

## PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL

*Presider:* Jesus has told us that true love of God is shown by our compassion and understanding for our neighbour. We pray to our enduring God for the grace to fulfil this commandment.

*Reader:* For our Church and our community of Paddington, Edgecliff and Double Bay.

**All: May we be a place of welcome and a community of support for all our neighbours.**

*Reader:* For those who lead in our world.

**All: May they secure the good of those they serve without prejudice.**

*Reader:* God Ever-New, send your creative spirit upon leaders of the Church.

**All: May renewal in the Church encourage young people to be leaders who live the Good News.**

*Reader:* For those parts of our nation that are still in drought.

**All: May the rains fall freely on their fields.**

*Reader:* For all seafarers, women and men who work on the oceans, far from land and their homes.

**All: May they be blessed with strength and comfort and return safely to their homes and families.**

*Reader:* For our who have died.

**All: May they experience the peace of the Risen Christ, the 'first to be born from the dead'.**

*Presider:* Let us pray together.

**All: Caring and Compassionate God, hear our prayers and give us eyes of faith to see all people as our brothers and our sisters and open hearts to welcome them all as your children.**

**We make this prayer through Christ our Lord.**



**Information Session  
Thursday 1st August, 5:30pm**

The sacrament of Confirmation will be celebrated at St Francis Paddington on Thursday, 5th September. Candidates should be in Year 6 or above and need to have celebrated First Reconciliation & First Holy Communion prior to their Confirmation.

All candidates (accompanied by at least one parent/guardian) are required to attend an information session on Thursday, 1st August in the St Francis of Assisi Church at Paddington. For more information or to obtain an enrolment form please contact Ruth at the Parish Office on 9331-4043 or visit the parish website at [www.stfrancis-stjoseph.com/confirmation/](http://www.stfrancis-stjoseph.com/confirmation/)

Enrolment forms due by Friday 26th July.

**Our faith community demands that the Christian Churches including the Catholic Church provide full and meaningful reparation for those who have suffered clerical and institutional sexual abuse.**



Parish newsletter of the communities of St Francis of Assisi Paddington, St Joseph Edgecliff and the 8:45am Mass at Double Bay  
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Sunday 14 July 2019 : 15th Sunday in Ordinary Time



This weekend our community is truly blessed to be able to celebrate the 60TH Anniversary of Priestly Ordination of Most Rev Austen Crapp OFM, CBE (pictured right) and Fr Allan Hartcher OFM (pictured left). Together they have given over 120 years of service to the Church in Australia and Papua New Guinea. As a young ordained friar I had the good fortune of having being mentored by Allan in the Parish of St Clare in Narellan Vale, which just beyond Campbelltown. He taught me the way of pastoral care in the Franciscan Spirit. Bishop Austen has shared his life with the people of Papua New Guinea. Two men of great faith and action. *Fr Paul*

**Austen and Allan will celebrate the 10am Mass at St Francis of Assisi Church. If you are present at this mass please feel free to join us for refreshments in the Parish Meeting Room.**



## PARISH NOTICES

### PLANNED GIVING ENVELOPES

**Don't forget to collect your Planned Giving envelopes from the table in the church. If you attend mass at the Uniting Church chapel in Double Bay, call the parish office and we'll arrange for them to be taken to the Sunday mass for you to collect. If you would like to join our Planned Giving program for the FY2020 year please contact Ruth at the Parish Office.**

### SPIRITUALITY IN THE PUB

Wed. 7 August 2019. 7.30 - 9pm at the PADDINGTON RSL CLUB 220-232 Oxford St, Paddington, opposite the Town Hall. Topic: "Sharing the Journey - towards the end of life". Speakers: Dr Margaret Somerville, Professor of Ethics at Notre Dame University & Nicholas Eddy, Principal Lawyer at Nicholas Eddy. Donation entry. Info Marea: 0414 873 910.

### CHILDREN'S LITURGY— WE NEED YOUR HELP

We need leaders to join the roster for our Children's Liturgy program (term time only). Leaders run one or two sessions per term. If you can help please call Ruth at the Parish Office to discuss.

### END OF FINANCIAL YEAR RECEIPTS

Thank you for your generosity through the financial year. EOFY receipts will be sent at the end of July for your contributions to Planned Giving, the Charitable Works Fund and Project Compassion through the year.

