



PARISH MATTERS

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.

25th/26th March 2023 | Fifth Sunday of Lent Year A

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Dear friends,

The most striking line in today's gospel is "unbind him, let him go free". This line speaks to the nature of God who is a God of life not death. Lent is a time of grace that allows us to let go of those things that bind us so that we may be free to love.

It was a delight to share a meal with the principals of the schools in our parish this week. It was great to hear about the good work being done at Our Lady of Mt Carmel, St Joseph's and Jarjum.

During the week Elizabeth and I attended at meeting to discuss with Cleveland St, St Vincent de Paul further ways we can support those in need. Further details will be announced soon. You may discern that you can help in this area and I would strongly support that.

In the next few weeks a delegation from the Archdiocese involved in the investigation with the Cause of Eileen O'Connor will visit Our Lady of Mt Carmel. Eileen had a close connection to Waterloo and no doubt was inspired to begin Our Lady's Nurses for the Poor. Please keep the Cause of Eileen in your prayers. If you know anyone who has received a miracle through Eileen's intercession please contact me.

Next Sunday is Palm Sunday. There will be a solemn entrance at the vigil Mass and 9am Mass. This means we will start at the front of the church.

Paul



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



This Week:

Weekday Mass times:

Monday

Liturgy of the Word with Communion,
7.30am St Joseph's Rosebery

Tuesday

5pm Our Lady of Mt Carmel Waterloo followed
by Stations of the Cross (led by Fr Paul)

Wednesday

7.30am St Joseph's Rosebery

7.00pm St Joseph's Rosebery (followed by
Adoration & Reconciliation)

Thursday

7.30am St Joseph, Rosebery

NO 7PM MASS

Friday

8am Our Lady of Mt Carmel Waterloo

7.15pm Stations of the Cross, Redfern (led by lay
person)

Sunday Mass Times

Waterloo: 5pm Sat Vigil

Rosebery: Sunday 7.30am & 9.00am.

Reconciliation @ Rosebery 8.30am.

Redfern: 11.00am

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Director: Lidia Krslovic

Jarjum School (Jesuits) Redfern

117 Redfern Street

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Principal: Katherine Zerounian

PRAYER INTENTIONS

Recently Deceased: Jimmy Griffiths, Shirley Schols, Marie Dashwood, Doris Gambin, Liz Galea.

Anniversary: Megan Chow (25/3), Roderick Parker (28/3), Rodney Holmes (29/3), Mary Dadour (31/3)

Deceased: Anastazija Matijasevic, Cathleen Rodrigo, Joseph & Rose Lia, Paula & Marion McGill, Thelma, Arthur & Janice Gray, Ethel & George Gray, Bill & Pat Clarke, John & Eileen Dennett, Arthur & Edna Dennett, Sydney & Violet Green, Hazel Holly, Arthur & Rose Dennett, 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: Emmi Moeljowati, Ignatius Suhadi Setio, 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, John Cooley, John Gavan, Geraldine Carrington, Therese Mullaney, Manolito Agnilar


**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	Ika Sadeli
	Next	Therese Poulton
7:30am	This	John Sciberras
	Next	Stephanie Chow
9:00am	This	Amelia K
	Next	Terri Lumibao
11:00am	This	Sandra Truong
	Next	Ben May

**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.**



A message from the Archdiocese of Sydney:

Child sexual abuse is a crime. The appropriate people to deal with crimes are the police. If you, or anyone you know, have been abused, please contact the police. Alternatively, you can contact the Safeguarding and Ministerial Integrity Office at (02) 9390 5810 or safeguardingenquiries@sydneycatholic.org.

You may also want to speak to your Parish Priest who will be able to provide support and guidance.

The Archdiocese has a legal obligation to report crimes to the police.

Dates for your Diary

- ◆ **Stations of the Cross:** Tuesday after 5pm Mass at Waterloo (led by Fr Paul) & Friday 7.15pm at Redfern (led by a lay person)
- ◆ **Friday 2nd June** - Annual Parish Dinner, 6pm-10pm at The Tea Room QVB. RSVP by 30th April.
- ◆ **Sunday 10th September** – Parish Retreat Day. Save the date!

Parish Easter Raffle

Thank you for all the fabulous Easter Raffle donations! Your generosity is so appreciated. Tickets will be on sale from next week after Mass in each church and from Monday through the Parish Office, you can pop in during office hours (10-2) or give us a call—9353 6300. Tickets are \$2 each, all proceeds to Parish Outreach Programs.

