**ISSUE** 



## 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.

#### 5th & 6th August 2023 | The Transfiguration of Our Lord Year A

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Dear friends,

This weekend we celebrate the Feast of the Transfiguration. This feast day takes precedence over the normal Sunday in Ordinary Time. Today, the liturgy invites us to focus our gaze on this mystery of light. On the transfigured face of Jesus, a ray of light which he held within shines forth. This same light was to shine on Christ's face on the day of the resurrection. In this sense, the Transfiguration appears as a foretaste of the Paschal Mystery.

The Transfiguration invites us to open the eyes of our hearts to the mystery of God's light, present throughout salvation history. At the beginning of creation, the Almighty

had already said: "'Fiat lux' -- let there be light!" (Genesis 1:2), and the light was separated from the darkness. Like the other created things, light is a sign that reveals something of God: It is, as it were, a reflection of his glory which accompanies its manifestations. When God appears, "his brightness was like the light, rays flashed from his hand" (Hebrews 3:3ff.).

This icon, painted by Michael Galovic, shows the *Creation of the Lights of Heaven*. Inspired by a similar work in the cathedral in Monreale, Cefalù, Sicily, Italy, Michael has added something Australian to the background. In Galovic's icon, it is as if the Australian Dreamtime has replaced the Byzantine gold of eternity. Standing out in the icon is the Christ figure, who is 'light from light'. May the light of Christ shine on us and inspire us to live the Gospel.

This Sunday after the 9am Mass we will bless the new icon by Michael Galovic, The Coronation of the Blessed Virgin Mary. Michael will be with us to answer any questions you may have.

This Tuesday is the Feast of St Mary Mackillop, founder of the Sisters of St Jospeh. We wish Sr Rosemary a happy feast day and thank her for her ministry in our parish and thank the Sisters of St Joseph for allowing her to be with us.

Feast of the Assumption (Holy Day of Obligation) Tuesday 15 August Our Lady of Mt Carmel: 10.00am (NO 5pm Mass & Adoration)

St Vincent de Paul Redfern: 12.15pm

St Joseph Rosebery: 7.30am & 7.00pm

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# 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

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

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#### **PRAYER INTENTIONS**

**Recently Deceased:** Anastasia Rellen, Robyn Chicken, Nora Leonor Espino, Sr Margaret Lambert, Sr Janey Cummings, Sr Catharine Louis, Sr Margaret Mary Murray, Evelyn Micallef, Lizetta Santarossa,

Anniversary: Peter Link (5/8), George O'Halloran (5/8), Fr Chris Sheeny (6/8), Domingo Gabriel (6/8), Petar Madunic (6/8), Joseph Mizzi (6/8), Giuseppe Sialiano (6/8), Dennis Wilson (8/8)

Deceased: Vicenzio Lovatti, Marija & Petar Madunic, Peter Erland, 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. secretary@citysouthcatholic.org.au.

**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.

READING ROSTER				
Mass		Readers		
5:00pm	This	Ika Sadeli		
	Next	Therese Poulton		
7:30am	This	Michael Burns		
	Next	John Sciberras		
9:00am	This	Abbey K		
	Next	Amelia K		
11:00am	This	Sr Esmey		
	Next	Sandra Truong		



#### 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 <a href="mailto:safeguardingenquiries@sydneycatholic.org">safeguardingenquiries@sydneycatholic.org</a>.

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.



- 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 9am Mass
  at St Joseph's Church in Rosebery. 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	

#### Financial Update

#### Week Ending 30 July

First Collection	Supports the Clergy Remuneration Fund	\$ 815
Second Collection (includes Parish Giving Program/ does not incl tap& go)	Supports the Parish	\$ 510

## 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.

#### 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.

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

Our next playgroup date is **Thursday, 10th August**. Playgroup 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)





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

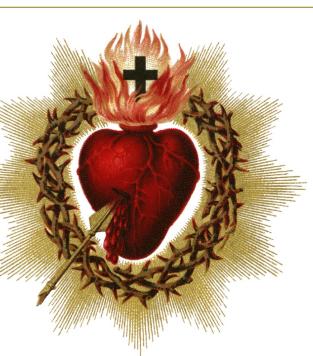
Once again, thank you all for your support, as we would not have been able to continue this Project without your ongoing help.

Vanessa Madunic Project Good Samaritan Co-Ordinator





Sydney City South Parish Retreat



## Sunday, 10 September 10am-3pm

at St Joseph's Church, Rosebery

#### Main Program

This day provides you time out to experience God's love for you and how it can transform your life. Led by the Dominican Sisters of St Cecilia, the day includes:

- talks by the Sisters
- morning tea and lunch
- time for prayer and meditation
- a chance for conversation and fellowship



#### Children's Program

Some programs for children will be available.

Details to follow.



#### REGISTRATION OPENING SOON

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

Today's liturgy invites us to celebrate the feast of the Transfiguration of the Lord. This feast calls to our attention the importance of this event in Jesus' life, further affirmed by its report in each of the Synoptic Gospels: Matthew, Mark, and Luke. In Cycle A, the reading for this feast is taken from the Gospel of Matthew. The Transfiguration occurs after Peter confesses his belief that Jesus is the Messiah and after Jesus predicts his Passion. In each of these Gospels, a discussion of the cost of discipleship precedes the Transfiguration.

