

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,

St Paul says in 2 Corinthians 9:6-11 thin sowing means thin reaping, the more you sow the more you reap. In an encouraging letter St Paul urges the people of Corinth to be generous. This letter makes me consider the relationship between wellbeing and spirituality. We all want to be generous and serve God. Being generous can take many forms; outreach to the poor, advocacy, prayer, donation, being supportive and kind, loving our enemies. We can give and give and try and try. Our Catholic Spirituality is grounded in loving God which is seen through our acts of service and love. The focus is God not ourselves. In the past spiritual writers talked about self denial. Even the Catechism of the Catholic Church mentions it (1460). This idea promoted letting go, not putting ourselves at the centre of everything. It doesn't mean to reject ones dignity. Indeed to have a healthy Catholic Spirituality we ought to love and accept ourselves. A strong sense of wellbeing is important if we want to stay centred and focused and willing to sow the goodness of God in a world. The late auxiliary bishop Geoff Robsinson added this insightful thought in our attempt to love and serve: "you can be some things to some people some of the time". The message is look after your wellbeing and you will be able to make a difference.

The Australian Catholic Bishops have invited us to reflect on the Uluru Statement from the Heart as we prepare to vote in a referendum on recognition and Voice to Parliament later this year. The Bishops encourage us to make up our own minds. It is important to consider all the information provided to make an informed choice.

Recently the Archdiocese launch Reflect Aboriginal Action Plan. A copy can be found here: https://justiceandpeace.org.au/

Please do not light candles or leave matches in the adoration chapel in Rosebery. This could trigger the fire alarm. Please do not pass on the code. To maintain security the office must give out the code after people have left their name and phone number.



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 9.15am School Mass, Waterloo

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

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PRAYER INTENTIONS

Recently Deceased: Doug Murray, Christopher Wilson, Lucie de Vries, Pat Garbett, Marylin Manton, Brian Manton

Anniversary: Alice Margaret Holmes Walker (22/6), Manuel Trevino (24/6), Fr Jaime Bonet (25/6), John Boylan (26/6), Kath McDonald (26/6), Joseph Curtis (26/6), Joao Merchado (27/6), Pat Holland (30/6)

Deceased: Vicenzio Lovatti, Tom Hallam (Butch), 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 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, June Elliot, Lyndall Storey, 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.

<u>Friendly reminder:</u> 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	Bruce Strath	
7:30am	This	Charlotte Buxton	
	Next	Michael Burns	
9:00am	This	Lisa Steel	
	Next	Abbey K	
11:00am	This	Sr Esmey	
	Next	Ben May	



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.



- **25th June—Morning tea at Redfern** after Mass.
- 1st July—Gathering at Waterloo after Mass.
- 2nd July—Morning tea at Rosebery after Mass.
- Sunday 10th September –Parish Retreat Day Save the date! Our parish retreat will be given by the Dominican Sisters of St Cecilia. All are welcome.

Financial Update

Week Ending 18 June

First Collection	Supports the Clergy Remuneration Fund	\$ 904
Second Collection (includes Parish Giving Program/ does not incl tap& go)	Supports the Parish	\$ 612

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.

SUPPORT THE GOOD WORKS OF THE HOLY FATHER

HOLY FATHER'S APPEAL

1st AND 2nd JULY 2023

"How marvellous it would be if, at the end of the day, each of us could say: today I have performed an act of charity towards others!" Pope Franci

FY2024 Parish Giving Program.

We invite you to join our Parish Giving Program. Contributions to this program can be via cash in supplied envelopes (in the second collection) or by a set monthly credit card deduction. At the end of the financial year our program members will receive a receipt showing their contribution for the year.

In the FY2024 year we can offer a 100% tax deduction on your contributions to this program. Please note for administrative reasons we can only offer the deduction on giving via the program.

This weekend we have supplied a Parish Giving form in every bulletin. If you would like to join the program for FY2024 please complete and sign and return at Mass, to the office or via email: finance@citysouthcatholic.org.au

It is the contributions of our community that fund our Parish via your generosity in the second collection and Parish Giving Program. Your contributions fund the maintenance and upkeep of our buildings, parish programs, outreach and much more! We are so grateful for your support.

If you have any questions about giving please contact us at email above or at the Parish Office: 9353 6300

FY2024 Envelopes

For our Program members who have selected the cash option your envelopes will be available at the back of the Church (originally selected on your form) from this weekend. If you cannot find your envelopes let us know and we will ensure it is sent to the right church for you.

FY2023 Tax Receipts

In FY23 we were able to offer an 80% tax deduction. Receipts will be sent by mail in early July. You should receive these by 14th May at latest. If you would prefer to receive your receipt via email please send an email to finance@citysouthcatholic.org.au and we will send your receipt to the nominated address by 7th July.

