



28/29 July 2018-Year B Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time



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Sacramental Life

Celebration of the Eucharist:

Mass Schedule:

Saturday - 5.30pm Vigil (Includes Children's Liturgy during School Term)

Sunday - 7.30am

Sunday - 9am (Includes Children's Liturgy during School Term)

Monday - No Mass

Tuesday - 9am

Wednesday - 9am

Thursday - 9am

Friday - 9.00am

Reconciliation: Saturday

4.30 - 5.15pm

Baptisms & Marriages:

By appointment at Presbytery

Anointing: Every 2 months - check bulletin for dates

Sick Calls: Any time - day/night.

Funeral Masses: In co-operation with Funeral Directors.

Entrance Antiphon: God is in His holy place, God who unites those who dwell in His house; He Himself gives might and strength to His people.

Responsorial Psalm: The hand of the Lord feeds us; He answers all our needs.

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, Alleluia! A great prophet has appeared among us; God has visited His people. **Alleluia**

Communion Antiphon: Bless the Lord, O my soul, and never forget all His benefits.

Dear Parishioners,
We celebrate the Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

1. What do you need?

The hand of the Lord feeds us, the Psalmist says; the Lord answers all our needs. In fact, the Psalmist says, the Lord satisfies the desire of every living thing.

Is the Psalmist blind? Or is he a shameless liar? The whole earth is soaked with the tears of the suffering. But people don't suffer when their desires are satisfied, and they don't weep when their needs are met.

Our greatest need, then, is for the Lord himself; and our deepest desire is for him too.

But here we might pause to consider: what actually *are* our needs? If I say that I need red shoes to complement my outfit, are red shoes a need of mine? Ridiculous thought, isn't it?

A need is something without which we cannot live, in one sense or another. But anybody can live without red shoes. Food, water, clothing, shelter—these are our needs, because without them we will die.

But these are not our only needs, are they? We need education, too. And that's not nearly all. We need the beauty of nature and of art. And what are these to us if we can't share them? We need company as well. We need love most of all.

And so we need more than food and shelter to live. We need truth and beauty, love and care, too. That is because there is more than one way to die. We can die in the body, but we can also die in our minds and hearts. A person adequately fed and sheltered but deprived of love will wither away. In fact, the needs of the soul are primary. As long as they are met, even the death of the body cannot kill us. As the martyrs of the Church show us, a person can die in the body and still live, as long as his soul is nurtured and sheltered by the love of the Lord.

Our greatest need, then, is for the Lord himself; and our deepest desire is for him too. Whatever we get, we will drown in disappointment if we do not get him.

And that is why the Psalmist concludes by saying that the Lord is near to all who call upon him. Even in our worst suffering, what we most greatly need and desire, the Lord himself, is always at hand for us.

And so, in the sufferings of this world, our greatest need is met in the Lord. Through this life, the hand of the Lord will feed us until, finally, in the afterlife, we will want no more.

2. Sacrament of Confirmation

A reminder to all Candidates that the final lesson for the Sacrament will be held on this Monday Night 30 July in the Parish hall.

All Candidates and a parent are to attend.

Also, don't forget to wear your cross to the lesson, as well as, to Church and the Mass you attend on the next two Sundays.

3. Sacrament of Reconciliation

Parents wishing for their child to be enrolled in the Sacrament of Reconciliation programme in the parish are asked to attend the programme meeting.

Date: Tuesday 31 July

Time: 7-8pm

Where: Parish Church

The programme is open to children from year 2 onwards.

4. Charitable Works Fund Appeal (CWF)

The Charitable Works Fund Appeal, the first appeal for FY 18/19 will be held in the parish at our Masses, next weekend.

The CWF supports various agencies in the Archdiocese, as well as, the Good Shepherd Seminary at Homebush, which is the training seminary for candidates for our Archdiocese, as well as, the other Dioceses in NSW.

The CWF assists the following Agencies of the Archdiocese:

1. Catholic Care: It is concerned with compassion and justice. It assists individuals, families and communities in need. It runs over 100 programs.

