



**13-14 August 2022**  
**20th Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
**Year C**



**ST ANTHONY OF  
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**Sacramental Life**

**Celebration of the Eucharist:**

**Mass Schedule:**

Saturday Vigils: 5pm  
 Sunday - 7.30am, 9am & 5pm  
 Masses: Tuesday, Wednesday,  
 Thursday and - Friday 9.00am

**Reconciliation: Saturday**  
 4.15pm—4.45pm

**Baptisms & Marriages:**

By appointment at Presbytery  
**Anointing:** 3rd Wednesday of  
 the month after the 9am mass.

**Sick Calls:** Any time - day/night.

**Funeral Masses:** In Co-operation  
 with Funeral Directors.

**Entrance Antiphon:** Turn your eyes, O God, our shield; and look on the face of your anointed one; one day within your courts is better than a thousand elsewhere.

**Responsorial Psalm:** Lord, come to my aid!

**Gospel Acclamation:** Alleluia, alleluia! My sheep listen to my voice, says the Lord; I know them, and they follow me. Alleluia

**Communion Antiphon:** With the Lord there is mercy; in him is plentiful redemption.

**Dear Parishioners**  
**Today we celebrate the**  
**20th Sunday in Ordinary Time**



In the [Gospel](#) Reading, Jesus says that he has come to set the world on fire. This fire, he says, will destroy peace. It will produce divisions even within a family. Is this nice? Is this loving? Aren't we supposed to live in peace with everybody? How can Jesus say he came on purpose to set things on fire? Well, what is peace anyway?

**If you love the Lord's goodness and your neighbour's, then you will hate the evil your neighbour is doing.**

Peace is a kind of order and unity, isn't it? We have peace with other people when we are at one with each other—and when our oneness unites us around goodness. That last condition matters. A mother who is at one with her toddler because she does everything, he wants does not have peace. She just has capitulation to his baby will, and her knuckling under to him might be very destructive to him. Peace results only when she and her toddler at one with each other in what is good for both, for her as mother and for him as baby.

And, of course, the same point applies to adults. If you hear your neighbour's wife screaming because he is beating her, then there is no peace in your trying to be at one with him. If you try to see things from the point of view of that wife-beater and just accept what he is doing, you are not at peace with him. You are just complicit in his crime. Even if you only try not to get involved, turning up the TV louder so you can't hear her cries, you are not at peace with him. You are only conniving at his evil and adding your own cowardice to the list of your sins.

So there is no peace for you in your failure to confront a wrongdoer. And notice that your failure to confront him doesn't result in peace for him either. We have it on the authority of scripture that there is no peace for the wicked. ([Isaiah 48:22](#), [57:21](#))

So if you hear your neighbour beating his wife, call 911, or grab your baseball bat and go next door. Do what it takes to stop him. If you love the Lord's goodness and your neighbour's, then you will hate the evil your neighbour is doing.

So be on fire for goodness. Our God is a consuming fire of love, and there is peace for us only if we are at one with him in that fire.

## 1. Feast of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary



The Assumption is a holy day of obligation in the Church calendar. Our Parish will be holding two masses on Monday 15<sup>th</sup> August 2022. The morning mass will be shared with the College and will commence at 9.15am. The evening mass will commence at 6.30pm.

## 2. Happy Anniversary

Congratulations to Fr Kene who celebrates his 19<sup>th</sup> year anniversary since he entered the Priesthood. He was ordained on 16 August, 2003 for the Archdiocese of Onitsha – Nigeria. God bless Fr Kene.

We also congratulate and bless Fr Bob who celebrates his 50-year anniversary on 26<sup>th</sup> August. Well done Fr Bob.

## 3. Anointing of the sick Mass

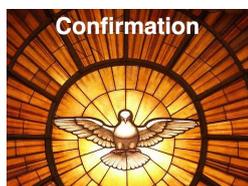
Please be reminded that this mass is celebrated every 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of the month during the 9am Mass. Please join us for our next mass this Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> August 2022.

## 4. The Sacristy and Electricals

Our church Sacristy is too small to contain even a few numbers of people who must use it at a given time. Could I ask that if you do not have important need to go in there, especially when the priest, Acolytes and Altar servers (with their parent/s vesting them) are getting ready for Mass, please do not go in. Same goes for electronic gadgets and electricals in the church. They are sophisticatedly wired and a little misapplication can disrupt the whole system. We have just bought a new Audio/ Video electronic Mixer to replace the old one that became faulty due to mishandling. If you do not know how to operate them and you need any of it for your ministry, please contact us for a short training. Thanks for understanding.

## 5. Confirmation

Our Parish will celebrate the sacrament of Confirmation on Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> August 2022 at 11am. Please keep all children and their families preparing for this sacrament in your prayers.



## 6. Safeguarding Workshop

It is an Archdiocesan requirement that certain ministries in the church require a current Working with Children check and Safeguarding Certificate. Some of those ministries include lectors, acolytes, and children's liturgy. Please note that every six months a current and updated list needs to be sent to the Archdiocese by our Parish. If you have not completed a safeguarding workshop either, online or in person, you must do so to continue to assist in our Church. For those who require a refresher course in safeguarding, that course may be completed online. Contact the Parish office for the link or any further information. Please ensure all documents are up to date given that the new reading and acolyte roster will be sent out this week. Our priority is to keep our Parish safe.

## 7. Volunteers for our Church

Is there any role or ministry you can be of help in the parish? We are always looking for volunteers in our Church from cleaners, florists, setting the church up for events to readers. Further, if you are interested in becoming an acolyte, reader, choir member, altar server or Eucharistic Minister please contact the Parish office.

