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Sacramental Life

<u>Celebration of the Eucharist:</u> <u>Mass Schedule:</u>

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

By appointment at Presbytery

Anointing: Every 2 months - check bulletin for dates

Sick Calls: Any time - day/night.

<u>Funeral Masses:</u> In co-operation with Funeral Directors.

12/13 October 2019-Year C Twenty Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time



Entrance Antiphon: If You, O Lord, should mark iniquities, Lord, who could stand? But with You is found forgiveness, O God of Israel.

Responsorial Psalm: The Lord has revealed to the nations His saving power.

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, Alleluia!

For all things give thanks to God, because this is what He expects of you in Christ Jesus. Alleluia!

Communion Antiphon: The rich suffer want and go hungry, but those who seek the Lord lack no blessing.

Dear Parishioners, We celebrate the 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time

1. Our People

In the Gospel Reading, Jesus cleanses ten lepers, but only one of them turns back to thank Jesus. That one is a Samaritan.

Samaritans aren't really part of God's people. They were separated from God's people earlier in their history.

By loving the Samaritan leper and the Greek woman, the Lord found his own people everywhere.

In a different gospel reading (Matt.15:24; see also Mark 7:27), Jesus tells a Greek woman in Sidon, who persists in her requests for him to heal her daughter, that he was sent only to the lost sheep of Israel. Greeks are not part of God's people either; they are even more outsiders than Samaritans are.

But here is an odd thing to notice: Jesus does after all heal the daughter of the Greek woman. He cured the Samaritan leper too.

So was Jesus confused when he said he was sent only to the lost sheep of Israel? Or, if his job really is to minister only to his own people, then why did he give such powerful gifts of healing, such tender care, to the Samaritan leper and to the Greek woman? After all, they aren't part of his people. And he said he was sent only to the lost sheep of Israel.

The solution to this puzzle lies in the First Reading. Namaan, the leper who comes to Elisha, the Israelite prophet, to be healed, is a Syrian. Not only are Syrians not part of God's people; they are in fact among the enemies of God's people. They worship an alien God. But Elisha heals Namaan anyway.

And then look what happens. Namaan the leper asks if Elisha will give him some dirt to build an altar to Elisha's God. When Elisha healed him, Namaan became committed to the true God. He wants dirt from Israel for an altar so that he can worship the God of Israel when he goes home to Syria. So Namaan comes to Elisha as a Syrian, but he leaves Elisha as a worshiper of the Lord.

A similar point holds of the Samaritan leper, and even of the woman in Sidon. They each become one of Jesus' own, because of Jesus' care for them. Your faith has saved you, Jesus says to the Samaritan when he returns to Jesus. To the Greek woman in Sidon who won't leave him, Jesus says, "Great is your faith!" (Mt 15:28)

In doing a miracle for the Greek woman in Sidon, then, Jesus was in fact caring only for the lost sheep of Israel. By loving the Samaritan leper and the Greek woman, the Lord found his own people everywhere.

The lesson for us is clear, isn't it? Treat him with gentleness and care, and the person in front of you, hostile to all you hold dear, may in the end turn out to be one of the Lord's own people.

CHURCH CLEANING ROSTER

14-19 October V Casha, S Arcuri.

M Masini, M Cvetko



21-26 October

Matalena Patolo, Julianna.

Lila, Beka

READERS ROSTER

12/13 October

Saturday Vigil: 5.30pm Commentator: Rita Moro

Readers:

Rita Moro: 1st Reading

Julie Dimech: 2nd Reading & Prayers of Faithful

Sunday: 7.30am

Commentator: Margaret Cvetko

Readers:

Margaret Cvetko: 1st Reading

James Gill: 2nd Reading & Prayers of Faithful

Sunday: 9am

Commentator: Faye Palamara

Readers:

Faye Palamara: 1st Reading

Maria Zucco: 2nd Reading & Prayers of Faithful

19/20 October (29th Sunday in Ordinary Time)

Saturday Vigil: 5.30pm

Commentator: Marcelo Steimbeisser

Readers:

Marcelo Steimbeisser: 1st Reading

Natasha Steimbeisser: 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: Sam Sofi

Readers:

Sam Sofi: 1st Reading

Massimo Sofi: 2nd Reading & Prayers of Faithful



Extraordinary Minister of the Eucharist Roster

12/13 October

Saturday Vigil Rose Crescini & Volunteer

Sunday 7.30am Virginia Romeo & Pasqualine Catanzariti

Sunday 9am Karen Power & Faye Palamara

19/20 October

Saturday Vigil Catherine Florio & Bonnie Szafranski

Sunday 7.30am Virginia Romeo & Pasqualina Catanzariti

Sunday 9am Pam Ajkay & Margaret De Vries

ACOLYTES ROSTER

12/13 October 19/20 October

Saturday Vigil Saturday Vigil Gerry Crescini Gerry Crescini

Sunday 7.30am Sunday 7.30am George Ajkay George Aikay

Sunday 9am Sunday 9am Anthony Zanetic **Anthony Zanetic**

CHILDREN'S LITURGY

12 October School Holidays

19 October Suzanne Sanchez & R Micallef

9am Sunday School Holidays

NURSING HOME ROSTER

20 October Santina & Lina

8 November Mass



Church Cross

Anyone noticing a cherry picker at the Church over the last week, will hopefully have also seen that the Church Cross has been cleaned and is looking like new.

Thanks to Frank Jorfino for his hard work.

NOVEMBER IS THE MONTH OF HOLY SOULS

"November is the month of the Holy Souls. It's a time for us to pray for our dead that they may be loosed of their sins and enjoy life with God. The Book of Maccabees in the Old Testament reminds us: "that it is a holy and wholesome thought to pray for our dead that they may be loosed from their sins."

Many today die perhaps not in fully God's love and so Purgatory is a cleansing in order for them to attain life with God. By having Mass offered we assist loved ones to be cleansed of sin and so enter Heaven. November Mass envelopes can be found on the pews and on the back table.

The Archdiocese stipulates that Masses during November the offering is \$20 per envelope for Masses offered for the intention of those whose names are mentioned in the November envelopes.

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**.

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: Alicia O'Leary

Anniversaries: Tony Macri, Vincenzo Mammone, Josephine & George Casha, William Christophers

Also for: All Souls, Vince & Caterina Mammone, Domenico & Francesca Zappia

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

Ken O'Leary, 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, Romeo San Jose & Veronica Sese.



7 October 2019

APPOINTMENT OF MOST REV. ANTHONY RANDAZZO AS NEW BISHOP OF BROKEN BAY

I offer my sincere congratulations to Bishop Anthony Randazzo on his appointment by the Holy Father, Pope Francis, as the fourth Bishop of the Diocese of Broken Bay and pay tribute to him for his enormous contribution to our Archdiocese since he was appointed an Auxiliary Bishop in 2016.

Bishop Randazzo has earned the respect and affection of the people and priests of the Archdiocese of Sydney, especially those in the western region for which he has been responsible.

As the Episcopal Vicar for Formation, he has contributed much to the initial formation of our seminarians and the ongoing formation of our priests. As Chair of the Board of Sydney Catholic Schools, he has contributed to the governance of schools that serve thousands of young people and their families.

On a personal note, I am deeply grateful to have had Bishop Randazzo as my close collaborator in Sydney over the past three years. I have been enriched by his counsel and inspired by his love of God and God's people. While the Archdiocese of Sydney will be sad to see him leave, we are pleased that he will not be moving far, and look forward to continuing working with him in service of the people of our region.

Bishop Randazzo is a young, energetic Bishop with a faith-filled vision for the future. He also brings to his new task broad experience as a parish priest, canonist, seminary rector and bishop. He will now shepherd a flock of over 200,000 Catholics across Sydney's north shore, northern beaches and the Central Coast. The Diocese of Broken Bay is truly blessed to receive him as their new Bishop.

He goes with the love and prayers of the priests and people of Sydney.

Most Rev. Anthony Fisher OP, DD BA LIB BTheol DPhil Archbishop of Sydney

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