



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.

6th/7th May 2023 | 5th Sunday of Easter Year A

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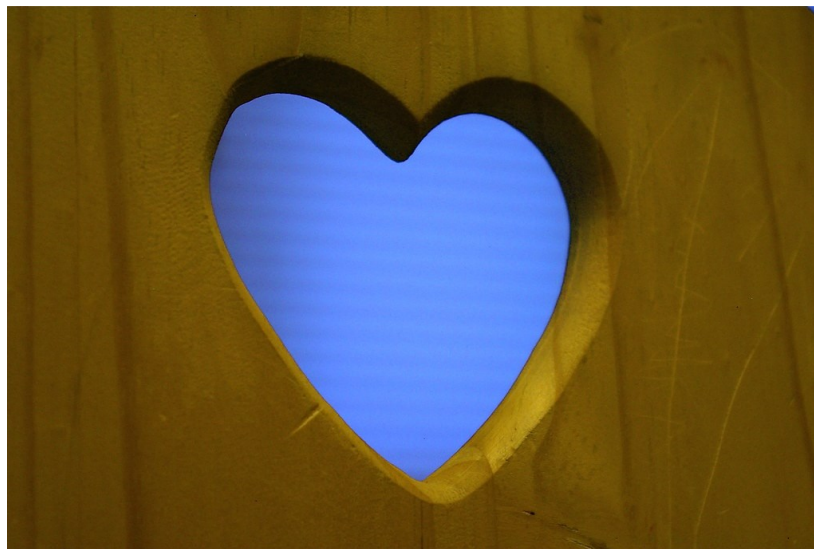
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Dear friends,

When you read this I will be visiting Mt Nebo and crossing into Israel. Know that you are in my prayers during this time of pilgrimage with the Equestrian Order of the Holy Sepulchre. Next week I will share with you the highlights of the pilgrimage. I carry with me your name and the names of the young people from our preschool and schools.

I'd like to mention the important area of safeguarding in our parish. Ruth and Michelle in the parish office co ordinate the safeguarding requirements of our volunteers and ensure that people are kept safe. This means risk assessments must be done for parish events with children, some volunteers need a Working With Children Check (WWCC) and must do the online safeguarding training run by the Archdiocese. In last years audit the parish received 90% rating. It is extremely important that if you are involved in particular ministries that involves WWCC and training that it is done within a reasonable time frame. Ministry and serving God in 2023 means that we must take seriously safeguarding requirements. Legally I am responsible for any breach.

Last week I provided some feedback from our finance meeting. I would like to add the very important point that the parish is in a good financial situation. Our financial strategies and planning process have improved and we now look to maintain and grow our mission. Last week I also used the word 'fundraiser'. The focus of this activity is funds. But I should have used 'community-raiser' which puts the focus not on the funds but on creating community. As interest rates increase I understand that many families find it difficult. Some families may be doing ok. Whatever the case the parish is grateful for your time and talent.

Paul



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



Weekday Mass times:

Monday

7.30am Liturgy of the Word with Communion, Rosebery

Tuesday

5.00pm Our Lady of Mt Carmel, Waterloo.

Wednesday

7.30am St Joseph's Rosebery

Thursday

7.30am St Joseph Rosebery

Friday

8.00am Our Lady of Mt Carmel Waterloo

Normal Sunday Mass Times

Waterloo: 5pm Sat Vigil

Rosebery: Sunday 7.30am & 9.00am.

Reconciliation @ Rosebery 8.30am.

Redfern: 11.00am

Schools in Our Parish:

Our Lady of Mt Carmel, Waterloo

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Principal: Mrs Marg Holles

St Joseph, Rosebery

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Principal: Mr Bernard Ryan

St Joseph Preschool & Long Day Care, Rosebery

1A Kimberley Grove, Rosebery, NSW 2018

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scecs.rosebery@syd.catholic.edu.au

Director: Lidia Krslovic

Jarjum School (Jesuits) Redfern

117 Redfern Street

99365450

Principal: Katherine Zerounian

PRAYER INTENTIONS

Recently Deceased: Theresa Holles,

Anniversary: Bernardette Farrugia (5/5), Peter Smith (5/5), Carolyn Muoio (6/5), Nikola Maric (11/5), Betty Harkins (12/5)

