

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.

22nd & 23rd July 2023 | 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year A

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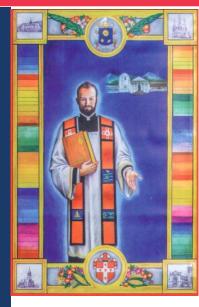
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Dear friends,

This Friday is the feast day of Blessed Stanley Rother. This is the tapestry produced for his beatification on September 23 2017. We celebrate his feast day in our parish because there is a small first class relic of Bl Stanley in the new altar at Rosebery. When I received the relic I promised the Archbishop of Oklahoma I would promote his Cause!

Stanley Francis Rother was born March 27, 1935, in Okarche, Oklahoma USA. The oldest of the children born to Franz and Gertrude Rother, he grew up on a farm and attended Holy Trinity Catholic Church and School. He worked hard doing required chores, attended school, played sports, was an altar server and enjoyed the activities associated with growing up in a small town.

While in high school, he began to discern the possibility of a vocation to the priesthood. He was accepted as a seminarian and was sent to Assumption Seminary in San Antonio, Texas. He completed his studies at Mount Saint Mary's Seminary in Emmitsburg, Maryland, and was ordained a priest on May 25, 1963. Father Rother served as an associate pastor for five years in Oklahoma.

He sought and received permission to join the staff at the Oklahoma diocese's mission in Santiago Atitlan, Guatemala. He served the native tribe of the Tz'utujil, who are decedents of the Mayans. Although he struggled with Latin in the seminary, Father Rother learned Spanish and the Tz'utujil language in Guatemala. He celebrated Mass in their language and helped translate the New Testament.

While he served in Guatemala, a civil war raged between the militarist government forces and the guerrillas. The Catholic Church was caught in the middle due to its insistence on catechizing and educating the people. During this conflict, thousands of Catholics were killed. Eventually, Father Rother's name appeared on a death list. For his safety and that of his associate, Father Rother returned home to Oklahoma. He didn't stay long, though, as he was determined to give his life completely to his people, stating that "the shepherd cannot run." He returned to Santiago Atitlan to continue the work of the mission. Within a few months, three men entered the presbytery around 1 a.m. on July 28, 1981, fought with Father Rother and then executed him. His death shocked the Catholic world. No one was ever held responsible. The people of Santiago Atitlan mourned the loss of their leader and friend. They requested that Father Rother's heart be kept in Guatemala where it remains enshrined today. Truly a saint for our times. You can learn more about his story by viewing a short documentary on the homepage of the parish website.

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

Friday

9.15am 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 96991407

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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.

PRAYER INTENTIONS

Recently Deceased: Evelyn Micallef, Lizetta Santarossa, Sr Onofier

Anniversary: Frank Balbi (22/7), Bernardette Whitney (22/7), Doris Camilleri (23/7), John Agius (25/7), Fenglan Zhou (25/7), Harold McCarthy (27/7)

Deceased: Gino Mio, 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: Anne Hudson, Maria Tsiailis, 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	Steven Belcastro		
7:30am	This	Josette Merchant		
	Next	Charlotte Buxton		
9:00am	This	Jenny Jago		
	Next	Lisa Steel		
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@sydnevcatholic.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.



- Sunday 30 July—Morning tea at Redfern
- ♦ Saturday 5 August—Gathering at Waterloo
- Sunday 6 August—Morning tea at Rosebery
- ♦ 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.

Hospitality Roster: August				
Date	Location	Volunteers		
5/8	OLMC	Julia Nekich: coordinator & food		
	Waterloo	Bianca Rodrigo: food		
		Lenette Carter: food		
6/8	St	Bob Kanginan: set up		
	Joseph's	Critina Leontini: food, serve &		
	Rosebery	pack up		
		Dennis Timmins: food		
		Martin Kelly: serve & pack up		
		Mary Hidajat: food		

Financial Update

Week Ending 16 July

First Collection	Supports the Clergy Remuneration Fund	\$ 712		
Second Collection (includes Parish Giving Program/ does not incl tap& go)	Supports the Parish	\$ 659		

Acolytes

Congratulations to Tom Raguz and Andrew Kosasih on their installation by Bishop Danny Meagher to the Ministry of the Acolyte at the Parish of Sydney City South.



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.

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

NOTE: If you are already part of the Parish Giving program you do not need to register again. Your enrollment continues until we are otherwise notified.

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 this week. Tax receipts have been mailed out this week unless you requested your receipt via email.

The Sacrament of Confirmation will be celebrated this year on **Friday 1st September** at 6.30pm by Bishop Danny Meagher DD

Registration forms are available at the parish office or on our Parish website. Completed forms need to be returned to the Parish Office by Wednesday **19th July** or emailed it to Sr Rosemary- pastoral@citysouthcatholic.org.au

REQUIREMENTS FOR ENROLMENT:

Children should be in **Year 5 or 6 and above**. We only celebrate Confirmation every two years. The child must be a **baptised** Latin Rite (Roman) Catholic. If the child was not baptised in this parish, a copy of their baptismal certificate is required.

Information Night: Thursday 27 th July 7.00pm					
Our Lady of Mt Carmel Church Waterloo					
Rite Of Enrolment Mass					
Any Mass on Weekend of 29th/30th July					
Depending on the number There may be two groups – max of 10 in each group					
	Wednesday Group 1 at 7pm	Tuesdays Group 2 at 7pm			
	Rosebery	Waterloo			
Lesson 1	2 nd August	1 st August			
Lesson 2	9 th August	8 th August			
Lesson 3	16 th August	15 th August ****			
Lesson 4	23 rd August	22 nd August			
Practice / Reconciliation	30 th August	Our Lady of Mt Carmel			
Confirmation Mass	Friday 1st September	Our Lady of Mt Carmel			

Baptism

We congratulate **Alexandre** and **Gabriela** on their baptisms at Rosebery on Sunday.

