

14/15 November 2020  
33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time



**Entrance Antiphon:** The Lord said: I think thoughts of peace and not of affliction. You will call upon me, and I will answer you, and I will lead back your captives from every place.

**Responsorial Psalm:** Happy are those who fear the Lord.

**Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia!**

Live in me and let me live in you, says the Lord: my branches bear much fruit. **Alleluia.**

**Communion Antiphon:** To be near God in my happiness, to place my hope in God the Lord.

**Dear Parishioners,  
We Celebrate the thirty-third Sunday of the Church Year.**

1. The Parable of the Talents, a longer version of today's Gospel story, Jesus tells us that living our lives is a great adventure. A big part of a human life lies in discovering what gifts and talents we have, and using them as best we can. Jesus also says that God really has no use for the closed mind.

The parable tells us that God gives people different gifts. One man received five talents, another two, another one. But it is not a person's talent that matters; what matters is how the person uses the talent. God does not ask us to use abilities we do not have, but God does demand that we use to the fullest the abilities we each possess. People are not equal in talent: we have to accept that. But we can be equal in effort. Whatever talents we do possess, be they little or great, they are to be used in the service of God and of our fellow human beings.

The parable tells that the reward of work well done is still more work to do. The two servants who had done well are not told to rest on their laurels because they have done well. They are given greater tasks and greater responsibilities in the work of the master, in the master's kingdom.

The parable tells that the man who is punished is the one who will not try. The man with the one talent did not lose his talent, he simply did nothing with it. Even if he had adventured something with his gift, it would have been better than doing nothing. It is always a temptation for us to say "I have such a small talent that I can do nothing with it; it is not worth trying for all the contribution I can make." God's condemnation, so the parable tells us, is for the person who will not use his gifts well, not even for the common good.



**ST ANTHONY'S  
PARISH CHURCH**  
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**Sacramental Life**

**Celebration of the Eucharist:**

**Mass Schedule:**

Saturday Vigils: 4.30pm & 5.30pm  
(Includes Children's Liturgy during  
School Term)

Sunday - 7.30am & 9am

(Includes Children's Liturgy during  
School Term)

Thursday- Communion Service  
9am

Masses: Tuesday - 7.30am

Wednesday - 7.30am

Friday - 7.30am Mass

**Reconciliation: Saturday**

3.45 pm - 4.15 pm

**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.

## **2. From the Priest's Desk**

### **Remembrance Day Mass**

Thanks to all who helped organise the maiden Remembrance Mass. We hope to include this in our parish annual event.

### **First Holy Communion Dates**

Please continue to pray for our children who will be receiving Jesus Christ in the form of Bread (and wine) for the very first time over the weekends of 22 and 29 November. There will be four additional masses over those weekends strictly for our Holy Communion candidates and their families—to prevent the COVID-19 spread



### **3. Direct Debit via Giving Point Tap**

Due to the COVID virus, the Archdiocese has asked that parishes include a Donation Point Tap device for use by parishioners who are not carrying cash.

Many young families do not carry much cash nowadays, but use credit cards and so, this is a further reason to introduce "The Donation Point Tap." The device is set at \$5.00, so that the \$5 will be allocated to the Collections.

If parishioners wish to give above this amount they either "tap again" or use the collection plate as it passes by.

Parishioners wishing to claim a Tax Deduction for their giving will need to take up a set of Parish Envelopes and support the community through the envelope system.

### **4. It is Safe to Attend Mass**

I encourage all parishioners to make an effort to attend Mass every couple of weeks.

Parishioners are very responsible in caring for one another when attending Mass.

