

PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL

Presider: The Word of God is food for the journey and we are strengthened by its teaching. We now turn to God for what we need in the church and in the community.

Reader: For an attitude of thankfulness.

All: May we like Naaman the leper, be thankful to God for the gift of our lives; and like him may our lives be measured by lives of service in the name of our God.

Reader: For the Australian Church, as we prepare for the 2020 Plenary Council.

All: May you bless and unite all your people in Australia and guide us on the pilgrim way of the Plenary Council.

Reader: For tolerance in our society.

All: May we practice gospel values to those on the margins of society, and may we never forget that those whom society rejected were accepted by Jesus who beckons us to live his way.

Reader: For those parts of our country experiencing drought and other natural disasters.

All: May we be of support in prayer and action.

Reader: Lord of Compassion, you inspired St Francis of Assisi to be your instrument of peace.

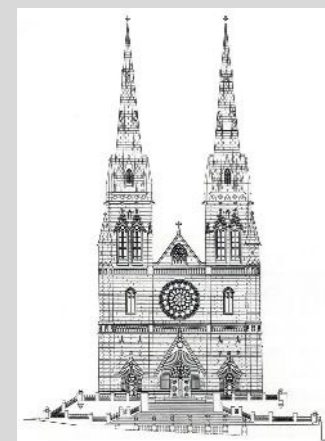
All: Inspire young women and men to consider becoming sisters, nuns, brothers or priests.

Reader: For those who have died.

All: May they rise with Christ to newness of life.

Presider: Let us pray together.

All: God of compassion, we trust that you are close to us and that you know our needs. We seek your blessings upon the good that we do, and your healing on all that afflicts us. We ask this through Christ our Lord, Amen.



St Mary's Cathedral is Recruiting For New Volunteers

If you have a love of history and architecture, these passions can be brought to life by becoming a St Mary's Cathedral Volunteer Tour Guide. St Mary's Cathedral welcomes thousands of visitors on a daily basis, and Volunteer Tour Guides play an important role in helping visitor groups and tourists to explore the largest Cathedral in the Southern hemisphere.

All are welcome to apply, as previous experience is not required. Tour guide training and induction will be provided. If you are interested, please contact the Special Liturgies Officer via email jennifer.foo@stmaryscathedral.org.au or phone 02 9220 0453.



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 13 October 2019 : 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C

Today, the 13th of October is the anniversary of the final apparition of the Blessed Virgin Mary in Fatima Portugal. Our Blessed Mother appeared 6 times to 3 shepherd children - Lucia, Francisco, and Jacinta between May 13 and October 13, 1917. Mary came with a message from God to every person to pray for conversion. As a great sign from God, a marvelous miracle was worked in the sky above Fatima on October 13, 1917. On that date, 70,000 people saw a phenomenal miracle of the dancing sun. All could stare perfectly at the sun without blinking, or even hurting their eyes. While all were watching the sun, it rotated, got large and small, got close to the people, and got far away from them. Every single person who was there testified to seeing the sun dance, even non-believers who immediately dropped onto their knees and prayed. So, the message of Fatima is simple: Pray. And let us pray for our country Australia and its leaders. **Fr Francisco**

The Parish Office no longer has a fax number. Other than sending an email why not pop in and say g'day.

BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS

Owing to maintenance work in the St Francis Social Services building there will be no Blessing of the Animals this year. Know, however, that you are welcome to bring your pet for a blessings at any time.

LECTIO DIVINA

There is no Lectio Divina for the month of October. It will resume in the first week of November.]

