

PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL

Presider: Jesus Christ died and rose again so that, in him, we may find new life. Let us ask the Lord in the power of the Resurrection, for all the needs of the Church and the world.

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

All: May we respond to Christ's call to discipleship through the giving of our time and talents to the good works of our community.

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 the leaders of nations.

All: May they show concern for those in need recognising Jesus in the most abandoned.

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 the Universe, you come to us daily in the Eucharist and in the Word.

All: Help our Franciscan Parish to witness humility and communal care, being open to inviting others to our way of life.

Reader: For all Souls in this month of November, especially those whose names appear in our Book of Remembrance.

All: May the power of the risen Christ, who gave them grace in this life, grant them the reward of his presence in the next.

Presider: Let us pray together.

All: Forgiving and Loving God, hear these prayers which you inspire us to make. May the good we do in this time and place make us children of the Resurrection of your Son, our Lord Jesus, the Christ, who lives and reigns with you for ever and ever. Amen.

Cana Goodies on sale This Weekend But what exactly is Cana?

Cana Communities began as De Porres House in 1975 and has continued under the name Cana Communities Inc since 1995. Working in inner-Sydney, the organisation has set up a number of overnight shelters and homes. Since 2011, Cana has operated a Farm at Orchard Hills in the western suburbs of Sydney. At Cana Farm, people have the opportunity to learn and work in a supportive, caring environment. The organisation is mostly run by volunteers, and is solely reliant on donations from the community. Cana Communities receives no government funding, and is grateful for your support.

Who does Cana support?

Our primary purpose is to provide relief from poverty, suffering, destitution and helplessness for people struggling with mental illness, addiction, homelessness, loneliness and other factors that alienate them from society. Central to the life of the Community are those who are most in need and who, through being rejected, powerless or violent, have the least options. These people are our primary focus.

How?

Cana Communities celebrates people. We create a community with all the love, chaos, and frustration of a family, in which people can feel listened to and valued. We provide shelters and homes and a sense of belonging for people in need. We have volunteers who visit men and women in jail. Cana supports those who live on the margins, many who have spent years on the streets and in institutions.

Please show your support by making a purchase.



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The month of November is traditionally a month for Catholics to prayerfully remember all those who have gone before us 'marked by the sign of faith.' Following the Solemnity of All Saints that remembers those who have lived the life of faith with integrity and are now one with the Lord in heaven, we celebrate All Souls Day. This day of prayer for the dead provides the opportunity for us to surround our beloved dead with our prayers, especially through the Eucharistic celebration. But in a special way, let us also remember the Souls in Purgatory through your prayers. As the souls in purgatory cannot pray for themselves, they cannot merit anything for themselves. Hence, they must rely entirely on others to pray and make sacrifices on their behalf. They are nevertheless part of the Communion of Saints, and so, they depend upon us to help ease their suffering and hasten their purification so that they can join the saints in heaven. So, in this month of remembrance of the dead, let pray for the souls in purgatory. St. Augustine once said, "One of the holiest works, one of the best exercises of piety that we can practice in this world is to offer sacrifices, alms, and prayers for the dead. God bless.—Fr Francisco

BREAK OPEN THE WORD NOW AVAILABLE

Do you read at mass? If so we now have copies of Break Open the Word available. To make sure each reader receives a copy (and to ensure correct numbers are allocated) we ask you please let the Parish Office know if you would like one by Friday 15th November. This will ensure we can provide these to all readers before the new liturgical year begins.

JOIN US FOR CHILDREN'S LITURGY

This weeks Children's Liturgy we are **making bookmarks** next week weeks topic is **how to be a good friend to Jesus and to our family and friends**. Children's Liturgy is held Sunday's during the 8:30am mass at St Francis Paddington during term time and is aimed at primary school children and younger. It's a lot of fun and all are welcome.

TIME TO CELEBRATE YOUNG AND OLD MORNING TEA AT ST FRANCIS, PADDINGTON

Join us for morning tea in the parish house following the **8:30am mass on Sunday November 24th**. Come have a cuppa, ice-cream, bikkie or a cold drink and spend some time with your community. No need to RSVP just come as you are. All are welcome.