Deceased: Joseph Mizzi, Dorothy Blackman, Thelma, Arthur & Janice Gray, Ethel & George Gray, Bill & Pat Clarke, John & Eileen Dennett, Arthur & Edna Dennett, Sydney & Violet Green, Hazel Holly, Arthur & Rose Dennett, John and Rosemary Cooley, Bill, Muriel, Marc & Jamie Wickert, Shirley Turner, Sr. Patricia Wilkinson, Anna, Stanley & Jim Atkins, Jay Rosenstraus.

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: Marg Holles, 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.

Friendly reminder: In accordance with the Sydney Archdiocese privacy policies and State and Federal laws—if you are wanting a living person's name to be published in the bulletin, we require their written permission.

Donations can be made via website or given to Fr Paul directly.
secretary@citysouthcatholic.org.au.

READING ROSTER

Mass		Readers
5:00pm	This	David McConachie
	Next	Steven Belcastro
7:30am	This	Stephanie Chow
	Next	Josette Merchant
9:00am	This	Lisa Steel
	Next	Jenny Jago
11:00am	This	Sandra Truong
	Next	Ben May

Financial Update

Week Ending 30 April

First Collection	Supports the Clergy Remuneration Fund	\$ 875
Second Collection (includes Parish Giving Program/ does not incl tap& go)	Supports the Parish	\$ 702

Dates for your Diary

- ◆ **6th May**— Gathering after 5pm Mass at Waterloo
- ◆ **7th May**—Morning tea after 9am Mass at Rosebery
- ◆ **Friday 2nd June - Annual Parish Dinner**, 6pm-10pm at The Tea Room QVB. Suggested contribution \$50pp but we only ask you contribute what you can afford. **Last days to reserve your space, RSVPs close 15 May!** Book in for this community event, it's sure to be a wonderful night.
- ◆ **Sunday 10th September –Parish Retreat Day**
Save the date!

2023 Annual Parish Dinner

Bookings are now being taken 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 15 May

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.
ESTABLISHED 1960

*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.







SYDNEY CITY CENTRE
EVANGELISATION

Called to LOVE

An opportunity to enrich your marriage and renew your vows

12TH MAY	13TH MAY	14TH MAY
EVENING EVENT, LEWISHAM	DAY RETREAT, RYDE	DAY RETREAT, PUNCHBOWL

With guest speaker
Chris Pagett
FOUNDER OF THE CENTRE OF HOLY MARRIAGE

More information and registrations at
www.trybooking.com/CEPXJ



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.

Reconciliation and First Holy Communion 2023

The Parish Sacramental Program for the Sacraments of Reconciliation and First Holy Communion will begin on Tuesday 9th May.

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

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



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.

Mt Carmel Place

Sydney City Council is proposing to name the private road that runs from Kellick Street in front of the church in Waterloo Park, Mount Carmel Place.

The name recognises the long historical association of Our Lady of Mount Carmel Catholic Church and School with the communities of Waterloo. The school and church have provided educational facilities and a place of worship to the local community since the 1850s.

In 2021 the parish priest requested that the road be officially named. The road provides access to the rear of the school and the priest's residence. It is important it's officially named to ensure it's easy for emergency services to find.

Council resolved at its meeting on 27 March 2023 to seek community feedback on the proposed name. This is the first step in officially naming the road.

In line with Geographical Names Board of NSW policies, we're proposing to name the road Mount Carmel Place instead of Mount Carmel Way.

Please support this proposal by going to

<https://www.cityofsydney.nsw.gov.au/policy-planning-changes/your-say-proposed-name-mount-carmel-place-waterloo>

Fr Paul

*Book now for our annual Parish Dinner.
Suggested contribution \$50 per person.
To RSVP or for more
information contact the Parish.*

**Friday 2nd June 2023
6pm to 10pm
The Tea Room, QVB**



Catholic Parish of Sydney City South
www.citysouthcatholic.org.au/2023-parish-dinner/
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**2023 Annual
Parish Dinner**

Gathering at Waterloo – Saturday 6 May

This Saturday, please join us in the Eileen O'Connor Community Centre for refreshments after the 5pm Saturday Mass.