Financial Update

Week Ending 19 March

First Collection	Supports the Clergy Remuneration Fund	\$ 773
Second Collection (includes Parish Giving Program/ does not incl	Supports the Parish	\$ 702

Thank you to all who are supporting the parish financially.



Please use the QR code, Tap N Go, Support Us Tab from Website or contact the Parish Office to make a donation OR be set up for a monthly donation using your credit card.

Baptisms

We congratulate **Grace** on her baptism at Rosebery on Sunday. God bless you and your family.



Easter Triduum

Holy Thursday 6 April:

7pm St Joseph's, Rosebery

Good Friday 7 April:

10am Stations of the Cross St Joseph's, Rosebery

3pm Liturgy of the Passion St Joseph's, Rosebery

3pm Liturgy of the Passion St Vincent de Paul, Redfern

3pm Liturgy of the Passion Our Lady of Mt Carmel Waterloo

7.30pm: Tenebrae Liturgy, Our Lady of Mt Carmel Waterloo*

Easter Vigil 8 April:

6.30pm Our Lady of Mount Carmel, Waterloo

Easter Sunday 9 April:

7.30am & 9.00am St Joseph's, Rosebery

**Tenebrae means 'in darkness' and is a prayer of the Church during the Triduum which uses candles, psalms and hymns to respectfully keep praying during the Easter Triduum. This liturgy will be celebrated for the first time on Good Friday at Our Lady of Mt Carmel Waterloo.*

Parish Retreat Day – Announcement!!!

It's my joy to let you know that our parish retreat day is going to be given by the Dominican Sisters of St Cecilia. Back in 2008, the Dominican Sisters came to Sydney for World Youth Day. They made a big impact on the young people in Sydney and were asked to stay and begin a convent in Sydney. Since then, the community has grown, with many young Australian girls joining them and, after a period of formation in USA, returning to the convents in Sydney and Melbourne. They undertake a number of apostolates including teaching, working with parishes, assisting in formation of the seminarians, and university chaplaincy work. God has really blessed us through their agreement to lead our retreat, so I hope you will keep **Sunday, 10 September 2023** free to come along. More announcements about this in coming weeks! Pax, Elizabeth



Project Good Samaritan

March's call for donations to support
St Vincent De Paul, Redfern

Easter Eggs – large and small

Please deposit your eggs in the hampers at the back
of the church.



Moring Tea at Redfern – 26 March

Please join us after the 11am Mass at Redfern this Sunday for morning tea. All welcome.

'First Saturday' Gathering at Waterloo, 1 April

Please join our gathering after the 5pm Mass at Our Lady of Mt Carmel Church, Waterloo, on Saturday, 1 April for great conversation and refreshments. If you would like to help us host these gatherings by providing food, serving or helping with the set up and pack up, please contact Elizabeth Arblaster, Pastoral Associate for Mission, on 0491 939 477 or mission@citysouthcatholic.org.au

Roster for the next 'first Sunday' morning tea at Rosebery – Sunday, 2 April

7AM SET UP	FOOD	SERVE	PACK UP
Bob Kanginan	Cristina Leontini Mary Hidajat Dennis Timmins	Cristina Leontini Martin Kelly	Cristina Leontini Martin Kelly

Can you help? Please consider joining our roster. We are keen to find new volunteers who can provide food, serve or help with the set up and pack up. It really helps with planning and to prevent food wastage. You can volunteer as frequently as you like. Contact Elizabeth Arblaster, Pastoral Associate for Mission, on 0491 939 477 or mission@citysouthcatholic.org.au

Holy Week in Depth—Intensive

Our sessions of Holy Week in Depth have now been completed. However, closer to Easter, an intensive version of this course will be offered to those who have missed out. The dates of the new course will be discussed with those interested so we can try to find times that suit everyone. To express interest, contact Elizabeth Arblaster, Pastoral Associate for Mission, on 0491 939 477 or mission@citysouthcatholic.org.au

Are you a Graphic Designer?

Are you a graphic designer who has some time to serve God through volunteering your time and skill in the parish a few hours per month? If so, please contact Elizabeth Arblaster, Pastoral Associate for Mission, on 0491 939 477 or mission@citysouthcatholic.org.au

Feast of St Joseph Morning Tea hosted by St Joseph's Preschool

Thanks to the Director of St Joseph's Preschool, Lidia Krislovic, Kellie Lanson, and everyone who worked to host the wonderful brunch to celebrate the Feast of St Joseph last weekend. The spiritual fatherhood of St Joseph blessed the day, bringing us together as a parish family.



2023 Annual Parish Dinner

Tickets are now available to purchase for our Annual Parish Dinner!

