

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.

29th & 30th July 2023 | 17th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year A

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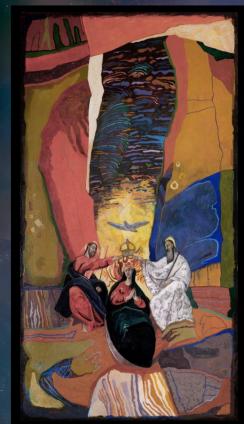
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Dear friends,

This weekend we welcome the candidates for Confirmation. The candidates, with a parent or caregiver will attend 4 group sessions that are centred around trying to live the Christian life more deeply. We want the young people to not only have more information about faith but to be initiated into a way of life. The grace given in Confirmation can be understood as a memorial of Pentecost. As a memorial of Pentecost, the celebration not only recalls that past event, but keeps it alive here and now. The experience of Confirmation (Pentecost) is the experience of being drawn into the life of the risen Christ. This leads us to see a connection between Confirmation and Baptism and Eucharist. All three sacraments of initiation draw us into a deeper relationship with Christ. The Eucharist is the pinnacle of this movement. To live the Christian way of life we are constantly drawn to the Eucharist where we are reminded that we share in the divine life of Christ thus becoming beloved sons and daughters of God.



Coronation of the Theotokos by Michael Galovic, 2023 Egg tempera, 150 x 80cm

Blessing of Coronation of the Theotokos By Michael Galovic 9am Mass Sunday 6 August St Joseph Church 74 Rosebery Ave Rosebery 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

<u>Schools in Our Parish:</u> Our Lady of Mt Carmel, Waterloo 96991407 info@olmcwaterloo.catholic.edu.au *Principal: Mrs Marg Holles*

St Joseph, Rosebery 9184 6630 info@stjrosebery.catholic.edu.au *Principal: Mr Bernard Ryan*

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

PRAYER INTENTIONS

Recently Deceased: Nora Leonor Espino, Sr Margaret Lambert, Sr Janey Cummings, Sr Catharine Louis, Sr Margaret Mary Murray, Evelyn Micallef, Lizetta Santarossa, Sr Onofier

Anniversary: Miguel Franciso (30/7), Neville Cameron (30/7), Mary-Anne Grant (1/8), Maude Farrow (4/8), Leslie Neilsen (4/8)

Deceased: Fenglan Sophia Zhou, Joseph & Rose Lia, Paula & Miriam McGill, Domenico Verardo, Fr Terence Purcell, 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	Steven Belcastro		
	Next	Ika Sadeli		
7:30am	This	Charlotte Buxton		
	Next	Michael Burns		
9:00am	This	Lisa Steel		
	Next	Abbey K		
11:00am	This	Ben May		
	Next	Sr Esmey		



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.



- Sunday 30 July—Morning tea at Redfern Please join us for morning tea after the 11am Mass at St Vincent's Church in Redfern. All welcome!
- Saturday 5 August—Gathering at Waterloo Please join us for a get together and refreshments in the community centre after the 5pm vigil Mass at Our Lady of Mt Carmel on Saturday, 5 August 2023. Please feel free to invite family, friends, and neighbours. All are welcome.
- Sunday 6 August—Morning tea at Rosebery Please join us for morning tea after the 11am Mass at St Vincent's Church in Redfern. All welcome!
- 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	

Baptisms

We congratulate $\ensuremath{\textbf{Harry}}$ and

Isla on their baptisms at Rosebery on Sunday.

God bless them and their families



Financial Update

Week Ending 23 July

First Collection	Supports the Clergy Remuneration Fund	\$ 735
Second Collection (includes Parish Giving Program/ does not incl tap& go)	Supports the Parish	\$ 706

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.

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.

