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03 September 2023 - 22nd 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

Contact Fr Chris or find information on

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The Imperfect Example

St. Peter St. Peter is the most relatable disciple amongst Our Lord's apostles. This may seem like a contentious proposition but consider how our personal relationship with the Lord fluctuates; we range from extremely zealous to extremely lax; undeniably faithful to borderline Judas. Only a few weeks ago we heard of the incredible faith of Peter as he overcomes the laws of nature and walks on water towards Jesus; last week we heard of his profession of faith resulting in being chosen as the Vicar of Christ.



St. Peter is undeniably a man of great faith... yet our Gospel for this Sunday does not paint a pretty picture of St. Peter, in fact it is quite polarising. After hearing that Jesus is destined to suffer and die at the hands of religious elders St. Peter is mortified; 'Heaven preserve you, Lord;' he said 'this must not happen to you.' His concern however is not met with a smile as Jesus responds with extremely harsh words: 'Get behind me, Satan! You are an obstacle in my path, because the way you think is not God's way but man's.' I'm sure if you warned your best friend of imminent danger it would be well received... not in the case of Jesus. Our Lord not only berates St. Peter, he calls him Satan. This would have rattled St. Peter to the core as he is being compared to the Devil who does not trust Our Lord's Goodness and Providence. St. Peter, from the Gospel accounts of the last few weeks, is very much considered a flawed disciple... yet it is this imperfection that provides hope for us believers of the Lord.

Growing up I thought saints were the coolest people who ever lived. They seemed to be born without sin or concupiscence, have impenetrable willpower and the ability to spend hours in prayer and meditation (I was only reading of our Lady). From an early age the desire to be a saint was powerful... yet the execution of said desire was subpar. As time passed knowledge of the world and sin grew, so the hope of reaching heaven immediately post judgment diminished and the aim of crawling into purgatory took precedence. Subsequently a thought emerged in my mind, 'Heaven is for the virtuous, the disciplined, the saints... that's not me.' Or 'Heaven is unattainable as I'm not in the same league as those in Paradise.' To the reader: does any of this seem familiar? All of us at one point or another undergo a crises when it comes to the possibility of eternal life. Can I, a sinner, a doubter, an imperfect creature be found worthy of the Heaven? To answer that question look no further than the first Vicar of Christ. At one point he is walking on water; at another is berated for his lack of faith. At one point he is praised for proclaiming Jesus as the Son of God; at another is called the Devil incarnate. At one point he is healing the sick through his shadow; at another he is called out by St. Paul for rejecting the Gentiles. If St. Peter, an imperfect apostle, can make it to Heaven so can you. Of course this does not mean we wait aimlessly for Christ to call us; we certainly have to do our part to uphold the teachings of Christ and the Church in our lives. When doubt regarding the possibility of attaining Heaven comes your way remember St. Peter - He failed. He sought forgiveness. He loved the Lord. May we each do the same in our lives.

Wishing you a blessed week ahead,

Fr Chris

LITURGY GUIDE



Text: based on Matthew 16:24, Mark 8:34; Charles William Everest 1814-1877 alt. Tune: ERHALT UNS, HERR 88.88; Later form of melody from J.Klug's *Geistliche Lieder* 1543; harm. Johann Sebastian Bach 1685-1750 (Cantata 6)

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.

22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year A Focusing the Word



Key words and phrases

- Jesus began to make it clear to his disciples that he was destined to go to Jerusalem and suffer grievously.
- And to be raised up on the third day.
- Heaven preserve you, Lord,' he said. 'This must not happen to you.
- If anyone wants to be a follower of mine, let him renounce himself and take up his cross and follow me.
- For anyone who wants to save his life will lose it; but anyone who loses his life for my sake will find it.
- Enlighten the eyes of our heart, that we might see how great is the hope to which we are called.
- You have seduced me, Lord, and I have let myself be seduced.
- My soul is thirsting for you, O Lord my God.

to the point

In the gospel Jesus offers a prophecy of what awaits him - he will 'suffer,' 'be killed,' and 'be raised.' Peter recoils at this statement of Jesus' fate. Like Peter, we tend to limit our vision by focusing only on the suffering and death. The fullness of the paschal mystery always leads through suffering and death to new life. Indeed, it is the only way.

