

7/8 September 2019-Year C **Twenty Third Sunday in Ordinary Time**



treat Your servant in accord with Your merciful love. ST ANTHONY'S

Responsorial Psalm: In every age, O Lord. You have been our refuge.

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, Alleluia!

Let your face shine on your servant, and teach me your laws. Alleluia!

Communion Antiphon: Like the deer that yearns for running streams so my soul is yearning for You, my God; my soul is thirsting for God, the living God.

Dear Parishioners. We celebrate the 23rd 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.

1. What's to Hate?

In the Gospel Reading, Jesus recommends hatred—of your mother and father, of your wife (or husband), in fact, of your very life.

What's to hate about these people? How can Jesus say that unless you hate them, you can't be his disciple? Didn't Jesus command us to love our neighbours as ourselves? How can you hate your life if you love yourself? More was true to the Lord he loved and to himself.

Well, think of St. Thomas More. Henry VIII of England wanted his own marriage to his wife annulled so that he could marry another woman, Anne. (Anglicans and Catholics both have troublesome characters in their history!) When the Pope wouldn't agree to what Henry wanted. Henry declared himself supreme head of the Church in England. Thomas More was Chancellor of England then, and Henry wanted More to support him in all this. Henry wanted More to sign the Oath of Supremacy declaring Henry the Supreme Head of the Church in England.

More saw that Henry's passion for Anne was moving Henry to betray his wife and bring scandal on the Church. And more wouldn't support him. He wouldn't sign the Oath.

So More resigned his chancellorship and went home. But Henry pursued him. First, he stripped More of his income and property, and then he imprisoned him. More's wife was frantic. More's children were heartbroken. They thought that More's life hung in the balance, and they were riaht.

Couldn't More have just signed that Oath? His wife would have had him home. His children would have rejoiced at his return. He would have kept his property. He would have kept his life.

But he would have lost his life in keeping it. He would have betrayed the Lord he loved if he had signed that Oath.

So More lost all his possessions. He left his wife and children behind and went to prison. And, finally he went to his death, for love of the Lord. This is the kind of hatred of life and loved ones that the Lord is talking about. More loved his family and his life, but he let go of everything for love of Christ. Because he maintained his integrity and did not let Henry push him into evil. more was true to the Lord he loved and to himself. He could not have loved himself or his wife or his children or his neighbours better than he did.

2. The Eucharist-Christ's Presences

Last week, I wrote about the Eucharist and Catholic teaching and belief that at the consecration the Bread and Wine are changed into the very person of the Son of God, Jesus Christ.

Aristotle lived in the 4th Century BC (Before Christ) and he termed the word "transubstantiations." He believed that a substance could become another substance but the accidents would remain.

St Thomas Aquinas in the 13th Century writing about Christ present in the Eucharist took the Aristotle term "transubstantiation" to explain how Jesus becomes present to us in the Eucharist.

Remember Jesus at the last supper took the bread and said "This is My Body." He took chalice and said "This is My Blood".... Do this in memory of Me. St Thomas said that we explain how Jesus is present in the Eucharist by using Aristotle's term "transubstantiation."

The Bread and Wine, when the priest says the words over the Bread and Wine are changed into another substance namely the very person of Jesus Christ, the Son of God. But, St Thomas said, the "accidents" the bread/wine remain. So, that it looks like Bread and tastes like Wine, but they are changed into the person of Jesus who is our food for the journey to the Kingdom.

Protestants faiths believe it is symbolic, but Catholic faith and teaching proclaims it is NOT symbolic, but the very person of the Son of God.

If its just symbolic-we don't have to worry that the Eucharist is the "source and summit" of our Catholic faith. But it's Real, His Real Presence with us. In order to acknowledge Christ's presence I draw your attention to a couple of faith points:

- A. On entering the Church, we bless ourselves with Holy Water to be reminded we have entered into God's presence-Father, Son and Holy Spirit.
- B. Moving to the pew, we genuflect towards the Tabernacle ie the coloured veil gold box behind the Altar. The Eucharist is reserved there for our private prayer and to take Holy Communion to the sick or dying.
- C. We should bring ourselves to prayer in God's presence and NOT just sit down and talk to our neighbour. We wouldn't do it in front of the Queen and we have here Christ, the Second Person of God.
- D. Again, in receiving Holy Communion we should be reverent, and spend time in prayer, praise and thanksgiving for ourselves and those who are dear to us.
- E. We should genuflect on leaving our pew at the end of Mass.
- F. Coffee etc breaks the ONE hour fast, so I ask everyone to refrain from bringing coffee, biscuits etc to Church.
- G. We should all be models of faith to one another.

