

PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL

Presider: Wondrous are all God's works of creation: unfathomable is the depth of God's love for us. In joyful hope, then, let us offer our prayers to God, our Creator and Father.

Reader: That our Church and parish community:
All: May be a place of welcome and safety for those who are afraid, lost, or alone.

Reader: That the bishops, priests, and ministers of our Church:
All: May be "impelled" by the love of Christ to serve God's holy people with selflessness and compassion.

Reader: That our nation, in its foreign policies and affairs :
All: May be brother and sister to all the nations of the world.

Reader: That we may give thanks to the Creator:
All: For the gift of the seas and the blessings of the earth by our just and responsible stewardship of the environment.

Reader: That we may calm the storms of fear, greed and bigotry:
All: By our compassion, understanding and support of those in need.

Reader: That the faithful who have died:
All: May become a new creation in the Risen One.

Presider: Gracious God, bless us with the wisdom, patience and grace to feel your presence amid the winds of despair and fear, to hear your voice amid the roar of anger and mistrust, to see your light in the darkness of prejudice and confusion. Through Christ our Lord. **Amen**

2021 FIRST RECONCILIATION (Parish Program) Wednesday 23rd June at 6pm

The Sacrament of Reconciliation
Wednesday 23rd June, Arrival at 5:30pm for a 6:00pm start

Please be aware if your child attends St Francis of Assisi Regional Primary School the Sacrament will be organised via the school and you do not need to attend this program.



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. We pay our respects to their Elders both past and present.



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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20th June 2021: Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time -Year B

TWELFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

In my Canon Law studies, one subject that has intrigued me greatly is the course on psychology and matrimonial consent because I have learnt that none of us are spared from any forms of psychological disorders. Hence, one's mental and psychological impairment can greatly affect his or her judgement to make conscious decisions in life.

Looking at the current pandemic situation around the world, it's a known fact that many people have been seeking psychotherapy and counselling to cope with the unexpected changes in life. It is important to seek help when one isn't coping well. But, for us Catholics, it's more important to seek the right psychologist because, every psychological theory contains assumptions about the nature and destiny of the human person. There are theories that are secular in nature and sometimes anti-religious. Sometimes they deny human freedom, moral absolutes and thus the reality of sin.

Pope St. John Paul II in his Apostolic Exhortation "Reconciliation and Penance" said, "One reason for the disappearance of the sense of sin in contemporary society is to be found in the errors made in evaluating certain findings of the human sciences. Thus, on the basis of certain affirmations of psychology, concern to avoid creating feelings of guilt or to place limits on freedom leads to a refusal ever to admit any shortcoming."

Therefore, while we all do need professional help in dealing with our mental health, it is equally important to remember the effects of God's grace in our life long healing.

Receiving the sacraments frequently and reverently as well as maintaining a consistent prayer life is very important to achieve a wholesome healing of body, mind, spirit and soul.

Father Francisco Basnayake ofm

FY 2022 PLANNED GIVING ENVELOPES

Your 2022 envelopes are available at Mass today. Inside your envelope box there is a letter to confirm your contact details. Please mark any changes and put it inside your next envelope so we can action the changes before EOFY.
Paddington Givers: Your envelopes may also be picked up from the Parish Office during the week.

Edgecliff Givers: If you would prefer to pick your envelopes up from the Parish Office please call 9331 4043 and let us know and we will organise to have your envelopes in the Parish Office for you.

ORGAN RECITAL

The next organ recital at St Francis will be given by Dr Brett McKern, Director of Music at St John's Anglican Church Gordon on Sunday 27 June at 2:30pm.

He will play works by Felix Mendelssohn, Herbert Howells, Alexandre Guilmant, Theodore Dubois and a 'Voluntary on Tallis' Canon by Brett McKern himself. All welcome. Admission by programme with a Note Donation.