Connecting the Gospel...

· to the First Reading

Jeremiah suffered for being faithful to God's call. All who wish to be faithful must be prepared to suffer - and be saved.

· to Christian experience

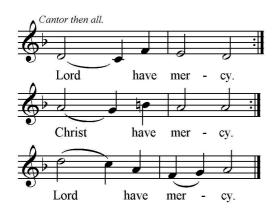
Authentic discipleship does not require us to hunt for suffering. Being faithful to Jesus will bring enough as it is.

(image from Gospeltoons.)

LITURGY GUIDE

Kyrie Congress Mass A. Rees

The cantor intones then all repeat



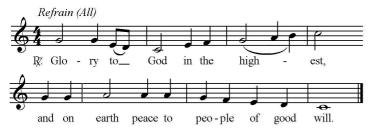
Kyrie 11:00am

Missa 'Papae Marcelli'

G.P.da Palestrina

Kyrie eleison Christe eleison Kyrie eleison Lord have mercy Christ have mercy Lord have mercy.

Gloria Mass Shalom Smith/Mason



The choir sings:

We praise you, we bless you, we adore, we glorify you, we give you thanks for your great glory, Lord God, heavenly King, O God, almighty Father.

R. Glory to God

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.

R. Glory to God

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.

R. Glory to God



Gloria 11am Miss

Missa 'Papae Marcelli'

Palestrina

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.

God of might, giver of every good gift, put into our hearts the love of your name, so that, by deepening our sense of reverence, you may nurture in us what is good and, by your watchful care, keep safe what you have nurtured.

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

(20:7-9)

The word of the Lord God has meant derision for me.

You have seduced me, Lord, and I have let myself be seduced; you have overpowered me: you were the stronger.

I am a daily laughing-stock,

everybody's butt.

Each time I speak the word, I have to howl

and proclaim: 'Violence and ruin!'

The word of the Lord has meant for me

insult, derision, all day long.

I used to say, 'I will not think about him,

I will not speak in his name any more.'

Then there seemed to be a fire burning in my heart,

imprisoned in my bones.

The effort to restrain it wearied me,

I could not bear it.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 137:1-3, 6, 8



Second Reading

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Romans (12:1-2)

May you present your bodies as a living sacrifice.

Think of God's mercy, my brothers, and worship him, I beg you, in a way that is worthy of thinking beings, by offering your living bodies as a holy sacrifice, truly pleasing to God. Do not model yourselves on the behaviour of the world around you, but let your behaviour change, modelled by your new mind. This is the only way to discover the will of God and know what is good, what it is that God wants, what is the perfect thing to do.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation

The cantor, alone, intones the Alleluia. All repeat



Cantor May the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ enlighten the eyes of our heart, that we might see how great is the hope to which we are called

R. Alleluia.

Gospel

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew

Whoever wishes to come after me must deny himself.

Jesus began to make it clear to his disciples that he was destined to go to Jerusalem and suffer grievously at the hands of the elders and chief priests and scribes, to be put to death and to be raised up on the third day. Then, taking him aside, Peter started to remonstrate with him. 'Heaven preserve you, Lord,' he said. 'This must not happen to you.' But he turned and said to Peter, 'Get behind me, Satan! You are an obstacle in my path, because the way you think is not God's way but man's.'

Then Jesus said to his disciples, 'If anyone wants to be a follower of mine, let him renounce himself and take up his cross and follow me. For anyone who wants to save his life will lose it; but anyone who loses his life for my sake will find it. What, then, will a man gain if he wins the whole world and ruins his life? Or what has a man to offer in exchange for his life?

'For the Son of Man is going to come in the glory of his Father with his angels, and, when he does, he will reward each one according to his behaviour.'

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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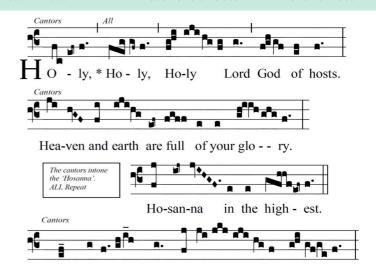


Offertory Motet 11:00am

Give us a pure heart C.Willcock SJ

Give us a pure heart that we may see you; give us a humble heart that we may love you; give us a heart of love that we may serve you; give us a heart of faith that we may live in you.