REPAIRS & IMPROVEMENTS TO OUR BUILDINGS UPDATE & THANK YOU

A heartfelt and sincere thank you to those who have so kindly donated towards the current building projects in our community, thank you for your contributions towards the repair and maintenance of our parish sites.

The upkeep and ongoing repair of a site such as ours is an expensive project and it is your contributions that allow us to be good custodians of these buildings and grounds so they can be enjoyed as a place of faith and worship for generations to come. The repair to the roof of Centre 360 is now complete, construction of the new confessional is underway and we will soon begin the improvements to the parish center.

If you would like to contribute we welcome donations towards these projects or ongoing support through the Planned Giving program.

If you would like to donate or to join Planned Giving please contact the Parish Office: giving@stfrancis-stjoseph.com or calling 9331 4043. Donations may be tax deductible, please let us know if you require a deduction when making your donation.

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: 5 December 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.

THANKSGIVING MASS

140TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE ARRIVAL OF THE FRANCISCANS

Tuesday, 3rd December at 7pm

Church of Mary Immaculate, 45 Victoria Street Waverley
Music accompaniment: Friar Alessandro, OFM (Voice of Assisi)
Followed by light refreshments.

THE WAY- ADVENT AND CHRISTMAS REFLECTIONS

Join us for our 2019 advent program. This year our community is combining with our local Anglican and Uniting Church brothers and sisters to share in a 4 week Advent Scripture Study program in the Lectio Divina style. All material will be provided. I hope that many of you will consider attending. Please register your interest with Fr Paul, Fr Francisco or with Ruth at the Parish Office. A light supper will be provided.

Program dates & locations:

21 November: 7pm to 8.30pm:

St Georges Anglican Church 245 Glenmore Rd Paddington.

28 November: 7pm to 8.30pm:

St Joseph Parish Hall 10 Albert St Edgecliff.

5 December : 7pm to 8.30pm

St Georges Anglican Church 245 Glenmore Rd Paddington.

12 December : 7pm to 8.30pm

St Joseph Parish Hall 12 Albert St Edgecliff.

SVDP CHRISTMAS CARDS NOW AVAILABLE AT ST JOSEPH

Christmas Cards are available from this weekend, a pack of ten for \$6. This years cards are traditional in style featuring a Christian theme. The cards are available on the bench of the Sacristy and payment should be left in the box beside the cards. Proceeds support St Vincent de Paul.

NATIVITY PLAY—CHRISTMAS EVE MASS

St Francis of Assisi (SFA) Church Paddington, 5:30pm 24 Dec 2019

The 2019 Nativity Play needs children aged 4 -12 years to contribute to the many parts to play. Rehearsals are held on 5 consecutive Sat afternoons, starting Sat 23 Nov through to Sat 21 Dec, from 4:00pm to 5:15pm. Families are encouraged to attend as many of the 5 practices as possible. Parents: info flyers with details are located at church entrances. Return form to the Parish Office or email maria.hoareau@bigpond.com. Call Maria on 0434 514 520 for more information.

A CAUSE OF TROUBLE: IRISH NUNS AND ENGLISH CLERICS

Sr Moira O'Sullivan RSC, a member of our Faith Community, has published a book which we commend. Learn more about the early years of the Church in Sydney: How and why they are relevant for the Church today and its present troubles; what they added to the divide between clerics and laity; what they show about clerical attitudes to women, including Caroline Chisholm. **Available only from amazon.com.au**



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 - Cantor, Edgecliff
Noel Debien & 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: Ern Holgate, Maurie Moses, Patricia Burnett, Eileen Stollery, Frank Healy, Eliseo Arnaiz Fernandez, Yvonne Nobbs, Raymond Malkoun, Caterina Giuliano, Marta Castro-Dermond, Joe Perry, Robert Burns, Irma Soto, Jan Harper, Anthony Bolger, Jacintha Stephens, Liliane Dubourdieu,, Patricia Brennan, Ryszard Szewczyk, John Matthews, Jerry Austin.