ST VINCENT DE PAUL—EDGECLIFF

All envelope donations can be put in the church collections or mailed in. President, Brian Dillon will issue receipts.

RCIA

Will resume after the school holidays on 15th July 2021. 7pm for 7.30pm start

SAVE OUR GRAVES

Archbishop Anthony Fisher OP has asked for your support in signing an e-petition on this issue to be presented to the Speaker and Members of the Legislative Assembly, since the government's decision amounts to an attack on religious freedom in NSW. For more than 150 years in NSW, Catholic Metropolitan Cemeteries Trust has been trusted not only by Catholics, but by the Islamic and Jewish communities and other people of faith to bury the dead, maintain their graves respectfully and comfort grieving families. The NSW Government wants to exclude faith groups from this precious ministry and replace them with a new and costly Government bureaucracy which has no understanding of religious customs around burials, including the importance of leaving graves undisturbed by future generations. Sign the e-petition here: <https://saveourgraves.com.au/> You can also write to your local State MP to voice your concern about this proposal. Or pick up a flyer to scan and sign.

COVID & OUR COMMUNITY

In the interests of your safety and the safety of our community we ask you please stay home if you are unwell or experiencing even mild COVID symptoms. Please also ensure you sanitise your hands on entry to the church, maintain appropriate social distancing and sign-in is still compulsory for our churches and other buildings. Masks are also available as required from the volunteers on the door.



WELCOME

New to the parish? Please come and meet one of the Parish Team after mass to introduce yourself and find out more about our community. We also welcome you to contact our Parish Office.

OUR PARISH

Anthoni Selvaraj ofm - Parish Administrator
Francisco Basnayake ofm & Joseph Nguyen ofm - Assistant Priests
Alanna Sparks & Cate Stivala - Parish Secretary
Tanith Bryce - Cantor, Edgecliff
Noel Debieen & Bransby Byrne - Music Dir. & Organist Paddington
Nicole Smeulders - Cantor Paddington
Emma-Gai Gold & Alanna Sparks - Safeguarding Support Officers
Louise O'Brien - Principal, St Francis of Assisi Primary School

WEEKLY SERVICES AND SACRAMENTS

No Bookings required. Contact free check-in is required at the door.

St Joseph, Edgecliff

Monday to Friday: 5:30pm

Sunday: 7:30am, 9am, 11:00am & 5:30pm

Reconciliation prior to the Friday evening Mass (from 5pm).

St Francis of Assisi, Paddington

Monday to Friday: 9am

Saturday: 5:30pm (Vigil)

Sunday: 8:30am & 10:00am

Reconciliation from 5pm Saturday prior to Vigil Mass.

Are you or a loved one unable to attend Mass at this time?
If you would like to receive a visit in your home please contact the Parish Office.

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

Recently Deceased: June Fabbro, Doug Malouf, Elvira Hughes, Sarahann Simpson, Margaret Coulson, Judith Deeham, Elvira Hughes, Francis Domingo Gorostiza, Geoff & Megan Cliff, Jacqui Ingram, Ester Carmen Fernandez, Sr M. Ignatius Killeen RSC, Norman Hing, Elvin Richard Newsome, Enid Hampshire, Margaret & Pat Quade, Michelle Robyn Nicholls, Tess Hooper, Emil Jug, Joan Mulligan, Bramwell Wright, Jim Alivia, Marcelo, Marika Gubasci, Jose Herrera, Eva Beck, Wilga Wilschefska, Sue Gherdovich, Ken Finn, Patrick Donovan, Carol Ashford, George Farah, Betty Byrne, Peter-John Young, Maureen Marston, John Ryan, Sandra Soady, Ian Johnstone, Kholofelo Dzvukamanja, Sesarina Bau RSC, Elaine Boys, Aquino Lanojan, Mary Cook RSC, Marie Arakelian, Holy Souls.