Sanctus (Holy, Holy) Mass Shalom Smith/Mason
Sanctus 11.00am Missa 'Orbis factor' Chant Mass XI



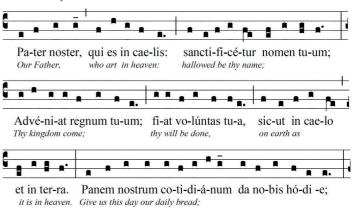
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna....





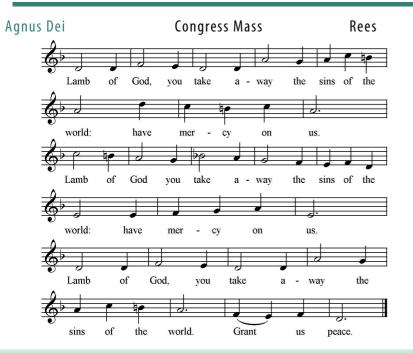
The Lord's Prayer Sung in Latin on the 1st Sunday each month







LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST



Agnus Dei 11:00am

Missa Secunda

H.L. Hassler

Communion Antiphon Qu

Qui vult venire (Mt 16:24)

Whoever wishes to come after me, let him take up his cross and follow me.



Text: Matthew 2:28-30; Psalm 23(22) Gregory Norbet, b.1940; additional verse Mt:16:24 Tune: Gregory Norbet © 1971, The Benedictine Foundation of the State of Vermont

8:00am Mass Propers

Entrance Antiphon

Turn your ear, O Lord, and answer me; save the servant who trusts in you, my God. Have mercy on me, O Lord, for I cry to you all the day long.

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 62:2-6, 8-9

R. My soul is thirsting for you, O Lord my God.

O God, you are my God, for you I long; for you my soul is thirsting. My body pines for you like a dry, weary land without water. R.

So I gaze on you in the sanctuary to see your strength and your glory. For your love is better than life, my lips will speak your praise. R. So I will bless you all my life, in your name I will lift up my hands. My soul shall be filled as with a banquet, my mouth shall praise you with joy. R. For you have been my help; in the shadow of your wings I rejoice. My soul clings to you; your right hand holds me fast. R.

Gospel Acclamation

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

May the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ enlighten the eyes of our heart, that we might see how great is the hope to which we are called.

R. Alleluia.

Communion Antiphon

The earth is replete with the fruits of your work, O Lord; you bring forth bread from the earth and wine to cheer the heart.

Next Week's Readings:

23rd SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME

Readings:

Ezek 33:7-9: If you have not warned the wicked man, then I will hold you responsible for his death.

Ps 94:1-2, 6-9: R. O that today you would listen to his voice! Harden not your hearts.

Rom 13:8-10: Love is the fulfilment of the Law.

Mt 18:15-20: If your brother or sister listens to you, you will have won that person back.

Australia - CHILD PROTECTION SUNDAY

THE BULLETIN

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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!

Clergy Support Foundation Bishop's Fathers' Day Appeal

2 and 3 September

Please support the Father's Day Appeal this weekend.
Your tax-deductible donations will help care for those many aged and sick clergy who have served so faithfully for many decades.

Thank you.

Envelopes are available for you to take home and return over the next two weekends. Of course, feel free to contribute online via the Parramatta Diocese website.

Novena for the Diocesan Synod

As our Diocesan Synod draws nearer, Bishop Vincent is encouraging us to enter into a novena of prayer. Booklets are available in the usual spots and a PDF and PPT of the novena prayers are available through the Parramatta Diocese website. As well as encouraging us as individuals to pray the novena in our personal prayer time, I would encourage all of our various prayer groups to pray the novena when they meet over the next couple of months. Fr Robert

Nominations open for Papal, Civil and Diocesan Awards

From today until Thursday 7 September 2023, you can nominate an outstanding individual who has contributed to the Catholic Church and society for a Papal Honours Award, Civil Award or Diocesan Award. Please visit parracatholic.org/awards. The Awards Ceremony will be held in November. More details to come.