H. If we haven't celebrated the Sacrament of Reconciliation for sometime, it might be good in these times.



3. Parish Lawns

I thank Joe Vella for looking after the lawns for the community. It would still be wonderful if a couple more "dads" with ride-ons and trailer would assist. Please ring Cheryl if you can assist. 9606 0206.

4. Bishop Randazzo's Visit

Last Friday week, Bishop Randazzo made a visit to the parish and college.

I sought his visit as he is the Bishop responsible for this for this Western Deanery and Parish. I wanted him to see the development that is taking place in the parish and for the Church to focus on the parish and together Archdiocese and Parish begin to focus on a pastoral plan to Minister to the young families moving into the area.

After the tour, the Bishop visited St Anthony of Padua College and re-acquainted himself with the Principal, Staff and children he met in 2017 when he blessed the first building.

An official blessing for the school with Archbishop and dignitaries is planned for Friday 22nd November at this time.

5. Parish Office Hours

While I am away the office hours will be Tuesday and Thursday 8am to 3pm.

If anyone needs a priest please call Liverpool Parish

May God Bless you.

Fr Bob

CHURCH CLEANING ROSTER

9-14 September

L Pecotich, M Gimellaro, M DeVries, S Taoum, V Laferla



16-21 September

Volunteers

READERS ROSTER

7/8 September

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

Anne Violi: 2nd Reading & Prayers of Faithful

Sunday: 9am

Commentator: Frances Musso

Readers:

Frances Musso: 1st Reading

Mica Pace: 2nd Reading & Prayers of Faithful

14/15 September (24th) Sunday in Ordinary Time)

Saturday Vigil: 5.30pm

Commentator: Maja Simat

Readers:

Maja Simat: 1st Reading

Maja Slmat: 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: Maria Zucco

Readers:

Maria ZUcco: 1st Reading

Faye Palamara: 2nd Reading & Prayers of Faithful

Extraordinary Minister of the Eucharist Roster

7/8 September

Saturday Vigil

Rose Crescini & Volunteer



Virginia Romeo & Pasqualina Catanzariti

Sunday 9am

Ken O'Leary & Frances Musso

14/15 September

Saturday Vigil

Julie Dimech & Catherine Florio

Sunday 7.30am

Virginia Romeo & Pasqualine Catanzariti

Sunday 9am

Karen Power & Faye Palamara

ACOLYTES ROSTER

7/8 September 14/15 September

Saturday Vigil **Saturday Vigil** Gerry Crescini Gerry Crescini

Sunday 7.30am Sunday 7.30am George Ajkay George Ajkay

Sunday 9am Anthony Zanetic

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CHILDREN'S LITURGY

7 September

Rita & Chiara Moro

14 September Sarah & V Casha

9am Sunday

Nicole Hext & Michelle Falzon



NURSING HOME ROSTER

8 September

Frances & Faye

22 September Sister Rosa & Jayann



POPE FRANCIS COLUMN



Pope Francis Arrives in Mozambique

First Stop of Three-Nation Apostolic Journey, September 4-10, 2019

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Pope Francis arrived in Maputo, Mozambique, at 6:30 p.m. local time on September 4, 2019, the first stop on his three-nation African apostolic journey that will continue through the 10th.

The Holy Father was welcomed on a windswept tarmac by Mozambique's president, Filipe Jacinto Nyusi and his wife, Isaura Nyusi. Also on hand to provide a warm and rousing welcome were local religious and political dignitaries, bands, singers, dancers, and a large cheering crowd of the faithful.

Following the welcome ceremony, the pope proceeded to the nunciature for rest after the 10-hour flight from Rome. He will begin a vigorous schedule of meetings with political, social, and religious leaders in the morning — as well as gatherings with youth. The Holy Father's Sept. 4-10 visit to the 'three 'M's' of Mozambique, Madagascar, and Mauritius, marks the Pope's fourth visit to Africa, his second to Sub-Saharan Africa, and represent the Holy Father's attention to the peripheries and the poor. It also marks his 31st Apostolic Trip.

Each of these nations had been visited by St. Pope John Paul II during his pontificate. Yesterday, as is customary, Francis went to Rome's Basilica of Santa Maria Maggiore to entrust the trip to Our Lady's help and protection.



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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 date remaining for this year is Tuesday 26 November.

