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.

7th & 8th October 2023 | 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year A

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Our painting today is very small, barely 20cm in diameter. So one needs to approach this differently than larger paintings. Small paintings carry an intimacy which large paintings rarely have. Physically, as viewers, we need to stand close to them and carefully look to see all the detail. So there is a tangible physical engagement which large paintings lack. This, combined



with the fact that our painting is round. really enhances the feeling that we are almost looking at the scene through a small window or a camera lens. The small group the hill is on composed of Christ and His disciples. They are portrayed in classical dress, rather than in 16th-century clothing like the other figures. So it splits Jesus as the narrator from the rest of the scene. The clothing splits the narrator and the story that is being told. The bottom right

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scenes show the abuse and killing of the servants. The vineyard is painted showing no fruit. Wickedness can't bear fruit... Notice also in the bottom left corner the artist telling us he is painting Matt.21 - it is highly unusual for an artist to paint that.

The landowner left the tenants to cultivate his land. He didn't supervise them closely by setting rules or ways of cultivating the land. The master knows that cultivating the land is hard work. Even after some of his servants were abused or killed, he did not become angry. No, he sent his son to try and mend the situation. Sending his son would hopefully make them see their own egotism and inspire them with generosity. So did God send his Son into our world to help us... For God sent not his Son into the world to condemn the world, but that the world through Him might be saved...

The Parable of the Wicked Tenants, Painted by Abel Grimmer (1570-1619), Painted circa 1590, Oil on panel,© Private Collection, Europe

"WHERE THERE IS UNITY THERE IS STRENGTH"

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

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: Mary Balbi, Thung In Hoa, Margaret Chow, Theresa Flores

Anniversary: Dionisius Martama (4/10), Thelma Crispin (8/10), Margaret Holmes (9/10), Carmen Bailey (9/10)

Deceased: Carolina Antonio Cueco, Guido Verardo, Fr Terence Purcell, Vicenzio Lovatti, Judith Coates, Joseph & Rose Lia, Paula & Miriam McGill, Rachelda Verardo, George Jaja, Alice Jaja, Therese Jaja, 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: Mariany Hidajat, Silvana Bevilacqua, Ned Dalton, Livia Mio, John Calleja, Anne Hudson, Maria Tsiailis, Cherry Ermita Dela Cruz, 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.

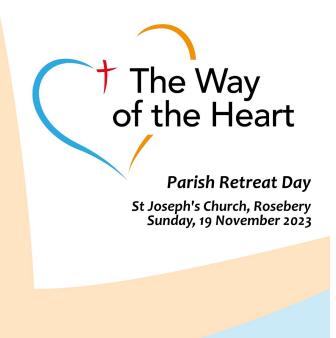
Friendly reminder: In accordance with the Sydney Archdiocese privacy policies and State and Federal laws, if you are wanting a living person's name to be published in the bulletin, we require their written permission.

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

READING ROSTER			
Mass		Readers	
5:00pm	This	Bruce Strath	
	Next	Lenette Carter	
7:30am	This	Charlotte Buxton	
	Next	Michael Burns	
9:00am	This	Lisa Steel	
	Next	Abbey K	
11:00am	This	Sandra Truong	
	Next	TBA	



- Gathering at Waterloo Saturday 7 October This Saturday, please join us in the Eileen O'Connor Community Centre for refreshments after the 5pm Saturday Mass.
- Sunday 19 November—Parish Retreat Day, The Way of the Heart. (Details below)



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

Week Ending 1 October

First Collection	Supports the Clergy Remuneration Fund	\$ 555
Second Collection (includes Parish Giving Program/ does not incl tap& go)	Supports the Parish	\$ 700

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.

St Joseph's Community Playgroup

Our playgroup resumes for Term 4 in the St Joseph's Church Meeting Room from 9-10am on the dates below. Please share the dates with friends and family who might be interested. If you have any questions, contact me on 0491 939 577. Pax, Elizabeth

Everyone is warmly invited to attend Playgroup Thursday (19/10/2023) 9-10 am Tuesday (31/10/2023) 9-10 am Thursday (9/11/2023) 9-10 am



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



St Joseph's CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL ROSEBERY





An Invitation open to ALL!

- Would you like to know more about the Catholic Faith?
- Are your children asking you questions about the Catholic faith that you have difficulty answering?
- Are you thinking of becoming a catholic?

If the answer is "yes" to one or more of these questions then come along to an information night on the RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults) to be held **Tuesday 24th October** commencing at 6.30pm in the Eileen O'Connor Centre at Waterloo (next to the church).

