ISSUE



# 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.

#### 11th & 12th May 2024 | The Ascension Year B

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Dear Friends,

Please get your forms in to attend the parish dinner this week so we can finalise numbers and menu. This is always a good night of fun and food. This year I have asked Christian Abou-Rizk, the builder of the new sanctuary at Waterloo, to offer a brief reflection on the idea of faith, beauty and construction.

One of the unforeseen effects of the renovation to the Rosebery church is that we have inherited an echo. I think the cause is the marble? In any case I am working to mitigate the echo as much as I can. An update to the sound occurred this week and the next step is a scientific analysis so that we can get sound levels right. No matter what sound system I put in, if the reader does not project their voice or does not speak clearly it makes it harder to hear.

You can now make an expression of interest and pay a deposit to secure your place on the Jubilee pilgrimage in April/May 2025. The pilgrimage will be led by Fr John Knight and myself and orgainsed by Harvest Pilgrimages. Pick up a brochure as you leave church today.

I was saddened to hear of another stabbing this week in the carpark near Officeworks in Alexandria, no doubt a place many of us frequent. These horrific acts of violence occur all too often. A culture of intimidation, violence and disrespect, particularly to woman, is all too evident in our society. Sadly, I have twice been a victim of violence living in this area in the last few years, one of them saw the perpetrator sent to prison! The continued violence triggers those experiences in me as it would anyone who has suffered in this way. My prayer is that women and men be respected, if you have an issue with anger or find it difficult to control yourself please seek help. We should make representation to our local member of parliament to give this issue their highest priority.

Sr Rosemary had a fall on Monday and will be restricted in her commitments over the next few weeks. Please keep Sister in your prayers for a speedy  $_{\triangle}$  recovery.

Have a happy week...



#### 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 Our Lady of Mt Carmel, Waterloo Wednesday

7.30am St Joseph, Rosebery

Thursday

No Mass

Friday

8am Our Lady of Mt Carmel, Waterloo

Sunday Mass Times:

Waterloo: 5pm Sat Vigil

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

Reconciliation @ Rosebery 8.30am. Redfern: 11.00am

Schools in Our Parish:

Our Lady of Mt Carmel, Waterloo 96991407

info@olmcwaterloo.catholic.edu.au Principal: Mr Vince Campbell

St Joseph, Rosebery 9184 6630

ınto@stjrosebery.catholic.edu.au Principal: Mr Bernard Ryan

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1A Kimberley Grove, Rosebery, NSW 2018

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Principal: Katherine Zerounian

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.

#### **PRAYER INTENTIONS**

Recently Deceased: Bishop Peter Ingham

**Anniversary:** Nicola Maric (11/5), Betty Harkins (12/5), Santi Barbieri (13/5), Patricia Ellery (15/5)

Deceased: Dorothy Blackman, Joseph Mizzi, Mary Caffari, Annie Poulton, Raymond Blackman, Jeanette Rawlinson, Fr Terence Purcell, Ana Jao, Alejandra Suarez, Valerie Jenkins, 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: Bambo Zervos, Guido Verardo, Madelyn Humilde, Lucy Went, Mark Balbi, John & Kate Gavan, Pamela Coates, Oisin Bradley, Carlos Lobo, Jimmie Mallee, Virginia Peloe, Edmund Gonzales, Paul Morgan, Mariany Hidajat, Silvana Bevilacqua, Ned Dalton, Livia Mio, Anne Hudson, Maria Tsiailis, 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.

READERS ROSTER			
Mass		Reader	
5:00pm	This	Steven Belcastro	
	Next	TBA	
7:30am	This	Josette Merchant	
	Next	Charlotte Buxton	
9:00am	This	Abbey K	
	Next	Amelia K	
11:00am	This	Sr Esmey	
	Next	Sandra Truong	

Financial Update
Week Ending 5 May

First Collection	Supports the Clergy Remuneration Fund	\$ 677
Second Collection (includes Parish Giving Program/ does not incl tap& go)	Supports the Parish	\$1019



- Sunday 26th May—Morning tea at Redfern Please join us after the 11am Mass at St Vincent de Paul Church, Redfern. All welcome those who would like to contribute are invited to bring a plate.
- Friday 31st May, 6:30pm BOOK NOW!!! for our Annual Parish Dinner Room, QVB—Registration now open! Please return forms THIS WEEK.

