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25 June 2023 - 12th Sunday (Year A)

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

MONDAY TO FRIDAY

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

SATURDAY

7:30am Morning Prayer
8:00am Mass
8:30am Reconciliation (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 (September - April)
Friday 1:00pm - Cenacle Prayers

MONTHLY PRAYER

First Friday Devotions: 6:30pm

OTHER CONNECT GROUPS

Playgroup: Wednesdays 10:00am - 12:00pm
Facebook: Parramatta St Pat's Playgroup

Credo Youth Ministries

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"Perfect love casts out fear."

CONVENTIONAL WISDOM tells us that the opposite of love is hatred. We often encounter the dichotomy between loving or hating something, "love versus hate", and so on. It seems that there is no need to cast any doubt on this "truth", yet a closer examination of this idea will tell us that the opposite of love is not hatred, but fear.

And this truth is borne out by this weekend's gospel.

The exhortation to "have no fear" or "don't be afraid" appears numerous times in the scriptures. Of course, that does not mean that there is any condoning of hatred, but clearly there is an emphasis on fear, more so than any other passion, drawing people away from God. The reason for this is that fear is the breeding ground of hatred and all the feelings and behaviours that give rise to it. Conversely, love is the foundation of all that is good and holy. Loving after the example of Christ and under his inspiration can never be anything other than good, even if it leads one to difficulties, or even persecution.

This is why Jesus exhorts us not to be afraid. Fear can lead us to behaviours that we would otherwise not consider. Fear, for example, is sometimes fomented by prejudiced and extremist groups to further their cause. How often do we hear people, even perhaps those we know well, make disparaging and uninformed comments about refugees, for example, trying to demonise an unfortunate group of people in order to support a prejudicial point of view? And further, how often have we been willing to succumb to this prejudice without thinking reflectively and challenging it?

The question then arises: how do we overcome fear? Jesus, of course, was talking about the fear of persecution for being his disciple rather than an irrational fear of the type outlined above. But the approach to overcome any fear is essentially the same: we need to trust that God will enlighten us and help us to know that he accompanies us in such times. The best way to deal with a fear about a particular group of people is to engage with those people so that we can then recognise in them our common humanity and the truth that all people are created in the image and likeness of God. If we have been led to believe otherwise, a personal encounter is the only way to deal with this fear. It takes courage and boldness to do this, but this is where the reassuring words of Jesus are important to hold in our hearts.

And this is not only a loving thing to do but also a just course of action. True love, the love modelled for us by Jesus, demands justice. And so, when we hear people speak in a manner that reflects their fear or hatred of others, we are called, by love, to counter their voices with reason and seek to aid them to see the presence of Christ in the very people they persecute.

Whatever fear we experience – that fomented by others, fear of the future or even a quite rational fear – know that Jesus accompanies us as we confront it.

Then, and only then, can love blossom, for there is no love where there is fear.

Wishing you a blessed week ahead,

Fr Robert



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LITURGY GUIDE

ENTRANCE RITE

Entrance Procession

This day God gives me



1. This day God gives me strength of high hea - ven
2. This day God sends me strength to sus - tain me,
3. God's way is my way, God's shield is round me,
4. Ris - ing, I thank you, might - y and strong One,

1. sun and moon shin - ing, flame in my hearth,
2. might to up - hold me, wis - dom as guide.
3. God's host de - fends me, sav - ing from ill,
4. king of cre - a - tion, giv - er of rest,

1. flash - ing of light - ning, wind in its swift - ness,
2. Your eyes are watch - ful, your ears are list'n - ing,
3. An - gels of hea - ven, drive from me al - ways
4. firm - ly con - fess - ing Three-ness of Per - sons,

1. deeps of the o - cean, firm - ness of earth.
2. your lips are speak - ing, friend at my side.
3. all that would harm me, stand by me still.
4. One - ness of God - head, Tri - ni - ty blest.

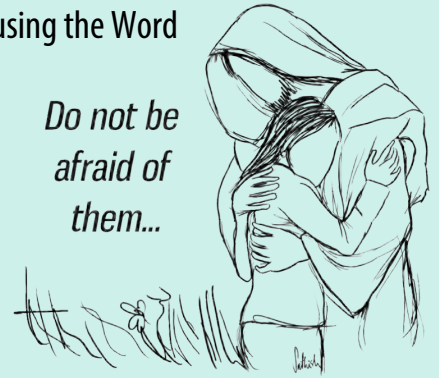
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Tune: BUNESSAN 55,54D. Old Gaelic melody

PENITENTIAL ACT

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,
(all strike their breast, three times)
through my fault, through my fault, through my most grievous fault;
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.
Cel: May almighty God have mercy on us,
forgive us our sins, and bring us to everlasting life. **R. Amen.**

12 Ordinary Year A Focusing the Word

*Do not be
afraid of
them...*



Key words and phrases

- Do not be afraid.
- If anyone declares himself for me, I will declare myself for him in the presence of my Father in heaven.
- The Spirit of Truth will bear witness to me, says the Lord, and you also will be my witnesses.
- You, Lord of Hosts, probe with justice, and scrutinise the loins and heart.
- Lord, in your great love, answer me.
- God's gift to us is nothing like our sin against him.

to the point

Jesus instructs the Twelve about whom they should fear and whom they should not fear. Though the greater danger may seem to be from those who can kill them for acknowledging Jesus, in fact denying Jesus has more dire consequences: God can destroy the faithless in Gehenna. But have confidence: the same God who condemns the unfaithful also protects the faithful. Be not afraid!

