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21 August 2022 - Twenty-first Sunday (Year C)

MASS SCHEDULE

SUNDAY

- ◆ 6:00pm Saturday Vigil Mass
- ◆ 7:30am Morning Prayer
- ◆ 8:00am Mass
- ◆ 9:30am Mass
- ◆ 11:00am Solemn Mass with Cathedral Choir
- ◆ 6:00pm Mass
- ◆ 6:00pm Youth-led Mass (3rd Sunday)

MONDAY TO FRIDAY

- ◆ 6:10am Morning Prayer
- ◆ 6:30am Mass
- ◆ 11:15am Exposition
- ◆ 11:15am Sacrament of Penance (till 12:15pm)
- ◆ Rosary after Angelus at 12:00 noon
- ◆ 12:30pm Mass

SATURDAY

- ◆ 7:30am Morning Prayer
- ◆ 8:00am Mass
- ◆ 8:30am Sacrament of Penance (till 9:00am)
- ◆ 9:30am Mass (Old Rite)
- ◆ 5:00pm Sacrament of Penance (till 5:30pm)

PUBLIC HOLIDAYS

Mass at 8:00am (No Adoration or Confession)



WEEKLY PRAYER GROUPS

- ◆ Tuesday 9:30am – Christian Meditation
- ◆ Tuesday 6:30pm – Legion of Mary
- ◆ Tuesday 7:30pm – RCIA
- ◆ Friday 1:00pm – Cenacle Prayers

MONTHLY PRAYER GROUPS

- ◆ Last Tuesday of the month - Novena to Mary, Full of Grace
- ◆ First Friday Devotions: 6:30pm

OTHER CONNECT GROUPS

Playgroup: (suspended)
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“Sir, will there be only a few saved?”



AS YOU KNOW BY NOW, one of the ways I like to approach a deeper understanding of the Gospels is to look at the words and actions of the minor characters that crop up around Jesus. These people are often unnamed, and we learn very little or nothing about them, but they usually ask questions or make remarks that we ourselves would probably have made had we been with them at the time. We have one such character appearing at the beginning of the Gospel this weekend. He asks Jesus a question that was clearly relevant then and equally pertinent now: “Sir, will there be only a few saved?”

The question of who or how many will be saved, or, to put it simply, “go to heaven”, is of great interest to us. We might make the question quite personal, (“Will I go to heaven?”) or extend it to others, (“Will my family and friends go to heaven?”). Perhaps we will muse on the fate of larger groups of people, based on their faith or other belief systems. Some people will be like St Augustine who believed only a few would get to heaven whilst others might embrace the idea of universal salvation. Of course, there are some who want to narrow it down to a particular group of people, saying only Christians can be saved, or those belonging to a particular branch of Christianity, or even only a small group within that particular branch, and so on...

The question of salvation, known theologically as soteriology, is a vexed one and has occupied the greatest minds of the Church continuously since its inception. Of course, we understand the Church to be the sacrament of salvation and acknowledge its role in bringing us the hope of eternal life, but we need to be careful not to believe that only Christians, Catholic or otherwise, have hope of salvation. The Second Vatican Council taught that many others are part of God's plan of salvation, including Muslims, Jews, those who have not received the Gospel yet through no fault of their own, and those who genuinely seek God but haven't yet come to Christ. (*Constitution on the Church, 15-16*)

Of course, there is no guarantee of salvation and though we as Catholics possess the fulness of truth, we should never rest on our laurels. In this Sunday's Gospel, Jesus' response to the man's question about salvation is for those present to try their best to enter “by the narrow door.” The narrow door is Jesus himself and he means that we should embrace him and his way totally, not just in name. It means being prepared to undergo testing and suffering from time to time, maybe frequently, and welcoming every opportunity to live and love as Jesus modelled for us in his earthly life, difficult as it may be.

The Church, of course, assists us greatly in this endeavour but receiving the sacraments, reading scripture and praying are a means to an end, the end being transformation. When we meet Jesus on the last day, we won't be asked about how many things “we did” to have hope of salvation, but he will see into our heart and know whether or not we sought to find joy and fulfillment in our lives on earth through seeking to be like him.

Let us commit ourselves to entering by the narrow door which is Christ Jesus.

Wising you a blessed week ahead,

Fr Robert

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SACRAMENTS

Baptisms are celebrated in the Cathedral on most Sundays. Check for exceptions. Family members and guests are requested to be present at the Cathedral at least fifteen minutes before the usual commencement time of 12:45pm.

