

December Camino/Novena – Final Station (9) ‘Sr. Bonitas’ Corner’

It’s finally time to do the full ‘9 Stations’ walk from:

“The Original Wayside Shrine” to “Sr. Bonitas’ Corner” which is in the far left corner in the valley of the property.



Everyone is cordially invited to join in the Schoenstatt Movement’s inaugural Advent Mini Camino Walk around the Mt Schoenstatt property: When?

SUNDAY 4TH December 2022, at Mt Schoenstatt, Fairlight Rd. Mulgoa.

Starts 1 pm after 11am Mass and Lunch (BYO) Takes approximately an hour with Readings, Carols and Prayers at each ‘Station’ with Afternoon Tea (supplied) after at the “Home of Light” down in the valley.

Please join the leaders of this inaugural project (The ‘Mary and Martha’ Mother’s Group) in walking, praying, reading, singing our way down to Sr. Bonitas’ Corner where we will decorate the garden shrine with nine ‘Jesse Tree’ decorations made from the ‘Jesse Tree Project’ run in November along with other decorations. You are free to bring a small decoration yourself to represent yourself or your family.

The rationale behind the mini ‘Camino Walk’ was to highlight at least nine of the significant historical events and/or points of interest in the establishment of the Schoenstatt Movement here in Australia along with the focus on people, places, and ideals that have contributed to the establishment of this place as a “Place of Grace”.

We are grateful to members of the ‘Single Women’s Branch, ‘The Family Branch’ the ‘Men’s Branch’ the Pilgrim Mother Statue Apostolate’ the ‘Schoenstatt Choir’ other ‘Mother’s Groups’, Michelle, Sr, Mary Louise and all the other Schoenstatt Sisters who have helped us throughout the last eight months. We are also conscious of those who may have joined in virtually.

Please consider using what follows on the next page as:

1. Advent devotional reading for the 25 days before Christmas.

2. Read the stories of Mary and Joseph’s life from the ‘Annunciation to the Birth of Christ’ either yourself or to children or grandchildren as a way of spiritually focusing on Christ during Advent and Christmas not consumerism.

The Jesse Tree readings - Advent readings on the ' Beginning of the Old Testament to the Birth of Christ' in the New Testament. They have a symbol which you could draw or look up/print from online. Put 'Jesse Tree Ornaments @TheCatholic Kid.com' into a search engine.

- Symbol 1: Globe (Creation) Genesis 1: 24-31
- Symbol 2: Apple/Snake (The First Sin) Genesis 3:1-21
- Symbol 3: Ark with a /Rainbow (The Flood) Genesis 6:5-8
- Symbol 4: Tent (Abraham's Promise) Genesis 12:1-8
- Symbol 5: Lamb (Abraham Tested) Genesis 22:1-4
- Symbol 6: Ladder (Jacob's Dream) Genesis 28: 10-15
- Symbol 7: Coat (Joseph and God's Provision) Genesis 37:3-4
- Symbol 8: Stone Tablets (Moses/Ten Commandments) Deuteronomy 5: 6-21
- Symbol 9: Grapes (The Promised Land) Genesis 17: 7-8
- Symbol 10: Wheat (Ruth and God's Provision) Ruth 1:16,2,3,
- Symbol 11: Fire (Elijah and False Gods) 1 Kings 18:17-40
- Symbol 12: Slingshot (Eliga, David, Goliath) I Samuel 17:40-51
- Symbol 13: Lion (Daniel and Trusting God) Daniel 6: 16-23
- Symbol 14: Crown (Prophecy - Prince of Peace) Isaiah 9:6-7
- Symbol 15: Tree Stump (Prophecy - Shoot from Jesse) Isaiah 11:1-5
- Symbol 16: Cross (Prophecy - Suffering Servant) Isaiah 53:4-7
- Symbol 17: Crook (Prophecy – The Good Shepherd) Ezekiel 3- 4:11-15
- Symbol 18: Wall (Nehemiah and the re-building of the Wall) Nehemiah 6:15-16
- Symbol 19: Dove (John the Baptist and Repentance) Luke3:4-18
- Symbol 20: Lily (Mary and Hope for the Future) Luke:1:26-38
- Symbol 21: Star (Magi and Worship) Matthew 2:1-2, 9-11
- Symbol 22: Candle (Christ the Light of the World) John 1:9, 8-12
- Symbol 23: Angel (Angels proclaimed his birth) Luke 2:8-20
- Symbol 24: Manger (Mary and Joseph's journey and Jesus' birth) Luke2:4-7
- Symbol 25: Heart (The Love of God) John 3:16

During the Christmas Season read the stories of Mary and Joseph's life and the birth of Christ and place yourself meditatively on the Shrine property at each of the 'Stations' used to make up the inaugural mini 'Camino Walk' around the Schoenstatt Property. If you have picked up the booklet with these stories in it get your children/grandchildren/catechist class to colour in the pictures matching the stories.

- Station 1: Original Wayside Shrine (The birth of Jesus foretold) Luke 1:26-38
- Station 2: Station of the Cross (The Visitation) Luke 1: 39-45
- Station 3: The Shrine (The Magnificat) Luke 1: 46-55
- Station 4: The Fr. Kentenich Statue (The Birth of John the Baptist)
- Station 5: Joseph Kentenich House (Mary and Joseph leave for Bethlehem) Luke 2:1-5
- Station 6: The Priest's Wayside Shrine (Mary and Joseph need a place to stay) Luke 2:6-7
- Station 7: St Joseph Statue (The Shepherds and the Angels) Luke 2:8-15
- Station 8: Home of Light (Visit of the Wise Men) Matthew 2:1-9
- Station 9: Sr. Bonitas' Corner (Birth of Jesus) Matthew 2:10-11, Luke 2: 16-19, Matthew 2:11-12, Luke 2:20.

PLAN B:

In the case of a significant rain event, the project will be held in the Family Hall from 12.45pm – 2pm with the choir to lead the singing, readers to read the gospel stories and leaders to lead the prayers. Please offer your services if this, becomes a necessity.

MEANWHILE PLEASE PRAY THAT IT WILL BE A FINE DAY SO THIS NINE MONTH PLANNED ' CAMINO WALK' CAN BE ACHIEVED.

Scroll down for the painted 'reflection' pictures for the 'Advent Booklet Camino'



The Annunciation



The Visitation



The Magnificat



The Return to Nazareth



Mary and Joseph- Bethlehem



A Stable at an Inn



The Shepherds follow the Star



The Three Kings follow the Star



The Birth of Christ and the 'Group'