Connecting the Gospel...

• to the last two Sundays

Answering the call to discipleship (Sunday 10) and being faithful to the mission (Sunday 11) will not be easy. Opposition is inevitable.

• to our experience

Sometimes we interpret opposition as a sign we should change the direction we are going or the goal we are pursuing. At other times opposition indicates that we are on the right path.

LITURGY GUIDE

Kyrie

The cantor intones then all repeat

Missa "Orbis factor"

Chant Mass XI



K Y-ri-e * e - - lé-i-son.
Chri-ste e - - lé-i-son.
Ky-ri-e e - - lé-i-son.

Kyrie 11:00am Missa "Dum Complerentur" G. P. da Palestrina

Lord have mercy. Christ have mercy. Lord have mercy.

Gloria

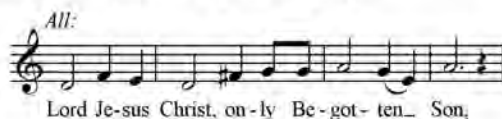
A Community Mass

R. Proulx



Glo-ry to God in the high-est, and on earth peace to peo-ple of good will.
We praise you, we bless you, we a-dore you, we
glo-ri-fy you, we give you thanks, for your great glo-ry.

Cantor: Lord, God, heav'nly King,
O God, almighty Father.



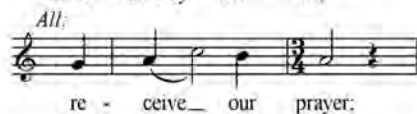
All: Lord Je-sus Christ, on-ly Be-got-ten Son,

Cantor: Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,
you take away the sins of the world:



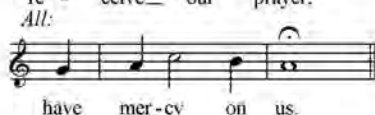
All: have mer-cy on us;

Cantor: you take away the sins of the world:

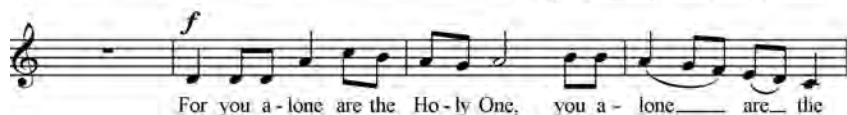


All: re-ceive our prayer;

Cantor: you are seated at the right hand of the Father:



All: have mer-cy on us.



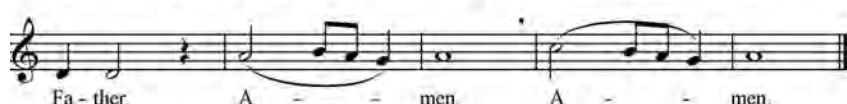
For you a-lone are the Ho-ly One, you a-lone are the



Lord, you a-lone are the Most High, Je-sus



Christ, with the Ho-ly Spi-rit, in the glo-ry of God the



Fa-ther. A-men. A-men.

Gloria Missa "Dum Complerentur" G. P. da Palestrina

11am. Sung by the cathedral choir. All SIT

Gloria in excelsis Deo.

Glory to God in the highest,

Et in terra pax hominibus bonae voluntatis.
and on earth peace to people of good will.

Laudamus te. Benedicimus te.

We praise you, we bless you,

Adoramus te. Glorificamus te.

we adore you, we glorify you

Gratias agimus tibi

we give you thanks

propter magnam gloriam tuam.

for your great glory,

Domine Deus, Rex caelestis,

Lord God, heavenly King,

Deus Pater omnipotens.

O God almighty Father.

Domine fili, unigenite, Jesu Christe.

Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son.

Domine Deus, Agnus Dei, Filius Patris.

Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,

Qui tollis peccata mundi:

you take away the sins of the world,

miserere nobis.

have mercy on us;

Qui tollis peccata mundi:

You take away the sins of the world,

suscipe deprecationem nostram.

receive our prayer;

Qui sedes ad dexteram Patris:

You are seated at the right hand of the Father,

miserere nobis.

have mercy on us.

Quoniam tu solus Sanctus.

For you alone are the Holy One.

Tu solus Dominus.

you alone are the Lord,

Tu solus Altissimus, Jesu Christe,

you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ,

Cum Sancto Spiritu,

with the Holy Spirit,

in gloria Dei Patris. Amen.

in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

Collect

Let us pray.

Grant, O Lord,

that we may always revere and love your holy name,

for you never deprive of your guidance

those you set firm on the foundation of your love.

Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,

who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit,

God, for ever and ever.

R. Amen.

LITURGY OF THE WORD

First Reading

A reading from the prophet Jeremiah (20:10-13)

He has delivered the soul of the needy from the hands of those who are evil.

