



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.

2nd & 3rd September 2023 | 22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time Year A

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Listen, Learn Love:

A New Engagement with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Peoples

In 1967, Australians gave overwhelming support to a referendum that recognised Australia's First Peoples as citizens. In 2023, we will be given a chance to vote in another referendum to constitutionally recognize Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Peoples through a Voice to Parliament. Australia's Bishops see it as an opportunity for all Australians to renew our engagement with the First Peoples of Australia. They have come to this view through much listening to the First Peoples and they encourage us all to listen to them in a spirit of love and humility.

The Bishops invite the National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Catholic Council (NATSICC) to speak directly about their experiences of injustice and about their hopes for the future. NATSICC addresses the many injustices their people have faced since British settlement until now. They speak of many concerns including high suicide rates and incarceration, shorter life expectancy and poorer outcomes in employment, education and housing. They also identify racism as an on-going challenge. The information they use includes the Closing the Gap Report and the witness of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Peoples who spoke about their concerns during visits to many communities during the preparation of this statement.

NATSICC also acknowledges the achievements of many of their people despite these challenges and notes the many efforts by First Nations communities to address these problems. They note with approval the efforts made within the Church to support their communities. The Bishops acknowledge the pain and hardship experienced by First Nations Peoples. They point to the Church's efforts to stand in solidarity with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Peoples since the early days of British settlement. Nevertheless, they acknowledge that the Church played a part in the injustices First Nations People have experienced.

The Bishops invite us, as Catholics, to begin a new engagement with the First Peoples to overcome injustice, an engagement grounded in love. This love is at the heart of Jesus' message. This love is characterised by a commitment to encounter and dialogue, reciprocity, mutual accompaniment and a desire to put the other at the centre of our attention. The Bishops offer us some simple actions which could help us to begin this new engagement. The Bishops do not tell us how to vote in the referendum, but they encourage us to inform ourselves about the issues through respectful dialogue, especially with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Peoples.

The Bishops and NATSICC join together at the conclusion of the statement to call for us all to walk together in love on a journey of healing, whatever the outcome of the Voice referendum.



PRAYER INTENTIONS

*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,
St Joseph's Rosebery

Tuesday

5pm Mass & Adoration, 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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Rosebery

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Director: Faye-Maree Genovezos

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Principal: Katherine Zerounian

Recently Deceased:

Anniversary: Charlie Morella (30/08), Susana Bryson (2/9), Nolasco Lobo (3/9), Frank Grema (3/9), Phyllis Lupton (4/9), Brian Lawrence (6/9)

Deceased: Raymond 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: Ned Dalton, Livia Mio, John Calleja, Anne Hudson, Maria Tsiallis, 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

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Donations can be made via website or given to Fr Paul directly.

READING ROSTER

Mass		Readers
5:00pm	This	Therese Poulton
	Next	David McConachie
7:30am	This	Charlotte Buxton
	Next	Michael Burns
9:00am	This	Lisa Steel
	Next	Abbey K
11:00am	This	Sr Esmey
	Next	Sandra Truong

Dates for your Diary

- ◆ **Saturday 2 September—Gathering at Waterloo**
Please join us for refreshments in the community centre after the 5pm Mass at Our Lady of Mt Carmel. All welcome!
- ◆ **Sunday 3 September—Morning tea at Rosebery**
Please join us for morning tea after the 9am Mass at St Joseph's Church in Rosebery. All welcome! **Rosebery gathering is cancelled this weekend but will be rescheduled.**
- ◆ **Thursday 21 September—Prayer for Mission**
Please join us at St Vincent de Paul Church, Redfern as we pray for the growth of our mission. 6-6.30pm.
- ◆ **Sunday 19 November—Parish Retreat Day, The Way of the Heart.** For enquiries contact Elizabeth, on 0491 939 577 or mission@citysouthcatholic.org.au



Parish Retreat Day
St Joseph's Church, Rosebery
Sunday, 19 November 2023

The Way of the Heart Retreat Day is for those who want to deepen their friendship with Jesus, renew this friendship, or meet the real Jesus for the first time.

