.org.au](http://www.deafyouthsydney.org.au) for more information.



## UK Fr Martin visits again!

Fr Martin Kershaw Parish Priest & Chaplain to the Deaf Community Archdiocese of Liverpool UK was recently in Sydney and visited Ephpheta Centre. It was a coincidence that he was able to say Mass on Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> November because two other priests were unable to provide service for us. Wonderful to have a priest who can sign directly to the congregation even though he used British Sign Language (BSL)! The Holy Spirit was with us once again. At the end of Mass, Fr Martin presented me with the Deaf Sacramentary from the UK which has been approved by the Vatican.



By Stephen Lawlor

## Helen Farmer's 60!!!

The staff team of Ephpheta Centre took Helen for a celebratory birthday "Morning Tea" at a local Summer Hill café because she's struggling with some health issues. We wish her a very happy 60th birthday & hope she enjoys her Glebe Park Picnic Party very much!



## Stephen & Nola's Wedding Anniversary Overseas!

Nola and I recently went to Dordogne in France for our nephew's wedding. We travelled to Lourdes and Paris after the wedding. We did some sightseeing throughout Paris especially the Eiffel Tower and Notre Dame. We also stayed in Singapore for a few days and met a deaf group from the Singapore Catholic Club. We went on a wild ride on the back of

Raymond's ute to the Singapore Lion Fountain in Esplanade. Our thanks to Patrick Anthony who is long time President of the Singapore Catholic Club, his wife Barbara and friends Raymond, Katherine, Nancy and Grace who took us on a tour many exciting places in Singapore for the few days we stayed there. God bless you all. We also received a well-earned drink as they celebrated their 42<sup>nd</sup> wedding anniversary on 30<sup>th</sup> September 2014 in Singapore. Birds at Butterfly Park in Singapore. The bird on Stephen's shoulder enjoyed picking a hole on his newly worn Eureka top!



By Stephen Lawlor



## Claudia Mulley's Adventure in Zanzibar, Africa

I was excited about my Zanzibar, Africa Adventure! There were some delays getting there, including a bonus overnight stay in Bangkok, Thailand. I also had to change at Mumbai, Nairobi for a small plane to Zanzibar which was interesting! I finally met my deaf friend, Joseph, at Jambioni hotel, on the east coast of Zanzibar. I visited the Muslim Door at Stone Town where I got a photo, holding the silver knob.

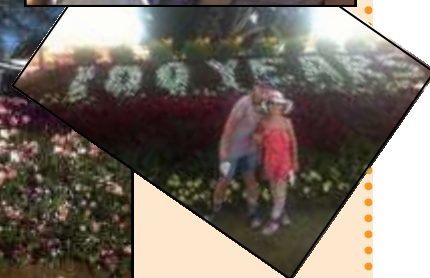


By Claudia Mullany



## Tulip Time Festival

A large group of Deaf Community members really enjoyed the Tulip Time Festival day out. Half of us caught the train there to meet the other half of the group. Danni had lots of fun taking photos of her nieces! Nicole interpreted for the Dogue Show presentations which was lovely!



## Pride for a Wedding!



Margaret and Glenn Downham's daughter got married after having 3 gorgeous children who were in the bridal party! Rebecca and Wilson Munoz married on Saturday 27th September 2014 at the HMAS chapel memorial, at Watsons Bay.



## Br Reg Shepherd's 70<sup>th</sup> Jubilee

This year Brother Reginald Shepherd celebrates his 70<sup>th</sup> Anniversary as a Christian Brother. A few months ago he celebrated with the other Christian Brothers however on November 2<sup>nd</sup> he celebrated again with our community.



Br Reg as he is known has been passionately involved in the deaf community since the early 1950s at St Gabriel's School for Deaf Boys and worked with Ephpheta Centre for a period of time until his retirement a few years ago. Br Reg has always said that during his time, the deaf taught him rather than that he taught the deaf. God bless Br Reg for his wonderful services as a Christian Brother.





# Noticeboard



## Deaf Cafe

for Deaf and Hard of Hearing people!



Deaf Café is for anybody, no need to book just turn up, we will have the coffee hot and the cake and biscuits waiting!

You can meet & chat with new people or catch up with old friends over a cuppa.

Tea & coffee available all day! Gold coin donation. Bring your own lunch or you can buy your lunch for \$3.

The next dates are:

**12th December 2014 (BBQ LUNCH),  
13th February & 13th March 2015**

(always on the 2nd Friday of the month)

Time: **10am to 2pm**



At: the Ephpheta Centre, 4 Turner St, Punchbowl. See you there! ☺

## Central Coast Deaf Cuppa

for Deaf and Hard of Hearing people! For everybody, just turn up! There are a few coffee shops around the food court at Erina Fair shopping mall. Bring your money if you want to buy a drink or morning tea.

