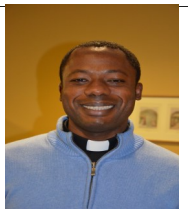




## 22-23 October 2022 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time



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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:** Let the hearts that seek the Lord rejoice; turn to the Lord and his strength; constantly seek his face.

**Responsorial Psalm:** The Lord hears the cry of the poor.

**Gospel Acclamation:** Alleluia, alleluia! God was in Christ, to reconcile the world to himself; and the Good News of reconciliation he has entrusted to us. Alleluia!

**Communion Antiphon:** We will ring out our joy at your saving help and exult in the name of our God.

**Dear Parishioners**

**Today we celebrate the  
30th Sunday in Ordinary Time**



The reading from the Book of Sirach is a discourse on both the impartiality of God and the prayer of those in need. Sirach contends that God hears the cry of the oppressed, those who are the victims of wrong-doing. The oppressed cry out; the orphan wails; the widow complains, and God yields to their requests. These are all people for whom there seems to be little redress. It is almost as if God is bound to respond positively to them. As a covenant partner, God is accountable for them, especially when other covenant partners disregard their own responsibilities. Sirach assures these forlorn people that their entreaties will not go unheeded. The responsorial psalm is less a prayer than an instruction. Its content teaches that the righteous will be blessed and the wicked will be punished. The contrast between the just and the wicked is clearly drawn. Besides being identified as servants of the Lord, the righteous are also referred to as the lowly, the brokenhearted, and the crushed in spirit, all indications of great suffering. Their cries for help will be heard and God will provide them with what they need. The fortunes of the wicked will be just the reverse. The face of the Lord will be set against them and they will experience God's hostility in the worst possible way. Remembrance of them will be wiped out. Paul is aware of the fact that his days are numbered, that his death is imminent. He uses moving imagery to characterise it: He is being poured out like sacrificial blood; His death is a kind of leave-taking associated with sailors who weigh anchor or soldiers who break camp. Paul has completed a demanding tour of service and is now preparing to return home. Finally, as in an athletic competition, he has competed well; he has finished the race; he now awaits the crown of victory. Because God is trustworthy, Paul is confident that God will preserve him from anything that might threaten his spiritual well being and prevent him from being led safely into the kingdom of heaven. The story of the Pharisee and the tax collector is an example of divine reversal. It shows that judgment is based on self-assessment not on the evaluation of another. The Pharisee is a model of religious observance. His description of himself is probably accurate, and his negative estimation of the tax collector may be accurate as well. The tax collector does not deny possible involvement in offensive practices. In fact, his prayer for mercy seems to be an admission of his guilt. The tax collector prayed for mercy, and his prayer was answered. The Pharisee asked for nothing, and received nothing. The saying at the end is the final judgment. The men's lives may have been the reverse of each other, but the judgment of Jesus exposes the real reversal.

*Author: Dianne Bergant CSA*

## 2. Pray for the victims of the Flood

Australia is still battling with natural disasters and many families have been affected by floods as a result of incessant rain these past few weeks. We urge our parishioners traveling at this time to please plan their trip carefully and allow for extra travel time and make safe choices. Check the Radio news and the forecast to know the weather condition of the area you live in and the road condition of the places you will travel.

And most importantly, remember all those who may have been affected in the recent flooding in your prayers. We pray for God's intervention and through the intercession of St. Mary of the Cross Mackillop and Our Lady of Rosary, that God may give us nice weather.

Please stay vigilant and monitor conditions.

## 3. RCIA

The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) has commenced with the information evening last Wednesday. The program holds every Wednesday at 4 pm and goes for about 90 mins for each session.

You can still join the program to learn about your faith or be in full communion with the Catholic church. Celebration and reception of sacraments for the candidates will be during the Lenten season and Easter next year. If you are still interested to join, please ring the parish office. Thanks to Wendy Tourle for accepting to lead in this program.

## 4. October – the month of Mary

In this month of October, please be reminded that the rosary is prayed from 8.30 am (before the 9 am mass) on Tuesdays through to Fridays and on Saturdays from 4:30 pm.

Another Rosary prayer is conducted every Monday in the St. Anthony's Parish Hall from 10 am. The prayer begins with the Chaplet of Divine Mercy, then followed by the Rosary, a Gospel reflection, and concludes with the Angelus. All are welcome.

## 5. Christmas Carols – Holy Spirit Saturday 3 December 2022

The Parish of Holy Spirit, Carnes Hill will be hosting a Christmas Carol Concert and they have invited all the local parishes to join them. If you would like to be part of this concert, either as a performer or volunteer, you are invited to attend a meeting held in at the Holy Spirit Church this **Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> October at 6.30pm**. Please contact our Parish office if you would like any further information.