Weddings are by appointment only.
At least six months' notice is necessary.
Contact the Parish Secretary on 8839 8412

First Eucharist and Confirmation

Please contact the Sacramental Coordinator.

HIRING of ROOMS

For hire of Cloister Function rooms, call 8839 8400 or enquiry@stpatscathedral.com.au

Material for Bulletin

If you have something that you would like published in the bulletin, please ensure that it is conveyed to our Parish Secretary, Pat, by **12:00noon on Thursday**. Please note that material must relate to the parish and its mission.

Don't forget that businesses can advertise on the rear page of the bulletin. For further details, please contact Pat Preca by phone on 8839 8412 or email her at secretary@stpatscathedral.com.au



SPRING FAIR – WHEN & WHERE

Sunday, 11 September from 10:00am to 4:00pm

Cathedral Cloister

There will be various stalls, including your favourite fair food, rides for the littlies and entertainers.

A raffle will also be organised leading up to the fair.
(If you would like to donate a prize, please contact Mili)

If you would like to be part of the organising committee, please call or email the parish office. Next meeting of the committee will be on **Wednesday 24 August at 7:00pm.**

FRIENDS OF ST PATRICK'S CEMETERY

St Patrick's Cemetery is a heritage-listed closed cemetery on the corner of Pennant Hills Road and Church Street, North Parramatta, City of Parramatta. It is the earliest formalized Catholic cemetery in Australia and was in use from 1824 to 1972.

The cemetery is part of St Patrick's Parramatta proud history. Buried in this cemetery are parishioners and priests of our parish.

The care of the cemetery has been the sole responsibility of parishioner, Judith Dunn, in liaison with the City of Parramatta Council.

We are looking to resurrect the Friend's of St Patrick's Cemetery group to assist Judith in the important work of preserving our history. If you would like to be part of this group, please call Donna on 8839 8400.

FOOD ASSISTANCE AVAILABLE in the Parramatta local area. If you are struggling this winter to put food on the table, here are some options which may be of assistance.

St Vincent de Paul Support Centre at 72 Harris St, Harris Park (8861 9757) offers food parcels. They are open Monday - Friday from 10:00am - 3:00pm.

Karabi Community Services have a foodbank which operates on **Mondays** from 12:00noon - 2:00pm. Bookings are required prior to visit on 9631 6575 (9:00am - 4:00pm Monday to Friday) They are located at 41 Fyall Avenue, Wentworthville.

Turbans for Australia are located at 14 Martha St, Clyde (0432 017 000) and run a food bank where they provide hampers **every Sunday** – arrive at 10:00am.

Parramatta Mission – located at 119 Macquarie St, Parramatta (9891 2277) offers **breakfast** and **lunch** on weekdays. Their hours are Monday to Thursday 8:30am - 4:30pm and Friday 8:30am - 3:00pm.

We do earnestly offer thanks to all those parishioners who very generously made donations to the St Vincent de Paul Winter appeal in May. Your generosity is very much appreciated especially during this cold season.

God bless you!



“Unlocking the Mysteries of the Bible”

In coordination with Charbel Raish of Parousia Media, the following is a schedule for the Bible Study sessions to be held at St Patrick’s Cathedral Cloister Function Room.

Dates may be subject to change

All sessions are on Saturdays from 7:00pm to 8:00pm

Session 1: 16 July	Session 2: 06 August
Session 3: 20 August	Session 4: 03 September
Session 5: 17 September	Session 6: 01 October
Session 7: 15 October	Session 8: 29 October

“The Chosen”

The next instalment of “The Chosen” will be shown at **7:15pm**, on Saturday, **27 August** in the hall. Again, you do not need to have seen Episodes One or Two to enjoy the next episode.

Ordination to the Priesthood

All are welcome to attend the **Ordination to the Priesthood** of Rev Mr Andrew Rooney, to take place here on **Friday 26 August at 7:30pm**. If you have never been to an ordination before, why not come to this one? Please hold Andrew in your prayers in the coming weeks and give thanks to God for another priest for our diocese.



Safeguarding Representative

You are undoubtedly aware of the importance that the Church places on safeguarding children, young people and the vulnerable. As a parish, we are looking for someone to be a Safeguarding Representative. This will involve ensuring that a culture of safeguarding is promoted in the parish, and to be a contact person for safeguarding enquiries and issues. For more information or to express an interest, please contact the parish office.