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



Playgroup

It was great to restart our playgroup this week and meet with some local families. This is a great way for children to make friends who live locally and also for us to connect with parents in our area. Please feel free to pass this invitation on to friends and family who have small children and who would like to connect with others. If you have any questions please contact our Pastoral Associate for Mission, Elizabeth, on 0491 939 577 or mission@citysouthcatholic.org.au

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)







Project Good Samaritan

After speaking with the team at St Vincent de Paul, Redfern, 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



The Mission of the Church: To Proclaim the Good News

The third aspect of the mission of the church is to *evangelise*, which simply means to share the good news. (In previous weeks we looked at the two other aspects of our mission: to worship God, and to care for the poor.)

Who needs to hear the good news? Who doesn't? We in the pews need to be constantly reminded of God's love for us so that we can experience it anew and, in gratitude, give our hearts to God each day. Catholics away from the practice of their faith need the witness of others that Jesus loves them and longs to have a closer relationship with them. And all other people need the good news; for many people in the world carry terrible burdens that Jesus wants to release them from.

Pope Francis gave us a meditation on evangelisation in *The Joy of the Gospel* (264-266, abridged below). I invite you to take this to prayer and see what strikes you.

"The primary reason for evangelizing is the love of Jesus which we have received, the experience of salvation which urges us to ever greater love of him... If we do not feel an intense desire to share this love, we need to pray insistently that he will once more touch our hearts. We need to implore his grace daily, asking him to open our cold hearts and shake up our lukewarm and superficial existence... How good it is to stand before a crucifix, or on our knees before the Blessed Sacrament, and simply to be in his presence! How much good it does us when he once more touches our lives and impels us to share his new life! What then happens is that "we speak of what we have seen and heard" (1 Jn 1:3). The best incentive for sharing the Gospel comes from contemplating it with love, lingering over its pages and reading it with the heart. If we approach it in this way, its beauty will amaze and constantly excite us. But if this is to come about, we need to recover a contemplative spirit which can help us to realize ever anew that we have been entrusted with a treasure which makes us more human and helps us to lead a new life. There is nothing more precious which we can give to others.

Jesus' whole life, his way of dealing with the poor, his actions, his integrity, his simple daily acts of generosity, and finally his complete self-giving, is precious and reveals the mystery of his divine life. Whenever we encounter this anew, we become convinced that it is exactly what others need, even though they may not recognize it: "What therefore you worship as unknown, this I proclaim to you" (*Acts* 17:23)... If we succeed in expressing adequately and with beauty the essential content of the Gospel, surely this message will speak to the deepest yearnings of people's hearts: "The missionary is convinced that, through the working of the Spirit, there already exists in individuals and peoples an expectation, even if an unconscious one, of knowing the truth about God, about man, and about how we are to be set free from sin and death. The missionary's enthusiasm in proclaiming Christ comes from the conviction that he is responding to that expectation" (Pope St John Paul II, *Redemptoris Missio*, 45) ...

But this conviction has to be sustained by our own constantly renewed experience of savouring Christ's friendship and his message. It is impossible to persevere in a fervent evangelization unless we are **convinced from personal experience that it is not the same thing to have known Jesus as not to have known him**, not the same thing to walk with him as to walk blindly, not the same thing to hear his word as not to know it, and not the same thing to contemplate him, to worship him, to find our peace in him, as not to. It is not the same thing to try to build the world with his Gospel as to try to do so by our own lights. We know well that with Jesus life becomes richer and that with him it is easier to find meaning in everything. This is why we evangelize."

> Sanctity has to do with gratitude. To be a saint is to be fueled by gratitude, nothing more and nothing less. Fr Ronald Rolheiser OMI

MESSAGE OF HIS HOLINESS POPE FRANCIS FOR THE THIRD WORLD DAY FOR GRANDPARENTS AND THE ELDERLY

This year, the World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly takes place close to World Youth Day. Both celebrations remind us of the "haste" (cf. v. 39) with which Mary set out to visit Elizabeth. In this way, they invite us to reflect on the bond that unites young and old. The Lord trusts that young people, through their relationships with the elderly, will realize that they are called to cultivate memory and recognize the beauty of being part of a much larger history. Friendship with an older person can help the young to see life not only in terms of the present and realize that not everything depends on them and their abilities. For the elderly, the presence of a young person in their lives can give them hope that their experience will not be lost and that their dreams can find fulfilment. Mary's visit to Elizabeth and their shared awareness that the Lord's mercy is from generation to generation remind us that, alone, we cannot move forward, much less save ourselves, and that God's presence and activity are always part of something greater, the history of a people. Mary herself said this in the Magnificat, as she rejoiced in God, who, in fidelity to the promise he had made to Abraham, had worked new and unexpected wonders (cf. vv. 51-55).

