ISSUE



# PARISHMATTERS

The Parish of Sydney City South acknowledge the Gadigal People, the traditional custodians, who have walked upon and cared for this land for thousands of years. We acknowledge the continued deep spiritual attachment and relationship of the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples to this country and commit ourselves to the ongoing journey of Reconciliation of this land.

1 January 2023 | Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God

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January Office Hours: Office reopening Tue 10 Jan

Tuesdays & Thursdays 10am to 2pm (Closed Public Holidays)

# First Reading

A reading from the book of Numbers

They will call down my name on the children of Israel and I will bless them.

The Lord spoke to Moses and said, 'Say this to Aaron and his sons: "This is how you are to bless the sons of Israel. You shall say to them:

May the Lord bless you and keep you.

May the Lord let his face shine on you and be gracious to you.

May the Lord uncover his face to you and bring you peace."

This is how they are to call down my name on the sons of Israel, and I will bless them.'

#### Responsorial Psalm

# (R.) May God bless us in his mercy.

- 1. God, be gracious and bless us and let your face shed its light upon us. So will your ways be known upon earth and all nations learn your saving help. (R.)
- 2. Let the nations be glad and exult for you rule the world with justice. With fairness you rule the peoples. you guide the nations on earth. **(R.)**
- 3. Let the peoples praise you, O God; let all the peoples praise you.

  May God still give us his blessing till the ends of the earth revere him. (R.)

# **Second Reading**

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Galatians

When the appointed time came, God sent his son, born of a woman.

When the appointed time came, God sent his Son, born of a woman, born a subject of the Law, to redeem the subjects of the Law and to enable us to be adopted as sons. The proof that you are sons is that God has sent the Spirit of his Son into our hearts: the Spirit that cries, 'Abba, Father', and it is this that makes you a son, you are not a slave any more; and if God has made you son, then he has made you heir.

# Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

In the past God spoke to our ancestors through the prophets;

now he speaks to us through his Son. Alleluia!



# Parish of Sydney City South under the patronage of Our Lady, St Joseph & St Vincent de Paul







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Thank you to all who are supporting the parish financially.

To donate please use the QR code, Tap N Go, Support Us Tab from Website or call 9353 6300 during office hours.

For details of our Parish Giving program including monthly donations via credit card contact the Parish Office, tax deductions are available.



#### **PRAYER INTENTIONS**

Recently Deceased: Elizabeth Saliba, Mary Tesoriero

**Anniversary:** Ray Bidnead (31/12), Vera Parker (3/1) Charles Lupton (6/1).

Deceased: Warren Walker, Gino Mio, Arthur & Janice Gray, Ethel & George Gray, Bill & Pat Clarke, John & Eileen Dennett, Arthur & Edna Dennett, Sydney & Violet Green, Hazel Holly, Arthur & Rose Dennett, Gino Mio, Rosemary Cooley, Bill, Muriel, Marc & Jamie Wickert, Shirley Turner, Sr. Patricia Wilkinson, Anna, Stanley & Jim Atkins, Jay Rosenstrauss.

All Souls, especially those that have no one to pray for them, All Souls of the Unborn, All souls in Purgatory.

Those who are sick: George Scibberas, June Elliot, Theresa Flores, Lyndall Storey, Brian & Marilyn Manton, Margie Humilde, Rafael Pastorza, William Gonzales, Nhia Nguyen, Marina Fox, Jo-Anne Davies, Maureen Maher, Lidia Freitas, Sr Dominic Furlong OSU, Ana Lucia Solorzano, Jack, Ruby, Samsia, John Cooley, Christina O'Connor, John Gavan, Geraldine Carrington, Therese Mullaney

If you wish to be included in bulletin lists, please email the Parish Office.

For Mass Intentions please email before 10am Friday. Donations can be made via website or given to Fr Paul directly.

secretary@citysouthcatholic.org.au.

Rosters		Readers	
5:00pm	This	Bruce Strath	
	Next	Lenette Carter	
7:30am	This	Charlotte Buxton	
	Next	Michael Burns	
9:00am	This	Lisa Steel	
	Next	Abbey K	
11:00am	This	Ben May	
	Next	Sr Esmey	

If you are not available on your rostered date, please contact the Parish Office before 1pm on Friday so an alternate reader can be organised.

#### Financial Update

Week Ending 25 December

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First Collection	Supports the Clergy Remuneration Fund	\$ 2013	
Second Collection (includes Parish Giving Program)	Supports the Parish	\$ 1070	

#### Parts of the Mass

# **Entrance Antiphon**

Hail, Holy Mother, who gave birth to the King, who rules heaven and earth for ever.

#### Penitential Rite

Lord Jesus, you became flesh. Lord have mercy. You offer us salvation. Christ have mercy. You lead us rejoicing to the Father. Lord have mercy.

