



# 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.

14th & 15th October 2023 | 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year A

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*Parable of the Great Banquet,*  
*Painted by The Brunswick Monogrammist (active in the mid 16th century),*  
*Painted circa 1525,*  
*Oil on panel*  
© National Museum, Warsaw

Our reading ends with the words 'For many are called, but few are chosen'. To be called means to be invited. Anyone in the world who has the chance to hear the Gospel and Good News can then decide whether or not to become a disciple. So what does it mean then to be chosen? To be chosen means to wholeheartedly accept the invitation and its conditions. To be chosen means to do what is necessary to follow Christ. That is why Jesus is saying that few are chosen, as few are willing to pay the price to follow Him. Despite the abundance of God's grace, the decision for salvation is in our hands. Each one of us has to decide whether to accept the invitation. The invitation is free, and accepting it comes with great responsibility... and joy!

Our painting is by the Brunswick Monogrammist, an anonymous 16th-century Netherlandish painter. The artist signed his works with the interlocked letters J, V, A, M, S and L, but we don't know who exactly the artist is. So much to look at in this painting. We see the King seated in the distance on the right; wine is flowing, the feast is in full swing; we see poor and sick people invited; the original invited guests are seen killing the servant on the left, etc...

We are all invited to the wedding feast... so great is God's love for our world!

*Paul*



## PRAYER INTENTIONS

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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**

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

### Schools in Our Parish:

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Rosebery

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*Director: Faye-Maree Genovezos*

Jarjum School (Jesuits) Redfern

117 Redfern Street

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*Principal: Katherine Zerounian*

**Recently Deceased:** Karen Simonet, Craig Petroni, Mary Balbi, Thung In Hoa, Margaret Chow, Theresa Flores

**Anniversary:** Marlic Erland (11/10), John Farrow (14/10), Robert Mita (15/10), Dujohn Deo (16/10), Matthew Schuman (17/10), Ella Brown (20/10)

**Deceased:** Edgardo Actas Ramirez, Elena Crookes, Joseph Mizzi, Carolina Antonio Cueco, Guido Verardo, Fr Terence Purcell, 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 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:** Paul Morgan, Mariany Hidajat, Silvana Bevilacqua, Ned Dalton, Livia Mio, John Calleja, Anne Hudson, Maria Tsiallis, 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](mailto: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        |
|----------------|------|----------------|
| <b>5:00pm</b>  | This | Lenette Carter |
|                | Next | Bianca Rodrigo |
| <b>7:30am</b>  | This | Michael Burns  |
|                | Next | John Sciberras |
| <b>9:00am</b>  | This | Abbey K        |
|                | Next | Amelia K       |
| <b>11:00am</b> | This | TBA            |
|                | Next | Ben May        |

# Dates for your Diary

- ◆ **Tuesday 24 October—Prayer for Mission**  
Please join us at OLMC, Waterloo as we pray for the growth of our mission. 6-6.30pm
- ◆ **Sunday 19 November—Parish Retreat Day,**  
The Way of the Heart. (Details below)



## The Way of the Heart

**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  
mission@citysouthcatholic.org.au

## Financial Update

### Week Ending 1 October

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|--|---------------------------------------|--------|
| First Collection   | Supports the Clergy Remuneration Fund | \$ 810 |
| Second Collection<br>(includes Parish Giving Program/ does not incl tap& go) | Supports the Parish                   | \$ 657 |

*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.*

### 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**  
**Thursday (23/11/2023) 9-10 am**



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



**St Joseph's**  
CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL  
ROSEBERY



**SYDNEY  
CITY SOUTH  
PARISH**



# 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 24<sup>th</sup> 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](mailto:pastoral@citysouthcatholic.org.au)

### Scam Alert!

There have been reports of SMS message scams targeting individuals and parishes in the Archdiocese. These scams impersonate the members of our parish, including myself, asking for urgent help and often requesting gift card purchases for those in need. Rest assured that neither I nor any member of our parish staff would ever ask for such assistance through SMS or any other unsolicited means. If you receive suspicious messages, contact us directly via phone or in person. Fr Paul.

### **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.**

Hearts on Fire  
**FEET ON THE MOVE**

**catholic MISSION** Freecall: 1800 257 296  
[catholicmission.org.au/timor](http://catholicmission.org.au/timor)

With Timor-Leste’s fragile infrastructure, reliance on local health practices, and limited access to medical care, many health conditions only worsen, and sadly can result in death.

