

# 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.

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#### Dear friends,

In Luke's gospel, we are told that on the day of the resurrection, two disciples were walking away from Jerusalem towards Emmaus, their faces downcast. That single line contains a wonderful spirituality: For Luke, Jerusalem, like Galilee for the other gospel writers, means the dream, the hope, the kingdom, the centre from which all is to begin and where ultimately all is to culminate. And the disciples are "walking away" from this, away from the dream, towards Emmaus. Emmaus was a Roman Spa - a Las Vegas and Monte Carlo of human consolation. Their dream has been crucified and the disciples, discouraged and hope-emptied, are walking away from it, towards human consolation, muttering: "But we had hoped!" They never get to Emmaus. Jesus appears to them on the road, reshapes their hope in the light of the crucifixion, and turns them back towards Jerusalem. One of the essential messages of Easter is this: Whenever we are discouraged in our faith, whenever our hopes seem to be crucified, we need to go back to Galilee and Jerusalem, that is, to the dream, to the road of discipleship that we had embarked upon before everything went wrong. The temptation of course, whenever we feel this way, whenever the kingdom doesn't seen to work, is to abandon discipleship for human consolation, to set out instead for Emmaus, for the consolation of Las Vegas and Monte Carlo. But, as we already know, we never quite get to Emmaus. In one guise or another, Christ always meets us on the road, burns holes in our hearts, explains the latest crucifixion to us, and sends us back - to Galilee and to our abandoned discipleship. Once there, it all makes sense again.

During the week some preliminary work began on the renovation of the sanctuary at Waterloo. The architect was investigating what is under the carpet and if we can use the exiting flooring. You will see black masking tape on the carpet which is temporary.

Ruth and I are working with consultants on the renovation of the parish centre at Waterloo. The process will take the rest of the year to finalise and to get DA approval. Final plans will be put on display for comment in the near future.

It's so wonderful to receive back after 18 months the baptismal font at Rosebery. The font was moved and broken during the renovation in 2021. Unfortunately the marble supplier we were using went out of business and we had to search for another supplier. Thank you to H Johnson and Co for the excellent work in restoring the font. The font was donated in the memory of Sargent John O'Riodan (who died in World War II).

Wishing you a joyful week.



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





Holy Week: Weekday Mass times: Monday 7.30am Liturgy of the Word with Communion, Rosebery Tuesday ANZAC DAY 5.00pm Our Lady of Mt Carmel, Waterloo. With ANZAC commemoration Wednesday 7.30am St Joseph's Rosebery Thursday 7.30am St Joseph Rosebery Friday 8.00am Our Lady of Mt Carmel Waterloo 7.00pm Mercy Night St Vincent de Paul Redfern. Confession & Adoration

#### Normal Sunday Mass Times

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

#### <u>Schools in Our Parish:</u> Our Lady of Mt Carmel, Waterloo

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Jarjum School (Jesuits) Redfern 117 Redfern Street 99365450 *Principal: Katherine Zerounian* 

### **PRAYER INTENTIONS**

**Recently Deceased:** Hilda Cochachi, Meghan Patricia Mallee, John Cooley, Fr John Keeble

**Anniversary:** Maria Ala (22/4), Karen Lewis (22/4), Owen Burgher (23/4), Ruben Peleo (26/4), Laurie Beach (28/4)

**Deceased:** Tony Bannister, Christian Jones, Chiu Kue Hock, Edgard and Mary Caffari, Guido Verardo, 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: Cherry Ermita Dela Cruz, Theresa Flores, Lourdes Lubrin, Emmi Moeljowati, Ignatius Suhadi Setio, June Elliot, 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 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.

| READING ROSTER |      |                |  |  |
|----------------|------|----------------|--|--|
| Mass           |      | Readers        |  |  |
| 5:00pm         | This | Lenette Carter |  |  |
|                | Next | Lenette Carter |  |  |
| 7:30am         | This | Michael Burns  |  |  |
|                | Next | John Sciberras |  |  |
| 9:00am         | This | Abbey K        |  |  |
|                | Next | Amelia K       |  |  |
| 11:00am        | This | Sr Esmey       |  |  |
|                | Next | Ana Vakauta    |  |  |

#### Financial Update

#### Week Ending 16 April

| First Collection   | Supports the Clergy<br>Remuneration Fund | \$ 863 |
|--|--|--------|
| Second Collection<br>(includes Parish Giving<br>Program/ does not incl<br>tap& go) | Supports the Parish                      | \$ 741 |



- **30th April**—Morning tea after Mass at Redfern
- 7th May—Morning tea after 9am Mass at Rosebery
- Friday 2nd June Annual Parish Dinner, 6pm-10pm at The Tea Room QVB. RSVP by 30th April.