WE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO HAVE DIED

In your love and concern, please pray for:-

Recently Deceased: Chriss Smith

Anniversaries: Leonard Hoven.

Also for: All Souls, Special Intention.

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, Paul Galea, Herb Herman, Michael Jasenko, Antoinette Grotto, Tomislav Juric, Fr David Coffey (Former Lecturer in the Seminary), Doris Gauci.



Catholic Weekly—Available \$2.00

- Rally for Life. BE THERE!
- Monica Doumit: What religious freedom?
- Where are India's six million missing girls?
- Husband......and Priest
- Movie Review: The Peanut Butter Falcon
- From Islam to Christ

Please put \$2 in the poor box

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One Decade Rosary Booklets
Please feel free to take the Chain of Mary one
decade Rosary booklet and 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 the book provided on the table at the

back of the church and once a week Mass will be offered for you and your intentions.

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

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 repaird.

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.

"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 oe email: bereavementsupport@catholiccemetries.com.au

If you or a friend are in need of such support plaese ring and attend the session

<u>Sessions held:</u> Every Third Wednesday of the Month from 10am-1pm.

KID'S CORNER

Q. Why did the cookie go to hospital?

A. Because he feld crummy.



Parish Renewal Workshop Day with Sherry Weddell

World-renowned author of Forming Intentional Disciples, Sherry Weddell, will come to Sydney in September. Sherry will bring with her a wealth of knowledge and experience in the area of conversion, discipleship and transformation within parish life. Please come along to a Parish Renewal Workshop Day with Sherry Weddell on Saturday 7th September at Dooleys in Regents Park. Register online via http://www.sydneycatholic.org/forming-parishes-of-intentional-disciples/ Tickets are \$20.

Book Launch: Hidden in the Shadow of Love

Our Lady's Nurses for the Poor invites friends of Eileen O'Connor, Servant of God, to the office launch of the book: "Hidden in the Shadow of Love: The Story of Mother Theresa McLaughlin and our Lady's Nurses for the Poor" by Jocelyn Hedley. The book will be launched by Most Rev. Anthony Randazzo, Auxiliary Bishop of Sydney.

When: 11am Saturday 28 September

Where: Our Lady's Home, 35 Dudley St, Coogee

Followed by a light luncheon. RSVP by 13 September at olnp@ourladysnurses.org.au or call (02)

9665 6331

Jesuit Mission Indian Bazaar

Come and join in the fun and festivities at Jesuit Mission's annual Indian Bazaar on Saturday 14th September, 9am-5pm at St Ignatius' College, Riverview. There will be rides, stalls, auctions and more. The annual fundraiser supports Jesuit Mission's work in over 13 countries, empowering the most vulnerable people to transform their lives and build brighter futures. More details at https://jesuitmission.org.au/indian-bazaar/ https://www.facebook.com/events/926093744402699/

Using the Parish Toilets

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

Please use the bags provied 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.

Statement to be read during Child Protection Week 2019:

The Safeguarding and Ministerial Integrity Office of the Archdiocese of Sydney continuously strives to ensure the safety of children and young people is paramount. This Sunday marks the weeklong celebration of **National Child Protection Week**; the aim of this week is to engage members of our parish community in supporting and raising awareness of the protection of children. To celebrate this week the Safeguarding Office along with the children and young people of the Archdiocese of Sydney, have developed two fantastic resources, **The Caring Code Journey** and the **Behaviour Code for Young People.**

The Caring Code Journey is an interactive resource that mimics that well known snakes and chutes game. It attempts to demonstrate to children aged between 5 – 12 years of age that all actions, whether positive or challenging will always have a reaction that could affect themselves as well as others. This resources will allow children to engage in discussions with others about positive and challenging behaviours that may arise as well as the importance of developing positive friendships.

Ministry within the Church is about helping carry on the mission of Jesus, the **Behaviour Code for Young People** provides young people aged between 13-17 years of age who are participating in ministries within the Archdiocese, a list of the expected behaviours. It also provides young people and their parent/guardian with open and transparent steps and actions that a Youth Ministry Team Leader will follow if inappropriate behaviour is displayed in a effort to resolve a issue.

The Caring Code Journey and **The Behaviour Code** forms part of the Safeguarding Office's suite of child friendly documents and resources. Both these resources will be available in the church for anyone to have a look at and can also be accessed via the Archdiocese of Sydney Safeguarding Website.

I am proud to announce that our parish continuously supports the efforts of the Safeguarding Office to ensure that OUR parish environment is safe for children and young people.