### EDGECLIFF KEYS

Do you currently have a key to St Joseph at Edgecliff. Please contact Ruth at the Parish Office to register your key. If you are no longer using your key could you please return this to the office?

### UPCOMING DEVOTIONS, GROUPS AND MEETINGS

**St Francis' Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Succour:** 5:00pm every Saturday prior to the Vigil Mass.

**St Joseph's Rosary Group:** 7.30am and 5.00pm weekdays.

**St Joseph's First Thursday Adoration:** Next: 1 August at 5pm followed by Mass at 5.30pm in the church at Edgecliff.

**Lectio Divina:** A meditative reading of the Scripture. 7pm Wednesdays in the Parish Hall at Edgecliff.

**Christian Meditation:** Saturday 10:30am Saturday at the St Francis Parish Meeting Room.

## A REPORT ON COMMISSIONER ROBERT FITZGERALD'S VISIT TO OUR COMMUNITY

Just over a hundred people gathered on Friday July 5th to hear Robert Fitzgerald speak about his Catholic Faith after the Royal Commission. "The truth has now been revealed by those who suffered the most" Commissioner Fitzgerald said, reminding that this is continually where Pope Francis tells us to focus our attention. To favour the weak, the poor and the dispossessed.

He reminded us that by first facing the evidence of what has unfolded, part of the reform is very simple. He argued that our genuine challenge as church is to live Gospel values. Pointing to the upcoming Australian Plenary Conference in 2020, he argued that we can reform the church even within the current canon law. He argued we must work with our bishops constructively to achieve this.

He finally asked a question concerning genuine reform: "Do we have the energy to pull this off"? The event was organised by our new "Repair My House" Faith and Action group, convened by Rebecca Davies. Rebecca can be contacted on [daviesra@ozemail.com.au](mailto:daviesra@ozemail.com.au)



**Repair My House** is the parish Faith & Action group who come together to discuss how, as a community, respond to all forms of abuse where the God Given value and dignity of the individual has been violated.

**"Francis, go repair my house, which, as you see, is falling into ruin"** were Christ's words to the young St. Francis as he was praying in the crumbling little church of San Damiano outside the walls of Assisi

## OTHER NOTICES

### FORGOTTEN – RIVERSIDE THEATRE – 23 to 27 JULY

CEDP CAPTIVATE Presents, *Forgotten*, a new play by Cate Whittaker. Based on the 1827 rebellion at the Parramatta Female Factory Prison this is the story of the women who while incarcerated there fought bravely for their rights. CAPTIVATE is part of the Catholic Education Office and this production features high school students, leading teachers and ACU students and CAPTIVATE alumni.

To book or for more information visit the Riverside website: [riversideparramatta.com.au/show/forgotten/](http://riversideparramatta.com.au/show/forgotten/)



## WELCOME

New to the parish? Please come and meet one of the Parish Team after mass and take home one of our Welcome Packs to find out more about your new community. Welcome Packs are available at the church entrance.

## OUR PARISH

**Paul Ghanem ofm** - Parish Priest  
**Piotr Rzcudlo ofm & Francisco Basnayake ofm** - Assistant Priests  
**Pax Scarf ofm, Phillip Miscamble ofm, David Leary ofm, Joseph Lu ofm** - Friars in residence  
**Ruth Rawlinson** - Parish Manager  
**Tanith Bryce & Dean Thill** - Cantor & Organist, Edgecliff  
**Noel Debieu & Bransby Byrne** - Music Dir. & Organist Paddington  
**Nicole Smelders** - Cantor Paddington  
**Emma-Gai Gold** - Safeguarding Support Officer  
**Nicole Hudson** - Principal, St Francis of Assisi Primary School

## WEEKLY SERVICES AND SACRAMENTS

### St Joseph, Edgecliff

**Sunday:** 7:30am, 11:00am & 5:30pm  
8:45am at Double Bay

**Monday:** 7:00am

**Tuesday:** 7:00am Communion Service  
5:30pm

**Wednesday:** 5:30pm

**Thursday:** 5:30pm

**Friday:** 7:00am

**Baptisms:** First Sunday of the month at 12.00 noon

### St Francis of Assisi, Paddington

**Saturday:** 5:30pm

**Sunday:** 8:30am & 10:00am

**Monday:** 9:00am

**Tuesday:** 9:00am Communion Service

**Wednesday:** 9:00am

**Thursday:** 9:00am

**Friday:** 9:00am

**Baptisms:** Third Sunday of the month at 11.30am

## 2019 SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM

**Confirmation** - Thursday, 5 September at 6:00pm

Enrolment now open. For prerequisites, more information and to download the application form please visit our website or contact Ruth at the Parish Office. Applications close July 26.