Holy Father's Appeal

Our parish, in union with all parishes around the world, will hold the annual Holy Father's Appeal next weekend. Through your gift, you can help Pope Francis bring hope, faith, and the spirit of Christ to our less fortunate brothers and sisters around the world. Thank you.

Baptisms

We congratulate Ashton and Jesselle on

their baptisms at Rosebery on Sunday. God bless you both and your family.



Prayer Intentions Group on WhatsApp

An important Spiritual Work of Mercy undertaken by Christians is to pray for the living and the dead. Each of us knows the extraordinary comfort and help we receive from the prayers of others. Therefore, our parish has established a WhatsApp Group to pray for intentions. Each week we share particular prayer intentions the group has been asked to pray for, and we each commit to praying for those intentions throughout the week. We only share intentions that we have permission to share. If you would like to join this work of mercy text your (1) Christian name, (2) Surname and (3) address to Elizabeth Arblaster, Pastoral Associate for Mission, on 0491 939 577.

Waterloo hospitality - can you help?

Thank you to the nine generous people who have joined our hospitality roster for the First Saturday Gatherings at Waterloo. We need two more volunteers. If you can commit to bringing food that would serve 20 people, at one or two gatherings in the second half of 2023, please contact me on 0491 939 577 or mission@citysouthcatholic.org.au. Thank you, Elizabeth.

Children's Missals

We have acquired four new children's Missals to help children understand the Mass. The books are suited to children of different ages from three years old to six years old. If you would like to borrow one to use during the Mass come and see me at the front door of St Joseph's church before the 9am Mass. We will be acquiring more copies in the weeks ahead. Pax, Elizabeth Arblaster,

Pastoral Associate for Mission



Thank You Helen Regan

We extend our heartfelt thanks to Helen Regan for her decades of service to our Parish through the ministry of music. Helen has provided her talents to St Vincent de Paul Redfern over many years and will now be starting a new chapter of life in Albury. You will be missed Helen, we will certainly keep you in our prayers.





NOW ENROLLING KINDERGARTEN TO YEAR 6

SMALL SCHOOL, BIG FUTURES



Update on Eileen O'Connor Museum Coogee

The redevelopment of the Eileen O'Connor Museum has reached an exciting milestone. The museum is fully planned and we are waiting on approval from the council to commence construction. Randwick The museum has been designed in an open plan to allow visitors to engage with the story of Eileen O'Connor, Fr McGrath and Our Lady's Nurses on multiple levels. The narrative of the museum interprets significant events in Eileen's life, the struggles and victories she experienced, the determination of the nurses to continue her vision, through to current ministries. This means people of all ages and interest will be able to relate to the story of Eileen and assimilate that, which was so important to her, into their own lives. The museum will become part of the ongoing legacy of Our Lady's Nurses for the Poor. Although the museum is closed, the Sisters still welcome visitors anytime between 9.30 am and 12 noon and from 1 pm to 3.30 pm, Monday to Friday, with prior booking. Phone (02) 9665 6331 to arrange your visit.

Project Good Samaritan

For the next few weeks, we will continue our toiletries drive for the homeless, victims of domestic violence and those in our community in need of our help.

Items to donate include toothpaste and toothbrush, soaps or body wash, shampoo and conditioner, hairbrush or comb, deodorants, tissues or wipes.



I have been informed that the greatest need at present is shampoo and conditioner and soap and body wash however all toiletries are gratefully accepted.

For those who wish to continue to donate food, please do so and we will deliver to the Team.

Again, thank you all for your ongoing support.

Vanessa Madunic Project Good Samaritan Co-ordinator

Walk With Christ 2023

The annual Walk With Christ on 11 June 2023 drew more than 10,000 for witness, prayer and adoration on the steps of St Mary's Cathedral. Thank you to the parishioners who attended with Fr Josh, who wrote about the day in his column for The Catholic Weekly...

We had for the first time organised a bus to help bring our parishioners from the church to the heart of the procession simply and quickly.

Their remarks afterwards were illuminating. Everyone was joyful. Everyone was immensely glad that they had taken the time to participate.

Everyone had been surprised to find that the structure of this traditional kind of procession had helped them to pray, had rapidly increased their faith, and had helped them to enter into a far deeper communion with their brothers and sisters.

They were glad to have been able to take time in what they thought was a really effective prayer for our city.

And they were immensely encouraged by the unexpectedly large number of ordinary people, just like them, who came to spend time with Jesus, and with each other.

The question of carrying our parish banner perhaps illustrates the change wrought. Beforehand it was a question as to which 2 or 4 people would have to carry the banner.

After the procession I discovered that the question had immediately disappeared once the walk began: pretty much everyone had tried to have a go.

So praise God for providing us with such a simple and easy and human way to evangelise. May our processions of the Blessed Sacrament, of the rosary, of Our Lady, of the parish saint, and of the stations of the cross fill our streets and public spaces with the reality of the goodness of the love of God so transformative for all of us, participants and onlookers.