You will find registration forms at the rear of each church, it would be appreciated if you could fill out and return to the Parish Office or in a clearly marked envelope during collection at mass. Please RSVP by 30th April.

The Parish Dinner is subsidised so all can attend. Suggested contribution is \$50pp however we only ask you donate what you can afford. If you would like to contribute an additional donation to assist with costs this is also very welcome. Refer to the registration form for payment details.

We are looking forward to a wonderful night celebrating our parish and community.



St Joseph's School of Irish Dancing.

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*Looking for an inexpensive activity for your child?
 Irish figure dancing lessons are coming to the Parish
 of Sydney City South – the cheapest dancing lessons
 in Sydney.
 Come and join in the fun!
 An expression of interest is now being sort.*

Irish dancing lessons will be held on Thursday
 afternoons commencing Term 2.
 Venue to be decided depending on enrolments-
 (Rosebery Parish Centre or OLMC Parish Centre)
 Come along and join in the fun.
 Primary School classes held after school.
 3.15pm till 4.15pm
 (\$20 per Term)

Email Sr Rosemary for more
 information and enrolment form.
pastoral@citysouthcatholic.org.au

Money supports the work of the sisters of St Joseph in
 Peru and East Timor.

Gospel Reflection

Our Gospel on this day, the fifth Sunday of Lent, is again taken from the Gospel according to John. The reading from John continues the break from Cycle A's focus on the Gospel of Matthew. Today's Gospel reading recounts another sign, or miracle, found in John's Gospel, the raising of Lazarus. As our catechumens move closer to the celebration of their Baptisms at the Triduum, today's reading invites us to reflect upon what it means to call Jesus the Resurrection and the life.

The context for the story of the raising of Lazarus is the Jewish leaders' growing animosity toward Jesus. Jesus has been in Jerusalem, taking part in the feast of the Dedication, which we have come to know as Hanukkah. The people have been pressing him to declare plainly whether he is the Messiah. Jesus tells them to look to his works, which testify to his coming from God. Many do not believe Jesus, however, and some try to stone him for blasphemy.

Into this scene of confrontation, Mary and Martha, the sisters of Lazarus, send word to Jesus that his friend is ill. Jesus is said to love Mary, Martha, and Lazarus, but he delays his journey for two days. The delay heightens the drama and shows Jesus' obedience to God, who is to be glorified through Lazarus's resurrection. When Jesus finally declares that he will journey to Bethany, his disciples fear for his life. Thomas declares that he and the other disciples should prepare to die with Jesus.

The scene described at Bethany is a sad one. Martha meets Jesus weeping and saying that if Jesus had been there, Lazarus would not have died. Yet she remains confident that God will do whatever Jesus asks. Martha affirms her belief that there will be a resurrection of the dead in the last days. Then Martha's sister, Mary, comes to Jesus with the same confidence, saying that Jesus could have cured Lazarus. Jesus asks to be brought to Lazarus's tomb where he prays and calls Lazarus out from the tomb. At this sign, many come to believe in Jesus, but others take word of the miracle to the Jewish authorities, who begin their plans for Jesus' death.

Set against the backdrop of Jesus' impending death, many elements of the raising of Lazarus foreshadow the good news of Jesus' own Resurrection. Jesus, facing the conflict with the Jewish authorities, acts in complete obedience to God. In raising Lazarus, Jesus shows his power over death so that when Jesus dies, those who believe in him might remember that and take hope. Just as Jesus calls for the stone to be rolled away from Lazarus's tomb, so too will the disciples find the stone rolled away from Jesus' tomb.

With our catechumens preparing for their Baptism at Easter, the Gospel today calls us to reflect on Baptism as a dying and rising with Jesus. In Baptism we die to sin's power over us, rising as children of God. In Baptism we join ourselves with Christ, who conquered death once and for all so that we who believe in him may have eternal life. With Martha and Mary, we are called to profess our belief that Jesus is indeed the Resurrection and the life. © Loyola Press 2023

The Mount Carmel Way – News from OLMC School, Waterloo

Our Lady of Mount Carmel – the small school, with Big futures, has had much to celebrate in the past two weeks. Our St Patrick's Day celebrations enjoyed a morning of prayer, Irish dancing with Sr Rosemary and our wonderful Year 2 students, and some splashes of green on students. The green cupcakes were later shared as a treat and the students were invited to bring in a gold coin donation for Caritas donations.

Our second Open Day, took place on Thursday and we welcomed some beautiful families to view our school in its working capacity. Hopefully the pictures will say more than words.