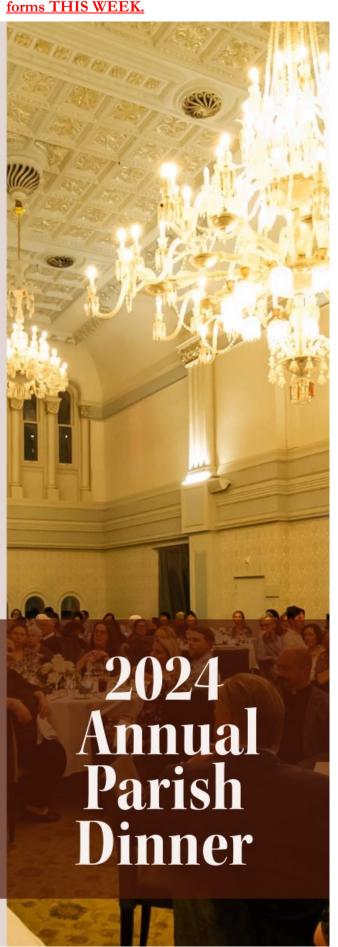


# Book now for our Annual Parish Dinner.

To RSVP or for more information contact the Parish.

Friday 31st May 2024 6:30pm to 10:30pm The Tea Room, QVB

secretary@citysouthcatholic.org.au 9353 6300



Dear parents,

We have acquired some new Mass books for children, suitable for different ages. They are under the table at the entrance. Please feel



free to pick up one of these for your children to use during Mass; it is a great way to help little ones deepen their participation in the Mass. If you have any children's Mass books you are not using and you would like to donate, let me know.

Pax, Elizabeth Arblaster, Pastoral Associate for Mission



#### 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.



#### Calling a creative person to help

Dear friends,

One of the items we need to make for our Catechesis of the Good Shepherd Atrium is a relief map of the Holy Land. We use this in our presentations to the children about where Jesus lived and events in his life.

This is not an item we can simply buy. This is a special relief map recommended by Maria Montessori; it uses an exaggerated scale and interesting textures to help the children become introduced to the Holy Land at a level suitable to their age.

The Holy Land map is made with foam and papier mâché. I have some very clear instructions from the materials manual about how to make this. If you think you have the skills to do this and are interested in knowing more, please contact me on 0491 939 577 or mission@citysouthcatholic.org.au. We don't need the map for a few months so there is plenty of time to do it if you are interested.

Pax, Elizabeth Arblaster, Pastoral Associate for Mission



Photo of the relief map from another Atrium the Catechesis Good Shepherd

#### **Baptisms**

We congratulate **Daire** on his baptism at Rosebery this weekend. God bless him and his family.



#### Safeguarding

#### Your current PSSOs are: Michelle Davies and Ruth Rawlinson.

We are here to support you. If you have concerns or questions you can email us at: safeguarding@citysouthcatholic.org.au, contact the Parish Office to speak to us or speak to Fr Paul at Mass.



#### 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 <a href="mailto:safeguardingenquiries@sydneycatholic.org">safeguardingenquiries@sydneycatholic.org</a>.

You may also want to speak to your Parish Priest who will be able to provide

The Archdiocese has a legal obligation to report crimes to the police.

In addition, Vinnies is seeking sleeping essentials to provide to the homeless or vulnerable individuals and families without heating this winter.

Non-perishable food essentials:

- Cans and packets of soup
- Macaroni and Cheese meals
- Small breakfast cereals
- Long-life milk
- Pasta and pasta sauces
- Canned tuna or canned meat
- Cracker biscuits

#### Sleeping essentials:

- Blankets in good condition
- Sleeping bags
- Gloves and scarves





DONATIONS

## **Donations Needed** 2024 Annual Parish Raffle

Do you know a small business that would like to donate a prize for our 2024 Raffle? Sponsorship opportunities also available. Contact us for more information.