## A MESSAGE FROM THE ARCHDIOCESE OF SYDNEY

Abuse is a crime. The appropriate people to deal with a crime are the police. If you, or anyone you know, have been abused, contact the police. You can also contact the *Safeguarding & Ministerial Integrity Office*: 93905810 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.

**We remember those in need of our prayers: our deceased, those in hospital, nursing homes, the homebound and defence force personnel.**

**Recently Deceased:** Frances Furlong, Ivan Shearer, Esme See, Clarence Anderson, Domingo Cabautan, Rebecca Gallagher, Peter O'Brien, Paul Irvin, John Scott, Guida Nolasco, John Coulson, Veronica Henderson, Rebecca Newman, Pat Kerr, Phillip Gay, Michael Donovan, Mrs Cass, Rosemary Farmer.

**Mass Intentions:** Jerry Austin, Frances Dillon, Janjan Zerrudo, Joy Abadiand, Rene Zerrudo, Elizabeth & Nerio Salledo, Tico Family, Lucia Gania, Joshua Dia, Josephina Galan, Christine Singh, Ron Daniels, Virginnia Ross, Blossom Hooper, Charlie & Eddy Piper, Tino Ordonez, Vince & Marie Toohey, David Saw, Liam O'Brien, Nita & Domenic Casamento, John & Jeanette Rawlinson, Catherine & Cherrie, Dezma Malouf, Odette Malouf, Malouf & Dickson Families, Francisco Correa, Genevieve Scarf, Finbarr O'Farrell, Peter Meagher, Molly Odillo Maher, Len Destro, Beth Constance, Daniel O'Connell, Herminia Hernandez, Margaret Austin, Janice Hui, Carmen Bellanto, Edward Kiernan, Richard Szewczyk, Avery & Roche Family, Joseph, Holy Souls.



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**Our faith community acknowledges and pays respect to the Traditional Owners of the Land on which we worship, the Gadigal people of the Eora Nation.**

your soul, with all your strength, and with all your mind, and your neighbour as yourself.' 'You have answered right,' said Jesus, 'do this and life is yours'.

But the man was anxious to justify himself and said to Jesus, 'And who is my neighbour?' Jesus replied, 'A man was once on his way down from Jerusalem to Jericho and fell into the hands of brigands; they took all he had, beat him and then made off, leaving him half dead. Now a priest happened to be travelling down the same road, but when he saw the man, he passed by on the other side. In the same way a Levite who came to the place saw him, and passed by on the other side. But a Samaritan traveller who came upon him was moved with compassion when he saw him. He went up and bandaged his wounds, pouring oil and wine on them. He then lifted him on to his own mount, carried him to the inn and looked after him. Next day, he took out two denarii and handed them to the innkeeper. "Look after him," he said "and on my way back I will make good any extra expense you have." Which of these three, do you think, proved himself a neighbour to the man who fell into brigands' hands?' 'The one, who took pity on him', he replied. Jesus said to him, 'Go, and do the same yourself'.

The Gospel of the Lord.

R. Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

#### HOMILY

PROFESSION OF FAITH APOSTLES' CREED  
Or the Nicene Creed may be said.

I believe in God, / the Father almighty, / Creator of heaven and earth, / and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, / who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, / born of the Virgin Mary, / suffered under Pontius Pilate, / was crucified, died and was buried; / he descended into hell; / on the third day he rose again from the dead; / he ascended into heaven, / and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty; / from there he will come to judge the living and the dead. / I believe in the Holy Spirit, / the holy catholic Church, / the communion of saints, / the forgiveness of sins, / the resurrection of the body, / and life everlasting. Amen.