CC Deaf Cuppa is a great place to meet & chat with new people or catch up with old friends over a cuppa. Meet at middle of food court. Always on the LAST Friday of every SECOND month. The next date is:

**27th March 2015**

**Where: ERINA FAIR, 620-658 Terrigal Drive**

**Time: starts 10.30am til 2.00pm**

**Contact: Donovan SMS: 0408 697 773**

**Email: [donovan@ephpheta.org.au](mailto:donovan@ephpheta.org.au)**

See you there! ☺



## Communion for the Elderly or the Sick in your home.

If you are sick or find it hard to get to Mass, Ephpheta can arrange to visit you and give Holy Communion to you in your home or hospital.

Please contact Donovan if you would like to know more.



## MASS for you at home

There's been some confusion of when Mass for You at Home is on so we did some research to confirm the information - according to the Channel 10 TV program website, the following information is:

**Channel 10 - Mass for You at Home**

6.00 – 6.30am

**Channel 11 - Mass for You at Home**

5.30 – 6.05am

Or if you miss these times on TV, you can watch that week's show online on your computer or Apple device (iPad or iPhone)

<http://www.mfyah.com.au/index.html>



## Do you want an Auslan Grief Support Group?

Rosemary would like to set up a Auslan Grief support group - if you are interested in joining an Auslan Grief support group, please contact her on sms: 0417276577 or email [lipman2873@gmail.com](mailto:lipman2873@gmail.com)





## International Eucharistic Congress Philippines (Cebu)

24th-31st January 2016

If you are interested in going to the 51st International Eucharistic Congress in Cebu, Philippines 2016 on 24th-31st January 2016.

For more information on the Congress, please check <http://www.iec2016.ph/> & contact the Ephpheta Centre if you would like to join our Deaf group.

Contact Nicole: [nicole@ephpheta.org.au](mailto:nicole@ephpheta.org.au) or mobile 0483 201 707



In Memoir: **Julianne (Jules) Hayes from JPC 25 August 1964 - 1 October 2014**



Jules was born Julianne Mary Hayes on 25 August 1964 in Coburg. She was the 6<sup>th</sup> child of Rose and Reg Hayes and their 3<sup>rd</sup> daughter. Jules has three brothers and six sisters.

When Jules was 9 months old, Mum realised Jules was hearing impaired. From the age of three, Jules began going to Portsea to 'Delgany' boarding school for the deaf. Jules spent eight years at Portsea and had lots of happy memories of her time there.

After Portsea, Jules attended St Vincent de Paul Primary school in Strathmore for 6 months and spent the next six years finishing her education at Glendonald school for the deaf in Kew. Jules was very glad she went to two deaf schools as she made a lot of lifelong friends.

Jules started her working life with some short term jobs then began a career at Telstra. In 1988 she left Telstra to enjoy life on 'the farm', a property in Bamawm, near Echuca, that Mum and Dad had bought. Jules spent a lot of time there over the following 25 years.

In 1992 Jules decided to go to Darwin for a holiday and decided to move there a few months later. She lived in Darwin for two years and made many nice friends there.

In 1996, Jules began as a volunteer at the John Pierce Centre for the deaf community in Prahran, and was then offered an ongoing position. Jules held various roles to recently enjoying being a Community Worker for Aged Care. Jules worked at JPC for the past 17 years and met lots of different staff who were all kind and friendly people. Jules loved working and talking with deaf people and 'making them happy'. Jules fondly called JPC her second home.

People who had a guiding influence in Jules' life were Bernadette and Janette who asked Jules to work at JPC. Jules sometimes went to Mary McKillop place in Sydney to be with the saint in spirit.

Jules greatly enjoyed going to the beach with the family every Christmas, she loved seeing the children play together and open their presents. Jules had 17 nieces and nephews. She spoilt them with love and loved to play games with them or treat them to a surprise. Jules loved them all like they were her own children and that love was reciprocated 100 fold back to her. Jules also taught them sign language so they could communicate with her in their own way.

Jules recently celebrated her 50<sup>th</sup> birthday in Echuca with the family and also enjoyed a break in Torquay as she loved to be at the beach and look at the seaside.

Jules was brave, courageous and strong. She was generous to a fault and always put the needs of others before her own, this was never more evident than during the last months of her life.

Jules you will be so very greatly missed, we all love you so much and you have been taken from us far too soon, may you be in God's loving arms at this moment. You will be forever in our heart

By Mary Hayes

# CRAFT CORNER

The Deaf Craft Group is always open to any interested ladies, meets **every Wednesday** (except when there's something on) from **10am until 2pm** at the Ephpheta Centre. Bring your crafts to work on. Lunch is provided for \$3. More information? Contact the Ephpheta Centre!