Jeremiah said:

I hear so many disparaging me,
"Terror from every side!"
Denounce him! Let us denounce him!
All those who used to be my friends
watched for my downfall,
'Perhaps he will be seduced into error.
Then we will master him and take our revenge!
But the Lord is at my side, a mighty hero;
my opponents will stumble, mastered,
confounded by their failure;
everlasting, unforgettable disgrace will be theirs.
But you, Lord of Hosts, you who probe with justice,
who scrutinise the loins and heart,
let me see the vengeance you will take on them,
for I have committed my cause to you.
Sing to the Lord,
praise the Lord,
for he has delivered the soul of the needy
from the hands of evil men.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 68:8-10, 14, 17, 33-35



Second Reading

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Romans (5:12-15)

God's gift to us is nothing like our sin against him.

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Sin entered the world through one man, and through sin death, and thus death has spread through the whole human race because everyone has sinned. Sin existed in the world long before the Law was given. There was no law and so no one could be accused of the sin of 'law-breaking', yet death reigned over all from Adam to Moses, even though their sin, unlike that of Adam, was not a matter of breaking a law.
Adam prefigured the One to come, but the gift itself considerably outweighed the fall. If it is certain that through one man's fall so many died, it is even more certain that divine grace, coming through the one man, Jesus Christ, came to so many as an abundant free gift.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation

C.Smith

The cantor, alone, intones the Alleluia. All repeat



Cantor The Spirit of Truth will bear witness to me, says the Lord,
and you also will be my witnesses.

R. Alleluia.

11.00am

Chant Mode 2



Gospel

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew (10:26-33)

Do not fear those who can kill the body.

Jesus instructed the Twelve as follows: 'Do not be afraid. For everything that is now covered will be uncovered, and everything now hidden will be made clear. What I say to you in the dark, tell in the daylight; what you hear in whispers, proclaim from the house-tops. 'Do not be afraid of those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul; fear him rather who can destroy both body and soul in hell. Can you not buy two sparrows for a penny? And yet not one falls to the ground without your Father knowing. Why, every hair on your head has been counted. So there is no need to be afraid; you are worth more than hundreds of sparrows.

'So if anyone declares himself for me in the presence of men, I will declare myself for him in the presence of my Father in heaven. But the one who disowns me in the presence of men, I will disown in the presence of my Father in heaven.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Homily

LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

Profession of Faith Nicene 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 men and for our salvation he came down from heaven,
*At the words that follow, up to and including 'and became man',
all bow.*
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.

Universal Prayer

PREPARATION OF GIFTS

At this time, gifts of offering are brought
to the altar and collection plates are
passed along the pews.

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Offertory Motet 11:00am

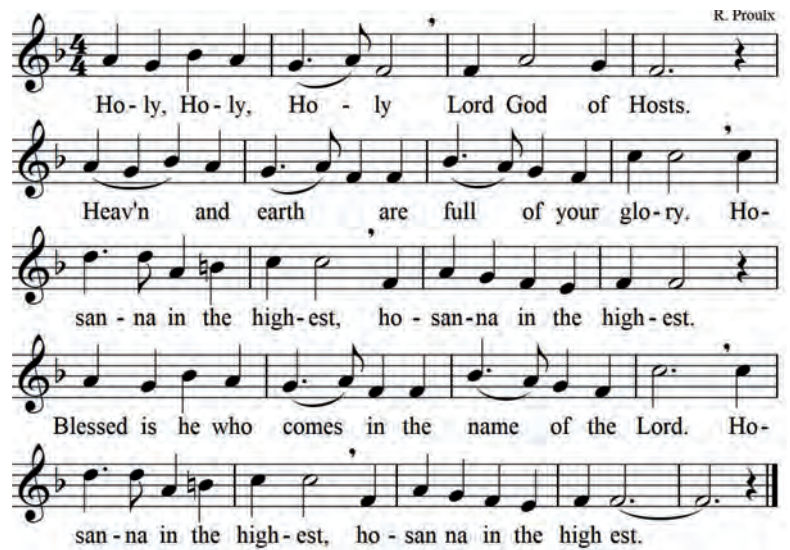
Exaudi, Domine, preces servi tui G. P. da Palestrina

Hear, O Lord, the prayer of your servant:
shine forth your face upon your sanctuary:
and extend mercy to look kindly on this people
over whom your name is invoked, O God.

Sanctus (Holy, Holy)

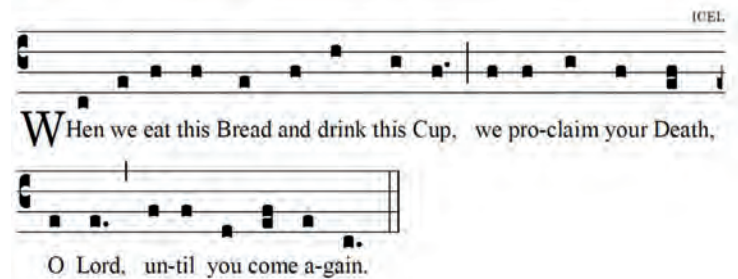
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Mystery of Faith

Missal Tone



Amen

A Community Mass

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COMMUNION RITE

The Lord's Prayer

Agnus Dei

A Community Mass

R. Proulx



Agnus Dei 11:00am Missa "Dum Complerentur" G. P. da Palestrina

LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

Communion Antiphon

11:00am


Quod dico vobis

Mt 10:7

Quod dico vobis in tenebris, dicite in lumine, dicit Dominus:
et quod in aure auditis, praedicate super tecta.