2. Chaplaincies: CWF supports Chaplains and the services they provide in hospitals, universities and prisons in the Archdiocese.

3. Ephpheta Centre: Fr Michael Laudon is the Chaplain to the deaf and impaired person assisting in their spiritual growth.

4. Seminary: CWF supports the Good Shepherd Seminary at Homebush and the Refemptories Mater Missionary Seminary at Chester Hill.

5. Confraternity of Christian Doctrine (CCD): Supports our Catechists who teach in our public schools. It assists our catechists who go to Austral Public School.

6. Aboriginal Catholic Ministry (ACM): ACM supports and develops local Aboriginal leadership. The CWF puts a quota on each parish. Whatever is not raised by the appeal is made up from the parish church account.

Austral's quota is \$1,850.00

Again, on behalf of Archbishop Fisher and the Archdiocese, I thank you for your ongoing support.

5. Tax Receipts

For the parishioners who have returned the Receipt Forms your Tax Receipts are at the back of the Church, if you require a receipt please fill out the form and return it to the Parish Office.

6. Envelopes



Envelopes for the new Financial year are available on the table at the back of the Church.

Please collect yours and take them home.

7. Sydney Catholic Schools - Dr Dan White

Statement on Sydney Catholic Schools (SCS) Fees.

As Executive Director of Sydney Catholic Schools (SCS), I wish to assure all families considering a Catholic education for their children of the following three key priorities.

As a system of schools, we are committed to maintaining low-fee affordability for all families seeking an enrolment in a systemic school in the Archdiocese.

The Board of Sydney Catholic Schools has determined to keep fee increases to a minimum. We anticipate that over the next three years, increases across the system will be on average three to four percent, with lower increases in the areas of greatest need.

The Archdiocesan Catholic Education Foundation provides significant fee assistance (bursaries) to eligible Catholic families who require fee relief. Some criteria for low income families could include those who live in government housing and are on a Centrelink health card. Bursaries are also available for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander and refugee families.

To enquire about enrolment at your local Catholic School, or to find out more about our bursary and fee assistance program, please contact the school Principal who will be pleased to talk to you about a Catholic School education for your child.

May God Bless you.

Fr Bob



CHURCH CLEANING ROSTER

30 July-4 August

Volunteers

6-11 August

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READERS ROSTER

28/29 July

Saturday Vigil: 5.30pm

Commentator: Teresa Calarco

Readers:

Teresa Calarco: 1st Reading

Rita Zappia: 2nd Reading & Prayers of Faithful

Sunday: 7.30am

Commentator: Pasqualina Catanzariti

Readers:

Pasqualina Catanzariti: 1st Reading

Margaret Cvetko: 2nd Reading & Prayers of Faithful

Sunday: 9am

Commentator: Tessie Christophers

Readers:

Tessie Christophers: 1st Reading

Margaret Cvetko: 2nd Reading & Prayers of Faithful

4/5 August (18th Sunday in Ordinary Time)

Saturday Vigil: 5.30pm

Commentator: Sarah Casha

Readers:

Sarah Casha: 1st Reading

David Casha: 2nd Reading & Prayers of Faithful

Sunday: 7.30am

Commentator: James Gill

Readers:

James Gill: 1st Reading

Anne Violi: 2nd Reading & Prayers of Faithful

Sunday: 9am

Commentator: Margaret De Vries

Readers:

Margaret De Vries: 1st Reading

John-William Fisher: 2nd Reading & Prayers of Faithful



Extraordinary Minister of the Eucharist Roster

28/29 July

Saturday Vigil

Catherine Florio & Robert Gimellaro



Sunday 7.30am

Pasqualina Catanzariti & Virginia Romeo

Sunday 9am

Margaret De Vries & Jayann Montermayor

4/5 August

Saturday Vigil

Victoria Bugeja & Bonnie Szafranski

Sunday 7.30am

Virginia Romeo & Margaret Pisani

Sunday 9am

Ken O'Leary & Frances Musso

ACOLYTES ROSTER

28/29 July

Saturday Vigil

Gerry Crescini

Sunday 7.30am

George Ajkay

Sunday 9am

Anthony Zanetic

4/5 August

Saturday Vigil

Gerry Crescini

Sunday 7.30am

George Ajkay

Sunday 9am

Peter Grizelj

ALTAR SERVERS ROSTER

28 July

Saturday Vigil

Daniel Garzaniti

Mark Vassallo

28 July

Domenico Mirarchi

4 August

Saturday Vigil

Sabrina & Leo

Steimbesser

4 August

Domenico Mirarchi

CHILDREN'S LITURGY

28 July

Pauline & Lauren Vassallo

4 August

Rita & Chiara Moro

9am Sunday

Nichole Hext



NURSING HOME ROSTER

27 July

Mass

5 August

Sister Rosa & Jayann

POPE FRANCIS COLUMN



FORUM: 'Fifty Years of the Gift of Humanae Vitae'

Archbishop of Washington Cardinal Wuerl: 'This 50th anniversary challenges us then in the need for both clarity in our teaching and accompaniment in our effort to achieve reception of the teaching as part of the Church's healing and saving mission'

July 24, 2018 13:30 Cardinal Donald Wuerl Forum

Below is a reflection of Cardinal Donald Wuerl, Archbishop of Washington, entitled 'Fifty Years of the Gift of Humanae Vitae' from Cardinal Wuerl's blog:

When Pope Paul VI published *Humanae Vitae* 50 years ago, it was a time of social upheaval and dissent, especially in the areas of marriage, family and human sexuality, followed by years of deficient religious education and misunderstanding at many levels.

This 50th anniversary challenges us then in the need for both clarity in our teaching and accompaniment in our effort to achieve reception of the teaching as part of the Church's healing and saving mission. We need to help all to grasp, understand and appropriate the wisdom of God in their own lived experience (*Amoris Laetitia*, 82).

Wrongly disparaged as an out-of-touch authoritarian rule, for *Humanae Vitae*'s 40th anniversary, Pope Benedict XVI said that "the key word to enter coherently into its content remains 'love,'" emphasizing "the unity of spouses and their total sharing in a reciprocal acceptance of offering themselves to each other." Consistent with the Second Vatican Council, which said that "a true contradiction cannot exist between the divine laws pertaining to the transmission of life and those pertaining to authentic conjugal love" (*Gaudium et Spes*, 51), Pope Paul himself described his encyclical as "above all the positive presentation of conjugal morality concerning its mission of love and fruitfulness 'in the light of an integral vision of man and of his vocation, not only his natural and earthly, but also his supernatural and eternal vocation' (n. 7)."

Likewise, Cardinal Karol Wojtyla explained contemporaneously with *Humanae Vitae*'s publication: "It is a matter of total love, or love which involves the whole man," he said. "Conjugal love is enriched through the authentic giving of one person to another person. It is this mutual giving of self which must not be altered." When he became Pope John Paul II, a substantial part of his magisterium was dedicated to this foundational message of love in his *Theology of the Body* and other teachings.

What Pope Paul and his successors have said is simply that human sexuality should be a mutual expression of love in the context of the great gifts of marriage and life – that is, a fullness of love which is necessarily unitive and procreative, a complete and unconditional gift of self in a communion of persons that is open to new life (*Humanae Vitae*, 9, 12; *Familiaris Consortio*, 32; *Amoris Laetitia*, 80). In this modern age when sexual activity is often seen as recreational and without consequence, the message of *Humanae Vitae* is a sign of contradiction to the world and is challenging for some. But as explained in a previous blog series on human sexuality, it goes back to our basic understanding of the dignity and role of human beings, male and female, complementary and equal, in God's plan. Moreover, we have the promise of the Spirit of truth, and so we can place our faith and walk with moral certitude in the teaching of Peter the Rock on which stands the Church.