As we move closer to Holy Week and the end of Term, we continue to PRAY-FAST-GIVE. It is a great opportunity for us as a community to prepare for Easter, and the new life we are invited to partake in. OLMC would like to extend an invitation to Parishioners to join us for any of our Liturgies and in particular our Stations of the Cross on Monday 3rd of April at 9.15am.



In our parish I have the right to feel safe and free from harm, I have the responsibility to act appropriately with others.

Parts of the Mass

Entrance Antiphon

Give me justice, O God,
and plead my cause against a nation that is faithless.
From the deceitful and cunning rescue me,
for you, O God, are my strength.

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) 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 (Agnus Dei) 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

Everyone who lives and believes in me

will not die for ever, says the Lord.

In our parish I have the right to express my views openly and honestly in all matters affecting me,
I have the responsibility to respect other people's views.

Liturgy of the Word

A reading from the prophet Ezekiel

The Lord says this: I am now going to open your graves; I mean to raise you from your graves, my people, and lead you back to the soil of Israel. And you will know that I am the Lord, when I open your graves and raise you from your graves, my people. And I shall put my spirit in you, and you will live, and I shall resettle you on your own soil; and you will know that I, the Lord, have said and done this – it is the Lord who speaks.

Responsorial Psalm

(R.) With the Lord there is mercy and fullness of redemption.

1. Out of the depths I cry to you, O Lord,
Lord, hear my voice!
O let your ears be attentive
to the voice of my pleading. **(R.)**
2. If you, O Lord, should mark our guilt,
Lord, who would survive?
But with you is found forgiveness:
for this we revere you. **(R.)**
3. My soul is waiting for the Lord,
I count on his word.
My soul is longing for the Lord
more than watchman for daybreak.
(Let the watchman count on daybreak
and Israel on the Lord.) **(R.)**
4. Because with the Lord there is mercy
and fullness of redemption,
Israel indeed he will redeem
from all its iniquity. **(R.)**

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Romans

People who are interested only in unspiritual things can never be pleasing to God. Your interests, however, are not in the unspiritual, but in the spiritual, since the Spirit of God has made his home in you. In fact, unless you possessed the Spirit of Christ you would not belong to him. Though your body may be dead it is because of sin, but if Christ is in you then your spirit is life itself because you have been justified; and if the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead is living in you, then he who raised Jesus from the dead will give life to your own mortal bodies through his Spirit living in you.

Gospel Acclamation

Glory and praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ!
I am the resurrection and the life, says the Lord;
whoever believes in me will not die for ever.
Glory and praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ!

Gospel

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John

The sisters Martha and Mary sent this message to Jesus, 'Lord, the man you love is ill.' On receiving the message, Jesus said, 'This sickness will end not in death but in God's glory, and through it the Son of God will be glorified.'

Jesus loved Martha and her sister and Lazarus, yet when he heard that Lazarus was ill he stayed where he was for two more days before saying to the disciples, 'Let us go to Judaea.'

On arriving, Jesus found that Lazarus had been in the tomb for four days already. When Martha heard that Jesus had come she went to meet him. Mary remained sitting in the house. Martha said to Jesus, 'If you had been here, my brother would not have died, but I know that even now, whatever you ask of God, he will grant you.' 'Your brother' said Jesus to her 'will rise again.' Martha said, 'I know he will rise again at the resurrection on the last day.' Jesus said:

'I am the resurrection and the life.

If anyone believes in me, even though he dies he will live, and whoever lives and believes in me will never die.

Do you believe this?'

'Yes, Lord,' she said 'I believe that you are the Christ, the Son of God, the one who was to come into this world.' Jesus said in great distress, with a sigh that came straight from the heart, 'Where have you put him?' They said, 'See how much he loved him!' But there were some who remarked, 'He opened the eyes of the blind man, could he not have prevented this man's death?' Still sighing, Jesus reached the tomb: it was a cave with a stone to close the opening. Jesus said, 'Take the stone away.' Martha said to him, 'Lord, by now he will smell; this is the fourth day.' Jesus replied, 'Have I not told you that if you believe you will see the glory of God?' So they took away the stone. Then Jesus lifted up his eyes and said:

'Father, I thank you for hearing my prayer.

I knew indeed that you always hear me, but I speak for the sake of all these who stand round me, so that they may believe it was you who sent me.'

When he had said this, he cried in a loud voice, 'Lazarus, here! Come out!' The dead man came out, his feet and hands bound with bands of stuff and a cloth round his face. Jesus said to them, 'Unbind him, let him go free.'

Many of the Jews who had come to visit Mary and had seen what he did believed in him.