During this Month of Holy Souls, all masses will be offered as requested.

We also remember those names in the Book of Remembrance. We invite you to pray this prayer each day at home:

"O Lord of mercy, look down upon all our deceased. Forgive their offenses and be merciful upon their souls, may we all hear you calling us into your Heavenly Kingdom and see you face to face. May we hear those words calling us to your heavenly home: "Come, blessed of My Father, take possession of the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world. " Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord; And let perpetual light shine upon them.



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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.

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.

GOSPEL

Lk 20:27-38

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.*He is not a God of the dead but of the living.*

Some Sadducees – those who say that there is no resurrection – approached Jesus and they put this question to him, ‘Master, we have it from Moses in writing, that if a man’s married brother dies childless, the man must marry the widow to raise up children for his brother. Well, then, there were seven brothers. The first, having married a wife, died childless. The second and then the third married the widow. And the same with all the seven, they died leaving no children. Finally the woman herself died. Now, at the resurrection, to which of them will she be wife since she had been married to all seven?’

Jesus replied, ‘The children of this world take wives and husbands, but those who are judged worthy of a place in the other world and in the resurrection from the dead do not marry because they can no longer die, for they are the same as the angels, and being children of the resurrection they are sons of God. And Moses himself implies that the dead rise again, in the passage about the bush where he calls the Lord the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac and the God of Jacob. Now he is God, not of the dead, but of the living; for to him all are in fact alive.’

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 with favour, we pray, O Lord, upon the sacrificial gifts offered here, that, celebrating in mystery the Passion of your Son, we may honour it with loving devotion. 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: We proclaim your Death, O Lord, and profess your Resurrection 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 22:1-2**The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.****Fresh and green are the pastures where he gives me repose, near restful waters he leads me.****PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

P. Nourished by this sacred gift, O Lord, we give you thanks and beseech your mercy, that, by the pouring forth of your Spirit, the

grace of integrity may endure in those your heavenly power has entered. 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****GOD IS A GOD OF LIFE**

In today’s Gospel, Jesus is challenged by some Sadducees, a Jewish sect one of whose key tenets is the denial of resurrection. The quibble they employ to make belief in resurrection ridiculous stems from the prescription of the Mosaic Law by which a man is required to raise up offspring for a brother who dies childless (Deut 25:5-6). The quibble rests upon a crass assumption that life after death is simply an extension of life in the present time.

In his response, Jesus clarifies the matter. Firstly, in the case of the risen life, we are dealing with a totally new situation. Those who share in it enjoy immunity to death. Since they die no more, there is no need for procreation—nor, correspondingly, for marriage, the institution designed to supply it.

Secondly, the Sadducees’ quibble trivialises both the nature of God and human relationship with God. The God who appeared to Moses at the burning bush (see Exod 3:6), did not say ‘I was the God of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob’ but ‘I am the God of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob’. The description not only evokes God’s eternal being but implies the *continuing* personal existence of those with whom God remains in relationship.

Denial of the resurrection is denial of the nature of God as Israel—and the whole tradition deriving from Israel’s faith—conceives God to be.

The Gospel does not offer a theology of marriage. It makes a statement about God and the hope for sharing Christ’s risen life that relationship with God entails.

Brendan Byrne, SJ

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OUR SUNDAY CELEBRATION

THIRTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME / C

10 NOVEMBER 2019

THE GOD OF THE LIVING. ‘Lord, when your glory appears, my joy will be full’ (Psalm response). Confident that those who live in the Lord never see each other for the last time, we remember at each Mass, and in a particular way during the month of November, our relatives and friends and all who have died: ‘welcome them into the light of your face’. We pray for these ‘children of the resurrection’ as others will someday pray for us.

INTRODUCTORY RITES**ENTRANCE ANTIPHON** cf. Ps 87:3**Let my prayer come into your presence. Incline your ear to my cry for help, O Lord.****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 are the image of the unseen God: Lord, have mercy.