The process of entering the Church is:

1. Use the hand-sanitizer on the wall.
2. Mark your name off on the sheet on the table giving your mobile/contact number.
3. Take a wipe to wipe the front/back/seat of the pew at the end of Mass.
4. In coming to Holy Communion all parishioners are asked to be 1.5metres apart from each other
5. The Archbishop and NSW Health is encouraging church goers to wear a mask while at Mass
6. At every Mass, we pray for a vaccine
7. We have a COVID Safe Plan that can be found on the website

## **5. Wearing of Masks**

NSW Health and the Archbishop are encouraging parishioners to continue to wear masks while attending weekend or weekday Masses. We are reminded regarding social-distancing as we approach the altar for receiving the Eucharist. Please keep the 1.5 metre rule as you approach the Minister to receive the Eucharist.

## **6. Columban Calendars**

The Columban Calendar is a work of the Columban Fathers and is a fundraiser for their missions, especially in South America.

The Calendar has a page a month and a religious painting for each month. It indicates Feast Days and Sundays. I recommend it to you. Please leave monies on the plate next to the calendars. Still only \$10.00

## **7. Sacrament of Reconciliation**

Some families have not returned due to illness or worries about COVID.

Again, I encourage those families to streamline Mass either from St Mary's Cathedral at 10.30am Sunday or Wollongong at 9.30am on Sundays. In this way the family or individual is giving time to God and their own spiritual life. But, TV Mass is not the answer to attending the community and joining in Sunday worship in hearing the Word of God and then, encountering Jesus in Eucharist.

If families or family members have become lazy due to being away from worship then, before receiving the Eucharist in good conscience they should go to the Sacrament of Reconciliation before receiving the Eucharist.

## **8. Booking for Mass**

Due to families in Year 3 at the College booking in to attend weekend Mass as they begin their preparation for their First Holy Communion, parishioners are asked to ring Natalie, the Parish Secretary, on Tuesday or Thursday when she is in the office to book a Mass.

Parishioners are reminded that not booking may mean that I will not be able to admit you into the Church, if the Church has reached its maximum number.. Please do call or email if you can or cannot attend mass. If you are booked weekly you remain on the list. However if you are booked fortnightly you will still need to call or email. If you come every week and you handwrite your name on the form please contact me and I will permanently leave it on the list unless notified of your non-attendance.

## 10 November Envelopes

As we move to November, the month of the Holy Souls, we remember our deceased loved ones. There are November envelopes in the Planned Giving boxes and on the back table. Please put the envelope with your offering and put in the collection plate or give to the priest, Fr Kene.

## 11. Charitable Works Fund

November 2020—Appeal

The Charitable Works Fund Appeal will be happening this weekend and we need your help. Your donation will help those most vulnerable in Sydney including our local Aboriginal community, as well as single mothers facing homelessness, people struggling with mental health issues and many others.

### **IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER**

- Saturday 21 November  
The Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary
- Sunday 22 November  
Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe.  
First Holy Communion Groups 1 and 2



May God Bless

Fr Kene



### **WE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO HAVE DIED**

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

**Recently Deceased:** Antonia Romeo, Sylvia Wells,

**Anniversaries:** Abella Family, Maria Camilleri, Domenico Zappia ,

**Also for:** Franco Mosca All Souls., Guiseppe Catenea

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

Ian & Shirley Farrell, Ken O'Leary, Paul Farnsworth, Marie Gough, Michael Jasenko, Tomislav Juric, James Dimech, Jean Poles, Hane Abe Rached, Rhodora Man-on, Anastacio Swing, Irene

**We request that all Priests of our Parishes display the Safeguarding notice below in all future parish bulletins.**

A message from the Archdiocese of Sydney:

Child sexual abuse is a crime. The appropriate people to deal with crimes are the police. If you, or anyone you know, have been abused, please contact the police. Alternatively, you can contact the Safeguarding and Ministerial Integrity Office at **(02) 9390 5810** or **[safeguardingenquiries@sydneycatholic.org](mailto:safeguardingenquiries@sydneycatholic.org)**.

You may also want to speak to your Parish Priest who will be able to provide support and guidance. The Archdiocese has a legal obligation to report crimes to the police.