**Next week Catholic Mission will offer you the opportunity to partner with the Sr Carolina and the Salesian Sisters in Venilale, Timor-Leste, where your gift can help continue a life-saving program to help address this reality.**

We hope you will take next week’s opportunity to make an incredible impact for those in need.

**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](mailto: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.

## More about our Parish Retreat in November

On Sunday 19 November 10am-3.30pm we will be having a retreat at the parish called The Way of the Heart. It will take place at St Joseph's, Rosebery directly after the 9am Mass.

God longs to be in deep friendship with us and to help us. The Way of the Heart draws our heart to be nearer to the Heart of Jesus, to be his friends, and to perceive His joys and sufferings for the world. Friendship with Jesus is transformative, leading us to recognize the challenges of the world with the eyes of Jesus, and to commit ourselves with Him to prayer and service in response to those challenges.

The retreat will be led by Anne and John Gray. They are the Australian Coordinators of the Pope's Worldwide Prayer Network. They have been doing this ministry since 2020 after time spent being formed in "The Way of the Heart" at the Jesuit headquarters in Rome. Their love of Ignatian spirituality started 35 years ago when they first met on an Ignatian retreat for youth. Their ministry is voluntary as John is a lawyer and Anne a teacher/family educator. They have three grown up children and one dog and they love bringing the Way of the Heart to others who are open to its transformative way of living relying on the power of prayer in our lives.

Registrations will be open online next week, and it will also be possible to register and pay in person after Mass in coming weeks.

Enquiries: Elizabeth on [mission@citysouthcatholic.org.au](mailto:mission@citysouthcatholic.org.au) or 0491 939 577

Life is busy but, please, consider accepting this gift that is being offered. If you can, set aside this day to invest in your relationship with God and in your own life. You won't regret it. I also encourage you to invite friends, family and neighbours, including anyone who has been away from parish life and worship. Everyone is welcome.

Pax, Elizabeth

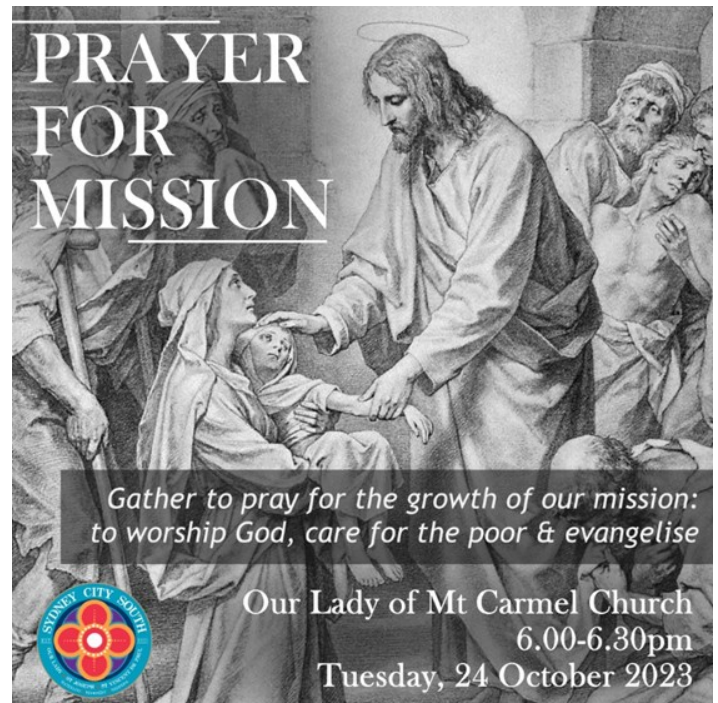


## Prayer for Mission

Over the past 4 months we have been gathering as a parish on a monthly basis to pray for the mission of our parish to worship God, care for the poor, and evangelise.

It has been truly wonderful hearing stories of mission taking place in our parish, giving thanks to God for all he is doing, and asking for his grace for his help to love and serve him and our neighbours with all our hearts.

Our next evening will be after the 5pm Mass at Our Lady of Mt Carmel at Waterloo. If you can spare 30 minutes to ask the Lord to bless and help us in our parish, please come. "Ask and you shall receive" (Matthew 7:7).



