



## 26/27 January 2019-Year C Third Sunday in Ordinary Time



### **ST ANTHONY'S PARISH CHURCH** 320 Edmondson Ave AUSTRAL 2179

**Pastor:**

*Fr. Robert Hayes PP RFD VF  
Dean of the Western Deanery*

**Secretary:** Cheryl McKell  
**House Manager:** Cathy Sanders

**Presbytery: Parish Office is  
open on:** Tuesday - Thursday  
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**Presbytery is closed on Mondays.**

#### **St Anthony of Padua Catholic College**

**School Principal:**  
Mrs Lea De Angelis  
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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:** O sing a new song to the Lord; sing to the Lord, all the earth. In His presence are majesty and splendour, strength and honour in His holy place.

**Responsorial Psalm:** Your words, Lord, are spirit and life.

**Gospel Acclamation:** **Alleluia, Alleluia!** The Lord sent me to bring Good News to the poor and freedom to prisoners. **Alleluia**

**Communion Antiphon:** Look toward the Lord and be radiant; let your faces not be abashed.

**Dear Parishioners,  
We celebrate the Third Sunday in Ordinary Time and the  
Australia Day Weekend**

#### **1. Being Strong**

As First Reading describes it, when the Jews—newly returned to Jerusalem from captivity in Babylon—listened to Ezra read God's word, they were minded to weep.

Who can blame them? Everything around them was so far from what it ought to be, from what God planned it to be, from what they themselves wanted it to be. All around them lay the ruins of what Israel and Jerusalem and the Temple and God's people had once been and were meant to be. Christ with me, Christ before me, Christ behind me, Christ in me ...

And who among us fails to understand their attitude? We look at the mess we have made of the earth, and we are so discouraged. We see the unspeakable suffering of the afflicted, and we groan inwardly for our world. We look at the Church itself, which ought to be the light of the whole broken world; and we are tempted to despair. We turn inward to our own hearts and what we see there makes us want to be invisible to others. In safe and quiet moments we are minded to weep too, like the Jews of Ezra's time.

And so the last line of the First Reading is more than a little surprising: the joy of the Lord is our strength!

It is, of course, not surprising to hear that we must be strong. When everything lies in ruins around you, you can't afford not to be strong. But being strong is a matter of grim determination and hard work, isn't it? Not according to the First Reading! It tells us that our strength lies in joy. In fact, joy is one of the fruits of the Holy Spirit. When a person opens to God, and the Holy Spirit comes to dwell in him, then that person becomes fruitful; and joy is one of the fruits he bears. Because the God he loves is present in him, he has joy in the presence of his beloved Lord.

But if the Lord himself is with us and for us, what can be against us? And so the prayer of St. Patrick makes sense: Christ with me, Christ before me, Christ behind me, Christ in me. ... I arise today through the mighty strength of the Lord.

Who would not rejoice surrounded in this way by the Lord? This is strength indeed.

## **2. St Anthony of Padua Catholic College News**

I hope all families have enjoyed the summer holiday break and are ready for 2019 and all that entails. Our school expands to 200 pupils for this year in Kindergarten, Years 1 & 2.

As the schools grows so does our teaching staff number 22 members.

The full list of staff is below for 2019:

Leadership Team: Ms Lea De Angelis (Principal), Mrs Naomi Crowley (Assistant Prinvipal), Miss Jenna O'Donnell (Religious Education Coordinator Terms 1-2) Mrs Karina Ianni (Religious Education Coordinator Term 3 onwards), Mr John Barton (Head: Innovation and Development).