"That which I tell you in the dark, utter in the light", says the Lord;
"and that which you hear whispered into your ear, proclaim upon the housetops".

Communion Hymn O God, you search me and you know me



1. O God, you search me and you know me. All my
2. You know my rest - ing and my ris - ing, you dis -
3. Be - fore a word is on my tongue, Lord, you have
4. Al - though your Spi - rit is up - on me, still I
5. For you cre - at - ed me and shaped me, gave me

1. thoughts lie o - pen to your gaze. When I
2. cern my pur - pose from a - far, and with
3. known its mean - ing through and through. You are
4. search for shel - ter from your light. There is
5. life with - in my mo - ther's womb. For the

1. walk or lie down you are be - fore me: ev - er the
2. love ev - er - last - ing you be - siege me: in ev - 'ry
3. with me be - yond my un - der - stand - ing: God of my
4. no - where on earth I can es - cape you: e - ven the
5. won - ders of who I am I praise you: safe in your

1. mak - er and keep - er of my days.
2. mo - ment of life or death, you are.
3. pre - sent, my past and fu - ture too.
4. dark - ness is ra - dian in your sight.
5. hands, all cre - a - tion is made new.

Text: Psalm 138 (139)

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Next Week's Readings:

13th SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME

Readings:

2 Kgs 4:8-11, 14-16 : That is the holy man of God, let him remain there.

Rom 6:3-4, 8-11: Having been buried with him through baptism, we shall walk in a new life.

Mt 10:37-42: Anyone who does not accept his cross is not worthy of me.

Anyone who welcomes you, welcomes me.

"... you are worth more than
hundreds of sparrows."



8:00am Mass Propers

Entrance Antiphon

The Lord is the strength of his people,
a saving refuge for the one he has anointed.
Save your people, Lord, and bless your heritage,
and govern them for ever.

Responsorial Psalm Ps 68:8-10, 14, 17, 33-35

R. Lord, in your great love answer me.

1. It is for you that I suffer taunts,
that shame covers my face,
that I have become a stranger to my brothers,
an alien to my own mother's sons.
I burn with zeal for your house
and taunts against you fall on me. R.

2. This is my prayer to you,
my prayer for your favour.
In your great love, answer me, O God,
with your help that never fails:
Lord, answer, for your love is kind;
in your compassion, turn towards me. R.

3. The poor when they see it will be glad
and God-seeking hearts will revive;
for the Lord listens to the needs
and does not spurn servants in their chains.
Let the heavens and the earth give him praise,
the sea and all its living creatures. R.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, R. Alleluia.

The Spirit of Truth will bear witness to me, says the Lord,
and you also will be my witnesses.

R. Alleluia.

Communion Antiphon

The eyes of all look to you, Lord,
and you give them their food in due season.

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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 Parish Secretary.

HIRING of ROOMS

For hire of Cloister Function rooms, call the office on 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 too!

Stewardship - Time, Talent & Treasure

Pledge Sunday - Gratefulness and Trust

"Give thanks in all circumstances; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you."

- 1 Thessalonians 5:18 -

UNLOCKING BLESSINGS BY SAYING "YES"

A witness story

Last week Kerry Giumelli and Mili Lee joined the priests in promoting the parish stewardship appeal by witnessing the love of God in their lives which led them to say 'yes' to serving in the parish.

Here is a summary of Mili's story...

Stewardship, giving back to God in appreciation for His blessings, is important to me. I share my personal journey of saying 'yes' to opportunities in the parish, which led to unexpected roles and deep connections within the community. By serving, I have received more than I have given.

My motivation for stewardship is rooted in faith and family. It is ingrained in us to show up for one another and support each other in times of need. In addition, my faith has anchored me in the ups and downs of life. I often reflect on the famous poem "Footprints in the Sand," knowing that He has carried me through life's challenges and blessings.

I shared my personal journey of how I initially volunteered to be a cantor despite having limited musical experience. That one 'yes' led to other opportunities, including serving as a member of the parish staff. Through my service to the community, I have received immeasurable support, love and personal growth.

I urged parishioners to participate in stewardship by discerning what they can say 'yes' to in service to the parish. I encouraged you to read the provided materials, pray, and don't be afraid to get involved. By courageously stepping forward and offering your unique gifts, you can unlock blessings and make a significant impact on the community.

Remember the story of the loaves and fishes? Your contribution, no matter how small it may seem, can have a transformative effect on those in need.

Together, as a united family, we can continue to build and grow our parish, spreading the love and teachings of Christ to all.