Mass Intentions: Ron Sang, Jim Evans, Keith Steele, Andrew Georgiou, Hector Destro, Giuliano family, Augustus (John) Coulson, Donal O'Sullivan, Robert Eagle, Peter Leuver Snr, Peter Leuver Jnr, John Pegrum, Patrick Corbally Stourton, Piper Family, Joanna Angeles, Christopher Wiencke, Diane Geffen, Shirley Nield, Rev. Neville Gawler, Adalgisa Levins, Geraldine Levins,, Genevieve Scarf, Michael McCarthy, Edward Kiernan, Fr Kevin Walsh, Tony Ponte, Desmond O'Shea, Maude & Bruce McAllister, Michael Donovan, Pat & Ned Theodore, Bryan, Ashleigh & Elle Paton, Margaret Austin, Janice Hui, Dudley Williams, Nick Williams, Christopher Von Kaisenberg, Gregory & Patricia McCue, Lena Kaine & Violet Kiernan, Veronica Henderson, Sandy De Souza, Peg Kelly, Michael, Jane, & James Carnel, Peter Meagher, Trader Falkner, Maria Luisa Arnaiz, Tino Ordenez,, Holy Souls.

A MESSAGE FROM THE ARCHDIOCESE OF SYDNEY

Child sexual 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*: safeguardingenquiries@sydneycatholic.org or on 93905810. You may also want to speak to your Parish Priest who will be

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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

TWELVETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME / B

20 JUNE 2021

With the coming of evening, Jesus said to his disciples, 'Let us cross over to the other side.' And leaving the crowd behind they took him, just as he was, in the boat; and there were other boats with him. Then it began to blow a gale and the waves were breaking into the boat so that it was almost swamped. But he was in the stern, his head on the cushion, asleep. They woke him and said to him, 'Master, do you not care? We are going down!' And he woke up and rebuked the wind and said to the sea, 'Quiet now! Be calm!' And the wind dropped, and all was calm again. Then he said to them, 'Why are you so frightened? How is it that you have no faith?' They were filled with awe and said to one another, 'Who can this be? Even the wind and the sea obey him.'

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. Receive, O Lord, the sacrifice of conciliation and praise and grant that, cleansed by its action, we may make offering of a heart pleasing to you. 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 Ps 144: 15

The eyes of all look to you, Lord, and you give them their food in due season.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

P. Renewed and nourished by the Sacred Body and Precious Blood of your Son, we ask of your mercy, O Lord, that what we celebrate with constant devotion may be our sure pledge of redemption. 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 in peace.

R. Thanks be to God.

BREAKING OPEN THE WORD

JESUS' SAVING PRESENCE

For the people of Israel, the creation of the world was the act of bringing order where there had been chaos. Like other peoples of the ancient near east, they believed that the primary symbol of all that was uncontrolled and beyond our power was that of the ocean and darkness. Job speaks of how it is God who marks out the limits of the waters that would engulf humanity, waters that once were given their sway in the flood. The act of creation is one where chaos is forced to retreat, where God's creative and ordering power gives us a place where we can live in safety. The story of Jesus calming the storm on the lake was to become a powerful means for early Christians to express their belief in Jesus as sharing in this creative power of God. The disciples are brought face to face with their desperate need for the saving presence of their Master. It is Jesus' powerful word that now brings peace where a storm raged and threatened to overcome them.

Paul is overwhelmed, not by storms and waves that would engulf him, but by the love of God which has been poured into our hearts in Jesus. He has come to see in Jesus' life given for us the means by which we are brought into a new creation. Jesus is the one who has overcome all that would keep us from being truly alive. In the face of his boundless and creative love, even the power of death is bowed and silenced.

CHRISTOPHER MONAGHAN CP

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CALMING THE STORM. When a storm blew up on the sea of Galilee, Jesus' disciples feared that their boat would be swamped by the waves. But Jesus, who was with them, calmed the sea. At times we can feel that we are being swamped by various troubles. But Jesus is with us to protect us. Like the apostle Paul we are overwhelmed, not by storms and troubles, but by the love of God made visible in Christ Jesus.