## 6. St Francis of Assisi – Blessing of the Animals

Thank you to everyone who attended and assisted in the blessing of our pets. We hope that you had a lovely morning.



## 7. Columbian Calendars

We have received a few more 2023 calendars for those who missed out. Please pay \$10 in the envelopes provided and place the envelope in the poor box. Thank you for your support.

## 8. All Saints' Day

We will celebrate mass with the College children from 9.15 am on Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> November 2022. All are welcome.

## 9. All Soul's Day

Our Church will celebrate All Souls' Day on Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> November 2022 at 9 am and again at 6.30 pm. All are welcome.

## 10. Parking

Please reserve the parking in the churchyard 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.

## 11. Remembrance Mass

There will be a remembrance Mass for all our deceased loved ones especially those who died in the last 12 months, on Friday 11 November at 7 pm. We ask that if you would like the name of anyone who has passed away in the last 12 months read out, please contact the Parish Office or send an email to advise us of their names. However, everyone is invited to come to this mass and join in praying for their deceased loved ones. Bring with you anything personal of your deceased loved one(s) to place at the altar. All are welcome.

## 12. November Book of Remembrance

At the back of the church, the Mass of the Holy Soul envelopes are now available for any intentions which will be written into the November Book of Remembrance. The book will be placed on the altar for prayers and masses to be offered to our departed loved ones throughout the month of November.

## 13. Advent Program

The Advent Program commences on Tuesday, 22 November in the parish hall. This program helps you prepare ahead of time, with regard to listening and reflecting on the coming weekend's gospel reading, and with the opportunity to pray for those that need our prayers. All are welcome. Thank you to Roweena Richard for accepting to lead the program.

## 14. Suggestion Box

We remind all parishioners that our Suggestion box is still available. This serves as a platform for your concern, suggestion, input, and support in parish affairs. Please include your details for authenticity and to ensure the response is duly dispatched.

## 15. Anointing of the sick Mass

Please be reminded that this mass is celebrated every 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of the month at 9 am Mass. Please join us for our next mass on Wednesday 16 November 2022.

**God Bless**



**Fr Kene Onwukwe**

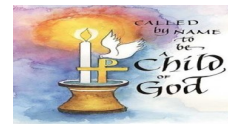
### **Dates to Remember**

*Monday 24th October —St Anthony Claret, Bishop—Optional Memorial*  
*Friday 28th October—Sts Simon and Jude—Feast*

### **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 on Wednesday 16th November 2022.*
- ***Young Children's Prayer Group** Every 2nd Saturday of the month. The next prayer group will be held on Saturday 12th November 2022 in the Parish Hall at 4pm. All children are welcome*

**Baptisms in our Parish**  
**Welcome to our Faith Community**



- *Charlie Anthony Lawrence Salem  
Son of Matthew and Lorraine*
- *Amalia Esperanza Loyola-Azocar  
Daughter of Nelson and Nataly*
- *Scarlett Scalici  
Daughter of Vincent and Belinda*
- *Olivia Jade McDonald  
Daughter of Aaron and Ewelina*
- *Lucas James Symons  
Son of Matthew and Chantelle*

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

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

**Recently Deceased:** Michael Gauci, Faffaele Flavo, Luigi Casato, Brendan McGlone, Dawn Olsson, Guiseppe Santarosa,

**Anniversaries:**

William Christophers, Emmanuel Tabone, Joseph Jasenko, Franca and Rocco Romeo Antonio Chiappolone, Antonio Pisano, Cathy and Gesu Colagiuri, Josip Kontrec, Maria Iergiani, Caterina Gerardis, Nancy Potenza, Fillipo Musso

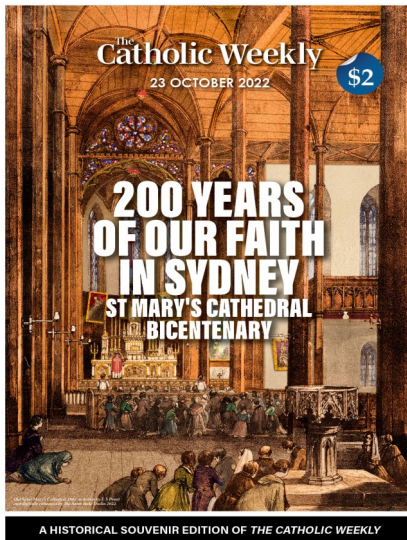
**Also for:**

Annunziata Zappacosta, James Dimech, Elena Gugitti, Antonio Trimarchi, Emanuel and Femia Gatt, Gesu (Jesi) Lustrì

**We remember those who are sick in the community that the Lord will be their comforter and healer as we pray for:** Anna Giordano, Claudio Ribeiro, 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](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.



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**Congratulations**

We congratulate and bless Joe and Maria Polito, parishioners of our Parish. This weekend they celebrate their 50<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary.

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