FRANCISCAN SPIRITUALITY

Franciscan Spirituality & 12 Steps Programme from Richard Rohr's 'BREATHING UNDER WATER' Dialogue facilitated by Colleen O'Byrne of St Francis of Assisi Church at St Francis of Assisi Seculars Holy Spirit Fraternity Gathering on Wednesday 23 October 2019
All interested are welcome to join us at 7pm Mass at Star of the Sea Friary 45 Victoria St Waverley 2024 followed at 8pm by Dialogue at Charles Borromeo Centre 45A Victoria Street Waverley.
RSVP timothyofs@gmail.com or text 0435 013 733 by 21 October

ARCHDIOCESAN SOCIAL JUSTICE GATHERING

Making it Real Genuine Human Encounter in Our Digital World
Come and join us for our last Social Justice Gathering of the year. We will have speakers on a variety of topics related to the 2019-20 Social Justice Statement, 'Making it Real Genuine Human Encounter in our Digital World'. Speakers will talk about risks posed by social media and digital technologies as well as a general overview of Catholic Social Teaching. We will also have copies of the Statement and practical resources to take home with you. Our full line-up of speakers will be announced shortly! Lunch and refreshments throughout the day. All welcome.

WHEN: Saturday 19th October 2019, 10:30 for 11:00am-3:30pm
WHERE: St Columba's Parish Hall, 213 Elswick St, Leichhardt North
COST: Free. RSVP: jpoinfo@sydneycatholic.org or call 9307 8465

LOOKING FOR SUPPORT?

Counselling can support you and your family to face life's challenges. Our caring team provide affordable services for individuals, couples and families. Call CCareline on 13 18 19

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: 7 November at 5:00pm followed by Mass at 5:30pm in the church at Edgecliff.

Lectio Divina: A meditative reading of the Scripture, 6:00pm Thursdays in the Parish Hall at Edgecliff.

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

A MESSAGE FROM RUTH AT THE PARISH OFFICE

I want to share with you some notices from a great charity I have been involved with through my (other/home) Parish at Peakhurst.

After my mum passed away I was at a great loss, I'd spent most of my time for the prior few years caring for her and suddenly life felt very empty (I think many can relate to this feeling). One of the things that really helped me through this period was my parish and being able to volunteer with causes my parish community was involved with. This wasn't just a way to fill the time, it was also a way to experience the good and the love that is God at work in the world in a tangible way.

One of the charities I began to volunteer for is **One Meal**. One Meal provides meals to people experiencing poverty and homelessness throughout Sydney. It is about providing both food and an opportunity for connection, for people to come and share a meal together. One Meal also provides care packages for those in need such as breakfast packs, toiletries, blankets, coats etc. You can read more about this great charity at <http://onemeal.org.au/>.

Please see below two messages from my friend Emma at One Meal regarding help needed for the service they operate at Green Park, opposite St Vincent's hospital:

ONE MEAL – IT MAKES A DIFFERENCE

Can you spare an hour or two every eight weeks?

We are a charity that operates across Sydney providing hot nutritious meals to the homeless and those doing it tough. We currently run a service every Saturday night at 7pm from Green Park, opposite St Vincent's hospital. Volunteers are co-ordinated by team leaders to cook food at home and bring it to service to feed our patrons. We are currently in need of more generous volunteers to continue to provide this greatly needed service to our community. If you would like to help out or would like some more information, please contact Emma on 0418451276 or emma.williams75@bigpond.com

CARSPACE OR GARAGE NEEDED FOR ONE MEAL VAN

One Meal City Service was very fortunate to have a van donated to us last month. This allows us to transport food, supplies and equipment such as an urn to and from service. We also use the van to carry items such as sleeping bags, blankets and breakfast packs to distribute to our patrons who are sleeping rough.

Now... we need a car space or garage to store the van between services. We're also hoping a permanent home for our van will allow us to expand our city service.

If you have or know of anyone or any business who may have a space to give our van a permanent home somewhere relatively close to our Green Park Service we would LOVE to hear from you. Contact Emma: 0418451276 or emma.williams75@bigpond.com



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 Rzcudloff 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 Deben & Bransby Byrne - Music Dir. & Organist Paddington
Nicole Smeulders - 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

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. 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: Marta Castro-Deramond, Joe Perry, Robert Burns, Irma Soto, Jan Harper, Anthony Andrew Bolger, Jacintha Stephens, Lilliane Dubourdieu, Elsie Begley, Bernard Hanlon, Sibylla Madigan, Patricia Anne Richmond, Patricia Brennan, Ryszard Szewczyk, John Matthews, Kathleen Cronin, Bill Murphy, Valerie Jaeger Green RSC, Andreas Georgiou, Jerry Austin, Joan Yu, Jack Sierra, Margaret Roche, Bernice Reid, Sheila Stanton, John Deaker, Suzanne Carver, Carmen Duncan, Greta Lagoon, Ted Ryan.