INTRODUCTORY RITES

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON cf. Ps 27: 8-9

The Lord is the strength of his people, a saving refuge for the one he has anointed. Save your people, Lord, and bless your heritage, and govern them for ever.

GREETING

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

R. Amen.

P. The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

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. You were sent to heal the contrite of heart: Lord, have mercy.

R. Lord, have mercy.

P. You came to call sinners: Christ, have mercy.

R. Christ, have mercy.

You are seated at the right hand of the Father to intercede for us: 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. Grant, O Lord, that we may always revere and love your holy name, for you never deprive of your guidance those you set firm on the foundation of your love. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever.

R. Amen.

LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING

Job 38: 1, 8-11

A reading from the book of Job.

Here I have set the boundaries of the sea.

From the heart of the tempest the Lord gave Job his answer. He said:

Who pent up the sea behind closed doors when it leapt tumultuous out of the womb, when I wrapped it in a robe of mist and made black clouds its swaddling bands; when I marked the bounds it was not to cross and made it fast with a bolted gate? Come thus far, I said, and no farther: here your proud waves shall break.

The word of the Lord.

R. Thanks be to God.

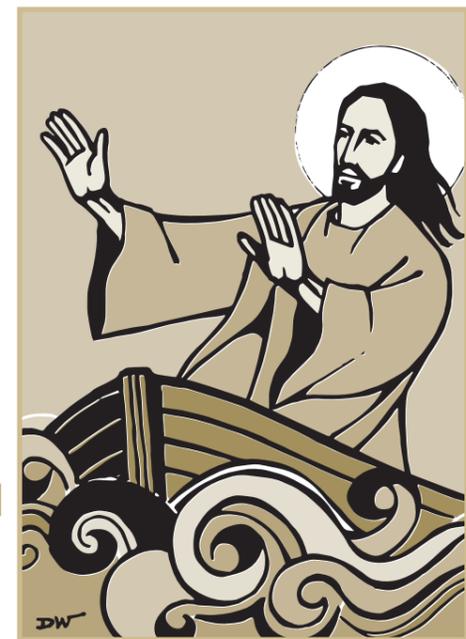
RESP PSALM Ps 106: 23-26, 28-31. R. v. 1

R. Give thanks to the Lord, his love is everlasting.

or

R. Alleluia!

1. Some sailed to the sea in ships / to trade on the mighty waters. / These men have seen the Lord's deeds, / the wonders he does in the deep. **R.**
2. For he spoke; he summoned the gale, / tossing the waves of the sea / up to heaven and back into the deep; / their soul melted away in their distress. **R.**
3. Then they cried to the Lord in their need / and he rescued them from their distress. / He stilled the storm to a whisper: / all the waves of the sea were hushed. **R.**
4. They rejoiced because of the calm / and he led them to the haven they desired. / Let them thank the Lord for his love, / the wonders he does for men. **R.**



SECOND READING

2 Cor 5: 14-17

A reading from the second letter of St Paul to the Corinthians.

All things are made new.

The love of Christ overwhelms us when we reflect that if one man has died for all, then all men should be dead; and the reason he died for all was so that living men should live no longer for themselves, but for him who died and was raised to life for them.

From now onwards, therefore, we do not judge anyone by the standards of the flesh. Even if we did once know Christ in the flesh, that is not how we know him now. And for anyone who is in Christ, there is a new creation; the old creation has gone, and now the new one is here.

The word of the Lord.

R. Thanks be to God

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Lk 7: 16

Alleluia, alleluia!

A great prophet has appeared among us; God has visited his people. Alleluia!

GOSPEL

Mk 4: 35-41

P. The Lord be with you.

R. And with your spirit.

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

R. Glory to you, O Lord.

Who can this be? Even the wind and the sea obey him.