#### OR

I confess to almighty God and to you, my brothers and sisters, that I have greatly sinned, in my thoughts and in my words, in what I have done and in what I have failed to do, *And, striking their breast, they say:* through my fault, through my fault, through my most grievous fault; Then they continue: therefore I ask blessed Mary ever-Virgin, all the Angels and Saints,

and you, my brothers and sisters,

to pray for me to the Lord our God.

#### Gloria

Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to people of good will. We praise you, we bless you, we adore you, we glorify you, we give you thanks for your great glory, Lord God, heavenly King, O God, almighty Father. Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son, Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us; you take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer; you are seated at the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us. For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

#### Nicaean Creed

I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible. I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages. God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father; through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and became man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate, he suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and his kingdom will have no end. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church. I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

#### Holy Holy (Sanctus Latin) Vigil Mass

Sanctus, Sanctus, Sanctus Dominus Deus Sabaoth. Pleni sunt caeli et terra gloria tua. Hosanna in excelsis. Benedictus qui venit in nomine Domini. Hosanna in excelsis.

# Lamb of God (Latin) Vigil Mass

Agnus Dei, quitollis peccata mundi: miserere nobis. Agnus Dei, quitollis peccata mundi: miserere nobis. Agnus Dei, quitollis peccata mundi: dona nobis pacem.

#### **Communion Antiphon**

Jesus Christ is the same yesterday, today, and for ever.



#### Mass Times This Week:

Weekday Mass Times Monday 2 January NO Liturgy of the Word Tuesday 3 January NO Mass today Wednesday 4 January St Joseph's Rosebery, 7:30am Thursday 5 January Our Lady of Mt Carmel Waterloo, 8am Friday 6 January Requiem Mass for Elizabeth Saliba at 10:30am NO 8am Mass at OLMC Waterloo.

Sunday Mass Times
Waterloo:
5pm Sat Vigil
Rosebery:
Sunday 7.30am & 9.00am.
Reconciliation 8.30am.
Redfern: 11.00am

#### Parish Team

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# Dates for your Diary

- Please note: There will be no Wednesday morning tea at Rosebery during December/January. Wednesday morning teas will recommence in February.
- 2023 Annual Parish
   Dinner: Friday 2nd
   June 2023 6pm 10pm at The Tea
   Room QVB.

# Gospel

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke

The shepherds found Mary and Joseph, and the infant lying in the crib... When the eighth day came they gave him the name of Jesus.

The shepherds hurried away to Bethlehem and found Mary and Joseph, and the baby lying in the manger. When they saw the child they repeated what they had been told about him, and everyone who heard it was astonished at what the shepherds had to say. As for Mary, she treasured all these things and pondered them in her heart. And the shepherds went back glorifying and praising God for all they had heard and seen; it was exactly as they had been told.

When the eighth day came and the child was to be circumcised, they gave him the name Jesus, the name the angel had given him before his conception.



# Reflection by Fr Michael Tate

It is fitting that on New Year's Day we celebrate the calendar-shattering event in human history: the extraordinary role that a young woman in Galilee played in God's plan for the human race.

In the Western Church, the young woman is titled 'Mother of God'. This signifies a relationship, a loving, nurturing relationship. We know that it encompassed a mother's horror of seeing her son tortured and done to death on the Cross.

Yes, she was a mother, but Mother of God.

How can this be portrayed for our minds to grasp? In the Book of Genesis, the creative act which began all reckoning of the passage of time and seasons was signalled by the Divine Wind hovering over the formless void.

When that Holy Gust hovered over Mary, and she responded: 'Be it done unto me according to thy Word', the human existence of Our Lord Jesus Christ began, the fulcrum of history from which our calendar begins.

We could pause for a moment to pray that at the end of all history, at the end of all calendars, we may share in Divine life with Mary of Galilee, Mother of God.

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# An update from your Safeguarding Officers:

Dear Volunteers,

We are currently reviewing the Safeguarding practices in our parish to ensure we are current and compliant with the policies and procedures required by the Archdiocese of Sydney.

To assist us with this compliance and to ensure our internal records are up to date, in January we will be sending out a Volunteer Registration Form to all volunteers in our Parish. We will also contact you if there are additional steps regarding Safeguarding which are applicable to your volunteer role.

As your Safeguarding Officers we are here to make Safeguarding straightforward for all our volunteers. We are here to support you! Please contact us any time if you have any questions or need any assistance with completing the steps required.

If you are a volunteer and you do not receive a Volunteer Form to complete please contact us at secretary@citysouthcatholic.org.au and we can send you a form via email or post. Thank you for everything your do for our parish.

Best Regards,

Michelle Davies & Ruth Rawlinson