Once again, the Deaf Ladies Craft Group had a lovely Melbourne Cup Lunch on 4th November & some hats were creatively home made! They each, brought a special plate to share. We had a lot of enjoyable times & chats!



On Wednesday 12th November, the Craft Ladies decided to hold a fundraising event, a High Tea. A lot of organising and preparation by the Craft Group was done beforehand, including setting up a Mini Market and Raffle. They were surprised to have 73 people (including themselves) attending!! There was a lot of worrying about enough food but they shouldn't have worried, there

was heaps left over! Beautiful tea cups and high tea platters were used to present the food and drinks. It was a lovely enjoyable day by everyone who attended.

Mary says: I just want to thank you all for your support also a big thank you to the Craft Ladies who were fantastic workers and made a good team. We got some beautiful tea sets from Margaret

Steedman and her sister Stephanie. Also from Diane Ashley and her sister Jane. We say a special thank you to those who provided the tea sets.

The Craft Ladies are always looking for ways to help others. This

time, they were asked to sew up as many pouches for abandoned or orphaned animals. You can see Rosemary feeding one and the many pouches the Craft Ladies made!



We're lucky to have their kindness.

## Deaf Craft Group - Last Day

The Craft Group's last day for 2014 will be Wednesday 3rd December & they will return in the New Year on Wednesday 4th February 2015.



# Mass Times



## NOVEMBER

22nd Saturday 6.00pm  
REVESBY

## DECEMBER

7th Sunday 10.00am  
PUNCHBOWL & Christmas Party  
(for more information, see page 4)

14th Sunday 10.30am  
MANLY

21st Sunday 11.00am  
SEVEN HILLS & Lunch at RSL  
(for more information, see page 4)

24th Wednesday Xmas Vigil 6.00pm  
PUNCHBOWL  
(for more information, see page 5)

## FEBRUARY

1st Sunday 10.00am  
PUNCHBOWL  
(St. Francis de Sales Feast Day)

8th Sunday 9.30am  
NORTH GOSFORD

15th Sunday 11.00am  
SEVEN HILLS **CANCELLED**  
(for more information, see page 5 - Blacktown Mass)

15th Sunday 9.30am  
BLACKTOWN  
(for more information, see page 5)

21st Saturday 6.00pm  
REVESBY

## MARCH

1st Sunday 10.00am  
PUNCHBOWL  
(for more information, see page 5)

(More Mass information in the next Newsletter)

## Church Addresses



Chapel of  
St Francis de Sales  
4 Turner St  
Punchbowl



Our Lady of  
the Rosary  
92 Glennie St  
North Gosford  
*Integrated Mass*



St Mary's  
6 Raglan St  
Manly  
*Integrated Mass*



Our Lady of  
Lourdes  
7 Grantham Rd  
Seven Hills



St Luke's  
1 Beaconsfield St  
Revesby  
6pm  
*Integrated Vigil Mass*

## We pray...

### *For those who have died*

28 August 2014 - Frank Roumanos (Margaret Roumanos's uncle, father's brother)

27 September 2014 - Adrian Moore (Michael Moore's father)

1 October 2014 - Jules (Julianne) Hayes (ex employee at John Pierce Centre, Melbourne)

5 October 2014 - Rick (Richard) Kirwan (Joan Wood's nephew, aged 53)

9 November 2014 - Bob Hermann

### *For those who are sick*

Helen Farmer

Jim O'Connor

Stephen Dane (Orange)

Brett Beath

John Pattison

Br Reg Shepherd

Janice Andrew

Christine Hanna (Margaret Roumanos' mum's cousin, 40 years old)



### Campbelltown Mass Dates:

**At:** St John the Evangelist, 35 Cordeaux St, Campbelltown

**When:** 9th November, 14th December, 11th January, 8th February **Time:** 9am



The Ephpheta Centre Team wishes everyone and their families a very Merry Christmas and all the best for a prosperous New Year! Take care on those roads over the Christmas Season and see you next year!



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Please send your news, stories,  
information and requests to  
Danni to be considered for the  
next newsletter!



### WEBSITE NEWS

Have you seen our website recently?

Our website is now being updated  
weekly so it is always full of current  
information - we hope everyone will get  
used to checking it!

If you have any ideas for our website  
please contact Danni.

### What does "Ephpheta" mean?

The name Ephpheta of our Centre came from the  
bible - a story about Jesus curing a deaf man, he  
says "Ephpheta" which means "Be open". So we  
keep that in our service to the Deaf Community!  
We are always open to you all!