



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.

17th & 18th February 2024 | 1st Sunday of Lent Year B

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Dear Friends,

We have begun the season of Lent. This sacred time of preparation for Easter lasts for forty days. The forty-day period of Jesus' trial in the desert echoes a number of events in the Old Testament:

- The face of the earth was cleansed and purified during the promised period of days and nights that rain poured down during the great flood—"I will bring rain down on the earth for forty days and forty nights, and so I will wipe out from the surface of the earth every moving creature that I have made" (Gen 7:4).
- The face of the earth was renewed during a fortyday period after the mountain tops appeared and the waters of the great flood receded—"The tops of the mountains appeared. At the end of forty days Noah opened the hatch of the ark that he had made" (Gen 8:5-6).
- Moses spent forty years as a shepherd in the desert before God called him to lead the Israelites out of slavery—"Moses fled when he heard this and settled as an alien in the land of Midian . . . Forty years later, an angel appeared to him in the desert near Mount Sinai in the flame of a burning bush" (Acts 7: 29-30).
- Moses fasted for forty days and nights on Mount Sinai before receiving the tablets of the covenant—"So Moses stayed there with the Lord for forty days and forty nights, without eating any food or drinking any water, and he wrote on the tablets the words of the covenant, the ten commandments" (Ex 34:28).
- The Israelites spent forty years wandering in the desert, as a time of testing, trial and purification of the people, before reaching the Promised Land—"Now the Israelites had wandered forty years in the desert, until all the warriors among the people that came forth from Egypt died off because they had not obeyed the command of the Lord" (Jos 5:6; see Num 32:13).
- The prophet Elijah spent forty days in the desert before encountering God on Mount Horeb—" [Elijah] got up, ate and drank; then strengthened by that food, he walked forty days and forty nights to the mountain of God, Horeb" (1 Kgs 19:8).
- The Ninevites were given forty days before God was going to destroy the city, allowing time for repentance and conversion—"Jonah began his journey through the city, and had gone but a single day's walk announcing, 'Forty days more and Nineveh shall be destroyed,' when the people of Nineveh believed God; they proclaimed a fast and all of them, great and small, put on sackcloth" (Jon 3:4-5).



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, Rosebery

Tuesday

5pm, St Vincent de Paul, Redfern

Wednesday

7.30am St Joseph, Rosebery

Thursday

5pm St Joseph, Rosebery Holy Hour for Vocations Mass then adoration finishing with Benediction at 5.55pm.

Friday

7.30am St Joseph, Rosebery

7.30pm Stations of the Cross @ Redfern

Normal Sunday Mass Times:

~~Waterloo: 5pm Sat Vigil~~

From 13 January: 5pm Sat Vigil will be at St Joseph Rosebery

Rosebery: Sunday 7.30am (Rosary at 7am) & 9.00am (This Mass is Live Streamed).

Reconciliation @ Rosebery 8.30am.

Redfern: 11.00am

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Our Lady of Mt Carmel, Waterloo

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Principal: Katherine Zerounian

Recently Deceased: Valerie Jenkins

Anniversary: Alonso Castro (17/2), Kathleen McAleer (18/2), Jane Farrugia (24/2)

Deceased: Joseph & Rose Lia, Pauline & Miriam McGill, Sartoretto Family, Joseph Mizzi, Elizabeth Elsie Tenggara, 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 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: Madelyn Humilde, Lucy Went, Bambo Servoz, Mark Balbi, John & Kate Gavan, Pamela Coates, Oisín Bradley, Carlos Lobo, Jimmie Mallee, Virginia Peloe, Edmund Gonzales, Paul Morgan, Mariany Hidajat, Silvana Bevilacqua, Ned Dalton, Livia Mio, John Calleja, Anne Hudson, Maria Tsailis, Cherry Ermita Dela Cruz, Emmi Moeljowati, June Elliot, Lyndall Storey, William Gonzales, Nhia Nguyen, Marina Fox, Jo-Anne Davies, Maureen Maher, Lidia Freitas, Sr Dominic Furlong OSU, Ana Lucia Solorzano, Jack, Ruby, 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. Donations can be made via website or given to Fr Paul directly.