The Way of the Heart draws our hearts to be nearer to the Heart of Jesus, to be His friends, and to perceive His joys and sufferings for the world.

Come and experience the compassion and hope of The Way of the Heart.



The retreat will be led by John & Anne Gray
Australian Representatives
Pope's Worldwide Prayer Network



**REGISTRATION
OPENING SOON**

Enquiries: Elizabeth 0491 939 577
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Financial Update

Week Ending 27 August

First Collection	Supports the Clergy Remuneration Fund	\$ 601
Second Collection (includes Parish Giving Program/ does not incl tap& go)	Supports the Parish	\$ 784

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.



Father's Day Appeal Sunday 3 September 2023

Your priests helped begin your faith journey

The Archdiocese Father's Day Appeal supports retired priests and honours our Fathers for their wonderful service to our community. Your gift is a 'thank you' to those who've contributed in so many ways in your life.



How to make a Father's Day Donation

Donate today by completing the parish envelope, calling 1800 753 959 or online at www.ourfaithourworks.org/prf

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.



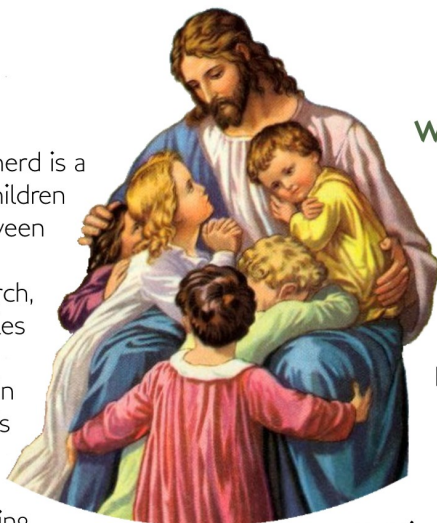
Catechesis of the Good Shepherd Atrium

We are currently working to establish a Children's Atrium of the Catechesis of the Good Shepherd in our parish.



What is the Catechesis of the Good Shepherd?

The Catechesis of the Good Shepherd is a particular way of journeying with children toward God for children aged between 3 and 12 years. It is grounded in scripture and the liturgy of the church, then framed by Montessori principles of education. Based on the belief that God and the child are already in a relationship, the central aim of this faith formation program is to help nurture and strengthen this relationship. This is done by creating a specially prepared environment to allow this relationship to develop. The adult's task is to serve the child in this environment, in a way that calls forth their own response and assists them to come close to God in their own way.



What is an Atrium?

The 'Atrium' is the name of the place prepared for the child to come and be with God. The Atrium can be compared to a retreat centre. Rather than being a room for religious instruction, it is a place to live out one's religious life, a place of community and worship. It is a place that facilitates a conversation with God.

Materials

The materials and environment of the Atrium are a very important part of the catechesis. The materials in the Atrium are intended for use by children as aids to meditation and prayer. After being presented with a theme using the materials, each child is free to choose an activity that will lead them into conversation with God. These materials are closely linked to their biblical and liturgical sources. They are handcrafted by the adults who work with the children. In the Atrium, they are displayed attractively to invite the child to explore the themes presented through these materials at their own pace and rhythm.

The materials cover elements of:

- Scripture
- Liturgy
- Practical life (activities related to everyday life and care of the Atrium)



Friends of the Atrium

Can you be a Friend of the Atrium by helping with the following?

Pray

We have advertised a position for an Atrium Coordinator who will help set up and run the Atrium together with our catechists and other volunteers who support the Atrium in other ways. Please pray for a skilled and holy person to apply!

Make

There are some items which need to be made for the Atrium.

Do you have any of the following skills?

- **Woodworking skills** to make small items for the Atrium such as dioramas for some of the Bible stories, and items for the model altar.
- **Dressmaking/sewing skill** to make mini prayer table cloths, altar cloths, model miniature vestments, etc.