STEWARDSHIP - GIVING OF TIME, TALENT & TREASURE

TALENT

*"The harvest is plentiful, but the labourers are few."
(Matthew 9:37)*

Join us as a Steward of Talent!

Each of us has been blessed with unique talents and abilities, and now we invite you to be a part of our community as we cultivate and utilise these gifts for the glory of God.

Whether you have skills in teaching, music, administration, hospitality, technology, or any other area, there is a place for you to serve. Together we can create a community where everyone is welcomed to experience the love and compassion of Christ.

Here is a list of opportunities to offer your talent. You may also suggest other ways you can use your talent to spread the gospel and grow our community.

- Liturgical Ministry
 - Reader (Lector)
 - Acolyte
 - Extraordinary Minister of the Eucharist
 - Altar server
 - Sunday Children's Liturgy teacher
 - Choir member
 - Wardens- church collectors
- Pastoral Outreach
 - Communion to the Sick
 - Visitation to the sick and housebound
- Hospitality
 - Serving at Sunday Morning tea
 - Church Welcomers
 - Church Wardens (Sunday collectors)
- Social and Fundraising
 - Events Co-ordinating
- SRE - Scripture Teachers in State schools
- Youth Ministry Co-ordinators
 - Junior Credo - Primary students
 - TeenCredo - Secondary students
 - Young adult - over 17
- Friends of St Patrick's Cemetery
- Seniors' Ministry
- Counters - Mondays
- St Vincent de Paul

***We are God's co-workers...
God's building.
~1 Corinthians 3: 9 ~***

Fill in the pledge form once you have made a decision.

*We are looking forward to welcoming you to
our Team!*



STEWARDSHIP - GIVING OF TIME, TALENT & TREASURE

TIME

"There are different kinds of gifts, but the same Spirit distributes them" (1 Corinthians 12:4)

Make Time for God: Embrace Stewardship of Time

In our fast-paced and busy lives, it is easy to get caught up in the demands and distractions of the world. However, it is crucial that we prioritise our time and invest it wisely, especially when it comes to nurturing our relationship with God and growing in faith.

By making time for God, we open ourselves to his presence, guidance, and transformative power. Our relationship with him becomes the foundation for all other aspects of our lives, enabling us to navigate challenges, find peace amidst chaos, and discover purpose and meaning.

As you consider how to invest your time, remember that nurturing your faith is a lifelong journey. Let us commit together to prioritising God in our schedules, allowing his grace to shape our lives and relationships.

Take a step towards stewardship of time today. Carve out moments to be with God, grow in faith, and experience the abundant blessings that come from deepening your relationship with God.

If you need guidance or resources to help you on this journey, please reach out to Fr Chris or Fr Robert. May God bless you abundantly as you embrace stewardship of time and draw closer to him.

Apart from daily Mass, Adoration and Reconciliation, the parish offers these groups as ways of growing in faith.

- Daily Rosary
- First Friday Adoration
- Youth Groups
- Children's Liturgy
- Christian Meditation
- Cenacle Group
- Online Rosary Group
- Lenten and Advent Reflection Groups
- Legion of Mary

***Remain in me, for
without me you can
do nothing....
~ John 15: 5 ~***

Or let us know if you want to lead or organise a prayer or formation group.



Stewardship - Giving of Time, Talent & Treasure

TREASURE

*"Each of you should give what you have decided in your heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver."
~ 2 Corinthians 9:7~*

Generously Give: Embrace Stewardship of Treasure

Stewardship of treasure is an essential component of our faith journey. It is an opportunity to express gratitude to God for the abundant blessings bestowed upon us and to contribute to the work of His Kingdom here on Earth.

We invite you to prayerfully reflect on what sacrificial giving means for you and your family and discern ways in which you can make a difference through your financial generosity. Your generosity, whatever amount it will be, will help ensure that our catholic community continues to open its doors to welcome all who seek solace, guidance, and a deeper connection with God as well as be a beacon of hope in the City of Parramatta.

Remember, stewardship of treasure is an act of faith. It is not solely about the amount we give but the heart with which we give.

Fill in the pledge form available on the pews this weekend to make a donation.

If you have any questions or would like to explore different avenues for giving, please reach out to Mili at the Cathedral office on mili@stpatscathedral.con.au or 02 8839 8419 (Tue-Fri). Your contributions matter, and we are grateful for your partnership in fulfilling God's mission.



Readers' & Servers' Formation

Those of you who so generously offer your gifts and talents to the parish as readers or servers (altar servers, acolyte and senior servers), will be aware that in doing so you commit to developing those gifts to better serve the parish.

We will be running formation sessions in the **cathedral** next month. Please note that these sessions are **obligatory** for those who are readers or servers.

For your convenience, **two** sessions will be offered for each ministry. Of course, you need only attend **one** of these.

READERS

Thursday 06 July, 7:00pm - 8:30pm; OR

Saturday 08 July, 2:30pm - 4:00pm

SERVERS

Thursday 04 July, 7:00pm - 8:30pm; OR

Saturday 08 July, 1:00pm - 2:30pm

Diary Claimer

Parish Annual General Meeting

Advance notice of the next Annual General Meeting (AGM) which will take place in the Parish Hall on **Sunday 20 August at 12.30pm.**

All are welcome to come along and be a part of the AGM.

