

# 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.

#### 16th & 17th September 2023 | 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year A

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Forgive Thy Brother, Painting by Scott Erickson, Oil on canvas, 2017 © Scott Erickson artist

#### Dear Friends,

This weekend I want to invite you to support the Society of St Vincent de Paul in the attempt to start a new conference that has a particular focus in Waterloo and Redfern. Todays gospel reminds us to be generous with our time, our talent and our love. I encourage those who can to "launch out into the deep" (Lk 5:4) in acts of charity and love.

Rosebery carpark resurfacing from 18th September. No parking available for up to three weeks. If you plan to use the Adoration chapel during the weekday please park off site. Wednesday 7.30am morning Mass has been moved to Waterloo for duration of works.

God bless you,

Parish of Sydney City South under the patronage of Our Lady, St Joseph & St Vincent de Paul





Weekday Mass times: Monday No Liturgy Tuesday 5pm Mass & Adoration, Our Lady of Mt Carmel Waterloo Wednesday 7.30am Our Lady of Mt Carmel (NOTE CHANGE OF LOCATION) Friday 8.00am Our Lady of Mt Carmel Waterloo 1.30pm Mary Mackillop Chapel, North Sydney

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: Garo Herkimain, Barry Ireland

Anniversary: Genevieve Burgher (16/9), Miriam Turner (19/9), Emanuel Nappa (21/9), Raymond Hoad (22/9).

**Deceased:** Mary Ann 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 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: Silvana Bevilacqua, Ned Dalton, Livia Mio, John Calleja, 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.

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Mass		Readers		
5:00pm	This	Steven Belcastro		
	Next	Lenette Carter		
7:30am	This	John Sciberras		
	Next	Stephanie Chow		
9:00am	This	Amelia K		
	Next	Terri Lumibao		
11:00am	This	Sandra Truong		
	Next	Ben May		

#### **READING ROSTER**



- Monday 18 September—Rosebery car park Resurfacing work begins. No parking at this site for three weeks.
- 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 24 September—Morning tea at Redfern Please join us for morning tea after the 11am Mass at St Vincent de Paul Church, Redfern. All welcome!
- Sunday 19 November—Parish Retreat Day, The Way of the Heart. (Details below)

## Parish Retreat Day

The Way of the Heart

> 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 mission@citysouthcatholic.org.au **Financial Update** 

#### Week Ending 10 September

First Collection	Supports the Clergy Remuneration Fund	\$ 665
Second Collection (includes Parish Giving Program/ does not incl tap& go)	Supports the Parish	\$ 577

## Thank you to all who are supporting theparish 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.

### Everyone is warmly invited to celebrate Mass with us at The Mary MacKillop Memorial Chapel



Friday the 22nd of September 2023 at 1:30 pm **7 Mount St, North Sydney** NSW 2060



#### 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 <u>safeguardingenquiries@sydneycatholic.org</u>.

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.

## Calling all parishioners with sewing or woodworking skills



Model vestments



Cloths for prayer table



The Sacristy cabinet for the Model Altar



The upper room for the Last Supper presentation

### Can you use your skills to serve God by supporting children's ministry in our parish?

We are currently making items for a Children's Atrium. This is a place where children can grow in their relationship with God and learn about their faith.

The materials we use in the Atrium are a very important part of the catechesis.

Examples of some of the materials we need to make include:

- small models of houses that we use to illuminate certain Bible narratives such as the Last Supper, the Annunciation, the parable of the pearl of great price
- aprons of certain colours for the children to use while painting or doing other activities in the Atrium
- altar cloths for our model altar, and cloths or our prayer table
- a mini-vestment set for a presentation to the children on the vestments of the priest

Please don't make the items yet as they need to be made using particular colours, dimensions and materials. These are laid out in a Materials Manual for Catechesis of the Good Shepherd, which I will provide to those helping out.

If you are interested in helping by making one or two items, please get in contact with me. The Atrium begins next year so you won't have to rush to make your items.

If you have questions about what is involved or want to volunteer please call me on 049I 939 577 or email me at <u>mission@citysouthcatholic.org.au</u>

Pax,

Elizabeth Arblaster

Pastoral Associate for Mission



The stable for the Nativity presentation



The Model Altar and Model Lectern

#### 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





#### DO YOU OR SOMEONE YOU KNOW NEED PRAYERS?

Our WhatsApp prayer group would like to pray for you.

Text your intentions to 0491 939 577.

## 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

#### **Confirmation 2023**

We congratulate everyone who received the sacrament of Confirmation on 1 September at Our Lady of Mount Carmel, Waterloo.



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#### Am I an admirer or a disciple of Jesus?

"The filmmaker Terrence Malick frames the conflict in his 2019 masterpiece, A Hidden Life, perhaps the best cinematic evocation of both the Gospel and the inner drama of resisting totalitarianism as a clash of rival religions: Nazism and Catholicism.

It is based on the true story of Franz Jäggerstätter, an Austrian Catholic farmer who refuses to serve in the Nazi army because he will not swear loyalty to Adolf Hitler. For him, that would be an act of idolatry. The Nazis sent Jäggerstätter to prison and executed him in 1943 for his treason. In 2007, Pope Benedict XVI beatified him as a martyr.

In the film, nearly all of the peasants in Jäggerstätter's tiny Alpine village accept Nazism without protest. some do so with enthusiasm. Others have private doubts but are too afraid to speak them. even the parish priest tells Franz it would be better for his wife and children if he kept his mouth shut and conformed. Franz and his wife, Fani, are the only ones who both understand how evil Nazi totalitarianism is and are willing to suffer for bearing witness to their convictions.