Contact Ruth at manager@citysouthcatholic.org.au or via 02 9353 6300



Silver Sponsor 2024 Annual Parish Dinner

Thank you to conor and Jim's Mowing Ma for sponsoring our 2024 Parish Dinner.

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There is much discussion in the Church about synodality. I understand the term synodality as a dynamic of discernment. This does not mean following another rigid process, rather it is an intentional attitude of being open to the Holy Spirit in our vision of faithfully living the Gospel. we have to be open to the Spirit, we have to be willing almost to die to ourselves in order to really receive the gift of the other. Then we have to be willing to die in giving away the gift that we have, what's speaking in our heart.

Part of our communal discernment is not just about our local parish, must also include the diocesan and universal perspective. Discernment is always about going out, about daring to scatter the seeds of the Gospel into rich soil so that we may bear much fruit (cf Matt 13:23).

Discernment involves listening to God. "What we're really trying to do is not to listen to the voice of the people, but the voice of God in the voice of the people...This isn't just about your voice and your opinions, although we want to hear them, but we all have to be willing to then go deeper, beneath those voices, to hear what the Spirit is saying to us," Clinton Ressler, the parish of St. Mary of the Miraculous Medal in the Archdiocese of Galveston-Houston).

When synodality is presented in the media, sometimes the focus is on the issues that are controversial in the Church, whether or not this is instrument to foment change in doctrine or church teaching, which only causes division and disunity. Synodality in reality is much more practical, down on the grassroots level, of teaching people communitarian discernment, and to take responsibility for their parish, for their community, their diocese, their world. We are called to be a participant.

To this end, I have discerned that before each Pastoral Council Meeting, a consultation will be held asking parishioners

"What do you think the Holy Spirit is asking us to do here" with a particular focus on groups of people,

Where would you like to see growth in the parish in relation to:

- Growing in our faith and sharing our faith with
- How we care for different groups of people who live in our parish
- Spiritual expressions and experiences that could help us worship God

pp@citysouthcatholic.org.au - parishioner submissions will be discussed at next Pastoral Council meeting on 13 June.





## ECCLESIA DOMESTICA The Domestic Church



Ecclesia Domestica is a group for Catholic parents seeking to foster the faith life of their children

#### What do we do?

We meet monthly to 1. connect with other Catholic

- 2. share resources that foster the faith of our children, and
- 3. plan projects in the parish to support Catholic families



Friday 24 May 2024, 10-11am St Joseph's Meeting Room 74 Rosebery Avenue, Rosebery

#### RSVP/Enquiries

Elizabeth: 0491 939 577 mission@citysouthcatholic.org.au





#### Peace, Justice, Eco Matters Group

As we know peace and love and justice are inseparable. Popes Paul VI and Francis contradicted the saying "if you want peace, prepare for war". "No" they said "If you want peace, prepare for peace.". These days we want 'earthcare not warfare'; we want Australia to be on a peace-footing, not a war footing. To this end Frank Vavasour would like expressions of interest in forming a new peace, justice and eco group.

You him directly: can contact frank\_vav@yahoo.com

On the weekend of 8 & 9 June Frank will speak briefly inviting you to join him in the formation of this group.



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Gold Sponsor 2024 Annual Parish Dinner

Thank you to christian and Excelsis Projects for sponsoring our 2024 Parish Dinner.

## Schoenstatt Annual Marian Pilgrimage **Sunday 19 May 2024**

Mary, your Shrine - Our Cenacle!



9.30am Sacrament of Reconciliation available

10.15am Pilgrims' Prayer and Welcome

10.30am Holy Mass (Father Andrew Fornal OP)

**Recommissioning of Pilgrim Mother Coordinators** 

2.00pm Eucharistic Procession from the valley to the shrine

Alternative program: Anointing of the sick (Shrine)

3.00pm Benediction

> THIS IS AN OUTDOOR EVENT - PLEASE BRING YOUR OWN CHAIRS. HOT FOOD, TEA & COFFEE AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE. PILGRIM MOTHER COORDINATORS PLEASE BRING ALONG YOUR PILGRIM MOTHER SHRINES.