Mark it in your diary!



PARISH NOTICES

Christian Meditation

Come for one hour per week and enjoy meditative prayer with like minded people, currently held in the Parish Office on Tuesdays at 9.30am.

We are pleased to say the numbers are increasing and the group ranges from young adults to seniors.

It is a safe, welcoming space where friendships are made and support is found in times of need.

If you would like to 'feel the water', no obligation, just turn up. Hope to see you some time soon.

Parish Synod Gatherings

As you are aware, the Eastern Deanery recently had its Synod Listening Session, hosted by us here at the Cathedral. It was great to see the Cathedral parish well represented at this gathering of people from around the Deanery.

Being a Deanery-wide gathering, there was not an opportunity for individual parishes to give their voice to this important process. This being so, it is proposed that as a Cathedral parish, we organise a couple of meetings to enable us to formulate a submission. More details will be coming soon, but it is expected that we will have an evening meeting and a daytime meeting, probably sometime in early to mid-July.

I am hoping that we get a good response with a diverse range of voices! *Fr Robert.*

Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander Sunday 02 July

A message from the National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Catholic Council...

Every year, on the first Sunday in July, Catholics come together across Australia to acknowledge and celebrate the gifts of Australia's First Peoples in the Catholic Church. As we approach the Indigenous Voice to Parliament, it has never been more important for Catholics to come together and listen to Australia's First Peoples.

In Australia we are blessed to be home to the world's oldest continuing Culture and the resources that we have created and collated will assist you to celebrate this very important day on our Liturgical Calendar.

Go to www.natsicc.org.au



Are you a new parishioner?

At the Cathedral parish we often get new parishioners coming to Mass, be they people who have just moved into the area or people coming in from surrounding parishes. You are very welcome!

One issue that many parishioners new to the parish have is that they can feel a little lost in a parish this size. Of course, as an inclusive parish, we want to make everyone welcome and so we urge all new parishioners to make contact with the parish office to register and receive a welcome pack which we hope will ease that transition into the Cathedral parish.

As we have been talking about stewardship in recent times, one of the best ways to get to know your fellow parishioners as well as the clergy and Cathedral staff is to volunteer your time and talent for one of the many roles that may best be suited to what you have to offer. You will find a list of these in the "Talent" section of the bulletin a few pages back.

We urge you to make yourself known to us and look forward to welcoming you in person. Don't forget that if you come to either the 9:30am or 11:00am Mass on Sundays you can always come and say hello at the morning tea that is on offer after both of these Masses.

We look forward to meeting and welcoming you in person!



Anyone for Mahjong?

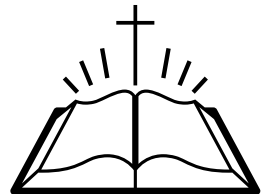
Great news. We now have a group of parishioners who are getting together to work out how to best go forward.

If this is something that interests you, contact the parish office and we will pass on your details.

"Good health is not something we can buy. However, it can be an extremely valuable savings account." – Anne Wilson Schaefer

The Bible Timeline

If you are still debating whether or not to attend, the third out of 24 sessions takes place on **Saturday 24 June**. Participants are entrenching themselves in this program, purchasing material to take them through. You are all welcome!



Deacon David on leave

Deacon David will be on leave from the end of this month and will return at the beginning of August. We wish him a relaxing time and trust that he will return refreshed. Please keep him and his family in your prayers throughout July.

AROUND THE DIOCESE

Parramatta Tribunal

The Tribunal of the Catholic Church in the Diocese of Parramatta is open Monday to Friday, 9:00am to 5:00pm for enquiries regarding marriage annulments. Interviews are being conducted in person, via Zoom and telephone interviews are available for those unable to attend the office. Please contact the Tribunal office on 8838 3480 or email tribunal@parracatholic.org.

Save Calvary Hospital

There is a petition to the Members of the ACT Legislative Assembly to reverse a decision of the ACT government to compulsorily acquire Calvary Hospital in Canberra. This removes the ownership and management from Calvary Health Care – a Catholic operator – and gives the ownership to the government-run, non-faith-based Canberra Health Services instead. To find out more about the implications of this decision and to sign the petition please visit: www.savecalvary.com.au



Diocesan Liturgical Conference: 15 July

The Diocesan Liturgy Conference is on again in 2023! Save the date for Saturday 15 July at St Andrew the Apostle Parish, Marayong. Fr Peter Williams AM VG will be the Keynote speaker as we celebrate the 60th anniversary of the Constitution on Sacred Liturgy. The conference will include a variety of workshops such as nourishing faith in children and discovering sacred art. To register, please visit www.trybooking.com/events/landing/1041495, scan the QR code or contact mary.gale@parracatholic.org.