WESTERN SYDNEY MRC AGED CARE SUPPORT

If you are caring for a relative or a friend and would like help to allow you time out from your caring role, Western Sydney MRC are here to help.

We can assist in the following areas:

Flexible in-home respite
Support to access services and the community including transport to appointments and shopping
Centre-based respite including arts and crafts
Social outings

For more information, please contact Rosaria on 8778 1240 or email rosaria@wsmrc.org.au

Bereavement Support Reflections Mornings

Third Wednesday of Every Month 10.00am – 1.00pm. For family and friends who grieve and their companions.

Understanding and managing life's changes in Loss, Grief & Bereavement. Morning tea provided.

For further information please contact

Bereavement Support

Ph: (02) 9646 6908

bereavementsupport@catholiccemeteries.com.au

You don't have to work out the home care system on your own.

Staying independent in your own home is a priority for many Australian Seniors. CatholicCare's Home Care Specialists can guide you through the complicated government systems. Join us and find out how to access in-home support and caring services.

When: 9 August

Where: St Anthony's Catholic Church Austral

RSVP: Cheryl 96060206



Using the Parish Toilets

Anyone using the Church toilets are asked to **PLEASE DO NOT** place nappies, hand towels, wet ones or anything other than toilet paper in the toilets.

We have had some problems with nappies in the toilets previously, so parents please dispose of your nappies appropriately. As you would in your own homes.

WE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO HAVE DIED

In your love and concern, please pray for:-

Recently Deceased: Fr John Jago SM, Fr Paul Ryan

Anniversaries: Salvatore Torrisi, Michael Williams

Also for: Special Intention, Holy Souls

We remember those who are sick in the community that the Lord will be their comforter and healer as we pray for:

Paul Farnsworth, Erminia Demasi, Domenic Zucco, David Angeles, Peter Kelleher, Fred Pjanic, Marie Gough, Chris Smith, James Dimech.





Catholic Weekly—Available
\$2.00

- Miracle Cure? - Ricky Peterson
- WYD '08: Ten year celebration
- Parish debate
- Happy birthday Humanae Vitae
- Movie review: The Equaliser 2
- Monica Doumit: Fr Frank's own goal

Please put \$2 in the poor box

The Bishop's Blend:

Looking to network with other young Catholic professionals and learn how to live your faith in the workplace? Then join the Most Reverend Bishop Richard Umbers, Auxiliary Bishop of Sydney on

Monday, 6th August 2018 at 7:00am at the Radisson Blu Plaza Hotel Sydney

for The Bishop's Blend, a quarterly breakfast series for young professionals. Online booking is essential. For more information and to purchase tickets go to <https://thebishopsblendfifthedition.eventbrite.com> or contact us at bishopsblend@sydneycatholic.org

Parish Safeguarding Support Officer
Volunteer Required

We want you, we want you, we want you as a New Recruit! No, not for the Navy, but for the Parish!!

The Safeguarding Office of the Archdiocese of Sydney has recently launched an initiative to recruit Parish Safeguarding Support Officers (PSSO) to support the Parish Priest to implement proactive Safeguarding measures to ensure safe environments for children, young people and the vulnerable in Parish communities. The PSSO may already be an employee or volunteer in the Parish but the role is on a volunteer basis only.

The ways in which the PSSO could support and assist the Parish Priest:

- Providing Safeguarding induction to all workers and training to volunteers of the Parish who work with children, including reading and signing of the *Code of Conduct for Working With Children and Young People*
- Raising awareness of Safeguarding in your Parish
- Creating Risk Assessments for Parish events/activities
- Responding to Safeguarding audit and compliance requirements
- Reporting any issues or concerns that come to your attention according to Archdiocesan protocols
- Monitoring the Visiting Clergy Register in line with current protocols
- Any other Safeguarding issues as requested by the Parish Priest

For more information about this important support role, please speak with your Parish Priest to express your interest in becoming the Parish Safeguarding Support Officer.

The Chain of Mary Association Inc

One Decade Rosary Booklet.

Please feel free to take the Chain of Mary one decade Rosary booklet & pray it each day with faith and devotion.