Cloister Café open this Sunday

Regulars and recent arrivals, come for a cuppa and seize the chance to meet and chat with someone new.



The Hospitality Coordinator acknowledges generous givers:

To the young man who gave \$5.00 as he was being served a coffee, (we neglected to ask his name!); to someone who dropped \$10.00 in the donation basket; to Geanette for the lamingtons and other unknowns who left cakes on the servery; and finally to member Pat for her always popular home made pikelets. (for the second Sunday in a row!)

Spring Fair—Advance Notice

Do you remember our “Pop-Up” shops for Christmas 2021 and St Patrick’s Day this year? Well, another shop will pop up for the Spring Fair next month!



When: Sunday, 11 September

Where: Cloister Function Room (Cathedral Hall)

What’s For Sale: Lots of new and pre-loved items

Why: Fundraising for a good cause - St Pat’s Parish!

We will be open after the 8:00am Mass.

Bring your money with you, but EFTPOS will also be available.

Parish Annual General Meeting - Sunday 28 August

At 12:15pm, after the Solemn Mass - Parish Hall

This is a time to celebrate 2022 and look towards 2023.

With Covid still very much a factor in all aspects of businesses including church business, the AGM is an opportunity for us to reflect as a parish on how we can live and promote the mission of the Church post Covid.

Various team leaders will be writing reports about their ministries which will be included in the AGM booklet report. It's only right that we celebrate their work in what has been a challenging year in ministry. At the same time, the journey continues, and the parish needs your wisdom in discerning the way forward.

Every parishioner is encouraged to attend. Bring your kids. The meeting is expected to last an hour. Lunch will be provided.

Please RSVP to the Cathedral Office for catering purposes.

Seniors’ Lunch—Thank you!

Thank you to all those involved in organising and serving at the Seniors’ Lunch last Wednesday. Though we had a smaller group this time, it was enthusiastic and joyful nonetheless! Keep watch on the bulletin for details of the next Seniors gathering which we hope will be an excursion to the Shrine of Mary MacKillop.

Fathers’ Day Appeal

Advance notice of the Fathers’ Day Appeal on **03/04 September**. More details next week.



Social Justice Sunday

Next Sunday is Social Justice Sunday, always on the last Sunday in August.

The title of this year’s statement is Respect: Confronting Violence and Abuse. You can access the statement via the Parramatta Diocese website or simply via a Google search.

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We pray for our beloved dead....

***Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord,
and let perpetual light shine upon them...***

Recently Deceased: Fr Theo Arrivoli, Daisy Neroy, Liz Sobolewski, Britt Myers, Isabella Silveira, Rosemary Naphthali

Deceased: YT & Deanna Hsu, Maria Perera

Anniversaries: Maria Megale, Anna Le Thach, Augustine Thayyil, Joseph Tinh Vu, Laurence Peries, Gaetano Galea, David Galea, Gemma Deoso, Susan Evening, Kevin Kirkpatrick, Mathew Joseph, Norbert Saldanha

Perpetuals: Robert Dearie, Norm Hector, Bokeyar family, David family, Japour family, Paula Loto'aniu, Peter Van Tilburg, Margaret Angela Roberts, Sally & Frank Martlew, Sherwood family, Pat & Jim Hartman, Royan & Andrews families, Don Andrews, Juliet Noronha, Dr Joseph Malouf, Abel Moses, Jimmy, Anna & Frank Grainda, Frank Agostino, Bernadette Melhen and Sally Boujandy, Jack & June Barrett, Ann O'Brien, Watson Lee, Ian & Pat Sanders, Bill & Alice Kendall, Allan Kendall, Maria Patterson & Ellen Bancan, Hooper family, Giuseppina & Giovanni Rechichi, Mary Coady, Mary & Jack White, Vincent & Rebecca Vella, Walter Townsend, Ferris Grugeon, McInherny, White, McWilliam & McGuckin families, Mary Abela, Robert Andrews, Sylvester family, Rogan family, Adcock and McMillan families, Love family, Gabrielle Baker, Paula Cowling, McDermott & Starr families, Repose of the Souls in Purgatory and all deceased parishioners of St Patrick's and St Monica's



We also pray for...