Free webinar series on The Voice: 29 June and 27 July

Catholic Social Services Victoria, in conjunction with Catholic Social Services Australia, is pleased to invite you to join them for a series of webinars to learn more about the upcoming referendum on the Indigenous Voice to Parliament. Learn from legal, historical and theological experts and hear from Indigenous people about their experiences, hopes and concerns for The Voice referendum. To book tickets, please visit www.trybooking.com/CHXKH

Watch Bishop Vincent on ABC's Compass

Bishop Vincent features on ABC Compass this **Sunday 25 June**. Accompanied by Geraldine Doogue, he will show you important places in his life, and you'll hear about his remarkable story and ministry. Watch it on ABC TV at 6:30pm or later on ABC iView.



Free English and Citizenship Classes

Catholic Care Western Sydney and the Blue Mountains is offering English and citizenship classes at its All Saints of Africa Centre, 63 Allawah St, Blacktown. Courses are subsidised by the New South Wales Government. Please register to participate in the program by phoning 0477 952 024. You can also contact Nepean Community College on (02) 4724 9000.

Marriage Preparation Courses in 2023

Getting married in 2023? Let the Diocese of Parramatta help you prepare. Visit www.parracatholic.org/pmp to view weekend course dates in the New Year, to book and pay. An online preparation called SmartLoving can also be booked via the website. For more information, email met@parracatholic.org or phone Karin on 0419 242 435 or Marisa on 0412 280 017.

Penrith Parish Room for Rent

St Nicholas of Myra Parish in Penrith is renting out an upstairs office space next to Catholic Care, Penrith. Contact Rodney (Office Manager) at enquiries@stnicholasofmyra.org.au or call (02) 4721 2509 for photos and more information.

St Vincent Pallotti Scholarship Trust

The St Vincent Pallotti Scholarship Trust offers scholarships to enable lay people to further their understanding and skills in leadership/ministry or a specialised activity, such as promoting faith enhancement, social justice and pastoral care. More information and Applications Forms are available on our website pallottine.org.au/svpscholarship. Applications close **04 August**.



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Prayer Intentions

We pray for our beloved dead...

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

Recently Deceased: Rolando Mercado, Edward Ngu Lia Ting, Teresa Gaffney, Grandma Chan, Dionisio Quirante, Teresa Gaffney, Paul Canh, Teresa Mau, Ike Brooks, Mary-Ann B. Frani

Deceased: Y.T. Hsu & Deanna Hsu, Rebecca Patacsil, Fr Augustu Patacsil, Artemio & Abraham Patacsil, Yolanda & Donald Muir, Edgard Perez, Liberato, Leonisa & Leoncio Antonio, James & Elizabeth Kovejic, Bonifacia Mabalut

Anniversaries: Benny Fonseca, Alban Fonseca, Paul Mahoney, Purifacion Sumagai, Juan Montesco, Edward Olivera, Vittoria Teuma, Juliet Noronha, Deanna Hsu, Paul Fung, Ma Susan Goldthorpe, Maria & Moises Villadegado, Paul Waldemar Drankowski, Maria Truoc Nguyen, Umberto & Anton Basa

Perpetuals: Paul Mahoney, Louisa & Arthur Baxter, Nat Fedyk, 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 & 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 & 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: Miguel-Angel Soto-Figuerdo, Belinda & John Mull, James Sampey, Ashley & Debbie Brown, Emerlinda Sarreal, Habib Nohra, Susan Rodricks, Leonard Close, David Mannall, Barbara Younis, Cyril, Angela & Ostelio, Lilly Risk, Jerome Nyambane, Jeffrey Mousley, George Abela, Patrick Marion, Flavia, Baldo Polizzi, Michelle & Ryan, James Murphy, Louie Wehbe, John Lowe, Marcel Melick, Peter Newman, Edward C, Vincent Rowan, Daniel & Sharon Webb, Paul Peters, Terry O'Brien

Special Intentions: Tian, Jasmine Olivera, Joseph Sadaka, Mini Harb, Raveen, Charlotte Dos Remedios, Stephen Senjak, Maria Perugini, Fatima, rohan, Dan & Sidney Rodricks, Bernadette Khalil, Kathleen, Rachel & Shane, N.N., Masu, Mary Issac, Anne & Natasha Perrottet, Claudia Suttie, Audrey Perrottet, Julien & Alexander Perrottet, Anne & John Perrottet, Heidi Perrottet, Kathleen Donovan, Rachel Lawrence, John Patacsil, Michael Perez, Peter Newman, Emerlino Sarreal, Melaia Lakai, Leonardo Close, Mary Rose Tito, Michael Perez, Madeleine Suttie

BAPTISMS

We welcome into our Catholic Christian family the following children who were recently baptised here...

**Lily Russell
Azalea Mercado-Libunao**

WEDDINGS

We also welcome into our Catholic Christian family the following couples who were recently married here...

Erika Zafra & Nicolas Castillo Niuman

Please pray for them and their families.

POPE FRANCIS' Prayer Intention for June



For the abolition of torture

"We pray that the international community may commit in a concrete way to ensuring the abolition of torture and guarantee support to victims and their families."

From Pope Francis...

*From a tweet
dated 20 June*

"Thinking of Christ present in so many desperate people fleeing conflicts and climate change, the problem of hospitality needs to be confronted together, without excuses and without delay, because the effects will be felt, sooner or later, by all of us."