K Green-Mrs Veronica Bonorchis,  
K Purple-Miss Bonnie Lachowicz,  
K White-Miss Emily Follan,  
1 Green-Mrs Carolina Gomez,  
1 Purple-Miss Jenny Thornton,  
1 White-Miss Marisa Jackson,  
2 Green-Miss Jenna O'Donnell / Mrs Naomi Crowley,  
2 Purple-Mrs Simone Edouard,  
STEM-Mrs Jessica Vincent, RFF Mrs Kaitlyn Welsh,  
Mrs Kirsten Mitchell-Bacon, Mrs Sandra Di Betetto,  
Reading Recovery-Mrs Caroline Vassarotti,  
Office Manager Mrs Evelyn Fernandez,  
Administration Officer-Mrs Marijana Ticac,  
School Support Officer-Mrs Lina De Santis,  
Learning Support Officer-Mrs Angela Callipari &  
Mrs Leisa Rodoreda,  
Family Educator-Mrs Veronica Leva.

### **School Return Dates:**

Tuesday 29 January-Staff Return to School.

Wednesday 30 January-Years 1 & 2 Return

Thursday 31 January: Kindergarten commence.

Opening School Mass will be held on Thursday 14 February at 9.15am in the Church.



## **3. Result of the Christmas Raffle**



1st Prize: The Microsoft Xbox—Mrs Christine Modolo

2nd prize: Christmas Ham-Kerry DeVries

3rd Prize: Fruit Hamper-Mary Grima

4th Prize: IGA Hamper– Lea DeAngelis

5th Prize: Sweet n Savoury Voucher-Mary Farrugia

6th Prize: Perfume Box (assorted)-Anthony Casha Snr

7th Prize: Chocolate Hamper-Rita Hamori

My thanks to all parishioners for supporting the raffle.

Money raised totalled: \$965.00

My thanks to the businesses and parishioners who provided the prizes:

Frank Zammit, IGA Austral, Melina Macri, Faye Palamara Family, Maria Zucco, Minto Mall Fruit Market.

I would like to sincerely thank these people and their businesses for their ongoing support that they give to St Anthony's on so many occasions over the five years, I have been here.

I hope parishioners support them, as well.

## **4. Parish Mass Tuesday at 9am**

Our Tuesday Mass will be joined by our School Principal and staff as we begin a new school year. This year sees our school grow to 200 children in three forms, Kindergarten, Year 1 and Year 2. Our school staff Includes our Principal Lea De Angelis and 22 staff members.

The staff will join us at the Tuesday 9am Mass where we will bless our new staff members who are joining us this year.

They will each be given a school candle symbolising their mission to be lights to their students and to follow the light and inspiration of St Anthony of Padua.

Parishioners and school families are invited to join us as we pray for our school staff and families as we begin a new school year.

May St Anthony of Padua be our model and inspiration throughout this year for our community.

May God Bless you.

Fr Bob



## CHURCH CLEANING ROSTER

### 28 January-2 February

L Pecotich, A Mamone,  
M Gimellaro, M DeVries



### 4-9 February

M Casino, D Ayoub, L Vitale,  
M Garzaniti, R Khatrar

## READERS ROSTER

### 26/27 January

#### **Saturday Vigil: 5.30pm**

Commentator: Veronica Casha

Readers:

Veronica Casha: 1st Reading

Vanessa Casha: 2nd Reading & Prayers of Faithful

#### **Sunday: 7.30am**

Commentator: Chris Pisani

Readers:

Chris Pisani: 1st Reading

Margaret Pisani: 2nd Reading & Prayers of Faithful

#### **Sunday: 9am**

Commentator: Nicole Hext

Readers:

Nicole Hext: 1st Reading

Frances Musso: 2nd Reading & Prayers of Faithful

### 2/3 February (4th Sunday in Ordinary Time)

#### **Saturday Vigil: 5.30pm**

Commentator: Charlie Cilia

Readers:

Charlie Cilia: 1st Reading

Julie Dimech: 2nd Reading & Prayers of Faithful

#### **Sunday: 7.30am**

Commentator: Wendy Tourle

Readers:

Wendy Tourle: 1st Reading

Anne Violi: 2nd Reading & Prayers of Faithful

#### **Sunday: 9am**

Commentator: Faye Palamara

Readers:

Faye Palamara: 1st Reading

Maria Zucco: 2nd Reading & Prayers of Faithful



## Extraordinary Minister of the Eucharist Roster

### 26/27 January

#### **Saturday Vigil**

David & Sarah Casha



#### **Sunday 7.30am**

Margaret Pisani & Pasqualina Catanzariti

#### **Sunday 9am**

Ken O'Leary & Faye Palamara

### 2/3 February

#### **Saturday Vigil**

Veronica Casha & Julie Dimech

#### **Sunday 7.30am**

Virginia Romeo & Pasqualina Catanzariti

#### **Sunday 9am**

Karen Power & Phil Gigliotti

## ACOLYTES ROSTER

### 26/27 January

#### **Saturday Vigil**

Gerry Crescini

#### **Sunday 7.30am**

George Ajkay

#### **Sunday 9am**

Anthony Zanetic

### 2/3 February

#### **Saturday Vigil**

Gerry Crescini

#### **Sunday 7.30am**

George Ajkay

#### **Sunday 9am**

Peter Grizelj

## ALTAR SERVERS ROSTER

### 26 January

#### **Saturday Vigil**

Daniel Garzaniti

Mark Vassallo

### 27 January

Domenico Mirarchi

### 2 February

#### **Saturday Vigil**

Sabrina & Leo

Steimbesser

### 3 February

Domenico Mirarchi

## CHILDREN'S LITURGY

### 26 January

School Holidays

### 2 February

School Holidays

#### **9am Sunday**

School Holidays



## NURSING HOME ROSTER

### 1 February

Mass

### 10 February

Sister Rosa & Jayann

## POPE FRANCIS COLUMN



### Look to the Beatitudes for the 'Christian Style'

#### POPE'S MORNING HOMILY

Drawing on the day's Gospel (Mark 2:18-22), Pope Francis urged Christians to receive the "new wine" of the Gospel into a "new wineskin." But for those who profess to be Christians, the new wineskin is "new behavior."

The Holy Father's comments came January 21, 2019, in his homily at morning Mass at Casa Santa Marta in the Vatican. His remarks were reported by Vatican News.

The Pope explained that the Gospel is a gift to us, but like new wine, something must change about the container in which the gift is received. For us, the container is our behavior. And before the Gospel, the Pope said human behavior was "accusatory, worldly, and selfish." That is not behavior that fits with the new wine of the Gospel.

The Holy Father warned of the "un-Christian" style: "the selfish spirit, the spirit of indifference that is common in our communities. One believes oneself to be a good Catholic but doesn't worry about the problems of others – wars, illnesses and the suffering of our neighbors." This, the Pope said, is the hypocrisy that Jesus reproached the doctors of the law for. What then is the Christian style?

Francis said the style is described in the Beatitudes. The Beatitudes offer the prescription for the Christian's new behavior: meekness, humility, patience in suffering, love for justice, ability to endure persecution, not judging others.

"If a Catholic wants to learn the Christian style, so as not to fall into this accusatory style, the worldly style, and the selfish style, he must read the Beatitudes," Francis said. "They are the wineskins, the path we must take. To be a good Christian one must have the ability not only to recite the Creed with the heart but also the Our Father with the heart.





- Sydney Youth, March for life
- Jesus, the Bomb & J Robert Oppenheimer
- Pill testing-For and Against
- Monica Doumit: We won't be silent
- Movie Review: The Kid who would be King
- The Campion Way

Please put \$2 in the poor box

**BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT MORNINGS**

This service is for family and friends who grieve the loss of a loved one and the changes that loss makes in one's life. Morning tea is provided in a relaxed and caring setting.

For further information contact:  
Bereavement support Ph: 02 9646 6908 or email:  
bereavementsupport@catholiccemeteries.com.au

If you or a friend are in need of such support please ring and attend the session  
**Sessions held:** Every Third Wednesday of the Month from 10am-1pm.