R. Lord, have mercy.

P. You are the first born of all creation: Christ, have mercy.

R. Christ, have mercy.

P. You are the head of the body, the Church: 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. Almighty and merciful God, graciously keep from us all adversity, so that, unhindered in mind and body alike, we may pursue in freedom of heart the things that

are yours. 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 Macc 7:1-2, 9-14

A reading from the second book of Maccabees
The king of the world will receive us into life eternal at the resurrection.

There were seven brothers who were arrested with their mother. The king tried to force them to taste pig’s flesh, which the Law forbids, by torturing them with whips and scourges. One of them, acting as spokesman for the others, said, ‘What are you trying to find out from us? We are prepared to die rather than break the Law of our ancestors.’

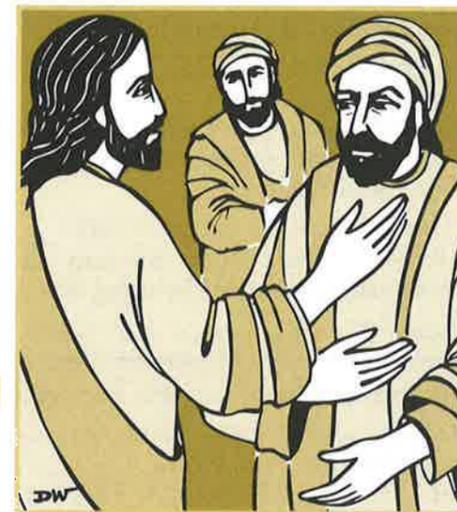
With his last breath the second brother exclaimed, ‘Inhuman fiend, you may discharge us from this present life, but the King of the world will raise us up, since it is for his laws that we die, to live again for ever.’

After him, they amused themselves with the third, who on being asked for his tongue promptly thrust it out and boldly held out his hands, with these honourable words, ‘It was heaven that gave me these limbs; for the sake of his laws I disdain them; from him I hope to receive them again.’ The king and his attendants were astounded at the young man’s courage and his utter indifference to suffering.

When this one was dead they subjected the fourth to the same savage torture. When he neared his end he cried, ‘Ours is the better choice, to meet death at men’s hands, yet relying on God’s promise that we shall be raised up by him; whereas for you there can be no resurrection, no new life.’

The word of the Lord.**R. Thanks be to God.****RESP PSALM** Ps 16:1, 5-6, 8, 15. R. v. 15**R. Lord, when your glory appears, my joy will be full.**1. Lord, hear a cause that is just, / pay heed to my cry. / Turn your ear to my prayer: / no deceit is on my lips. **R.**

2. I kept my feet firmly in your paths; / there was no faltering in my steps. / I am here and

I call, you will hear me, O God. / Turn your ear to me; hear my words. **R.**3. Guard me as the apple of your eye. / Hide me in the shadow of your wings. / As for me, in my justice I shall see your face / and be filled, when I awake, with the sight of your glory. **R.****SECOND READING** 2 Thess 2:16-3:5

A reading from the second letter of St Paul to the Thessalonians

May the Lord strengthen you in everything good that you do or say.

May our Lord Jesus Christ himself, and God our Father who has given us his love and, through his grace, such inexhaustible comfort and such sure hope, comfort you and strengthen you in everything good that you do or say.

Finally, brothers, pray for us; pray that the Lord’s message may spread quickly, and be received with honour as it was among you; and pray that we may be preserved from the interference of bigoted and evil people, for faith is not given to everyone. But the Lord is faithful, and he will give you strength and guard you from the evil one, and we, in the Lord, have every confidence that you are doing and will go on doing all that we tell you. May the Lord turn your hearts towards the love of God and the fortitude of Christ.

The word of the Lord.**R. Thanks be to God.**

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION Apoc 1:5, 6
Alleluia, alleluia!
Jesus Christ is the firstborn of the dead; glory and kingship be his for ever and ever. Alleluia!