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.

Financial Update

Week Ending 11 February

First Collection	Supports the Clergy Remuneration Fund	\$ 736
Second Collection (includes Parish Giving Program/ does not incl tap& go)	Supports the Parish	\$ 791

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.

Dates for your Diary

- ◆ Retreat with the Dominican Sisters of St Cecilia – **Sunday, 7 April 2024**
- ◆ **Consecration of Our Lady of Mt Carmel Church & new altar, Waterloo by Archbishop Anthony Fisher OP**
- ◆ **SAVE THE DATE! Friday, 31st May 2024 6:30pm Annual Parish Dinner Tea Room, QVB**

READERS ROSTER

Mass		Reader
5:00pm	This	Therese Poulton
	Next	Lenette Carter
7:30am	This	Stephanie Chow
	Next	Josette Merchant
9:00am	This	Ameilia K
	Next	Terri Lumibao
11:00am	This	Sandra Truong
	Next	Bruce Strath

Easter Triduum Choir: Singers Needed

Stephanie Holmes will once again be assembling a choir for the Easter Triduum - singing for Holy Thursday, Good Friday and the Easter Vigil (28, 29, 30 March).

All parishioners, regardless of musical ability are invited to join the choir. Rehearsals will be on Wednesday evenings at 7:30pm in St Joseph's Church, Rosebery, beginning on **Wednesday 21 February**.



Redfern St Vincent de Paul Conference officially established

Over the past few weeks, meetings were held to set up the Redfern St Vincent de Paul Conference. This has now been officially established with six members currently involved – and more parishioners and locals are encouraged to join.

The members have been training and working with St Vincent's Surry Hills office and its Marrickville Conference to learn what the program is all about and conducting home visits. Home visits in Redfern will commence in April, after Easter.

The conference will meet regularly for 30 minutes every fortnight under the chair of newly elected President, Michael Burns. If you are interested in getting involved, please email Michael at Michael.burns@vinnies.org.au

St Joseph's Community Playgroup

10-11am Thursdays
22 February, 7 March, 21 March,
and 4 April

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

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

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.**



St Joseph's
CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL
ROSEBERY

Easter Triduum

Holy Thursday 28 March:

7pm Our Lady of Mt Carmel, Waterloo (Adoration until Midnight)

Good Friday 29 March:

10am Stations of the Cross St Joseph's, Rosebery

3pm Liturgy of the Passion St Joseph's, **Rosebery**

3pm Liturgy of the Passion St Vincent de Paul, **Redfern**

3pm Liturgy of the Passion Our Lady of Mt Carmel **Waterloo**

7.30pm Tenebrae Liturgy, Our Lady of Mt Carmel Waterloo*

Easter Vigil 30 March:

7.30pm Our Lady of Mount Carmel, Waterloo

Easter Sunday 31 March: Mass times as usual.

**Tenebrae means 'in darkness' and is a prayer of the Church during the Triduum which uses candles, psalms and hymns to respectfully keep praying during the Easter Triduum.*

www.heritagechristiancollege.com

Good Samaritan Project - Easter

We are back again to support Vinnies, Redfern, after a short break. The beginning of this year has been challenging for many families and individuals, especially those who are homeless, due to the ever-increasing cost of living. Consequently, many have turned to Vinnies for support in putting food on the table.

Our Project's focus over the next few months is to provide non-perishable food items that will enable families to prepare basic meals such as breakfast and dinner. Here are some items to consider:

- Pasta and ready-made sauces
- Canned fish and meats
- Canned soups
- Rice
- Long-life milk
- Small boxes of breakfast cereals such as Weet-Bix and cornflakes.



Also, following the success of last year's Easter Egg drive, we will again collect Easter Eggs for Vinnies.

I appreciate your continued support and generosity, especially during these times of rising costs of living.

Vanessa Madunic

DONATIONS NEEDED FOR 2024 PARISH EASTER RAFFLE!



Donate an Easter egg, bunny, bilby or a bottle of wine/bubbly for our 2024 Easter Raffle. Raffle to be drawn at Easter Vigil and all proceeds to go to Parish Outreach programs. Drop your donation off at the Church during Mass times or to Parish Office. More info? Call Parish Office 9353 6300.

