



27/28 July 2019-Year C 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:

Lord, on the day I called for help, You answered me.

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, Alleluia!

Your have received the Spirit which makes us God's children, and in that Spirit we call God our Father. **Alleluia!**

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

Dear Parishioners,

We celebrate the 17th Sunday in Ordinary Time

1. Ask, Ask, Ask, Ask, Ask

In the Gospel Reading, Jesus teaches his disciples how to pray; and when he does, he gives not only them but all of us the wonderful prayer we call 'the Our Father' or 'the Lord's prayer.'

The first thing to notice about the Lord's prayer is that it is full of petitions. The first one is that God's name would be hallowed. The second is that God's kingdom would come. The third is that God would give us our daily bread. And so on.

The Lord's prayer isn't just a litany of praise to God, then. It isn't just an expression of a pious wish that God's will be done. It isn't only a surrender of one's own will to God. Just look at the request for daily bread. It presents to God what we would want God to give us. Having desires and presenting them to God are required by the Lord's prayer.

The Lord's prayer requires us to trust God enough to tell him what we want—over and over and over.

The second thing to notice about the Lord's prayer is that people don't generally get what they ask for. Ask and you will receive, the Lord says. But how many people around the world pray the Lord's prayer and go without food that day? And food is only the beginning. In every mass, we ask God for healing: "Only say the word and my soul shall be healed." Then we lug our sinful, sick, and sorrowful souls around another day. So here is the third thing to notice. Jesus doesn't promise that we will get the very thing we ask for. He says that if we ask, we will receive; but he doesn't happen to mention what we will receive.

If you think about it, you can see the point. If a sick person could heal himself, he would be the doctor, not the patient. The patient's job is to want to get well. It is the doctor's job to figure out how to get him well.

In the same way, the Lord's prayer requires us to trust God enough to tell him what we want—over and over and over. Our job is to ask continually. God's job is to figure out what to give us that will really fill us and heal us. So we might not get what we ask for. But as long as we keep asking, the Lord promises that we will receive—grace, pressed down, shaken together, running over, and gently given, from the God who loves us.

2. Charitable Works Fund (CWF)



The CWF for FY 19/20 is upon us once again.

As mentioned, the CWF supports some of the Church's agencies that do not attract Federal or State Government support.

So, as Catholics, we support these agencies and their programmes through the CWF appeal.

On behalf of the Archbishop and the Archdiocesan agencies that the CWF, supports I thank you, once again, for your contributions to the CWF Appeal.

The CWF supports these agencies:

*Catholic Care: Supporting families, couples and singles.

*Confraternity of Christian Doctrine (CCD) : supporting our Catechists who teach at Austral Public School.

*Ephpheta Centre: assisting families and individuals who are impaired in their hearing or speech.

*The Aboriginal Catholic Community.

*Our Seminaries: There are two seminaries within the Archdiocese with over 50 men in training for the Priesthood. Please keep them in your prayers.

*Chaplains: We support both University and Hospital Chaplains.

Our giving to CWF is tax deductible, so I invite you to take home an envelope with, your donation and mark/tic the box for the tax deduction.

The parish quota is \$2200.00. For each collection.

There are 3 CWF collections over the financial year 19/20.

3. Ministries

We need more parishioners involved in the Liturgy as Acolytes, Altar Servers, Readers and Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist.

Any parishioners are welcome to put forward their name and once we have volunteers we will run a course of preparation for that Ministry.

Please see the sheet on the back table, fill it in and place in the CENSUS BOX.

4. Parish Envelope System

Parishioners who support the Parish by giving in the Parish Envelope System and seek a tax deduction for their giving, we have been informed that the tax deduction for FY 19/20 is 30%.

This percentage goes to our supporting our school and its needs where the Sydney Catholic Schools does not allocate monies and so, it would come out of the school budget.

I thank parishioners who take up the envelopes and all parishioners who are happy to forego the tax deduction.



5. Pizza/Salad Night: Saturday 17th August

As mentioned in last weewkends bulletin, the parish community is invited to come together for the next Pizza/Salad night following the Saturday Vigil Mass.

Timings are: 6.30pm onwards.

On the table outside are sign-up sheets to indicate your interest in attending on the 17th August.

Parishioners have commented in the past that the price is too cheap!

So, Volare Pizza gives us a good deal (and I thank them for their support!) as we all look to these functions as a money raising event as a social coming together. Maybe we can put funds raised to a ride-on lawnmower.

The Pizza/Salad Night Prices are:

Adults: \$25.00 per person.