Refugee "Table Talk"

The cathedral parish and Jesuit Refugee Services will be hosting a TableTalk event in the evening of Wednesday 8 November at the cloister hall. The event will have refugee speakers address attendees on their experiences as refugees and the opportunity for small group table discussions. A meeting to start planning the TableTalk event will be held **Thursday 14 September**, starting at 7pm in the presbytery. Please contact the parish office if you're interested in attending. Thanks from the parish social justice group.

JRS Australia - Food Bank

Only one more week to make a donation. We have had two pickups already as donations were overflowing - good problem to have. Last day to contribute is:

10 September.

Truly a wonderful response. Blessings upon you for your continued generosity.

Happy Father's Day

Wishing all the Dads and Granddads a very happy and enjoyable day.

"Blessed is the man who trusts in the Lord"

Jeremiah 17:7



PARISH & DIOCESAN NOTICES

Farewell for Fr Chris...

You are invited to a farewell for Fr Chris after the 11:00am Mass on Sunday 1 October. Details closer to the day.

Fr Chris will be here until his new appointment takes up his position.

Ordination of Deacon Tom Green

Deacon Tom began his seminary formation in 2015. It has been a long journey and is finally coming to fruition.

You are invited to attend the Ordination of Deacon Tom as follows:-

Date: Thursday 21 September 2023

Time: 7.30pm

Venue: St Patrick's Cathedral, Parramatta



Sacraments of Initiation - Reconciliation and Eucharist 2023/2024

We are holding an 'Information Evening' on Tuesday 10 October 2023 at 7.30pm in the Cloister Function Room (hall) for those interested in registering a child/ren for the Sacramental Process for children already Baptised. This will be followed by the Commitment Mass on Sunday, 22 October 2023 at the 9.30am Sunday Mass.

To be eligible for preparation children should be 7 years or older before 1 July 2023.

Registration will be open online via our website on 9.10.23. Please mark your diary with the following.

Information Evening Tuesday 10 October 7.30pm (hall) Commitment Mass Sunday 22 October 9.30am Mass

For your information, part of the registration process will include you to upload a copy of your child's Baptism certificate. For any enquiries, please contact

secretary@stpatscathedral.com.au or call Pat on 8839 8412.

Parish AGM - Sunday 17 September

The Cathedral's Annual General Meeting will now take place in the Parish Hall on **Sunday 17 September at 12.30pm**.

Cause for Celebration

Noreen McLean, long-time St Pat's parishioner will turn 100 on 10th September.

Noreen came to Parramatta about 1945. She moved to Courtlands Retirement Village in 2003 and is now in care residing in the Nursing Home section.



Noreen was very active in parish ministries as a Catechist, Extraordinary Minister of the Eucharist, visiting the sick at home and in the Nursing Home, as well as belonging to the Catholic Women's League. In recognition of her service she was awarded a Mary MacKillop Diocesan Medal of Honour in 2013.

Happy Birthday Noreen.

Congratulations on achieving the centenary milestone.

Special Religious Education (SRE)

Our SREs will be conducting a recruitment drive in mid-September. Have you ever thought about sharing your faith with children in our public schools? You will have the chance to chat with some of our SREs on the weekend of **16/17 September**. In the meantime, say a prayer for our SREs and the children they impact in such a significant way.

Rydalmere Parish Wednesday Evening Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament & Mass

Holy Name of Mary Parish, Rydalmere, invites you to join us for our Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament at 6pm every Wednesday. During Adoration, Fr Chadi is available for the Sacrament of Reconciliation from 6pm to 6:45pm. Holy Mass is then celebrated at 7pm. For further information, please contact the Parish Office on (02) 9684 1541 or admin@holymary.org.au

Rydalmere Parish Perpetual Adoration Chapel - now open

Holy Name of Mary Parish, Rydalmere, has a new Adoration Chapel that is open to the public 24/7 located at 4 Myrtle Street, Rydalmere. Fr Chadi welcomes everyone to the Chapel. For afterhours access please contact the Parish Office or Blake on 9684 1541 or admin@holymary.org.au

Arise Women's Retreat: 16 September

St Finbar's Parish, Glenbrook, is hosting a day of reflection, inspiration and encounter with Christ at this year's Arise Women's Retreat: 'Arise – Talitha Koum – Little girl, I say ARISE' on Saturday 16 September from 8.30am to 8.30pm. The retreat will include Mass, meditation, talks, praise and worship, creative expression, spiritual direction and healing Eucharistic Adoration and Benediction. All meals are included. For bookings and more information, please visit

https://www.trybooking.com/events/landing/1078404

Organ Scholarship-Our Lady of Dolours Parish, Chatswood

This scholarship, valued at \$3,120, will introduce students to the organ under the direction and guidance of the parish Director of Music, Titus Grenyer.