Sick: Sharon Webb, Maureen Sewell, James McMasters, Praxedes Torres, Pedro Romulo, Maria Vernich, Bp Kevin Manning, Tony Meldrum, Kathleen, Noble Flursheim, Paul Peters, Terry O'Brien, Sebastiao Bugo

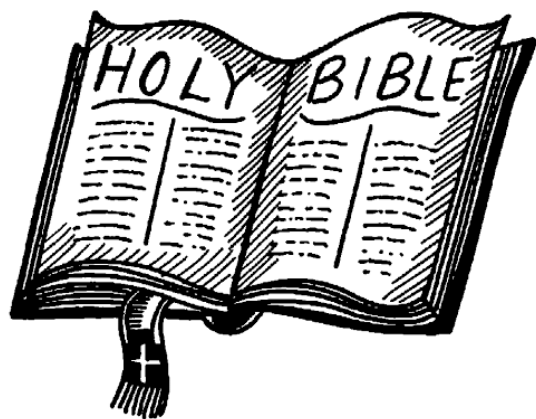
Special Intentions: Dewi Stuguart, Senjak family, Lorelei Sellado, Naveen, Tian & Raveen, Yi-Chuien Hsu, Rohan Rodricks, Dan Rodricks, Shane

Pope Francis' Prayer Intention for August

Small Businesses

"We pray for small and medium-sized businesses; in the midst of economic and social crisis, may they find ways to continue operating, and serving their communities."





This Sunday's Readings

Twenty-first Sunday

Is 66:18-21; Heb 12:5-7, 11-13; Lk 13:22-30

Next Sunday's Readings

Twenty-second Sunday

Sirach 3:17-20, 28-29; Heb 12:18-19, 22-24; Lk 14:1, 7-14

Saint of the Week

23rd August - St Rose of Lima (1586-1617), Virgin

Rose was born in Lima, Peru. She lived a life of selflessness and devotion from an early age. She refused to marry, and became a Dominican tertiary at the age of twenty. Her asceticism and her intense spiritual experiences excited the criticism of her friends and family and the suspicion of the Church authorities.

She cared for the sick, the poor, Indians, and slaves.

She was the first person in the Americas to be canonised, and is a patron saint of South America.

(Information taken from [Universalis](#))



“Quote of the Week”

“The austerity of a desert hermit or the discipline of a Trappist monk is not for everyone. But if these paths are not for us, there still remains the challenge to resist the downward drift of the world, to take possession of our own souls, to incline our hearts to the source of life, and to know, before we die, that we have truly lived.”

Robert Ellsberg

(b.1955)

Editor and publisher

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Pope Francis' Words...

Tweeted 17 August



“The witness of the elderly unites the generations of life. Same with the dimensions of time: past, present and future. The various ages of life are not separate worlds competing with each other. The alliance of the elderly and children will save the human family.”

Getting to know... The Bernardo Family

If you have attended the 11:00am Mass over the years, we might be familiar faces to you.

We are Dennis and Aileen Bernardo and our children Caitlin, Jacob and Ava.

As parents of three young children at the time, we were struggling with getting everyone ready for Mass. Either it was a rush getting to the 10:00am at our previous parish or our children would fall asleep at the 6:00pm Mass. It was therefore a wonderful accident that we found there was an 11:00am Mass at the Cathedral.

Over ten years on and our three children now regularly serve at the 11:00am Solemn Mass. Our eldest daughter, Caitlin, has recently become part of the Cathedral Choir. Our family have met and made friends in the parish through volunteering, attending Credo and formation classes.

Outside of the parish, we enjoy summer holidays on the South Coast, family road trips, movie nights and gathering with family and friends, enjoying Filipino food.

As a young family, there is always an endless list of activities and places to be. Consciously making time to engage with our parish has been an enriching experience that has strengthened our faith and we have met wonderful people with whom to share the journey. So, take the step and get involved!



BAPTISMS

We welcome into our Catholic Christian family, the Body of Christ, these children who have been recently baptised...



Alexandria Digal
Elijah Juanero
Arden Howcroft

Please pray for these children and their families.

WEDDINGS

Let us pray for those who are preparing for marriage, will shortly be married or have just married...



Shinu Simon & Hamlin DSouza
Bianca Thio & Eric Grella
Melissa Tanudjaja & William Li

DID YOU KNOW...

...that the Social Justice Statement, which is officially launched next Sunday, has a long history in the Australian Catholic Church?