LENTEN GROUP 1

HOLY WEEK IN DEPTH

5 TUESDAY NIGHTS (ZOOM)



During Holy Week, Jesus cursed a fig tree, rode on a donkey, turned over tables in the Temple, and deliberately went into a place of great danger. Why? In this series, we use biblical and historical evidence to uncover the deeper meaning of the final week of Jesus' earthly life and the holiest week of the year.

Dates: Tuesdays 20 & 27 Feb, 5, 12 & 19 March

Time: 7:00-8:00pm

Cost: If you can, a donation to assist with the cost of offering this program is appreciated.

Venue: Zoom link provided.

Enquire/Register: Elizabeth 0491 939 577 or mission@citysouthcatholic.org.au

Register: www.trybooking.com/COWWJ



LENTEN GROUP 2

3 PATHS TO HOLINESS

5 THURSDAY NIGHTS (ROSEBERY)



All Christians are called to holiness. Being holy means to become healed and whole; to become the best version of yourself, with all parts integrated and in harmony. But how do we become more holy? In this series we will explore three paths to holiness through video talks by Bishop Robert Barron, share groups, and prayer.

Dates: Thursdays 22 & 29 Feb, 7, 14 & 21 March

Time: 6:30-7:30pm

Cost: If you can, a donation to assist with the cost of offering this program is appreciated.

Venue: St Joseph's Meeting Room, Rosebery.

Enquire/Register: Elizabeth 0491 939 577 or mission@citysouthcatholic.org.au

Register: <https://www.trybooking.com/COYBD>



First Sunday of Lent 17 & 18 February



This year, Project Compassion brings you the stories of three resilient women: Ronita from the Philippines, Leaia from Samoa and Memory from Malawi. While from three different corners of the world and facing vastly different challenges, they are all united by one dream: to create a better world for all future generations.

Please donate to Project Compassion.

You can donate through Project Compassion donation boxes and envelopes available from your parish, by visiting caritas.org.au/project-compassion or by calling 1800 024 413.



Great Reads for Lent

Are you looking for some spiritual reading for Lent? Check out these titles:

Mere Christianity by C.S. Lewis

A reasoned defence of Christianity. Very easy to read. Deals with common misconceptions about Jesus and Christianity. You won't be the same after you read this book.

Nine Days to Discover the Joy of Prayer by Jacques Philippe

This offers a guided daily way to pray, for people with as little as ten minutes a day to set aside for prayer.

Into Your Hands Father by Wilfrid Stinissen

This book is about how we can stop worrying about everything and start trusting God. What stops us from trusting God and how can this change?

The Screwtape Letters by C.S. Lewis

This is an imagined collection of letters from a senior devil to an apprentice devil, giving him tips on how to distract us from pursuing our Christian path. With pointed humour, it helpfully uncovers many of the habits which can lead us away from God.

The Strangest Way: Walking the Christian Path by Bishop Robert Barron

This book focusses on the attitudes of heart and practices we can adopt to become a more authentic Christian.

Making Sense Out of Suffering by Peter Kreeft

Brilliant popular philosopher Peter Kreeft tackles major issues and questions which arise for many due to the presence of suffering in the world and what it says about God. Very readable, Kreeft leads us through different questions and answers about the problem of suffering.

He Leadeth Me by Walter Ciszek

A book about how to trust God no matter the circumstances, written by a Jesuit priest who was imprisoned in a Russian gulag for 20 years.

There are many others. Check out these Catholic bookshops based in Australia:

- **Veriatis Publishing:** veritatis.com.au
- **Word on Fire, Australia:** australia.wordonfire.org
- **Mustard Seed Bookshop,** Leichhardt: mustardseed.org.au
- **Pauline Books and Media,** Castlereagh St. Sydney: paulinebooks.com.au
- **St Paul's Books,** Strathfield: stpauls.com.au

National Catholic Safeguarding Standards

The ten National Catholic Safeguarding Standards incorporate recommendations from the Royal Commission and also the National Principals for Child Safe Organisations, contextualising these requirements for the Catholic Church in Australia. These standards work in conjunction to ensure every entity, ministry, and organisation across the Catholic Church in Australia places the safety of children and adults at risk at the core of how they plan, think and act. Each week we are discussing one of the ten standards and how they operate in our Parish.