Kids: \$15 per person

Children under 5 years of age FREE

It is important we know the numbers of those attending for catering purposes.

Please begin paying from this weekend.

6. Planned Giving Receipts

Receipts for the Financial year are in a box on the table at the back of the Church, Please take yours home.

7. Fr Short

On the Clergy App that I receive each day it noted Fr Noel Short's priestly anniversary of his ordination.

He was ordained on 22 July 1967'

So, last Monday he celebrated 52 years of faithful service, spending 27 years of it here at Asutral. May God Bless him.

May God Bless you.

Fr Bob



CHURCH CLEANING ROSTER

29 July- 3 August

J Bartolo, J Camilleri,
M Camilleri,



5-10 August

L Lopez, L Simat,
Y Refalo

READERS ROSTER

27/28 July

Saturday Vigil: 5.30pm

Commentator: Natasha Steimbeisser

Readers:

Natasha Steimbeisser: 1st Reading

Marcelo Steimbeisser: 2nd Reading & Prayers of Faithful

Sunday: 7.30am

Commentator: James Gill

Readers:

James Gill: 1st Reading

Margaret Cvetko: 2nd Reading & Prayers of Faithful

Sunday: 9am

Commentator: Tessie Christophers

Readers:

Tessie Christophers: 1st Reading

Margaret DeVries: 2nd Reading & Prayers of Faithful

3/4 August (18th Sunday in Ordinary Time)

Saturday Vigil: 5.30pm

Commentator: Teresa Calarco

Readers:

Teresa Calarco: 1st Reading

Rita Zappia: 2nd Reading & Prayers of Faithful

Sunday: 7.30am

Commentator: Anne Violi

Readers:

Anne Violi: 1st Reading

Wendy Tourle: 2nd Reading & Prayers of Faithful

Sunday: 9am

Commentator: John-William Fisher

Readers:

John-William Fisher: 1st Reading

Nicole Hext: 2nd Reading & Prayers of Faithful



Extraordinary Minister of the Eucharist Roster

27/28 July

Saturday Vigil

Catherine Florio &
Bonnie Szafranski



Sunday 7.30am

Virginia Romeo & Margaret Pisani

Sunday 9am

Pam Ajkay & Margaret DeVries

3/4 August

Saturday Vigil

Victoria Bugeja & David Casha

Sunday 7.30am

Margaret Pisani & Pasqualina Catanzariti

Sunday 9am

Volunteer & Phil Gigliotti

ACOLYTES ROSTER

27/28 July

Saturday Vigil

Gerry Crescini

Sunday 7.30am

George Ajkay

Sunday 9am

Anthony Zanetic

3/4 August

Saturday Vigil

Gerry Crescini

Sunday 7.30am

George Ajkay

Sunday 9am

Anthony Zanetic

CHILDREN'S LITURGY

27 July

F Hockings & V Bugeja

3 August

Sarah & V Casha



9am Sunday

Volunteer: can you help?

NURSING HOME ROSTER

26 July

Mass

4 August

Frances & Faye

POPE FRANCIS COLUMN



Pope's Angelus Address: On Jesus' Visit to the Home of Martha and Mary

'Today's Gospel Reminds Us that Wisdom of Heart Lies Precisely in Being Able to Combine These Two Elements: Contemplation and Action.' JULY 21, 2019

Dear Brothers and Sisters, good morning!

In this Sunday's passage, the evangelist Luke narrates Jesus' visit to the home of Martha and Mary, Lazarus' sisters (Cf. Luke 10:38-42). They receive Him and Mary sits at His feet to listen to him. She leaves what she was doing to be close to Jesus; she doesn't want to miss any of His words. Everything is put aside when He comes to visit us in our life; His presence and word come before anything else. The Lord always surprises us: when we truly listen to Him, the clouds vanish, doubts cede the place to truth, fears to serenity, and the different situations of life find their right place. When the Lord comes, He always arranges things, also us.

In this scene of Mary of Bethany at Jesus' feet, Saint Luke shows the praying attitude of the believer, who is able to be in the Master's presence to listen to Him and to be in tune with Him. It's about pausing during the day, recollecting oneself in silence for a few minutes, to make room for the Lord who "passes" and to find the courage to stay somewhat "aside" with Him, to then return with more serenity and efficacy to the everyday things. Praising Mary's behaviour, who "chose the better part" (v. 42) Jesus seems to repeat to each one of us: "Don't let yourself be overwhelmed by the things you have to do, but listen first of all to the Lord's voice, to do well the tasks that life assigns to you."