The RCIA Program itself will begin the following week. Attending the Come & See isn't a commitment to attending the program – it's a "Come & See"

Jesus said to His Apostles "COME & SEE".

Is He saying this to you?... "Come & See"

For more information contact Sr Rosemary through the Parish Office, 9353 6300 or email: pastoral@citysouthcatholic.org.au

Long Term Volunteer Opportunities in the Australia-Pacific Region - The Cagliero Project, Salesians of Don Bosco

We are seeking long term (6-12 month) volunteers for departure in January 2024 to work with young people in our Salesian communities in Samoa, Cambodia, Timor Leste, Solomon Islands and Australia. Applications close October 31st, 2023.

Send us an enquiry - www.cagliero.org.au or lhichaba@salesians.org.au

Wedding

Congratulations to **Cindy and Dylan** who celebrated their nuptials at St Joseph's Rosebery on Saturday, 7th October.

May they have a long and happy life together.

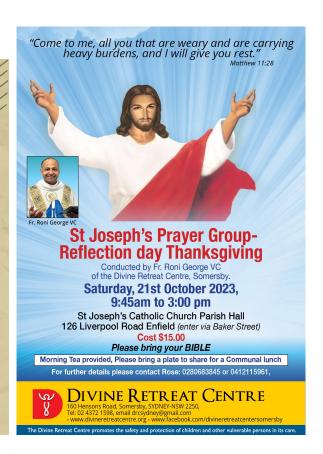


on stage at the historic Sydney Town Hall.

Key Dates:

- Rehearsals begin on Monday 16th October at St Stephen's UCA & continue for nine weeks every Monday evening from 7.00 pm to 8.45 pm.
- Performances will take place at the wonderful and historic Sydney Town Hall on Saturday 16th December and Sunday 17th December.

For more info, email: mission.ssms@gmail.com



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







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.



Text your intentions to 0491 939 577.



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

Baptisms

We congratulate

Mathilde and Zachary

on their baptisms at

Waterloo and Rosebery this weekend.

God bless both them and their families.



Today's Gospel follows directly after last Sunday's Gospel in which Jesus was questioned by Jewish religious leaders about the source of his teaching authority. After refusing to answer their questions, Jesus tells the parable of the two sons and then criticizes the priests and elders for their lack of belief in John the Baptist.

In today's Gospel, Jesus once again speaks to the priests and elders with a parable. In this parable, the landowner leases his vineyard to tenants and sends his servants to collect the portion of the harvest that the tenants owe to him. Several times the servants are sent to collect payment, and each time they are beaten and killed by the tenants. Finally, the landowner sends his son to collect his rent. The tenants, believing that they will inherit the vineyard if the landowner dies without an heir, plot together and kill the landowner's son.

After telling the parable, Jesus questions the chief priests and elders about what the landowner will do to the wicked tenants. They all agree that the landowner will kill the wicked tenants and give the land to new tenants who will pay the rent.

In telling the parable, Jesus is clearly drawing upon Isaiah 5:1-7, which is today's first reading and one that the priests and elders would have known well. Jesus doesn't, therefore, have to explain the symbolism of the parable; the Pharisees would have understood that the vineyard represented Israel, the landowner represented God, the servants represented the prophets, and the bad tenants represented the religious leaders. Yet Jesus nonetheless explains the meaning of the parable for his audience: the Kingdom of God will be taken from the unbelieving and given to the faithful. The chief priests and elders have condemned themselves with their answer to Jesus' question.

Today's Gospel has a parallel in Mark 12:1-12. There are some notable differences, however. In Matthew's version, the religious leaders condemn themselves; in Mark's Gospel, Jesus answers his own question. Matthew names the religious leaders as Pharisees and chief priests. Clearly this Gospel shows the tension that was mounting between Jesus and the Jewish religious leaders who thought that his message was dangerous. Matthew's Gospel was written about 70 years after Jesus' death and reflects the conflicts and tensions found in the Christian community for whom Matthew was writing. Many biblical scholars believe that the tension between Matthew's community and their Jewish neighbors can also be heard in today's reading.

This Gospel reminds us of the importance of listening to God's word. God speaks to us in many ways—through Scripture, through our Church tradition, in our Church's teaching, and through modern-day prophets. Are we attentive and receptive to God's word to us through these messengers?

November Mass Offerings

During the month of November, the Church prays particularly for the Holy Souls.

If you would like your loved ones remembered during November, please complete the special November Mass Offering envelope (suggested donation \$20) (write name on envelope and include donation)

Names will be placed on the Altar and remembered at all Masses during November.