Standard Three: Partnering with Families, Carers and Communities

This standard highlights that Safeguarding occurs in a range of settings. It's parents and carers that are often best placed to inform and advise about the needs of those they care for.

The focus of this standard is to ensure parents and carers take an active role in our safeguarding journey, that they are given information on our governance, policies and practices and also encouraged to contribute and feedback. If you have ideas, feedback or concerns please let your PSSOs know.

Do you want more information?

Visit www.sydneycatholic.org/safeguarding-and-child-protection/ for all CAS policies and procedures

You can also find our Safeguarding Manual in all our Sites and copies to take home of specific documents we reference each week.


Your current PSSOs are:

Michelle Davies and **Ruth Rawlinson.**

Do you have questions about Safeguarding?

Email us at:

safeguarding@citysouthcatholic.org.au

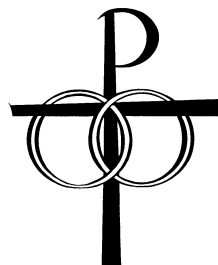


A message from the Archdiocese of Sydney:
Child sexual abuse is a crime. The appropriate people to deal with crimes are the police. If you, or anyone you know, have been abused, please contact the police. Alternatively, you can contact the Safeguarding and Ministerial Integrity Office at (02) 9390 5810 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.

Wedding

Congratulations to **Reece and Emanoela** who celebrated their nuptials at St Joseph's Rosebery on Saturday, 17 February

May they have a long and happy life together.



Parts of the Mass

Entrance Antiphon

When he calls on me, I will answer him;
I will deliver him and give him glory,
I will grant him length of days.

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

He will conceal you with his pinions,

and under his wings you will trust.

His faithfulness shall encompass you as a shield.

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 Genesis

God spoke to Noah and his sons, 'See, I establish my Covenant with you, and with your descendants after you; also with every living creature to be found with you, birds, cattle and every wild beast with you: everything that came out of the ark, everything that lives on the earth. I establish my Covenant with you: no thing of flesh shall be swept away again by the waters of the flood. There shall be no flood to destroy the earth again.' God said, 'Here is the sign of the Covenant I make between myself and you and every living creature with you for all generations: I set my bow in the clouds and it shall be a sign of the Covenant between me and the earth. When I gather the clouds over the earth and the bow appears in the clouds, I will recall the Covenant between myself and you and every living creature of every kind. And so the waters shall never again become a flood to destroy all things of flesh.'

Responsorial Psalm

R Your ways, O Lord, are love and truth to those who keep your covenant.

Lord, make me know your ways.

Lord, teach me your paths.

Make me walk in your truth, and teach me: for you are God my saviour. **R**

Remember your mercy, Lord, and the love you have shown from of old.

In your love remember me, because of your goodness, O Lord. **R**

The Lord is good and upright.

He shows the path to those who stray, he guides the humble in the right path; he teaches his way to the poor. **R**

A reading from the first letter of St Peter

Christ himself, innocent though he was, died once for sins, died for the guilty, to lead us to God. In the body he was put to death, in the spirit he was raised to life, and, in the spirit, he went to preach to the spirits in prison. Now it was long ago, when Noah was still building that ark which saved only a small group of eight people 'by water', and when God was still waiting patiently, that these spirits refused to believe. That water is a type of the baptism which saves you now, and which is not the washing off of physical dirt but a pledge made to God from a good conscience, through the resurrection of Jesus Christ, who has entered heaven and is at God's right hand, now that he has made the angels and Dominations and Powers his subjects.

Gospel Acclamation

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory!

No one lives on bread alone,

but on every word that comes from the mouth of God.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory!

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark

The Spirit drove Jesus out into the wilderness and he remained there for forty days, and was tempted by Satan. He was with the wild beasts, and the angels looked after him.

After John had been arrested, Jesus went into Galilee.

There he proclaimed the Good News from God. 'The time has come' he said 'and the kingdom of God is close at hand. Repent, and believe the Good News.'