God bless them and their families



I want to express my gratitude to everyone who has continued to show their generosity over the past few months by contributing to our toiletries drive. The response has been truly overwhelming, and as a result, the shelves of the storeroom at the Redfern Office of St. Vincent de Paul have been restocked.

After speaking with the team, we have made the decision to spend the next month collecting snacks and assembling snack packs to provide to individuals who visit the office and those who are currently experiencing homelessness. These snack packs are designed to be easily distributed and consumed without requiring any preparation. We are actively seeking pre-packaged snacks to create similar packs to the one shown in the image.

Items to consider:

- Muesli Bars
- Small tuna cans with ring pull
- Small bean mixes with ring pull
- Dried crackers in individual packs
- Cheese and biscuit packs
- Small bags of chips
- Lunch-to-go packs
- Dried fruit packs
- Small juice drinks
- Packets of wooden forks

Once again, thank you all for your support, as we would not have been able to continue this Project without your ongoing help.

Vanessa Madunic

Project Good Samaritan Co-Ordinator



Scripture Reflection

In today's Gospel, Jesus offers three parables to describe the Kingdom of Heaven. He also explains why he speaks to the crowds in parables and interprets the parable of the sower for the disciples. This reading is a continuation of Jesus' discourse that we began reading last Sunday.

All three parables use commonplace experiences to describe aspects of the Kingdom of Heaven. The first parable is longer and more detailed than the next two, and it alerts us to the two-fold reality of the Kingdom of Heaven. The beginnings of the Kingdom of Heaven can be found in this world. The fruition of the Kingdom of Heaven, however, will not be realized until the final judgment. In the meantime, as Jesus' explanation to the disciples cautions, any effort to judge the progress of the Kingdom of Heaven is premature. Only God, in the final judgment, will distinguish the fruit of the Kingdom of Heaven and offer its reward.

The second and third parables call to our attention the abundance that will result from the small beginnings of the Kingdom of Heaven. Just as a mustard seed—the smallest of all seeds—will become a large bush, so too God will bring his Kingdom to full bloom. As a small amount of yeast will leaven the entire batch of bread, so too God will bring about the expansion of his Kingdom. In each case the image is of the superabundance that God brings out of even the smallest of signs of the Kingdom.

Contained within these parables are words of caution as well as words of consolation. In the parable of the sower we are warned against judging others. To judge and uproot the "weeds" prematurely will harm the wheat; final judgment rests with God. In the parables of the mustard seed and the yeast, we are consoled by the message that God can work wonders and produce abundance from even the smallest beginnings of the Kingdom of Heaven.

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Everyone is warmly invited to attend Playgroup

9-10 am- Tuesday, 25th July 9-10 am- Thursday, 10th August 9-10 am-Tuesday, 22nd August 9-10 am- Thursday, 7th September



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





Monthly Prayer for Mission

From July, our parish will gather monthly to intentionally pray for the growth of the mission of our parish: to worship God, care for the poor, and evangelise. The first gathering is on the Feast of St James the Evangelist.



Children's Missals for Loan

We have a great range of children's missals available for children age 3+. If you would like to borrow one during Mass, come and see myself or Sr Rosemary at the door before the 9am Mass at St Joseph's. Pax. Elizabeth









Parts of the Mass

Entrance Antiphon

See, I have God for my help. The Lord sustains my soul. I will sacrifice to you with willing heart, and praise your name, O Lord, for it is good.

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

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

and the life of the world to come. Amen.

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 Lord, the gracious, the merciful, has made a memorial of his wonders; he gives food to those who fear him.

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 book of Wisdom

There is no god, other than you, who cares for everything, to whom you might have to prove that you never judged unjustly.

Your justice has its source in strength, your sovereignty over all makes you lenient to all. You show your strength when your sovereign power is questioned and you expose the insolence of those who know it; but, disposing of such strength, you are mild in judgement, you govern us with great lenience, for you have only to will, and your power is there. By acting thus you have taught a lesson to your people how the virtuous man must be kindly to his fellow men, and you have given your sons the good hope that after sin you will grant repentance.

Responsorial Psalm

R Lord, you are good and forgiving.

O Lord, you are good and forgiving, full of love to all who call.

Give heed, O Lord, to my prayer and attend to the sound of my voice.

All the nations shall come to adore you and glorify your name, O Lord: for you are great and do marvellous deeds, you who alone are God. R

But you, God of mercy and compassion, slow to anger, O Lord, abounding in love and truth, turn and take pity on me. R

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Romans

The Spirit comes to help us in our weakness. For when we cannot choose words in order to pray properly, the Spirit himself expresses our plea in a way that could never be put into words, and God who knows everything in our hearts knows perfectly well what he means, and that the pleas of the saints expressed by the Spirit are according to the mind of God.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

Blessed are you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth; you have revealed to little ones the mysteries of the kingdom.

Alleluia!

Gospel

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew

Jesus put a parable before the crowds, 'The kingdom of heaven may be compared to a man who sowed good seed in his field. While everybody was asleep his enemy came, sowed darnel all among the wheat, and made off. When the new wheat sprouted and ripened, the darnel appeared as well. The owner's servants went to him and said, "Sir, was it not good seed that you sowed in your field? If so, where does the darnel come from?" "Some enemy has done this" he answered. And the servants said, "Do you want us to go and weed it out?" But he said, "No, because when you weed out the darnel you might pull up the wheat with it. Let them both grow till the harvest; and at harvest time I shall say to the reapers: First collect the darnel and tie it in bundles to be burnt, then gather the wheat into my barn."