Then there is the other sister, Martha. Saint Luke says that it was she who received Jesus (Cf. v. 38). Perhaps Martha was the older of the two sisters, we don't know, but this woman certainly had the charism of hospitality. In fact, while Mary was listening to Jesus, <Martha> was wholly taken up with many services. Therefore, Jesus says to her: "Martha, Martha, you are anxious and troubled about many things" (v. 41). With these words, He certainly doesn't intend to condemn the attitude of service but rather the breathlessness with which it is sometimes lived. We also share Saint Martha's concerns and, on her example, we try to have the sense of hospitality, of fraternity lived in our families and in our communities, so that each one can feel "at home," especially the little ones and the poor when they knock on the door. Therefore, today's Gospel reminds us that wisdom of heart lies precisely in being able to combine these two elements: contemplation and action. Martha and Mary show us the way. If we wish to relish life with joy, we must associate these two attitudes: on one hand, "to be at the feet" of Jesus, to listen to Him while the secret of every thing is revealed to us; on the other, to be solicitous and prompt in hospitality, when He passes and knocks on our door, with the face of a friend who is in need of a moment of respite and fraternity. This hospitality is needed.

May Mary Most Holy, Mother of the Church, give us the grace to love and serve God and our brothers with Martha's hands and Mary's heart because, remaining always listening to Christ, we can be architects of peace and hope.



School News



The Sacrament of Reconciliation

This year, baptised students who are in Year 2 will be able to make their First Reconciliation. If you wish for your child to receive this Sacrament, attendance will be required at Mass on Sundays as the Sacrament is organised and facilitated through the Parish. All enrolment forms and information will only be available through the Parish Masses. The programme begins shortly.

Behind the scenes at Lewisham for Night Patrol

An outreach opportunity for Parishioners to join staff and parents from the school once a term to travel to Lewisham as a group and assist at the Vinnies Van Services centre between 10am-1pm. We can grab a bite to eat at a local cafe or on our way back to school for pick up time. Lewisham is a larger centre than Liverpool and provides food for the Sydney van services. Activities we will be undertake on the day could include:

- Preparing sandwiches
- Cleaning of our vehicles (inside and out)
- Preparation of toiletry gift packs for those experiencing homelessness
- Sorting of donations
- The preparation of a salad or soup
- General cleaning and sorting.

We need a minimum of 3 and a maximum of 8 people to assist each day and unfortunately, because space

is limited at the centre, no toddlers are permitted.

The three dates remaining for this year are **Thursday 20 June, Tuesday 27 August and Tuesday 26 November.**

If you are interested in attending please email me at veronica.leva@syd.catholic.edu.au or call on 0416277334



WE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO HAVE DIED

In your love and concern, please pray for:-

Recently Deceased: Denise DeVries, Maria Caterina Campisi, Fr Michael O'Sullivan (former PP Mascot)

Anniversaries: Giulia Carra, Nata Mileto, Isidoro Bianchi

Also for:

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, Herb Herman, Michael Jasenko, Antoinette Grotto, John (Jock) Mikosic, Tomislav Juric, Fr David Coffey (Former Lecturer in the Seminary)



Catholic Weekly—Available \$2.00

- Hospitals push back: WA Catholic Health will resist WA Government Euthanasia plan.
- Love is grand: Couples celebrate marriage milestones.
- In His service: Priests celebrate jubilees of Ordination
- Chosen: Meet the 7 Deacons to be Ordained Priests next Saturday at the Cathedral
- Movie Review: The Lion King
- Victoria: The dying State

Parish Hall for Hire

The Parish Hall has had a make-over, as those who have worked in it can testify.

The room has been painted, splash tiles around the sink area, a new oven and the cupboards have been repaired.

Parishioners are welcome to hire the hall for family celebrations, baptism parties, wedding anniversaries and birthday parties for children up to age 10.

Teenage parties may be an issue so the parish will NOT hire out to these events.

The cost of hire is: \$450 plus a bond of \$100 that will be returned as long as the Hall is left clean & tidy with no damages.

Anyone interested in hiring the hall should contact the parish secretary for the rental agreement and the hirer's responsibility using the hall.

KID'S CORNER

Q. What happens when frogs park illegally?

A. They get Toad away.



BAPTISMS AT ST ANTHONY'S

We welcomed into our Faith-Community last weekend

Siena Rose Elizabeth Habib
(Child of Joseph & Melissa)

Jonah Lawless
(Child of David & Nicole)

Jacke Dean Byrnes
(Child of Dean & Lyndal)



"Of life and Love" Marriage Preparation Courses

The Catholic Archdiocese of Sydney is offering marriage preparation courses for engaged couples preparing for the Sacrament of marriage. Each course will be held over 3 consecutive Wednesdays. 2019 dates are: October 16, 23, 30.