Get your tickets for this wonderful event, they are selling fast and it's sure to be a wonderful night.

• Sunday 10th September – Parish Retreat Day Save the date!

Everyone is warmly invited to attend our **Parish Foundation Day Mass** and Morning Tea







## Friday 28th April 2023 at 10:00 am

Our Lady Of Mount Carmel Catholic Church, Waterloo. (2 Kellick St, Waterloo NSW 2017)



# Thank you to all who are supporting theparish 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.

### 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.





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.







#### **Reconciliation and First Holy Communion 2023**

The Parish Sacramental Program for the Sacraments of Reconciliation and First Holy Communion will begin shortly. We invite all who wish their children to receive their first Communion this year to come to an Information Night will be held at the Church at Waterloo on Wednesday 3rd May commencing at 7pm. It is important for at least one parent to attend this meeting.

The Enrolment Mass is on 6th & 7th May, and the program begins on Tuesday 9th May..

Children being enrolled should be in Yr 3 and above and baptised Catholic.

The Celebration of First Holy Communion will be held this year on:

Saturday 10th June 5.00pm Vigil - Waterloo

Sunday 11th June 9.00am - Rosebery

Sunday 11th June 11.00am - Redfern

Please contact the Parish Office for further information or email Sr Rosemary - pastoral@citysouthcatholic.org.au



#### Raffle - Annual Parish Dinner: Donations Needed

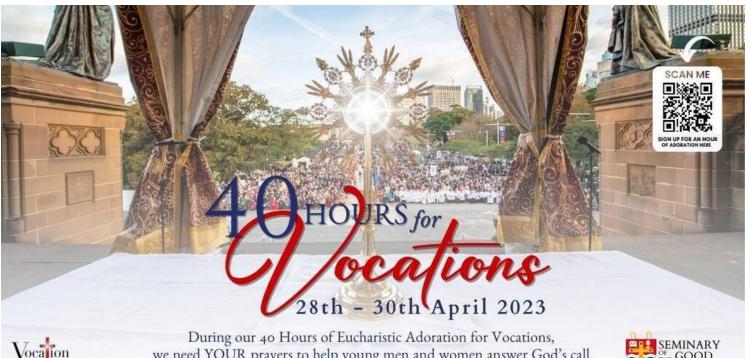
It is that time of year and we are calling for donations for our annual Raffle. Can you donate a prize? Suggestions for donations: Wine/Champagne Chocolates etc Gift Vouchers

If you know or own a local business who would like to donate a prize we would also be greatly appreciative. Donations can be dropped off at Mass or via the Parish Office. Questions or queries just drop me a line or give me a call - Ruth: manager@citysouthcatholic.org.au or 9353 6300



**66** Fatima Day is a sort of spiritual Anzac Day and a spiritual Armistice Day. The message on this day was straightforward: pray the Rosary every day for the peace of the world. Archbishop Anthony Fisher OP

pare for on, August 2023 Saturday 13 May 6pm Mass at St Mary's Cathedral Followed by Procession to Cathedral Forecourt



we need YOUR prayers to help young men and women answer God's call to a vocation to the priesthood or consecrated life!



#### Morning tea at Redfern – Sunday 30 April 2021

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

| SET UP          | FOOD  | SERVE                                 | PACK<br>UP                            |
|-----------------|---|---------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| Bob<br>Kanginan | Catherine<br>Thamrin<br>Andrew<br>Kosasih<br>Anushka<br>Castelino | Cristina<br>Leontini<br>Jenny<br>Jago | Cristina<br>Leontini<br>Jenny<br>Jago |

#### Morning tea roster - Rosebery - Sunday 7 May

### Project Good Samaritan - non-perishable food items for toddlers and children.

As we head into winter and with the rising cost of living, St Vincent's De Paul has experienced a significant increase in families reaching out for food support. Unfortunately, this increase in requests has meant that the pantry stock of food suitable for toddlers and children has diminished, and they have been unable to replenish stock to support the volume of requests.

So, for the next three months, our Parish will dedicate our Project Good Samaritan efforts to collecting *non-perishable food items for toddlers and children*.

Items for donation may include:

Breakfast cereals, long-life milk and dairy products, school lunch spreads and snacks, pasta/rice, quick meals such as spaghetti/macaroni and cheese, canned fruit, and small juice drinks.