Titus is a conductor, composer and organist, who currently serves as the City Organist at the Sydney Town Hall, and as an organist to St Mary's Cathedral Sydney. To apply, scan QR code.

Information Afternoon - Kairos Prison Ministry

Saturday 16 September at 2:30pm - 4:30pm Blacktown Uniting Church 59 Bungarribee Road, Blacktown

Come and hear about how God is using Kairos prison ministry to change the lives of those who are in prison and the families and friends of those who are impacted by their imprisonment. Please RSVP to kidillwyniasec@kairos.org.au or phone Yvonne on 0419 284 128.



Prayer Intentions

We pray for our beloved dead...

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

Recently Deceased: Angela Tantini, Heather Louden, Fr Mark Beard, Alan Overton, Jo O'Brien, Edmund & Anthony Fernandes, Epifania P Etueni, Alan Overton, Peter Jackman, Heather Louden, Charles Vas, Dr Anna Petronille, Kenneth W Brown, Pat Andrews, Mirjana Sardelich, Rachel Deguara

Deceased: Anthony Ba Doui, Cinam Younan, Kulee, Lewis & Nazar Nissan, Salvatore Agostino, Giuseprina Agostino, Lucy D'Mello, Cedric Cunningham, Edgardo Perez, Rebecca, Artemio & Abraham Patacsil, Donald Muir, Yolanda Muir, Fr Augustus Patacsil, Newman & Phua families, Jec Tong Phua

Anniversaries: Mary Kotty Chacko, Maria Megale, Agnes Nethercott, Celestino Bumactao, Juan Montesco, Eustaquio Garcia, Maximina Manlangit, Maria McGale,

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: Michael D'Penha, Serg M., Habib Nohra, Mary Rose Perez, Buenaventura Zafiro Jr., Betty Tobin, Sandrella Toubia, Vincent Rowan, John Lowe, Stephen Senjak, David Mannall, Rachael Sumagu, Nivola Senjak & family, Miguel-Angel Soto-Figuerdo, Belinda & John Mull, James Sampey, Daniel & Sharon Webb

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BAPTISMS

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

William Fenelon
Diona Callos
Xavier Kraljevic

WEDDINGS



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

Taina Lee & Tan Le

Janine Perez & Gabriel Reyes

Please pray for them and their families.

POPE FRANCIS' Prayer Intention for September



For people living on the margins

"We pray for those persons living on the margins of society, in inhumane life conditions; may they not be overlooked by institutions and never considered of lesser importance".

From Pope Francis...

"Let us learn solidarity. Without solidarity, our faith is dead".

From a tweet dated 30 August

Saint of the Week

05 September - St Teresa of Calcutta (1910-1997), Religious

Agnes Gonxha Bojaxhiu was born on 26 August 1910 at Skopje in Macedonia. She left home at the age of 18 to join the Sisters of Loreto in Ireland, where she received the name Sister Mary Teresa, after St Thérèse of Lisieux. In 1931 she was assigned to the order's Calcutta house and taught at their school there, where she eventually became headmistress.

She received a new vocation to help the poor and destitute, and in 1948, obeying this call, she left the convent and took up a new life caring for them wherever they might be: lying sick in the street or even dying in dustbins. Some of her former pupils joined her, one by one, and the new congregation of the Missionaries of Charity was established in the Diocese of Calcutta in 1950, spreading across India and eventually onto every continent, even behind the Iron Curtain. Many related orders followed, involving men and women, clergy and laity, and both the active and the contemplative life. Mother Teresa died on 5 September 1997 and was beatified by Pope John Paul II on 19 October 2003 and canonized by Pope Francis on 4 September 2016.