If you can help out with this please contact Elizabeth Arblaster on mission@citysouthcatholic.org.au or 0491 939 577.

I can provide you with detailed patterns and outlines from the CGS Materials Manual which should guide the process and should be of practical assistance in making the items needed.

To find out more about the Catechesis of the Good Shepherd, please watch the video:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=hfg9RfBk-fY&t=13s>



Project Good Samaritan: Snack Drive Continues!

Over the last few months, we have been collecting “snacks” to make snack packs to give to those experiencing homelessness and families/individuals who are struggling. The team at Vinnies, Redfern, continue to thank our parishioners for these snacks, as they have been very popular with their clients. So for the next month, we will continue to collect snacks so the team have reserve packs at the Centre to offer to their clients in need.

Remember, items to consider for packs include muesli bars, small tuna cans with ring pull, small bean mixes with ring pull, dried crackers in individual packs, cheese and biscuit packs, lunch to-go packs, dried fruit packs, and small juice drinks.

For those who would like to donate other food or toiletry products, please continue to drop these off in the hampers at the back of the Church.

Finally, this may seem early, but we will prepare items/donations for Christmas hampers after the snack pack drive ends. I will keep you posted.

Vanessa Madunic, Project Good Samaritan Coordinator



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



MONTHLY GATHERINGS



Redfern

Sun 27 Aug
after 11am Mass

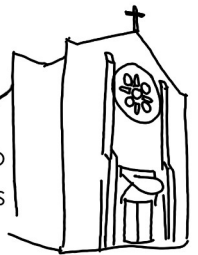


Waterloo

Sat 2 Sep
after 5pm Mass

Rosebery

Sun 3 Sep
after 9am Mass



ALL ARE WELCOME!

Hospitality Roster

Waterloo 02 Sep

Paul and Linda Clinch	Coordinator and food
Nicole Cowper	Food
Jenny Fernandes	Food

Rosebery 03 Sep

Bob Kanginan	Set up
Christina Leontini	Serve & pack up
Jenny Jago	Serve & pack up
Catharine Thamrin	Food
Andrew Kosasih	Food
Anushka Castelino	Food



For more information or to help host these gatherings please contact Elizabeth Arblaster on 0491 939 577 or mission@citysouthcatholic.org.au



Happy Father’s Day!



**Rosebery carpark resurfacing from 18th September.
No parking available for up to three weeks.**

Gospel Reflection

Today's Gospel continues the story that began in last week's Gospel. Simon Peter was called the "rock" upon which Jesus would build his Church, and yet Peter continues to show the limitations of his understanding of Jesus' identity. Now that the disciples have acknowledged that Jesus is the Messiah, Jesus confides in them the outcome of his ministry: he must suffer and die in Jerusalem to be raised on the third day. Peter rejects this prediction, and Jesus rebukes him severely, calling him "Satan." In opposing this aspect of Jesus' mission, Peter shows that he is no longer speaking based on the revelation from God but as a human being. Jesus then teaches all of the disciples about the difficult path of discipleship: to be Christ's disciple is to follow in his way of the cross.

Peter could not yet understand what it meant to call Jesus the Messiah. It is unlikely that the other disciples understood any better. Messianic expectations were a common aspect of first-century Judaism. Under Roman occupation, many in Israel hoped and prayed that God would send a Messiah to free the Jews from Roman oppression. The common view was that the Messiah would be a political figure, a king that would free Israel from Roman rule. This is perhaps what Peter envisioned when he was led to recognize Jesus as the Messiah. In this passage, however, Jesus is beginning to teach his disciples that he would be the Messiah in a different way.

Jesus would be more like the suffering servant described by the prophet Isaiah than the political liberator. Those who would be Jesus' disciples would be called to a similar life of service. Perhaps this is what Peter feared most in Jesus' prediction of his Passion. He whom Jesus had called "rock" would also be called upon to offer himself in sacrifice and service to others. Christian leaders today are still called to sacrifice and serve others as Jesus did.