A Hidden Life makes clear that the sources of their resistance was their deep Catholic faith. Yet everyone in the village is also Catholic – yet they conform to the Nazi world. Why did the Jäggerstätters see, judge, and act as they did, but not one of their fellow Christians?

The answer comes in a conversation Franz has with an old artist who is painting images of Bible stories on the wall of the village church. The artist laments his own ability to truly represent Christ. His images comfort believers, but they do not lead them to repentance and conversion. Says the painter, "We create admirers. We do not create followers." ...

Admirers love being associated with Jesus, but when trouble comes, they either turn on him or in some way try to put distance between themselves and the Lord. The admirer wants the comfort and advantage that comes with being a Christian, but when the times change and Jesus becomes a scandal or worse, the admirer folds. As Kierkegaard writes:

The admirer never makes any true sacrifices. He always plays it safe. Though in words, phrases, songs, he is inexhaustible about how highly he prizes Christ, he renounces nothing, will not reconstruct his life, and will not let his life express what it is he supposedly admires. Not so for the follower. No, no. The follower aspires with all his strength to be what he admires. And then, remarkably enough, even though he is living among a "Christian people", he incurs the same peril as he did when it weas dangerous to openly confess Christ.

The follower recognises the cost of discipleship and is willing to pay it. This does not mean that he is obligated to put himself at maximum peril at all times, or stand guilty of being an admirer. But it does mean that when the Gestapo or the KGB shows up in his village and demands that he bow to the swastika or the hammer and sickle, the follower will make the sign of the cross and walk with fear and trembling towards Golgotha."

An except from Rod Dreher, Live Not by Lies. A Manual for Christian Dissidents, New York: Sentinel, 2020

Questions:

Am I an admirer or a disciple of Jesus?

What would I suffer or sacrifice for Jesus?

#### Caritas Australia's Emergency Appeals – Morocco / Libya

Caritas Australia needs your support to respond to the devasting earthquake in Morocco and floods in Libya. Thousands of people have died and others have been injured. Communities need shelter, food, water and medical assistance. Please support Caritas Australia's emergency appeals. Donate at www.caritas.org.au



#### Parts of the Mass

#### **Entrance Antiphon**

Give peace, O Lord, to those who wait for you, that your prophets be found true. Hear the prayers of your servant, and of your people Israel.

#### **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, 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 precious is your mercy, O God! The children of men seek shelter in the shadow of your wings.

#### 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 Ecclesiasticus

Resentment and anger, these are foul things, and both are found with the sinner. He who exacts vengeance will experience the vengeance of the Lord, who keeps strict account of sin. Forgive your neighbour the hurt he does you, and when you pray, your sins will be forgiven. If a man nurses anger against another, can he then demand compassion from the Lord? Showing no pity for a man like himself, can he then plead for his own sins? Mere creature of flesh, he cherishes resentment; who will forgive him his sins? Remember the last things, and stop hating, remember dissolution and death, and live by the commandments. Remember the commandments, and do not bear your neighbour ill-will;

remember the covenant of the Most High, and overlook the offence.

#### **Responsorial Psalm**

### R The Lord is kind and merciful; slow to anger and rich in compassion.

My soul, give thanks to the Lord, all my being, bless his holy name. My soul, give thanks to the Lord and never forget all his blessings.

It is he who forgives all your guilt, who heals every one of your ills, who redeems your life from the grave, who crowns you with love and compassion.  $\mathbf{R}$ 

His wrath will come to an end; he will not be angry for ever. He does not treat us according to our sins nor repay us according to our faults  $\hat{R}$ 

For as the heavens are high above the earth so strong is his love for those who fear him. As far as the east is from the west so far does he remove our sins.  $\mathbb{R}$ 

#### A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Romans

The life and death of each of us has its influence on others; if we live, we live for the Lord; and if we die, we die for the Lord, so that alive or dead we belong to the Lord. This explains why Christ both died and came to

life, it was so that he might be Lord both of the dead and of the living.

#### **Gospel Acclamation**

Alleluia, alleluia! I give you a new commandment: love one another as I have loved you. Alleluia!

#### Gospel

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

Peter went up to Jesus and said, 'Lord, how often must I forgive my brother if he wrongs me? As often as seven times?' Jesus answered, 'Not seven, I tell you, but seventy -seven times.

'And so the kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who decided to settle his accounts with his servants. When the reckoning began, they brought him a man who owed ten thousand talents; but he had no means of paying, so his master gave orders that he should be sold, together with his wife and children and all his possessions, to meet the debt. At this, the servant threw himself down at his master's feet. "Give me time," he said "and I will pay the whole sum." And the servant's master felt so sorry for him that he let him go and cancelled the debt. Now as this servant went out, he happened to meet a fellow servant who owed him one hundred denarii; and he seized him by the throat and began to throttle him. "Pay what you owe me", he said. His fellow servant fell at his feet and implored him, saying, "Give me time and I will pay you." But the other would not agree; on the contrary, he had him thrown into prison till he should pay the debt. His fellow servants were deeply distressed when they saw what had happened, and they went to their master and reported the whole affair to him. Then the master sent for him. "You wicked servant," he said. "I cancelled all that debt of yours when you appealed to me. Were you not bound, then, to have pity on your fellow servant just as I had pity on you?" And in his anger the master handed him over to the torturers till he should pay all his debt. And that is how my heavenly Father will deal with you unless you each forgive your brother from your heart.'