Mass Intentions: Finbarr O'Farrell, Margaret Austin, Janice Hui, Jean Montgomery RSC, Ramona Hilliger, Margaret Tighe, Jim Evans, David de Carvalho, Judy Petrosian, Jose Diaz, Patrick McDonagh, Carmen Mendez DeCampos, Justin Beplate, Lloyd Ruz, Peter Hackett, Helen McCarthy, Sorin Dascalu, Marie Macken, Hector Destro, Natalie & Domenic Casamento, Bryan Digges, Tony & Beth Hawker, Antoinette Chelala, Norma Berry & Neville, Concepcion Family, Nina & Mary, Non and Papa, Cathy Wu-Hutchins, Tsaoucis Family, Pedregosa Family, Nana Helen & Grandpa George, Miriam Ibrahim, Katarina Novak, Charlie & Eddy Piper, Tino Ordonez, Danielle Linkson, Peg & Paul Kelly, Jack & Maureen Brett, Nan Kelly, Anthony Dainer, Lewis Malouf, William Dickson, Malouf & Dickson Families, Catherine Morton, Mary-Agnes Kiernan, Michael Rastovich, Bryan Digges, Vinz Napoli, Ford & Adamovich Family, Avery & Roche Family, Holy Souls.



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Archdiocese www.sydneycatholic.org

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.

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.

OUR SUNDAY CELEBRATION

TWENTY-EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME / C

13 OCTOBER 2019

On the way to Jerusalem Jesus travelled along the border between Samaria and Galilee. As he entered one of the villages, ten lepers came to meet him. They stood some way off and called to him, 'Jesus! Master! Take pity on us.' When he saw them he said, 'Go and show yourselves to the priests.' Now as they were going away they were cleansed. Finding himself cured, one of them turned back praising God at the top of his voice and threw himself at the feet of Jesus and thanked him. The man was a Samaritan. This made Jesus say, 'Were not all ten made clean? The other nine, where are they? It seems that no one has come back to give praise to God, except this foreigner.' And he said to the man, 'Stand up and go on your way. Your faith has saved you.'

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.

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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. Accept, O Lord, the prayers of your faithful with the sacrificial offerings, that, through these acts of devotedness, we may pass over to the glory of heaven. 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 33:11

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

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

P. We entreat your majesty most humbly, O Lord, that, as you feed us with the nourishment which comes from the most holy Body and Blood of your Son, so you may make us sharers of his divine nature. Who lives and reigns for ever and ever.

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 in peace.

R. Thanks be to God.

REFLECTIONS ON THE GOSPEL

WHAT SALVATION REALLY MEANS

Jesus is on his long journey to Jerusalem. At the border between Samaria and Galilee, ten people afflicted with skin diseases cry out to him for help, keeping their distance as the Law of Moses required.

All ten are made clean when they follow his instructions to go and show themselves to the priest.

For nine of them, that is where the matter ends. But the tenth, who also happens to be a Samaritan, returns to Jesus, loudly praising God. When he prostrates himself in gratitude, Jesus remarks on the absence of the other nine.

Here we have one of several instances in Luke's Gospel where Jesus confronts his audience with a 'good Samaritan'. The appropriate behaviour of a 'foreigner', one on the margins of Jewish society, has shown up the shortcomings of those in the mainstream.

The Samaritan is the only one of the ten who receives from Jesus the assurance: 'Stand up and go on your way: your faith has brought you salvation.' The other nine may have received physical healing. They did not really experience 'salvation'. Beyond physical healing, the 'salvation' brought by Jesus means coming to know God in a new way: knowing God as Saviour, and allowing that knowledge to overflow in gratitude, love, and joy. This is the 'knowledge of salvation' of which Zechariah spoke in his canticle (the *Benedictus*) at the naming of John (1:77). So today's Gospel is not just about the healing of an afflicted person. Another 'good Samaritan' has shown what salvation really means for all.