These items can be left in the hampers at the back of the church and will be collected weekly.

As always, thank you for your generosity.



#### Parish Retreat Day

On **Sunday 10 September**, our parish retreat will be given by the Dominican Sisters of St Cecilia. All are welcome.



#### Play Group

The Parish of Sydney City South and St Joseph's Primary School are collaborating on a play group starting in May. For more information contact Elizabeth Arblaster, Pastoral Associate for Mission, on 0491 939 577 or mission@citysouthcatholic.org.au



#### **Gospel Reflections**

On most Sundays during the Easter season in Cycle A, our Gospel is taken from the Gospel of John. This week's Gospel, however, is taken from the Gospel of Luke. As in last week's Gospel, today's Gospel shows us how the first community of disciples came to believe that Jesus had risen from the dead. In these stories we gain insight into how the community of the Church came to be formed.

When we read today's Gospel, we may be surprised to learn that these friends of Jesus could walk and converse with him at some length yet not recognize him. Again we discover that the risen Jesus is not always easily recognized. Cleopas and the other disciple walk with a person whom they believe to be a stranger; only later do they discover that the stranger is Jesus. We learn that the first community met and recognized Jesus in the breaking of the bread, just as we meet Jesus in the Eucharist.

We can imagine the feelings of the two disciples in today's reading. They are leaving their community in Jerusalem. Their friend Jesus has been crucified. Their hope is gone. They are trying to make sense of what has occurred, so that they can put the experience behind them.

Jesus himself approaches the two men, but they take him for a stranger. Jesus asks them what they are discussing. He invites them to share their experience and interpretation of the events surrounding his crucifixion and death. When the two disciples have done so, Jesus offers his own interpretation of his crucifixion and resurrection, citing Jewish Scripture. In that encounter we find the model for our Liturgy of the Word—what we do each time we gather as a community for the Eucharist. We reflect upon our life experiences and interpret them in light of Scripture. We gather together to break open the Word of God.

In the next part of the story, we find a model for our Liturgy of the Eucharist. The disciples invite the stranger (Jesus) to stay with them. During the meal in which they share in the breaking of the bread, the disciples' eyes are opened; they recognize the stranger as Jesus. In the Eucharist too we share in the breaking of the bread and discover Jesus in our midst. Just as the disciples returned to Jerusalem to recount their experience to the other disciples, we too are sent from our Eucharistic gathering. Our experience of Jesus in the Eucharist compels us to share the story with others.



#### MAY CELEBRATION IN HONOUR OF OUR LADY TO INTERCEDE FOR PEACE IN THE WORLD AND THE WELFARE OF AUSTRALIA



The World Apostolate of Fatima (Sydney Archdiocesan Committee)

INVITE YOU TO JOIN US

AT

ST. MARY'S CATHEDRAL

(Main Altar)

Saturday May 13th - 11.30am - 1.00pm

Fr. Restituto Ogsimer C S

(will be Celebrant and preach the homily)

Mass will be preceded by Entrance Procession (in the Cathedral) with the Pilgrim Virgin Statue of Our Lady of Fatima (With the Immaculate Heart) Rosary, Litany of Loreto Act of Consecration to the Immaculate Heart of Mary

Sponsored by Sydney Archdiocesan Committee of the World Apostolate of Fatima Aust Inc. (Public Association of the Faithful) Post Office Box 0057, Narraweena NSW 2099 - Phone No: (02) 9984-8988



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.

### Parts of the Mass

#### **Entrance Antiphon**

Cry out with joy to God, all the earth; O sing to the glory of his name. O render him glorious praise, alleluia.

#### 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.

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.

#### <u>Gloria</u>

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

The disciples recognized the Lord Jesus in the breaking of the bread, alleluia.

#### PRAYER TO ST. MICHAEL, THE ARCHANGEL

(Promulgated by Pope Leo XIII)

St. Michael the Archangel defend us in battle; be our safeguard against the wickedness and snares of the devil. May God rebuke him, we humbly pray, and do Thou, O Prince of the Heavenly Host, by the power of God, cast into Hell, Satan and all the other evil spirits who prowl through the world, seeking the ruin of souls. Amen.