Ask for any grace you need and Mother Mary will listen to you.

Write your name and intentions in this book & once a week Mass will be offered for you.

For any enquiries please call
Sr-in-Christ Rosa
Ph: 96067571



KID'S CORNER



Q. What did the cat say when he lost all his money?
A. I'm paw.

Church Gardens

The gardens on the Edmondson Road side of the Church need some pruning and clearing. Any "green thumbs" amongst us who can spend a little time cleaning up those gardens for our feast day would be most appreciated. Do it at a time that suits you and bring your own tools. Thank you in advance.

Legion of Mary

From time to time the Legion of Mary makes an appeal to try to encourage more members to join us in helping Mary to reach out and bring more of her children around her Son.

The Legion of Mary started in Ireland by Frank Duff in 1921 and came to Sydney 75 years ago. Frank Duff was a member of the St Vincent de Paul but then he realised that there was more spiritual poverty than material poverty and so he started the Legion and went around to encourage people to practise their faith and God must have been pleased with what Frank did because if it wasn't for God's blessing, the Legion would not have survived all this time.

Most of our work is visiting people within the parish, mainly sick or elderly. One day Jesus will be asking us if we visited him when he was sick or in hospital on that day we would wish that we have visited him a 1000 times, we still got the time, this is another opportunity to keep the boss happy!

There are many more things we can do, depending on ones talents, many times we stay back because nobody encourages us, we need to be encouraged and that's why we need to join a group like the Legion of Mary to support one another and have some fun as we go.

Normally we meet every Thursday after the mass, and the meeting would be finished within the hour. We spend some time in prayer, we read, we discuss a few things and we finish with a prayer, it is always a happy time, once you start coming you will be looking forward for another meeting. If the day does not suit you we can negotiate that too. But, don't say you have no time, we all have the same time just a matter of how we spend our time and our time is a gift from God. One day we have to give an account on how we spent our time.

Mt Carmel Retreat Centre August retreats

Mt Carmel Retreat Centre 247 St Andrews Road, Varroville 02 8795 3400 retreats@carmelite.com
www.carmelite.com.au

Knowing peace beyond understanding

When: Aug 4: 10:00 am – 4:00 pm

Presenter: Cathy Kennedy

Cost: \$30.00

Bring your own lunch. Pickups from Minto train station at 930am and 1000am.

Discovering God in the unsettling mystery of life's surprises.

Mothering with the God who loves us

When: Aug 10: 6:00 pm – Aug 12: 1:30 pm

Mothering with the God who loves us

Presenters: Marilyn Rodrigues

Cost: \$250.00 (concessions apply)

PARISH CENSUS FORM (PCF)

Have you filled in a PCF which can be found on the table behind the pews.

Why? It's important that we have your details if we need to contact you.

Please fill in the Census Form found on the table behind the pews and leave in the Census Box.

OUR PILGRIMAGE TO PADUA

Celebrating Mass at Padova



Assisi Mass



Our pilgrimage to visit Padova in Italy was very enjoyable and a wonderful experience that was enjoyed by our School Principal, Ms Lea De Angelis, Assistant Principal, Mrs Naomi Crowley and myself. I celebrated Mass in Padova Basilica in part of it that was a school, turned into a Chapel.

We spent hours in the Basilica and discovering the Saint of our parish and school. It was wonderful to spend time there.

In Assisi, we stayed with the Franciscan Sisters of the Atonement and other guests were there as well. I celebrated Mass in their Chapel with Lea and Naomi. St Clare and St Francis watching me.

We went to the Basilica, again spending some hours in prayer before the crypt where St Francis' remains lie and wandering around the Basilica, admiring the many side altars and paintings on the walls of the Basilica.

We had four days in Rome and we visited the Vatican Museum and Sistene Chapel and St Peter's Basilica. As you can see from the bottom photos we celebrated mass in the Basilica in one of the Crypts and some Americans asked to join us and they did. As we left St Peters as you can see we did a selfie.