Saint of the Week

01 July - St Oliver Plunkett (1625-1681), Bishop, Martyr

Oliver Plunkett was archbishop of Armagh and primate of All Ireland from 1668, at a time when the country was in a state of civil and religious disorder after the interventions of Oliver Cromwell. He persevered for ten years in his effort to ameliorate this state of affairs. The authorities started to act against many prominent Catholics and Plunkett was arrested in Ireland but taken to London for trial. He was hanged at Tyburn, cheating his executioners by dying before he could be ceremonially disembowelled.



His remains are preserved at Downside Abbey, together with such other relics as the notes for his defence at his trial. Some of his relics are at the cathedral at Drogheda, Ireland.

(Information: Universalis)

"Quote of the Week"

"How great is the Lord's indulgence!
How kindly he bends down to us, how
he overflows with goodness towards us!
For he wishes us to pray in the sight of
God in such a way as to call God *Father*
and to call ourselves sons of God, just
as Christ is the Son of God."



St Cyprian

(c.200-258)

Bishop & Martyr

Treatise on the Lord's Prayer

Sacrament of Confirmation 2023

Registration for Confirmation through St Patrick's Cathedral Parish is now open for children 10 years or older who have made their Reconciliation and First Eucharist. While this is the minimum age for children to join in preparation for the Sacrament of Confirmation, it is important to note that there is no maximum age for children who have been baptised as infants to complete their initiation into the faith community.

The online registration form can be found on St Patrick's Cathedral website <https://stpatscathedral.com.au>. Go to the "Sacraments" tab in the section titled "Confirmation".

The calendar of mandatory preparation sessions is as follows:

Confirmation 1: Tuesday 18 July, 7:30pm - Parent Session

Confirmation 2: Tuesday 25 July, 7:30pm - Parent Session

Confirmation 3: Saturday 5 August, 4:30pm - Parent and Children Session

Confirmation 4: Saturday 12 August, 4.30pm - Parent and Children Session

Practice for Confirmation: Saturday 19 August, 4:30pm followed by the 6:00pm Vigil Mass - Parents and Children

Confirmation: Saturday 26 August at 11:00am



The Kids' Bulletin

12th Sunday in Ordinary Time
June 25th, 2023



In today's Gospel reading Jesus says that God sees even little things.
What little things did He mention?
Connect the dots to find out!

Fill-in-the-Blanks

Fill in the blank spaces with the words from the list. Use the letters in boxes to fill in the blanks at the end!

What I tell you in the dark,
utter in the ;
and what you hear whispered,
 upon the
housetops. And do not fear those
who kill the
but kill the soul;
rather him who can kill
both body and soul in Hell.
Are not two
sold for a ?
And not one of them will fall to the ground
without your will.
But even the hairs your head
are numbered.

Fear , therefore;
you are of value than many sparrows.
So
who acknowledges me before men,
I also will acknowledge
 my Father who is in heaven;
 whoever denies me before men, I also
will deny before my Father who is in heaven.

SPARROWS
EVERYONE
PROCLAIM
FATHER'S
CANNOT
BEFORE
PENNY
LIGHT
MORE
BODY
FEAR
NOT
BUT
OF

_____!

Don't Worry! God Cares About You!

In today's Gospel reading Jesus tells us not to fear those who can kill us. He tells us that God pays attention to the sparrows, which are just little birds. How much more He cares about us, His people!



I feel all alone...
But God is still with me!

What Jesus says reminds us that we should always remember that God loves and cares for us. We don't need to live in fear, because God always wants what is best for us.

Sometimes bad things happen to us - we can become poor, we can lose friends, we can get hurt or sick. But God is still caring for us through those times. These things can help remind us of how much we need God. Just food and possessions and other people and even our health are not enough

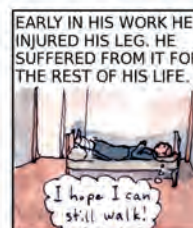
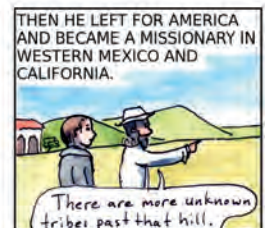
Every time you see a picture of Jesus remember that God is caring about you right now! Thank Him for His love and try to share His love and care with those around you!



Answers to Fill-in-the-Blanks: LIGHT, PROCLAIM, FATHERS, OF, NOT, MORE, PENNY, BODY, CANNOT, FEAR, SPARROWS, BUT, BEFORE, BUT, God cares for you!

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Saint Junipero Serra July 1



SAINT JUNIPERO WORKED FOR MANY YEARS TO BRING THE NATIVE AMERICANS TO CHRIST, IN SPITE OF HIS BAD LEG AND THE DANGER OF BEING KILLED BY THE ENEMIES OF THE FAITH. WE CAN LEARN FROM HIM THAT GOD CAN DO GREAT THINGS THROUGH US WHEN WE DON'T GIVE UP EVEN WHEN IT HURTS.

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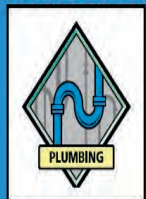
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