To book online visit
<https://www.trybooking.com/ZWSU> or please contact us at LMFEvents@sydneycatholic.org

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.

Detention policy 'beyond a disgrace'

Published: 22 July 2019

Bishop Vincent Long OFM Conv. (Parramatta Diocese)

“As a bishop and a former boat person, I deplore the detention of our brothers and sisters on Nauru and Manus Island,” writes Parramatta Bishop Vincent Long OFM Conv. Source: Catholic Outlook.

This weekend marked the sixth anniversary of former Prime Minister Kevin Rudd’s announcement that no person seeking asylum by boat would ever be resettled in Australia.

Every single person arriving after that date was to be subjected to indefinite detention on Manus Island, PNG, or in the Republic of Nauru, under “processing” arrangements between the Australian Government and those Pacific states.

Six years on, roughly 800 refugees and people seeking asylum remain trapped on Manus Island and Nauru.

International agencies have been appalled by the conditions under which they live and the effects on their health, spirits and self-respect. Pope Francis, with whom the bishops of Australia discussed the refugee crisis at their recent Ad Limina visit in Rome, is also deeply concerned. The human costs on the detainees are mounting by the day. Already 12 young men have died over these past six years and many more have attempted self-harm out of utter despair.

As a bishop and a former boat person, I deplore the detention of our brothers and sisters on Nauru and Manus Island. While recognising the effort of the government to find a durable solution, I say with many fellow Australians that enough is enough. The harsh treatment of this relatively small number of people – most of whom have been proven genuine refugees – over the past six years is more than a shame, a disgrace, or something that we can say “not in our name” to.

We call on our government and political leaders to act in accordance with our honourable tradition and put an end to a deplorable situation. It is time to find an alternate and conscionable solution. It is time to bring them here or to New Zealand, which has offered a helping hand. Those refugees accepted for entry to the US could then migrate when their vetting processes are complete. The other refugees should then be able get on with their lives here in safety. Those who are not refugees can be held here in secure detention until they are returned home.

Using the Parish Toilets

A bin has been placed in the Ladies toilets for soiled nappies and sanitary napkins.

Please use the bags provided and the bin.

Please DO NOT throw them in the toilet, we have had to get the plumber out too many times, and this is a big cost to the parish.

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.

New guidelines for Church's response to the Sexual Abuse

Published: 18 July 2019

The national guidelines will be a focal point for the Church's work in keeping children and vulnerable adults safe.

The Church is developing new national policy guidelines to strengthen and standardise Church authorities' responses to historical and contemporary concerns and allegations of abuse of children and vulnerable adults. Source: ACBC Media Blog.

Archbishop Mark Coleridge, president of the Australian Catholic Bishops Conference, said the development of the guidelines is a critical step forward in the Church's ongoing response to the recommendations of the Royal Commission into Institutional Responses to Child Sexual Abuse.

"The bishops are following through on our commitments made last year, and having a consistent approach to the management of allegations of abuse of children and vulnerable people is central to our reforms," he explained.

The Implementation Advisory Group, set up in May 2018 to monitor and advise Catholic leaders on the Church's response to the Royal Commission's recommendations, is overseeing the development of the policy guidelines.

The guidelines will serve as a public commitment to integrity and accountability in responding to allegations of abuse. They will make clear the obligations of all Church authorities to respond with processes that are fair and effective, and which comply with all Australian laws.

The assessment and management of risk to children will remain paramount throughout the new national guidelines. Prioritising children's safety and wellbeing will ensure that Church authorities' responses to concerns or allegations effectively address existing risks and do not create further risk to children.

The guidelines will be considered in conjunction with the new National Catholic Safeguarding Standards, approved and launched by Catholic Professional Standards Ltd earlier this year.

"The national guidelines and the Safeguarding Standards will become two focal points for the Church's work in protecting children and vulnerable adults from abuse and ensuring survivors are at the centre of our response to allegations that arise," Archbishop Coleridge said.

The guidelines will address all forms of child abuse, including sexual, physical and psychological abuse, and neglect and maltreatment. The development of the guidelines will include extensive consultation, inviting abuse survivors and their supporters to participate.

"The lessons we have learned over more than 20 years and the best practice employed in other parts of the community will inform the new national guidelines," Archbishop Coleridge said.