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#### **Schoenstatt Annual** Marian Pilgrimage

Coach leaves 8am, from Harris St, (near Coward St.) Rosebery. Cost for the coach \$35. Bookings and further details: Phone Therese Poulton 0403 336 358.



#### Parts of the Mass

#### **Entrance Antiphon**

Men of Galilee, why gaze in wonder at the heavens? This Jesus whom you saw ascending into heaven will return as you saw him go, alleluia.

#### 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.

#### **Apostles' Creed**

I believe in God, the Father almighty, Creator of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried; he descended into hell: on the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty; from there he will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and life everlasting. Amen.

#### Holy Holy (Sanctus) Vigil Mass

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

Behold, I am with you always, even to the end of the age, alleluia.



#### 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 Acts of the Apostles

In my earlier work, Theophilus, I dealt with everything Jesus had done and taught from the beginning until the day he gave his instructions to the apostles he had chosen through the Holy Spirit, and was taken up to heaven. He had shown himself alive to them after his Passion by many demonstrations: for forty days he had continued to appear to them and tell them about the kingdom of God. When he had been at table with them, he had told them not to leave Jerusalem, but to wait there for what the Father had promised. 'It is,' he had said, 'what you have heard me speak about: John baptised with water but you, not many days from now, will be baptised with the Holy Spirit.'

Now having met together, they asked him, 'Lord, has the time come? Are you going to restore the kingdom to Israel?' He replied, 'It is not for you to know times or dates that the Father has decided by his own authority, but you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you, and then you will be my witnesses not only in Jerusalem but throughout Judaea and Samaria, and indeed to the ends of the earth.'

As he said this he was lifted up while they looked on, and a cloud took him from their sight. They were still staring into the sky when suddenly two men in white were standing near them and they said, 'Why are you men from Galilee standing here looking into the sky? Jesus who has been taken up from you into heaven, this same Jesus will come back in the same way as you have seen him go there.'

#### Responsorial Psalm

## R God mounts his throne to shouts of joy: a blare of trumpets for the Lord.

All peoples, clap your hands, cry to God with shouts of joy!
For the Lord, the Most High, we must fear, great king over all the earth. R

God goes up with shouts of joy; the Lord goes up with trumpet blast. Sing praise for God, sing praise, sing praise to our king, sing praise.

God is king of all the earth.
Sing praise with all your skill.
God is king over the nations;
God reigns on his holy throne.

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

May the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, give you a spirit of wisdom and perception of what is revealed, to bring you to full knowledge of him. May he enlighten the eyes of your mind so that you can see what hope his call holds for you, what rich glories he has promised the saints will inherit and how infinitely great is the power that he has exercised for us believers. This you can tell from the strength of his power at work in Christ, when he used it to raise him from the dead and to make him sit at his right hand, in heaven, far above every Sovereignty, Authority, Power, or Domination, or any other name that can be named, not only in this age, but also in the age to come. He has put all things under his feet, and made him, as the ruler of everything, the head of the Church; which is his body, the fullness of him who fills the whole creation.

#### **Gospel Acclamation**

Alleluia, alleluia!
Go and teach all people my gospel.
I am with you always, until the end of the world.
Alleluia!

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

Jesus showed himself to the Eleven and said to them, 'Go out to the whole world; proclaim the Good News to all creation. He who believes and is baptised is saved; he who does not believe will be condemned. These are the signs that will be associated with believers: in my name they will cast out devils; they will have the gift of tongues; they will pick up snakes in their hands, and be unharmed should they drink deadly poison; they will lay their hands on the sick, who will recover.'

And so the Lord Jesus, after he had spoken to them, was taken up into heaven: there at the right hand of God he took his place, while they, going out, preached everywhere, the Lord working with them and confirming the word by the signs that accompanied it.