Morning tea at Rosebery – Sunday 7 May

This Sunday, please join us this Sunday inside St Joseph's Preschool for morning tea after the 7.30am and 9.00am Masses.

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.



EVERYONE IS INVITED TO ATTEND OUR ST JOSEPH'S COMMUNITY PLAYGROUP



Tuesday- 9th May, 9-10 am
Tuesday- 23rd May, 9-10 am
Tuesday- 6th June, 9-10 am
Tuesday- 20th June, 9-10 am

**St Joseph's Catholic Church
Parish Office, Rosebery.
(74 Rosebery Ave, Rosebery NSW 2018)**



St Joseph's
CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL
ROSEBERY



SYDNEY
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PARISH

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

CATHOLIC ARCHDIOCESE OF SYDNEY

WALK WITH CHRIST

2023

SUNDAY 11 JUNE

FESTIVAL:
Martin Place from 1:00PM

PROCESSION:
Begins at 2:30PM sharp.
Corner of Martin Place and Pitt St

WWW.SYDNEYCATHOLIC.ORG/WALKWITHCHRIST

230 Fairlight Rd Mulgoa

Program:

9.30am Sacrament of Reconciliation
available (Family Hall)

10.15am Pilgrims' Prayer and Welcome

10.30am Pontifical Mass with Bishop
Vincent Long OFM Conv.

Recommissioning of Pilgrim Mother Coordinators

2.00pm Eucharistic Procession from the valley to the
shrine

Alternative program: Anointing of the sick (shrine)
Final Benediction

THIS IS AN OUTDOOR EVENT

**PLEASE BRING YOUR OWN CHAIRS AS SEATS
ARE LIMITED**

Lunch –Hot food, tea & Coffee available for sale or BYO
*Pilgrim Mother Coordinators please bring along your Pilgrim
Mother shrines and keep it with you during Mass. You will be
invited to come to the front with your PM shrines for the
Recommissioning.*

Coach will leave at 8am

from Harris Street, near Coward Street Mascot.

Coach cost: \$30

Bookings: Therese Poulton

Phone: 0403336358



The readings for the last few Sundays have been about the Resurrection, but today's Gospel takes us back in time to an event in Jesus' life before his Passion. Jesus tells his disciples that he is going to prepare a place for them in his Father's house. He promises that where he is going, his disciples will be able to follow. Thomas, who will later doubt the disciples' reports that they have seen the Risen Lord, contradicts Jesus by saying that the disciples don't know where Jesus is going or how to get there. Jesus explains that he himself is the way, the truth, and the life. In knowing and loving Jesus, the disciples now love God the Father.

Philip then makes a request that challenges Jesus' words. Philip wants Jesus to show the Father to the disciples. Recall that Jesus has just told his disciples, "If you know me, then you will also know my Father. From now on you do know him and have seen him." As a good teacher, Jesus responds to Philip by repeating and elaborating on what he has just told the disciples: they have seen and known Jesus, so they have seen and known the Father. Then Jesus offers another reassurance about his departure: because of faith in God and in Jesus, the disciples will do the work that Jesus has done and more.

The connection between Jesus and his Father, between Jesus' work and the work of the Father, is made clear in today's Gospel. Jesus is in the Father, and God the Father is in Jesus. As God spoke his name to Moses, "I am," so too Jesus speaks his name to his disciples: "I am the way and the truth and the life."

The revelation of the Trinity is completed in the passage that follows today's reading, and it is the Gospel for next Sunday. Because Jesus goes away, the Father will send in Jesus' name the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, who will continue the work of the Father and of Jesus.

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.