ULURU STATEMENT FROM THE HEART

We, gathered at the 2017 National Constitutional Convention, coming from all points of the southern sky, make this statement from the heart:

Our Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander tribes were the first sovereign Nations of the Australian continent and its adjacent islands, and possessed it under our own laws and customs. This our ancestors did, according to the reckoning of our culture, from the Creation, according to the common law from 'time immemorial', and according to science more than 60,000 years ago.

This sovereignty is a spiritual notion: the ancestral tie between the land, or 'mother nature', and the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples who were born therefrom, remain attached thereto, and must one day return thither to be united with our ancestors. This link is the basis of the ownership of the soil, or better, of sovereignty. It has never been ceded or extinguished, and co-exists with the sovereignty of the Crown.

How could it be otherwise? That peoples possessed a land for sixty millennia and this sacred link disappears from world history in merely the last two hundred years?

With substantive constitutional change and structural reform, we believe this ancient sovereignty can shine through as a fuller expression of Australia's nationhood.

Proportionally, we are the most incarcerated people on the planet. We are not an innately criminal people. Our children are aliened from their families at unprecedented rates. This cannot be because we have no love for them. And our youth languish in detention in obscene numbers. They should be our hope for the future.

These dimensions of our crisis tell plainly the structural nature of our problem. This is the torment of our powerlessness.

We seek constitutional reforms to empower our people and take a rightful place in our own country. When we have power over our destiny our children will flourish. They will walk in two worlds and their culture will be a gift to their country.

We call for the establishment of a First Nations Voice enshrined in the Constitution.

Makarrata is the culmination of our agenda: the coming together after a struggle. It captures our aspirations for a fair and truthful relationship with the people of Australia and a better future for our children based on justice and self-determination.

We seek a Makarrata Commission to supervise a process of agreement-making between governments and First Nations and truth-telling about our history.

In 1967 we were counted, in 2017 we seek to be heard. We leave base camp and start our trek across this vast country. We invite you to walk with us in a movement of the Australian people for a better future.



Parts of the Mass

Entrance Antiphon

The Lord is the strength of his people, a saving refuge for the one he has anointed. Save your people, Lord, and bless your heritage, and govern them 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. **O**R

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 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 eyes of all look to you, Lord, and you give them their food in due season.

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 prophet Jeremiah

Jeremiah said: I hear so many disparaging me, "Terror from every side! Denounce him! Let us denounce him!" All those who used to be my friends watched for my downfall, "Perhaps he will be seduced into error. Then we will master him and take our revenge!" But the Lord is at my side, a mighty hero; my opponents will stumble, mastered, confounded by their failure; everlasting, unforgettable disgrace will be theirs. But you, Lord of Hosts, you who probe with justice, who scrutinise the loins and heart, let me see the vengeance you will take on them, for I have committed my cause to you. Sing to the Lord, praise the Lord, for he has delivered the soul of the needy from the hands of evil men.'

Responsorial Psalm

R Lord, in your great love, answer me.

- It is for you that I suffer taunts, that shame covers my face, that I have become a stranger to my brothers, an alien to my own mother's sons. I burn with zeal for your house and taunts against you fall on me. R
- This is my prayer to you, my prayer for your favour. In your great love, answer me, O God, with your help that never fails: Lord, answer, for your love is kind; in your compassion, turn towards me. R
- 3. The poor when they see it will be glad and God-seeking hearts will revive;
 for the Lord listens to the needy and does not spurn his servants in their chains. Let the heavens and the earth give him praise, the sea and all its living creatures. R

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Romans

Sin entered the world through one man, and through sin death, and thus death has spread through the whole human race because everyone has sinned. Sin existed in the world long before the Law was given. There was no law and so no one could be accused of the sin of 'lawbreaking', yet death reigned over all from Adam to Moses, even though their sin, unlike that of Adam, was not a matter of breaking a law.

Adam prefigured the One to come, but the gift itself considerably outweighed the fall. If it is certain that through one man's fall so many died, it is even more certain that divine grace, coming through the one man, Jesus Christ, came to so many as an abundant free gift.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

The Spirit of Truth will bear witness to me, says the Lord,

and you also will be my witnesses. Alleluia!

Gospel

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew

Jesus instructed the Twelve as follows: 'Do not be afraid. For everything that is now covered will be uncovered, and everything now hidden will be made clear. What I say to you in the dark, tell in the daylight; what you hear in whispers, proclaim from the house-tops.

'Do not be afraid of those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul; fear him rather who can destroy both body and soul in hell. Can you not buy two sparrows for a penny? And yet not one falls to the ground without your Father knowing. Why, every hair on your head has been counted. So there is no need to be afraid; you are worth more than hundreds of sparrows.

'So if anyone declares himself for me in the presence of men, I will declare myself for him in the presence of my Father in heaven. But the one who disowns me in the presence of men, I will disown in the presence of my Father in heaven.'