#### PRAYER OF THE FAITHFUL

#### LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

After the priest raises the paten with the bread and prays, and then the chalice, we respond to each prayer:

R. Blessed be God for ever.

P. Pray, brethren (brothers and sisters), that my sacrifice and yours may be acceptable to God, the almighty Father.

R. May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands for the praise and glory of his name, for our good and the good of all his holy Church.

#### PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

P. Look upon the offerings of the Church, O Lord, as she makes her prayer to you,

and grant that, when consumed by those who believe, they may bring ever greater holiness.

Through Christ our Lord.

R. Amen.

#### THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

P. The Lord be with you.

R. And with your spirit.

P. Lift up your hearts.

R. We lift them up to the Lord.

P. Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

R. It is right and just.

#### PREFACE I-VIII OF THE SUNDAYS IN ORDINARY TIME

After the Preface, we sing or say:

All: Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of hosts, Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

#### THE MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION

P. The mystery of faith.

All: When we eat this Bread and drink this Cup,

we proclaim your Death, O Lord, until you come again.

#### COMMUNION RITE

P. At the Saviour's command and formed by divine teaching, we dare to say:

All: Our Father, who art in heaven . . .

P. Deliver us, Lord, we pray . . .

All: For the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours now and for ever.

P. Lord Jesus Christ, who said . . .

R. Amen.

P. The peace of the Lord be with you always.

R. And with your spirit.

P. Let us offer each other the sign of peace.

All exchange a sign of peace.

#### LAMB OF GOD

All: Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, grant us peace.

#### INVITATION TO COMMUNION

P. Behold the Lamb of God, behold him who takes away the sins of the world. Blessed are those called to the supper of the Lamb.

R. Lord, I am not worthy that you should enter under my roof, but only say the word and my soul shall be healed.

#### COMMUNION ANTIPHON

 cf. Ps 83:4-5

The sparrow finds a home, and the swallow a nest for her young; by your altars, O Lord of hosts, my King and my God.

Blessed are they who dwell in your house, for ever singing your praise.

#### PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

P. Having consumed these gifts, we pray, O Lord, that, by our participation in this

mystery, its saving effects upon us may grow. Through Christ our Lord.

R. Amen.

#### THE CONCLUDING RITES

P. The Lord be with you.

R. And with your spirit.

P. May almighty God bless you, the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit.

R. Amen.

P. Go forth, the Mass is ended.

R. Thanks be to God.

#### REFLECTIONS ON THE GOSPEL

##### REMOVING THE LABEL

Centuries of familiarity with the phrase 'Good Samaritan' have dulled us to the shock involved in putting together the two terms – 'good' and 'Samaritan' – in the time of Jesus. For Jews at that time Samaritans were not 'good' but 'bad' (see John 4:9). Equivalents today would be 'good terrorist' or 'good people smuggler'. So we can ask, as Jesus tells the parable, what would his Jewish audience have expected when they learn that the third traveller on the road is a Samaritan? Surely in contrast to the priest and Levite, he won't just pass by. He'll see if there are any more valuables to rob and perhaps finish the man off once and for all!

But, surprise! surprise! when this alien approaches the wounded man, it is not to injure or exploit him but to exercise practical compassion in a most extreme degree.

The Samaritan does not see a conventional ethnic label – 'Jew' – hanging round his neck but simply a fellow human being in need of help. His 'goodness' smashes through the label that we so readily put upon the stranger as a way of coping with difference.

Before urging any action, the parable challenges *attitude* and *vision*. How do I see another person? Do I see primarily an ethnic, cultural, social or occupational tag? Or do I penetrate through all these surface things and see a fellow human being who needs me to be neighbour?

The Samaritan is exemplary ('good') not only in what he does, but, before that, in the way he sees other people, sees through the label.

BRENDAN BYRNE, SJ

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# OUR SUNDAY CELEBRATION

## FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME / C

14 JULY 2019

TO WHOM CAN I BE A NEIGHBOUR? The command to love our neighbour is as broad as our definition of the word 'neighbour'. Are the people living next door the only ones we consider to be our neighbours? Do we include people in neighbouring streets, towns, or countries, and people of other faiths? Jesus answers these questions by telling the story of the Good Samaritan. As we hear this story we realise that the key question is never, 'who is my neighbour?', rather, 'to whom can I be a neighbour?'

#### INTRODUCTORY RITES

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON cf. Ps 16:15

As for me, in justice I shall behold your face; I shall be filled with the vision of your glory.