PROCESSION FOR THE FEAST OF

**MARY HELP OF
CHRISTIANS**

PATRONESS OF AUSTRALIA

Peace through Prayer with Bishop Daniel Meagher

SATURDAY 20 MAY 2023

10AM MASS AT ST PETER'S SURRY HILLS

*Followed by Pilgrims Blessing by Bishop Daniel
Meagher. Then join us as he leads us on a street
procession to St Mary's Cathedral*

12PM MASS AT ST MARY'S CATHEDRAL

Mass in Honour of Mary Help of Christians



CONDUCTED BY THE SERVANTS OF MARY HELP OF CHRISTIANS,
AUSTRALIA NEEDS FATIMA AND FAMILY LIFE INTERNATIONAL

Parts of the Mass

Entrance Antiphon

O sing a new song to the Lord,
for he has worked wonders;
in the sight of the nations
he has shown his deliverance, 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.

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

I am the true vine and you are the branches, says the Lord.

Whoever remains in me, and I in him, bears fruit in plenty,

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

About this time, when the number of disciples was increasing, the Hellenists made a complaint against the Hebrews: in the daily distribution their own widows were being overlooked. So the Twelve called a full meeting of the disciples and addressed them, 'It would not be right for us to neglect the word of God so as to give out food; you, brothers, must select from among yourselves seven men of good reputation, filled with the Spirit and with wisdom; we will hand over this duty to them, and continue to devote ourselves to prayer and to the service of the word.' The whole assembly approved of this proposal and elected Stephen, a man full of faith and of the Holy Spirit, together with Philip, Prochorus, Nicanor, Timon, Parmenas, and Nicolaus of Antioch, a convert to Judaism. They presented these to the apostles, who prayed and laid their hands on them. The word of the Lord continued to spread: the number of disciples in Jerusalem was greatly increased, and a large group of priests made their submission to the faith.

Responsorial Psalm

R Lord, let your mercy be on us,
as we place our trust in you.

1. Ring out your joy to the Lord, O you just;
for praise is fitting for loyal hearts.
Give thanks to the Lord upon the harp,
with a ten-stringed lute sing him songs. **R**
2. For the word of the Lord is faithful
and all his works to be trusted.
The Lord loves justice and right
and fills the earth with his love. **R**
3. The Lord looks on those who revere him,
on those who hope in his love,
to rescue their souls from death,
to keep them alive in famine. **R**

A reading from the first letter of St Peter

The Lord is the living stone, rejected by men but chosen by God and precious to him; set yourselves close to him so that you too, the holy priesthood that offers the spiritual sacrifices which Jesus Christ has made acceptable to God, may be living stones making a spiritual house. As scripture says: See how I lay in Zion a precious cornerstone that I have chosen and the man who rests his trust on it will not be disappointed. That means that for you who are believers, it is precious; but for unbelievers, the stone rejected by the builders has proved to be the keystone, a stone to stumble over, a rock to bring men down. They stumble over it because they do not believe in the word; it was the fate in store for them.

But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a consecrated nation, a people set apart to sing the praises

of God who called you out of the darkness into his wonderful light.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

I am the way, the truth, and the life, says the Lord;
no one comes to the Father, except through me.
Alleluia!

Gospel

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John

Jesus said to his disciples:

'Do not let your hearts be troubled.

Trust in God still, and trust in me.

There are many rooms in my Father's house;
if there were not, I should have told you.

I am now going to prepare a place for you,
and after I have gone and prepared you a place,

I shall return to take you with me;

so that where I am

you may be too.

You know the way to the place where I am going.'

Thomas said, 'Lord, we do not know where you are
going, so how can we know the way?' Jesus said:

'I am the Way, the Truth and the Life.

No one can come to the Father except through me.

If you know me, you know my Father too.

From this moment you know him and have seen him.'

Philip said, 'Lord, let us see the Father and then we shall
be satisfied.' 'Have I been with you all this time, Philip,'
said Jesus to him 'and you still do not know me?

'To have seen me is to have seen the Father,
so how can you say, "Let us see the Father"?'
Do you not believe

that I am in the Father and the Father is in me?

The words I say to you I do not speak as from myself:

it is the Father, living in me, who is doing this work.

You must believe me when I say

that I am in the Father and the Father is in me;

believe it on the evidence of this work, if for no other
reason.

'I tell you most solemnly,

whoever believes in me

will perform the same works as I do myself,

he will perform even greater works,

because I am going to the Father.'