BRENDAN BYRNE, SJ

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WE COME TO GIVE THANKS. After being cured by Jesus, nine lepers went immediately to show themselves to the temple priests in fulfilment of the law. Their primary concern was to satisfy legal requirements. Only one, a foreigner, thought first of thanking Jesus. Hopefully our primary purpose in coming to Sunday Mass is not to meet some legal requirement but to give thanks to God for the many blessings we have received in Christ and in the community.

INTRODUCTORY RITES

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON Ps 129:3-4

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

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. May your grace, O Lord, we pray, at all times go before us and follow after and make us always determined to carry out good works. 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 2 Kings 5:14-17

A reading from the second book of the Kings Naaman returned to Elisha, the prophet, and acknowledged the Lord.

Naaman the leper went down and immersed himself seven times in the Jordan, as Elisha had told him to do. And his flesh became clean once more like the flesh of a little child.

Returning to Elisha with his whole escort, he went in and stood before him. 'Now I know' he said 'that there is no God in all the earth except in Israel. Now, please, accept a present from your servant.' But Elisha replied, 'As the Lord lives, whom I serve, I will accept nothing.' Naaman pressed him to accept, but he refused. Then Naaman said, 'Since your answer is "No," allow your servant to be given as much earth as two mules may carry, because your servant will no longer offer holocaust or sacrifice to any god except the Lord.'

The word of the Lord.

R. Thanks be to God.

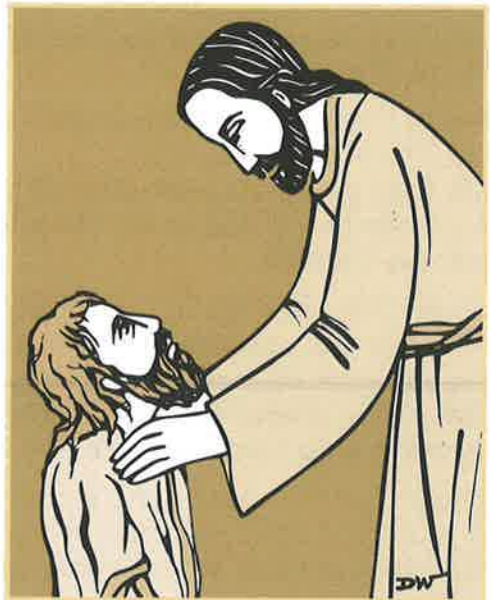
RESP PSALM Ps 97:1-4. R. cf. v. 2

R. The Lord has revealed to the nations his saving power.

1. Sing a new song to the Lord / for he has worked wonders. / His right hand and his holy arm / have brought salvation. R.

2. The Lord has made known his salvation; / has shown his justice to the nations. / He has remembered his truth and love / for the house of Israel. R.

3. All the ends of the earth have seen / the salvation of our God. / Shout to the Lord all the earth, / ring out your joy. R.



SECOND READING 2 Tim 2:8-13

A reading from the second letter of St Paul to Timothy

If we hold firm, we shall reign with Christ.

Remember the Good News that I carry, 'Jesus Christ risen from the dead, sprung from the race of David'; it is on account of this that I have my own hardships to bear, even to being chained like a criminal – but they cannot chain up God's news. So I bear it all for the sake of those who are chosen, so that in the end they may have the salvation that is in Christ Jesus and the eternal glory that comes with it.

Here is a saying that you can rely on:

If we have died with him, then we shall live with him.

If we hold firm, then we shall reign with him.

If we disown him, then he will disown us.

We may be unfaithful, but he is always faithful,

for he cannot disown his own self.

The word of the Lord.

R. Thanks be to God

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION 1 Thess 5:18

Alleluia, alleluia!

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

Alleluia!

GOSPEL

Lk 17:11-19

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.

It seems that no one has returned to give thanks to God except this foreigner.