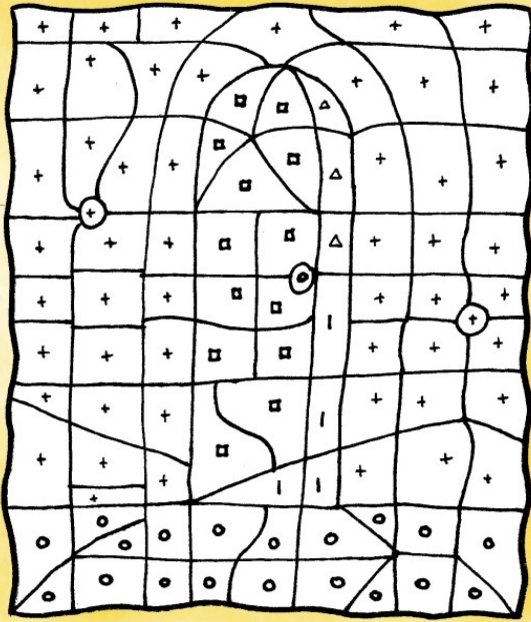
This year's Social Justice Statement is titled **Respect: Confronting Violence and Abuse**. In a tradition reaching back to 1940, the Australian Catholic Bishops release major social justice statements each year in time for Social Justice Sunday. Through this tradition they contribute to the development of local Catholic Social Teaching. The statements encourage the Catholic community to reflect and act on social, economic and ecological issues. They remind us of the social dimension of the mission of the Church.



The Kids' Bulletin

21st Sunday in Ordinary Time
August 21st, 2022

Luke 13:22-30



What was the way that Jesus told the people to enter the Kingdom of Heaven by?

Colour in the spaces using the code to find out.

- △ Blue
- Brown
- + White
- ∟ Green
- Grey

Being Punished...

In today's second reading, Saint Paul wrote to the Hebrews about being disciplined by God. When we are young God wants our parents to make sure we behave well. When we don't behave He wants them to discipline us so that we will learn to be good.



Our parents don't punish us just because they are angry at us; they do it because they really love us and want us to learn to be better. Saint Paul says that the Lord disciplines the people that He loves.



Being punished is a painful thing, but we will be happy once we have learned our lesson and become a better person. Saint Paul says, "make a straight path for your feet, so that what is lame may not be put out of joint but rather be healed." He means that when you are punished, you should stop doing the wrong thing so that you won't be hurt worse from the punishment, but will get better instead. So the next time you are disciplined or punished, remember that God is allowing it to help you become a better person. If you can, even thank God for giving you the chance to make up for your sin and learn a good lesson!



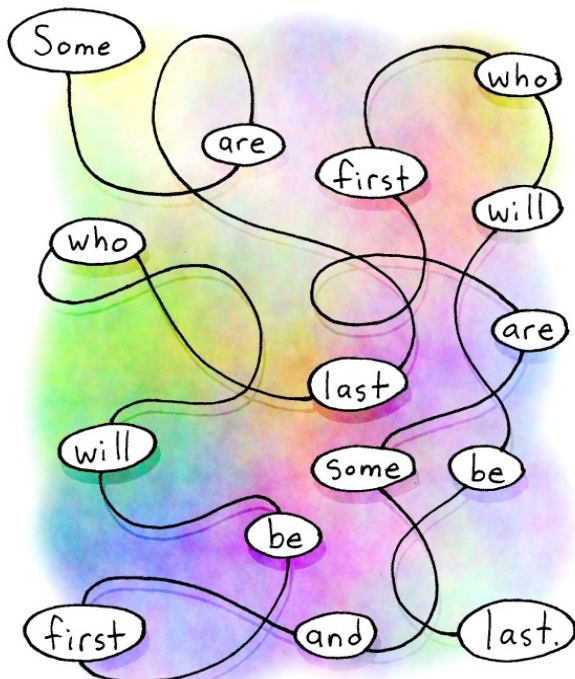
Inside: Some are last who will be first and some are first who will be last.
Picture on front: the narrow door.

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All in the Right Order

What was one of the things Jesus said in today's Gospel reading about the people in the Kingdom of Heaven?

Follow the squiggly line to sort out the words.
Start with "Some" in the top left corner.



Saint Rose of Lima August 23



SAINT ROSE OF LIMA OFFERED UP MANY SUFFERINGS FOR THE CONVERSION OF SINNERS AND THE SOULS IN PURGATORY. OUR LORD APPEARED TO HER MANY TIMES TO CONSOLE HER. SHE DIED WHEN SHE WAS ONLY 31 YEARS OLD. SHE WAS THE FIRST PERSON IN THE AMERICAS TO BE DECLARED A SAINT.

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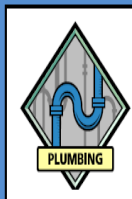
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