## 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



## 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 Saints 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



An icon that was hand-painted by the nuns of Beit Gemal (Israel)

Blessed Virgin Mary, Queen of Palestine

### A SPECIAL PRAYER FOR PEACE IN THE HOLY LAND

*Queen of peace,  
Chosen daughter of a land still devastated by wars,  
hatred, violence.*

*We confidently address our plea to you:  
Do not allow that Jesus' cry at the sight of the Holy  
City which did not understand the gift of peace  
may, once again, fall into indifference and political  
calculation.*

*Look at the afflictions of so many mothers, fathers,  
brothers, sisters, children, victims of destructive  
energies that are blind and without a future.  
Inspire ways of dialogue, a vigorous will in solving  
problems and a collaboration of certain hope.*

*Don't let us ever get used to oppression, to  
consider the struggles as 'inevitable' and the victims  
they produce as 'collateral'.*

*Make sure that the logic of aggression does not  
prevail over good will and that the solution of many  
problems is not considered impossible.*

*Just like with Your prayer in the midst of the  
Disciples on Pentecost, obtain from the Almighty  
that situations, even if apparently insurmountable in  
the Holy Land, find ways of happy solution.*

AMEN

Fernando Cardinal Filoni  
Grand Master  
of the Holy Sepulchre of Jerusalem

**Carpark open again next weekend! Fence and electronic gate still to be installed during the week**

## Parts of the Mass

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### Entrance Antiphon

If you, O Lord, should mark iniquities,  
Lord, who could stand?  
But with you is found forgiveness,  
O God of 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.

**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

The rich suffer want and go hungry,

but those who seek the Lord lack no blessing.

## 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

On this mountain,  
the Lord of hosts will prepare for all people  
a banquet of rich food, a banquet of fine wines,  
of food rich and juicy, of fine strained wines.  
On this mountain he will remove  
the mourning veil covering all peoples,  
and the shroud enwrapping all nations,  
he will destroy Death for ever.  
The Lord will wipe away  
the tears from every cheek;  
he will take away his people's shame  
everywhere on earth,  
for the Lord has said so.  
That day, it will be said: See, this is our God  
in whom we hoped for salvation;  
the Lord is the one in whom we hoped.  
We exult and we rejoice  
that he has saved us;  
for the hand of the Lord  
rests on this mountain.

## Responsorial Psalm

**R** I shall live in the house of the Lord  
all the days of my life.

The Lord is my shepherd;  
there is nothing I shall want.  
Fresh and green are the pastures  
where he gives me repose.  
Near restful waters he leads me,  
to revive my drooping spirit. **R**  
He guides me along the right path;  
he is true to his name.  
If I should walk in the valley of darkness  
no evil would I fear.  
You are there with your crook and your staff;  
with these you give me comfort. **R**  
You have prepared a banquet for me  
in the sight of my foes.  
My head you have anointed with oil;  
my cup is overflowing. **R**  
Surely goodness and kindness shall follow me  
all the days of my life.  
In the Lord's own house shall I dwell  
for ever and ever. **R**

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

I know how to be poor and I know how to be rich too. I have been through my initiation and now I am ready for anything anywhere: full stomach or empty stomach, poverty or plenty. There is nothing I cannot master with the help of the One who gives me strength. All the same, it was good of you to share with me in my hardships. In return my God will fulfil all your needs, in Christ Jesus, as lavishly as only God can. Glory to God, our Father, for ever and ever. Amen.

## 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!

## A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew

Jesus said to the chief priests and elders of the people: "The kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who gave a feast for his son's wedding. He sent his servants to call those who had been invited, but they would not come. Next he sent some more servants. "Tell those who have been invited" he said "that I have my banquet all prepared, my oxen and fattened cattle have been slaughtered, everything is ready. Come to the wedding." But they were not interested: one went off to his farm, another to his business, and the rest seized his servants, maltreated them and killed them. The king was furious. He dispatched his troops, destroyed those murderers and burnt their town. Then he said to his servants, "The wedding is ready; but as those who were invited proved to be unworthy, go to the crossroads in the town and invite everyone you can find to the wedding." So these servants went out onto the roads and collected together everyone they could find, bad and good alike; and the wedding hall was filled with guests. When the king came in to look at the guests he noticed one man who was not wearing a wedding garment, and said to him, "How did you get in here, my friend, without a wedding garment?" And the man was silent. Then the king said to the attendants, "Bind him hand and foot and throw him out into the dark, where there will be weeping and grinding of teeth." For many are called, but few are chosen.'