All Souls Day Thursday 2 November -

7.30am Rosebery,

6.30pm Waterloo

At these Mass you will be invited to light a candle before the altar for those you wish to pray.

On the Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed the Church gathers in solemn suffrage for the souls in purgatory, and the liturgy should express this clearly. The faithful who visit a church or cemetery to pray for the faithful departed, saying the Lord's Prayer and the Creed, may gain a plenary indulgence once only under the usual conditions: sacramental confession, Eucharistic Communion and Prayer for the Pope's intentions.

Through prayer, this indulgence may be given over to the Holy Souls.

All Souls Day

This feast day is a Solemnity (it is no longer a Holy Day of Obligation) and celebrated on 1 November. It is also the day that St Vincent de Paul church Redfern was consecrated by Archbishop Fisher in 2015. On this day there will be the following Mass times:

Rosebery 7.30am Redfern 6.30pm

Parts of the Mass

Entrance Antiphon

Within your will, O Lord, all things are established, and there is none that can resist your will. For you have made all things, the heaven and the earth, and all that is held within the circle of heaven; you are the Lord of all.

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.

<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

The Lord is good to those who hope in him, to the soul that seeks 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 prophet Isaiah

Let me sing to my friend the song of his love for his vineyard. My friend had a vineyard on a fertile hillside.

He dug the soil, cleared it of stones, and planted choice vines in it.

In the middle he built a tower, he dug a press there too. He expected it to yield grapes, but sour grapes were all that it gave.

And now, inhabitants of Jerusalem and men of Judah, I ask you to judge between my vineyard and me.

What could I have done for my vineyard that I have not done? I expected it to yield grapes. Why did it yield sour grapes instead?

Very well, I will tell you what I am going to do to my vineyard: I will take away its hedge for it to be grazed on, and knock down its wall for it to be trampled on. I will lay it waste, unpruned, undug; overgrown by the briar and the thorn. I will command the clouds to rain no rain on it.

Yes, the vineyard of the Lord of hosts is the House of Israel, and the men of Judah that chosen plant.

He expected justice, but found bloodshed, integrity, but only a cry of distress.

Responsorial Psalm

R The vineyard of the Lord is the House of Israel.

You brought a vine out of Egypt; to plant it you drove out the nations. It stretched out its branches to the sea, to the Great River it stretched out its shoots. R

Then why have you broken down its walls? It is plucked by all who pass by. It is ravaged by the boar of the forest, devoured by the beasts of the field. \mathbb{R}

God of hosts, turn again, we implore, look down from heaven and see. Visit this vine and protect it, the vine your right hand has planted. \mathbf{R}

And we shall never forsake you again: give us life that we may call upon your name. God of hosts, bring us back; let your face shine on us and we shall be saved. \mathbf{R}

St Paul to the A reading from the letter of **Philippians**

There is no need to worry; but if there is anything you from you and given to a people who will produce its need, pray for it, asking God for it with prayer and fruit.' thanksgiving, and that peace of God, which is so much greater than we can understand, will guard your hearts

and your thoughts, in Christ Jesus. Finally, brothers, fill your minds with everything that is true, everything that is noble, everything that is good and pure, everything that we love and honour, and everything that can be thought virtuous or worthy of praise. Keep doing all the things that you learnt from me and have been taught by me and have heard or seen that I do. Then the God of peace will be with you.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia! I call you friends, says the Lord, because I have made known to you everything I have learnt from my Father. Alleluia!

Gospel

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew

Jesus said to the chief priests and the elders of the people, Listen to another parable. There was a man, a landowner, who planted a vineyard; he fenced it round, dug a winepress in it and built a tower; then he leased it to tenants and went abroad. When vintage time drew near he sent his servants to the tenants to collect his produce. But the tenants seized his servants, thrashed one, killed another and stoned a third. Next he sent some more servants, this time a larger number, and they dealt with them in the same way. Finally he sent his son to them. "They will respect my son," he said. But when the tenants saw the son, they said to each other, "This is the heir. Come on, let us kill him and take over his inheritance." So they seized him and threw him out of the vineyard and killed him. Now when the owner of the vineyard comes, what will he do to those tenants?' They answered, 'He will bring those wretches to a wretched end and lease the vineyard to other tenants who will deliver the produce to him when the season arrives.' Jesus said to them, 'Have you never read in the scriptures:

It was the stone rejected by the builders that became the keystone. This was the Lord's doing and it is wonderful to see?

'I tell you, then, that the kingdom of God will be taken

