Preparing for Christmas with Parish Children and Visitors

St Joseph's Parish is pleased to announce a special opportunity for children aged 3 to 12 years, for all local children from all schools.

The *Catechesis of the Good Shepherd (CGS)* is a worldwide, Montessori-inspired way to connect with God's Word in a space called "The Atrium", a place of prayer and worship where adults witness the impact of God's gentle ways in the hearts of His children. Beginning in our parish a year ago, the catechesis will now find a home in the parish hospitality centre (the former convent, beside the church).

We invite children to come to the St Joseph's Parish Atrium, in the school holidays, to spend more time preparing our hearts for Christmas in a quiet, wonder-filled way. Details are as follows:

Monday 17 December, 9am to 10.30am session for 3 to 6 year olds Tuesday 18 December, 9am to 11.30am session for 7 to 9 year olds (please bring own morning tea)

Wednesday 19 December, 9am to 12.30pm session for 9 to 12 year olds (please bring own morning tea)

For any questions or to register, contact CGS catechist and parishioner, Selina Venier (details below). Cost to attend is a gold coin donation towards the future of the Atrium, with many more opportunities to come in 2019.

For more details go to www.cgsaust.org.au



Christmas Eve Family Mass, 24 December, 6pm

All children, teenagers and young adults are invited to play a special role in the Christmas Eve Mass for families. Run through times are Thursday 20 December, 9am to 10am and Saturday 22 December, 9am to 10am, both in the church (coming to one is fine, both is better). Nominate your interest via email to selina12@me.com or phone 0409 735 462.