To better appreciate God's way of acting, let us remember that our life is meant to be lived to the full, and that our greatest hopes and dreams are not achieved instantly but through a process of growth and maturation, in dialogue and in relationship with others. Those who focus only on the here and now, on money and possessions, on "having it all now", are blind to the way God works. His loving plan spans past, present and future; it embraces and connects the generations. It is greater than we are, yet includes each of us and calls us at every moment to keep pressing forward. For the young, this means being ready to break free from the fleeting present in which virtual reality can entrap us, preventing us from doing something productive. For the elderly, it means not dwelling on the loss of physical strength and thinking with regret about missed opportunities. Let us all look ahead! And allow ourselves to be shaped by God's grace, which from generation to generation frees us from inertia and from dwelling on the past!

I would invite you to make a concrete gesture that would include grandparents and the elderly. Let us not abandon them. Their presence in families and communities is a precious one, for it reminds us that we share the same heritage and are part of a people committed to preserving its roots. From the elderly we received the gift of belonging to God's holy people. The Church, as well as society, needs them, for they entrust to the present the past that is needed to build the future. Let us honour them, neither depriving ourselves of their company nor depriving them of ours. May we never allow the elderly to be cast aside!



EVERYONE IS WARMLY INVITED TO ATTEND MASS AND MORNING TEA



Sunday the 6th of August 2023 at 9:00 am **St Joseph's Catholic Church, Rosebery**







Parts of the Mass

Entrance Antiphon

God is in his holy place, God who unites those who dwell in his house; he himself gives might and strength to his people.

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

Bless the Lord, O my soul, and never forget all his benefits.

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 the Kings

The Lord appeared to Solomon in a dream and said, 'Ask what you would like me to give you.' Solomon replied, 'Lord, my God, you have made your servant king in succession to David my father. But I am a very young man, unskilled in leadership. Your servant finds himself in the midst of this people of yours that you have chosen, a people so many its numbers cannot be counted or reckoned. Give your servant a heart to understand how to discern between good and evil, for who could govern this people of yours that is so great?' It pleased the Lord that Solomon should have asked for this. 'Since you have asked for this' the Lord said 'and not asked for long life for yourself or riches or the lives of your enemies, but have asked for a discerning judgement for yourself, here and now I do what you ask. I give you a heart wise and shrewd as none before you has had and none will have after you.'

Responsorial Psalm

R Lord, I love your commands.

My part, I have resolved, O Lord, is to obey your word. The law from your mouth means more to me than silver and gold. \vec{R}

Let your love be ready to console me by your promise to your servant. Let your love come to me and I shall live for your law is my delight. \mathbb{R}

That is why I love your commands more than finest gold. That is why I rule my life by your precepts: I hate false ways. \mathbf{R}

Your will is wonderful indeed; therefore I obey it. The unfolding of your word gives light and teaches the simple. \mathbf{R}

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Romans

We know that by turning everything to their good God co-operates with all those who love him, with all those that he has called according to his purpose. They are the ones he chose specially long ago and intended to become true images of his Son, so that his Son might be the eldest of many brothers. He called those he intended for this; those he called he justified, and with those he justified he shared his glory.

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 said to the crowds, "The kingdom of heaven is like treasure hidden in a field which someone has found; he hides it again, goes off happy, sells everything he owns and buys the field.

'Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a merchant looking for fine pearls; when he finds one of great value he goes and sells everything he owns and buys it.'

Sydney City South Parish Retreat

Heart of God

Encounter the-

Save-the-date Sunday, 10 September 10am-3pm

Enquiries: Elizabeth 0491 939 577 mission@citysouthcatholic.org.au Registration opening soon