## Liturgy of the Word

#### A reading from the Acts of the Apostles

addressed the crowd in a loud voice: 'Men of Israel, listen to reason - so that you would have faith and hope in God. what I am going to say: Jesus the Nazarene was a man commended to you by God by the miracles and portents and Gospel Acclamation signs that God worked through him when he was among you, Alleluia, alleluia! as you all know. This man, who was put into your power by Lord Jesus, make your word plain to us: the deliberate intention and foreknowledge of God, you took make our hearts burn with love when you speak. and had crucified by men outside the Law. You killed him, but Alleluia! God raised him to life, freeing him from the pangs of Hades; for it was impossible for him to be held in its power since, as David says of him:

I saw the Lord before me always,

for with him at my right hand nothing can shake me.

So my heart was glad

and my tongue cried out with joy:

my body, too, will rest in the hope

that you will not abandon my soul to Hades

nor allow your holy one to experience corruption.

You have made known the way of life to me,

you will fill me with gladness through your presence.

Brothers, no one can deny that the patriarch David himself is dead and buried: his tomb is still with us. But since he was a prophet, and knew that God had sworn him an oath to make answered 'who proved he was a great prophet by the things he one of his descendants succeed him on the throne, what he said and did in the sight of God and of the whole people; and foresaw and spoke about was the resurrection of the Christ: he how our chief priests and our leaders handed him over to be is the one who was not abandoned to Hades, and whose body sentenced to death, and had him crucified. Our own hope had did not experience corruption. God raised this man Jesus to been that he would be the one to set Israel free. And this is life, and all of us are witnesses to that. Now raised to the not all: two whole days have gone by since it all happened; and heights by God's right hand, he has received from the Father some women from our group have astounded us: they went to the Holy Spirit, who was promised, and what you see and hear the tomb in the early morning, and when they did not find the is the outpouring of that Spirit.'

#### **Responsorial Psalm**

#### R Lord, you will show us the path of life.

- 1. Preserve me, God, I take refuge in you. I say to the Lord: 'You are my God. O Lord, it is you who are my portion and cup; it is you yourself who are my prize.' R
- I will bless the Lord who gives me counsel, 2. who even at night directs my heart. I keep the Lord ever in my sight: since he is at my right hand, I shall stand firm. R
- 3. And so my heart rejoices, my soul is glad; even my body shall rest in safety. For you will not leave my soul among the dead, nor let your beloved know decay.
- You will show me the path of life, 4. the fullness of joy in your presence, at your right hand happiness for ever. R

#### A reading from the first letter of St Peter

If you are acknowledging as your Father one who has no favourites and judges everyone according to what he has done, you must be scrupulously careful as long as you are living away from your home. Remember, the ransom that was paid to free you from the useless way of life your ancestors handed down was not paid in anything corruptible, neither in silver nor gold, but in the precious blood of a lamb without spot or stain, namely Christ; who, though known since before the world was made, has been revealed only in our time, the end of the ages,

for your sake. Through him you now have faith in God, who On the day of Pentecost, Peter stood up with the Eleven and raised him from the dead and gave him glory for that very

#### Gospel

#### A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke

Two of the disciples of Jesus were on their way to a village called Emmaus, seven miles from Jerusalem, and they were talking together about all that had happened. Now as they talked this over, Jesus himself came up and walked by their side; but something prevented them from recognising him. He said to them, What matters are you discussing as you walk along?' They stopped short, their faces downcast.

Then one of them, called Cleopas, answered him, You must be the only person staying in Jerusalem who does not know the things that have been happening there these last few days.' 'What things?' he asked. 'All about Jesus of Nazareth' they body, they came back to tell us they had seen a vision of angels who declared he was alive. Some of our friends went to the tomb and found everything exactly as the women had reported, but of him they saw nothing.'

Then he said to them, 'You foolish men! So slow to believe the full message of the prophets! Was it not ordained that the Christ should suffer and so enter into his glory?' Then, starting with Moses and going through all the prophets, he explained to them the passages throughout the scriptures that were about himself.

When they drew near to the village to which they were going, he made as if to go on; but they pressed him to stay with them. 'It is nearly evening' they said 'and the day is almost over.' So he went in to stay with them. Now while he was with them at table, he took the bread and said the blessing; then he broke it and handed it to them. And their eyes were opened and they recognised him; but he had vanished from their sight. Then they said to each other, 'Did not our hearts burn within us as he talked to us on the road and explained the scriptures

to us?' They set out that instant and returned to Jerusalem. There they found the Eleven assembled together with their companions, who said to them, 'Yes, it is true. The Lord has risen and has appeared to Simon.' Then they told their story of what had happened on the road and how they had recognised him at the breaking of bread.