## 8. Church in Need Australia

ACN is the Pontifical Foundation dedicated to supporting the suffering and persecuted Church. In areas of crisis, churches are often destroyed by violence. Where the faith is growing new churches are needed. ACN supports the reconstruction in these areas because a church is the centre of the life of faith and even the smallest chapel provides people with hope and a spiritual home. Can you help build churches to support the faithful throughout the world? Visit: [www.aidtochurch.org/construction](http://www.aidtochurch.org/construction)

## 9. Silence in the Church

Allow five minutes before Mass in the church to be a time of silence and quiet reflection in preparation for the celebration of the Eucharist. No group prayer at this time and, at all times, no noise in the church.

## 10. St Vincent de Paul

If you are interested in volunteering at the College in preparing sandwiches for the St Vincent de Paul night patrol please contact the Parish office who can assist. Your time in assisting those in need will be appreciated.

## 11. CWF August Parish Appeal - Thank You



On behalf of this Parish, we sincerely thank you for supporting the Charitable Works Fund (CWF) August Appeal. Through your generous gift, we are able to continue in our mission to provide care for the most vulnerable in our community through our CWF agencies and ministers, and to promote the good works of our faith in our seminaries, schools and universities. For more information, please visit [www.ourfaithourworks.org/cwf](http://www.ourfaithourworks.org/cwf). More envelopes are on the table at the back of the church if you wish to donate.

## 12. Parking

Please reserve the parking in the church yard for the elderly seniors who find it difficult to walk a long distance from their car to the church. You may use the street parking on Eleventh Avenue or the carpark between the church and the hall. You may drop off anyone but please reserve the green grass parking area for the seniors of the church.



## 13. Caritas Australia - Africa Food Crisis

Drought and conflict in the Horn of Africa have left over 18 million people facing severe hunger. Four consecutive failed rainy seasons have devastated the crops of millions across the region. **We must act now and Make Hunger History.** Your generous donation means our partners in countries like Ethiopia, Kenya, Somalia, South Sudan and Eritrea can respond quickly to support vulnerable communities during this crisis. Visit [www.caritas.org.au/food-crisis](http://www.caritas.org.au/food-crisis) or call 1800 024 413 toll free to donate now.

## 14. Church Noticeboard

As you enter the church, our Noticeboard has many items some of which may interest you. Please take the time to look at the noticeboard next time you are at Mass.

God Bless,

Fr Kene Onwukwe

## Dates to Remember

**Monday 15th August 2022**— The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary—Solemnity

**Tuesday 16th August 2022**— St Stephen of Hungary—Optional Memorial

**Friday 19th August 2022**—St John Eudes, optional memorial

**Saturday 20th August 2022**—St Bernard—Memorial

## Events in the Parish

- Every Thursday **Legion of Mary** after the 9am mass
- Third Wednesday of the month after the 9am mass **Anointing of the Sick**. The next service will be held this Wednesday 17th August 2022

## Baptisms in our Parish

### Welcome to our Faith-Community



- Lucas Hayden Pagett, Son of Hayden and Victoria
- Vincent Vo, Son of David and Sarah Jane
- Joanne Monica Sofi, Son of Mathew and Nina
- Jamie Eleuterio Sanchez, Son of John and Sandy

## ARISE, GO IN HASTE!

WYD 1 Year Out Info Night

WITH FR ROB GALEA

SAT 20TH AUGUST

5:30 - 9:00PM SOUTHERN CROSS CATHOLIC COLLEGE

REGISTER HERE TO ATTEND



LIVE MUSIC | FOOD TRUCKS | TESTIMONY | CATECHESIS | ADORATION | WYD INFO



## WE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO HAVE DIED OR ARE IN NEED OUR PRAYERS

In your love and concern, please pray for:-

**Recently Deceased:** Renato San Jose, Francesco Pace, Leone Pace, Maria Reale

### **Anniversaries:**

Michael Sammut, Giuseppina, Polsia and Domencio Carbone, Jose de Abrey, Mary Grace Gatt, Mary Vella, Guiseppe Sicilano, Vera-Angela Najdek, Eduardo San Jose Jr, Petra San Jose, Mary Low, Angela Polistina, Jessie Curmi, Denise De Vries, Michelina Inzitari, Carmel Ferraro, Giulia and Caterina Caria, Nata Mileto, Cosimo Caccamo, Vincenzo Scundi, Caterina Armeni, Pasquale Scundi,

### **Also for:**

The good intentions of The Gauci and Cauchi Families, Catherine and Laurie Tumor, Domenico Polistina, Gesu (Jesi) Lustri, The Dimech Family

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

Herbet Herrman, Marija Rados, Saint Lucia, Doris and Joe Gauci, Fr Noel Short, Shirley Farrell, Ken O'Leary, Paul Farnsworth, Michael Jasenko, Tomislav Juric, Jean Poles, Hanee Abe Rached, Rhodora Manon, Anastacio Swing, Irene Norris, Natalie Biro, Carmela Garzaniti, Rene D'Silva, Mrs Mary Vella, Lena Xerri, Charito San Jose, Flossy Lobo, Peter Domazet, Linda and Family; Romeo San Jose

### **A Message from the Archdiocese of Sydney**

Child sexual abuse is a crime. The appropriate people to deal with the 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** 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.



**This week's edition of The Catholic Weekly  
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- Five more for the vineyard.
- Scott Hahn. Don't lose heart. Get going!
- Seventy years married
- Women in the church
- Movie review: *DB Cooper: Where Are You?*
- Who's a priest? You are!

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