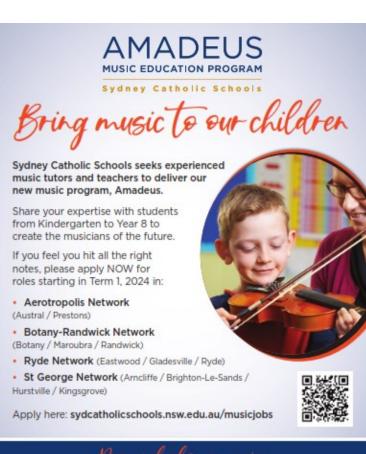
In each Gospel, Jesus takes three of his disciples—Peter, James, and John-to a high mountain. While they are there, Elijah and Moses appear and converse with Jesus. Elijah and Moses are both significant figures in the history of Israel. Moses led the Israelites out of slavery in Egypt and received from Yahweh the Ten Commandments. Moses represents the Law, which guides the lives of the Jewish people. Elijah is one of the most important prophets of Israel who helped the Israelites stay faithful to Yahweh, and some believed that Elijah's return would signal the coming of the Messiah for the Jewish people. The appearance of these two figures from Israel's history indicated Jesus' continuity with the Law and the prophets. They also reveal that Jesus is the fulfillment of all that was promised to the people of Israel

Upon witnessing Jesus' Transfiguration and seeing Jesus with Elijah and Moses, an awestruck Peter offered to construct three tents for them when a voice from Heaven affirms that Jesus is "my beloved Son" and commands the disciples to listen to him.

In each of the reports of the Transfiguration, Jesus instructed the disciples to keep secret what they had seen until after "the Son of Man has been raised from the dead." Until they witnessed Jesus' Passion and Death, the disciples could not possibly understand what he meant by being "raised from the dead." We, however, have the benefit of hindsight. In our hearing of the Transfiguration Gospel, we see an anticipation of Jesus' Resurrection, a foreshadowing of Christ's glory in Heaven, and the promise of our own resurrection.

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#### Parts of the Mass

#### **Entrance Antiphon**

In a resplendent cloud the Holy Spirit appeared. The Father's voice was heard: This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased. Listen to him.

#### **Penitential Rite**

I confess to almighty God

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

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

and the life of the world to come. Amen.

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

When Christ appears, we shall be like him, for we shall see him as he is.

#### 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 Daniel

As I watched:

Thrones were set in place and one of great age took his seat.

His robe was white as snow, the hair of his head as pure as wool.

His throne was a blaze of flames, its wheels were a burning fire.

A stream of fire poured out, issuing from his presence.

A thousand thousand waited on him, ten thousand times ten thousand stood before him. A court was held and the books were opened.

I gazed into the visions of the night.

And I saw, coming on the clouds of heaven,

one like a son of man.

He came to the one of great age

and was led into his presence. On him was conferred sovereignty, glory and kingship,

and men of all peoples, nations and languages became his servants.

His sovereignty is an eternal sovereignty which shall never pass away, nor will his empire ever be destroyed.

#### Responsorial Psalm

#### R The Lord is king, the most high over all the earth.

The Lord is king, let earth rejoice, let all the coastlands be glad. Cloud and darkness are his raiment; his throne, justice and right. R

The mountains melt like wax before the Lord of all the earth. The skies proclaim his justice; all peoples see his glory. R

For you indeed are the Lord most high above all the earth exalted far above all spirits. R

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

It was not any cleverly invented myths that we were repeating when we brought you the knowledge of the power and the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ; we had seen his majesty for ourselves. He was honoured and glorified by God the Father, when the Sublime Glory itself spoke to him and said, 'This is my Son, the Beloved; he enjoys my favour.' We heard this ourselves, spoken from heaven, when we were with him on the holy mountain.

So we have confirmation of what was said in prophecies; and you will be right to depend on prophecy and take it as a lamp for lighting a way through the dark until the dawn comes and the morning star rises in your minds.

#### **Gospel Acclamation**

Alleluia, alleluia!

This is my Son, my beloved, in whom is all my delight: listen to him.

Alleluia!

#### Gospel

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

Jesus took with him Peter and James and his brother John and led them up a high mountain where they could be alone. There in their presence he was transfigured: his face shone like the sun and his clothes became as white as the light. Suddenly Moses and Elijah appeared to them; they were talking with him. Then Peter spoke to Jesus. 'Lord,' he said 'it is wonderful for us to be here; if you wish, I will make three tents here, one for you, one for Moses and one for Elijah.' He was still speaking when suddenly a bright cloud covered them with shadow, and from the cloud there came a voice which said, 'This is my Son, the Beloved; he enjoys my favour. Listen to him.' When they heard this, the disciples fell on their faces, overcome with fear. But Jesus came up and touched them. 'Stand up,' he said 'do not be afraid.' And when they raised their eyes they saw no one but only Jesus.

As they came down from the mountain Jesus gave them this order, 'Tell no one about the vision until the Son of Man has risen from the dead.'