Mother Teresa's widespread appeal comes from the directness of her inspiration, and her direct response to it. She went out and did things where they were needed. When we think of big problems we inevitably think that they can only be solved by a big campaign. Perhaps that is true, perhaps not; but while the campaign is getting going, why not go out and help one person in the name of Mother Teresa? If there are 1,000 hungry people in your city, why not make it 999? If each of us did that – well, in most countries where this is being read, there are more Catholics than there are people in need.



(Information: Universalis)

"Quote of the Week"

"Pope Francis recalled how "the path to christian unity and the path of synodal conversion of the Church are linked". Highlighting this close connection, the announcement of an Ecumenical Prayer Vigil, next September 30 in St. Peter's Square, to which he invited "brothers and sisters of all Christian confessions" and with which "we will entrust to God the work of the XVI Ordinary General Assembly of the Synod of Bishops".

With this announcement, Pope Francis wanted to recall the eminently spiritual and ecumenical character of the synodal process "The journey of synodality... is and must be ecumenical, just as the ecumenical journey is synodal" (Audience to His Holiness Mar Awa III, 19.11.2022).

To the young people who will come to Rome to participate in the ecumenical vigil, the Pope announced that there will be a special program for the whole weekend (from Friday evening to Sunday afternoon) organized by the Taizé community. They will be hosted by parishes and communities in Rome.

The initiative entitled "Together - Gathering of the People of God" is intended to be a time of listening, sharing, fraternity, unity and peace.

Synod 2021-2024 Together - Gathering the People of God. For more information

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The Kids' Bulletin

22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time September 3rd, 2023



What did Jesus say that the people would have to do to be His disciples? Find your way through the maze and then use the letters from that path to fill in the blanks.

If you want to be my disciple...



What would you think if your best friend told you that you would have to die if you wanted to stay friends? In today's Gospel reading Jesus told the Apostles that if they wanted to be like Him they would have to take up their crosses and follow Him.

Jesus was teaching them that this world is a preparation for Heaven. If we make sacrifices for love of God then we will be ready for Heaven. Jesus opened the gates of Heaven to us by dying out of love



for God the Father and for us. We get little crosses every day when things make us unhappy. If we offer them to God with love, they are like dying a little bit, and they prepare us for Heaven.



Sometimes we think that we need nice things or to be with fun people if we want to be happy. It's easy to forget that we will never be completely happy here. Next time you feel unhappy, remember that it's a cross that can help you get to Heaven!

Answer to maze on Front: Take up your cross and follow me. Answers to Match-up: I.D 2.C 3.E 4.B 5.G 6.A 7.F

Saint Rose of Viterbo September 4











ABOUT THEIR FAITH







ROSE TRIED TO BECOME A NUN BUT WASN'T ALLOWED IN BECAUSE SHE HAD NO DOWRY SHE ENDED UP LIVING THE RES OF HER SHORT LIFE IN A CELL

ROSE DIED WHEN SHE WAS ONLY 18. SHE HAD SPENT HER LIFE PRAYING, SACRIFICING AND PREACHING TO BRING SINNERS BACK TO GOD. ONCE THE SUFFERING JESUS HAD APPEARED TO HER, AND SHE RESOLVED TO TRY TO MAKE UP FOR THE SINS THAT HURT HIM. WHAT WILL YOU DO FOR JESUS TODAY?

"Take up Your Cross" Match-up

Jesus began to tell the disciples that He would have to suffer and be killed. How did the disciples react? What did Jesus say then?

> Connect the phrases on the left with the ones that follow on the right.

1. Peter said, "God forbid, Lord!

> 2. Jesus said, "Get behind me, + Satan!

3. You are not thinking as God does

4. Whoever wishes to come after me

5. Whoever wishes to save his life †

6. and whoever loses this life for my sake t

7. For what profit two would there be

A. will find it.

must deny himself, B. take up his cross and follow me."

You are an obstacle to me.

No such thing shall ever happen to You!"

but as human beings do."

for one to gain the F. whole world and forfeit his life?

G. will lose it



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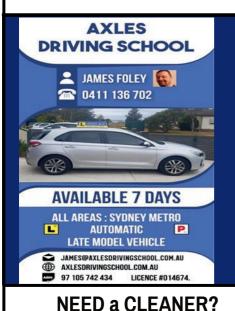
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