A warm invitation to Playgroup: 9-10 am- Thursday, 7th September



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



St Joseph's
CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL
ROSEBERY



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PRAYER FOR MISSION

*Gather to pray for the growth of our mission:
to worship God, care for the poor & evangelise*

St Vincent de Paul Church
6.00-6.30pm
Thursday, 21 September 2023



Rosebery Family Fun Day

 Sydney Catholic early childhood services

 Saturday, 16 September
 9 AM - 12 PM
 St Joseph's Preschool & Long Day Care
1A Kimberley Grove, Rosebery NSW 2018

 **Activity List** 

**Face Painting • Centre Tours • Snacks
Family Fun • Children's Entertainment**

Parts of the Mass

Entrance Antiphon

Have mercy on me, O Lord, for I cry to you all the day long.

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

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

How great is the goodness, Lord,

that you keep for those who fear you.

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

You have seduced me, Lord, and I have let myself be seduced;
you have overpowered me: you were the stronger.
I am a daily laughing-stock,
everybody's butt.
Each time I speak the word, I have to howl
and proclaim: 'Violence and ruin!'
The word of the Lord has meant for me
insult, derision, all day long.
I used to say, I will not think about him,
I will not speak in his name any more.
Then there seemed to be a fire burning in my heart,
imprisoned in my bones.
The effort to restrain it wearied me,
I could not bear it.

Responsorial Psalm

R My soul is thirsting for you, O Lord my God.

O God, you are my God, for you I long;
for you my soul is thirsting.

My body pines for you
like a dry, weary land without water. **R**

So I gaze on you in the sanctuary
to see your strength and your glory.

For your love is better than life,
my lips will speak your praise. **R**

So I will bless you all my life,
in your name I will lift up my hands.

My soul shall be filled as with a banquet,
my mouth shall praise you with joy. **R**

For you have been my help;
in the shadow of your wings I rejoice.

My soul clings to you;
your right hand holds me fast. **R**

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Romans

Think of God's mercy, my brothers, and worship him, I beg you, in a way that is worthy of thinking beings, by offering your living bodies as a holy sacrifice, truly pleasing to God. Do not model yourselves on the behaviour of the world around you, but let your behaviour change, modelled by your new mind. This is the only way to discover the will of God and know what is good, what it is that God wants, what is the perfect thing to do.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

May the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ
enlighten the eyes of our heart,
that we might see how great is the hope
to which we are called.

Alleluia!

Gospel

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew

Jesus began to make it clear to his disciples that he was destined to go to Jerusalem and suffer grievously at the hands of the elders and chief priests and scribes, to be put to death and to be raised up on the third day. Then, taking him aside, Peter started to remonstrate with him. 'Heaven preserve you, Lord,' he said. 'This must not happen to you.' But he turned and said to Peter, 'Get behind me, Satan! You are an obstacle in my path, because the way you think is not God's way but man's.'

Then Jesus said to his disciples, 'If anyone wants to be a follower of mine, let him renounce himself and take up his cross and follow me. For anyone who wants to save his life will lose it; but anyone who loses his life for my sake will find it. What, then, will a man gain if he wins the whole world and ruins his life? Or what has a man to offer in exchange for his life?'

'For the Son of Man is going to come in the glory of his Father with his angels, and, when he does, he will reward each one according to his behaviour.'

LIVING THE GOSPEL

Have you got what it takes?

For some people, to be a Christian is a 'soft option' – they see being Christian as being a bit 'fluffy'. This week's gospel is a reminder of the real challenge of being a Christian. Jesus reminds us that to be one of his followers we must be prepared to pick up our cross – whatever our particular cross might be – and still follow his example. To be a Christian means that we don't fall in a heap when difficulty comes our way; we take up the burden – our cross – and continue to look forward with hope. To live like Jesus is no easy option.