#### GREETING

P. In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

R. Amen.

P. The Lord be with you.

R. And with your spirit.

#### PENITENTIAL ACT

P. Brethren (brothers and sisters), let us acknowledge our sins, and so prepare ourselves to celebrate the sacred mysteries.

P. Lord Jesus, you have revealed yourself as the way to the Father: Lord, have mercy.

R. Lord, have mercy.

P. You have poured out on your people the Spirit of truth: Christ, have mercy.

R. Christ, have mercy.

P. You are the Good Shepherd, leading us to eternal life: Lord, have mercy.

R. Lord, have mercy.

P. May almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us our sins, and bring us to everlasting life.

R. Amen.

#### GLORIA

Glory to God in the highest, / and on earth peace to people of good will. / We praise you, / we bless you, / we adore you, / we glorify you, / we give you thanks for your great glory, / Lord God, heavenly King, / O God, almighty Father. / Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son, / Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, / you take away the sins of the world, / have mercy on us; / you take away the sins of the world, / receive our prayer; / you are seated at the right hand of the Father, / have mercy on us. / For you alone are the Holy One, / you alone are the Lord, / you alone are the Most High, / Jesus Christ, / with the Holy Spirit, / in the glory of God the Father. / Amen.

#### COLLECT

P. O God, who show the light of your truth to those who go astray, so that they may return to the right path, give all who for the faith they profess are accounted Christians the grace

to reject whatever is contrary to the name of Christ and to strive after all that does it honour. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

R. Amen.

#### LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING Deut 30:10-14

A reading from the book of Deuteronomy  
Let the instruction of the Lord God be near you.

Moses said to the people: 'Obey the voice of the Lord your God, keeping those commandments and laws of his that are written in the Book of this Law, and you shall return to the Lord your God with all your heart and soul.

'For this Law that I enjoin on you today is not beyond your strength or beyond your reach. It is not in heaven, so that you need to wonder, "Who will go up to heaven for us and bring it down to us, so that we may hear it and keep it?" Nor is it beyond the seas, so that you need to wonder, "Who will cross the seas for us and bring it back to us, so that we may hear it and keep it?" No, the Word is very near to you, it is in your mouth and in your heart for your observance.'

The word of the Lord.

R. Thanks be to God.

#### RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps 68:14, 17, 30-31, 33-34, 36-37. R. cf. v. 33

R. Turn to the Lord in your need, and you will live.

1. This is my prayer to you, / my prayer for your favour. / In your great love, answer me, O God, / with your help that never fails: Lord, answer, for your love is kind; / in your compassion, turn towards me. R.

2. As for me in my poverty and pain / let your help, O God, lift me up. / I will praise God's name with a song; / I will glorify him with thanksgiving. R.

3. The poor when they see it will be glad / and God-seeking hearts will revive; / for the Lord listens to the needy / and does not spurn his servants in their chains. R.

4. For God will bring help to Zion / and rebuild the cities of Judah. / The sons of his servants shall inherit it; / those who love his name shall dwell there. R.



#### SECOND READING

Col 1:15-20

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Colossians

All things were created through him and for him.

Christ Jesus is the image of the unseen God and the first-born of all creation,

for in him were created

all things in heaven and on earth:

everything visible and everything invisible, Thrones, Dominations, Sovereignities, Powers –

all things were created through him and for him.

Before anything was created, he existed, and he holds all things in unity.

Now the Church is his body, he is its head.

As he is the Beginning,

he was first to be born from the dead,

so that he should be first in every way;

because God wanted all perfection to be found in him

and all things to be reconciled through him and for him,

everything in heaven and everything on earth, when he made peace

by his death on the cross.

The word of the Lord.

R. Thanks be to God.

#### GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

cf. Jn 6:63,68

Alleluia, alleluia! Your words, Lord, are spirit and life; you have the words of everlasting life. Alleluia!

#### GOSPEL

Lk 10:25-37

P. The Lord be with you.

R. And with your spirit.

P. A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke.

R. Glory to you, O Lord.

Who is my neighbour?

There was a lawyer who, to disconcert Jesus, stood up and said to him, 'Master, what must I do to inherit eternal life?' He said to him, 'What is written in the law? What do you read there?' He replied, 'You must love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all