## CHURCH CLEANING ROSTER

### 16-21 November

J Bartolo, J Camilleri,  
M Camilleri

### 23-28 November

L Simat, Y Refalo



## READERS ROSTER

### 14/15 November (33rd Sunday)

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

Commentator: David Casha

Readers:

David Casha: 1st Reading

Veronica Casha : 2nd Reading & Prayers of Faithful

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

Commentator: Patrick O'Neill

Readers:

Patrick O'Neill: 1st Reading

Linda Katsibras: 2nd Reading & Prayers of Faithful

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

Commentator: Volunteer

Readers:

Volunteer: 1st Reading

Volunteer :: 2nd Reading & Prayers of Faithful

### 21/22 November

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

Commentator: Margaret De Vries

Readers:

Margaret De Vries : 1st Reading

Julie Dimech : 2nd Reading & Prayers of Faithful

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

Commentator: Margaret Cvetko

Readers:

Margaret Cvetko 1st Reading

Pasqualina Catanzariti: 2nd Reading & Prayers of the Faithful

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

Commentator: Frances Musso

Readers:

Frances Musso: 1st Reading



## Extraordinary Minister of the Eucharist Roster



### 14-15 November

#### **Saturday Vigil**

Victoria Bugeja & David Casha

#### **Sunday 7.30am**

Virginia Romeo & Pasqualina Catanzariti

#### **Sunday 9am**

Faye Palamara & Karen Power

### 21-22 November

#### **Saturday Vigil**

Veronica & Sarah Casha

#### **Sunday 7.30am**

Virginia Romeo & Pasqualina Catanzariti

#### **Sunday 9am**

Pam Ajkay & Frances Musso

## ACOLYTES ROSTER

### 7/8 November

#### **Saturday Vigil**

Gerry Crescini

#### **Sunday 7.30am**

George Ajkay

#### **Sunday 9am**

Anthony Zanetic

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Gerry Crescini

#### **Sunday 7.30am**

George Ajkay

#### **Sunday 9am**

Anthony Zanetic

## CHILDREN'S LITURGY



**ON HOLD DUE TO COVID 19**

## NURSING HOME ROSTER

### November

TBA

### December

TBA



## Catholic Weekly—Available \$2.00

- Standing up for freedom: Archbishop goes into bat with NSW law
- Hope after French Basilica killings
- The rise and rise of the Liberal Arts
- Keeping an eye on lay movements
- Movie review: *The Witches*
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- Gay disciples: Saluting them with courage

## BAPTISMS AT ST ANTHONY'S

We welcomed into our Faith-Community  
This last week

Lara Rose Genova  
(Daughter of Frank and Nicolina)

Kingston Simon Farrugia  
(Son of Simon and Renee)



Dear Fr Kene Onwukwe

The Life, Marriage and Family Team would like to personally thank you for hosting the pilgrim statue of Our Lady Help of Christians at your parish as part of the inaugural Family Rosary Pilgrimage during the past month of October.

We launched the Family Rosary Pilgrimage not only because October is the month of the Holy Rosary, but especially because back in May, in the midst of the COVID-19 restrictions, Archbishop Anthony reconsecrated the Archdiocese of Sydney to Our Lady Help of Christians, Patroness of Australia. We also knew that COVID-19 had placed financial and emotional stress upon individuals and families and wanted something significant to bring families and parishes together under Our Lady's protection.

We were very much impressed and inspired by the wonderful participation of the faithful that we witnessed at all 31 parishes that hosted the statue. We know that through her intercession Our Lady Help of Christians will obtain many more graces for your parish and all the families who came to venerate her. No doubt she already has!

You will be happy to learn that the Archdiocesan Family Rosary Pilgrimage will take place again through the month of October 2021, so please do let us know if you would like to be involved once again.

As the Life, Marriage and Family Team we have thoroughly enjoyed collaborating with your parish in this venture and would certainly welcome the opportunity to work with you again, specifically with regards to building a parish culture of affirming marriage, men's ministry, and developing leadership capacity for the Inaugural Sydney March for Life to be held in 2021.

If you are interested in doing so please feel free to contact us on the numbers below

Thanks again and God bless,

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