**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.

**WE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO HAVE DIED**

**In your love and concern, please pray for:-**

**Recently Deceased:**

**Anniversaries:** Jasna Stipicic

**Also for:** 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, David Angeles, Fred Pjanic, Marie Gough, Chris Smith, Paul Galea



## **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.

## **Devotions to Honour Our Lady of Lourdes**

Mass and Blessing of the Sick will be held at Our Lady of Lourdes Grotto, Earlwood, on Sunday the 10 February 2019 (behind Our Lady of Lourdes Church, Earlwood), entrance via St. James Avenue, Earlwood, commencing with recitation of the Rosary at 2:30 p.m. followed by Mass and the Blessing of the Sick at 3:00 p.m. The Principal celebrant will be Bishop Terry Brady.

Some parking for disabled people is available in the school grounds and general parking in the nearby council car park.

Society of Our Lady of Lourdes

## **Volunteering with CatholicCare**

Interested in volunteering to help seniors?  
Based at our Liverpool office, we need callers to phone people waiting for government funded home care to check on their wellbeing.

Interested in volunteering to help children?  
Based at our Lewisham office, we need people to help at playgroups for young, vulnerable mothers and their babies.

Call CCareline on 13 18 19 to find out more.

## **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.** How do you cook sausages in the Jungle?

**A.** Under a gorrilla.



AQUINAS ACADEMY  
*Freedom of the spirit in the Spirit*

**DEVELOPMENT, SOCIAL JUSTICE and GLOBALISATION:  
An Experiential and Reflective Approach**

Presenter: Joffre Balce, MSc Industrial Economics

**4 Friday evenings, 6pm – 8pm, Feb 8, 15, 22, Mar 1**

Level 5, 141 Harrington Street, Sydney

**Cost: \$150/person** (including class notes)

**DEALING with ADDICTIONS: Introduction to the Twelve Steps Programme**

Presenter: James and John

**3 Friday mornings, 10am – 12noon, Feb 8, 15, 22**

Level 5, 141 Harrington Street, Sydney

**Cost: \$120/person** (including class notes)

**RIDING OUT THE STORM**

Presenter: Catherine Hammond BS in Ed, MA, MPh

**4 Tuesday mornings, 10am – 12noon, March 5, 12, 19, 26**

Level 5, 141 Harrington Street, Sydney

**Cost: \$150/person** (Including summary notes)

**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.

**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.



On the 31 December 2018, the Army retired me from Army Chaplaincy due to my age, turning 70 last November.

I began my Army Chaplaincy career being Commissioned on 6 June 1975, and was a Chaplain for 43 years and 6 months.

Over that period of time there have been many changes, the most noticeable being women in the military in all three services.

Why did I join?

I joined because Fr Terry Duggan who had just come out of full-time Army Chaplaincy wanted a few young Catholic Priests to be involved.

Not knowing what was before me, in those days if a brother Priest asked for help, you helped. I began in Cadets with the other three priests and, after cadets were shutdown by the Whitlam Government, I moved to an Army Reserve Unit, 21 Construction Regiment whose HQ's was at Haberfield (now modern Units occupy the site).

In 2000, I went full-time for a period when our military went to bring peace and stability to East Timor.

I was made up to the rank of Lt Colonel in 1996 (as high as you can go in the Reserve) the rank I hold now still.

For the past 9 years I have been the Staff Chaplain Eastern Region (ie NSW) looking after all Army Reserve Chaplains throughout the state and responsible for recruiting clergy into the Army.

Chaplains come from the main religious denominations: Catholic, Anglican, Uniting, Presbyterian, Baptist, Church of Christ, Australian Christian Churches (Pentecostal), Salvation Army and Jewish. During my tenure, I recruited from all denominations.

In the past 3 years I have been able to recruit a few Catholic Priests. So, we are represented, as well, to care for the sacramental needs of Catholic families in the Military. I have thoroughly enjoyed my time in the military sharing faith with so many Chaplains of the various denominations in an Ecumenical setting, keeping reasonably fit and seeing a lot of Australia in my various postings, especially as the 2nd Division (Reserve Division) chaplain.

Unfortunately, Army indicated that at 70 years young it was time to pass on the role to someone else.

However I will still have a role to play in Army Cadets, but on a more "ad hoc" basis during school holidays when Cadets go to Singleton Barracks for their annual field exercises.