

# THE ROSARY RECORD

OUR LADY OF THE ROSARY PARISH  
MARCH 17 2024 | FIFTH SUNDAY OF  
LENT | YEAR B

This Sunday, 17 March (St Patrick's Day) we begin our Novena for Fr Terry's return to good health (See middle page). **March 15 was the 200<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Jules Chevalier's birth, Founder of the MSC and OLSH.** See his "Shrine" on the Sanctuary.

## JULES CHEVALIER: Long story short:

**Born 15<sup>th</sup> March 1824** in the French walled - town of **Richelieu**.

**Jules wanted to be a priest**, but the family could not afford it and so he was apprenticed to a cobbler. A wealthy landowner employed his dad. He promised to pay for Jules' seminary expenses. (He paid for one year!)

**Seminary:** Jules, older by far than his contemporaries, was quite a **solemn fellow, caught up in the piety of the day infected with a virus called Jansenism** – preached a hard God, distant, whom one had to approach with fear.

A **lecture on the Sacred Heart and the love of God** so impressed Jules that he totally changed his outlook, spirituality, and theology. Other seminarians remarked how he became friendly and approachable, losing the stiffness and distance that had characterised him previously. **Jules formed the desire to begin a community of Missionaries under the banner of the Sacred Heart to rebuild the Church**, so devastated by the Revolution and currents of philosophy then prevalent.

**Founded: MSC (1854), OLSH Sisters (1874)** in **Issoudun**, a small city in central France – said to be "ground zero" for the de-Christianisation that followed the French Revolution.

**In gratitude to Mary** for her intercession (finding money and vocations), he gave her **the special title of O.L.S.H.** It was so loved that within 6 years, nearly **19,000,000 lay people**, as far away as Latin America, had enrolled in what was known as the Lay Archconfraternity of O.L.S.H! (This was before phones, faxes, emails – and another story for a later time!).

**In 1880 the MSC monasteries, along with properties of many male Orders, were simply confiscated by the anti-clerical government of the time.** Religious had to move out and could not continue their ministries. A few years later with a change of government, he was able to buy properties back with the help of laity.

**By 1880, with few religious at hand, he had undertaken the huge and difficult task of the evangelisation of PNG, Kiribati and other Islands in the Micro and Melanesian areas north of Australia.** Australia became a base primarily to supply the Missions. It began in Botany in 1885, expanded to Randwick and then "Vatican Hill" above here, Aboriginal Missions, schools etc. The base grew into large Provinces within Australia and overseas as well.

**Jules' troubles struck again in 1904** when once again, an elderly and sick man, he and his confreres were expelled from their Monasteries which were confiscated by the Government. They were bought back later, after **his death in the home of a lay person on 21 October 1907.** This time many Nuns' Orders were also expelled. Eg: **The Sacred Heart Nuns who attend Mass here (RSCJ), had to find accommodation outside France for 2,400 religious, and many of the 10,000 De La Salle Brothers also moved out of France.** Quite a story!

Some quotes from Jules: **"We must do all in our power to root out of the Church the spirit of severity and fear which is causing such havoc for souls"** (i.e. shadows of Jansenism.)

**In 1900 in the dire troubles of the time: "... from the Heart of Jesus, pierced on Calvary, I see a new world emerging, the world of those he has chosen. And this creation, so fertile, inspired by love and mercy, is the Church, the mystical Body of Christ, which makes this new creation present on earth until the end of time."** (Sorry, no room for pics – perhaps in a later Record.) PHMSC



## THIS WEEK

### FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT



#### SATURDAY 16 MARCH

6:00pm Mass

#### SUNDAY 17 MARCH - ST PATRICK'S DAY

9:30am Mass + KidsChurch, Morning Tea

3:30pm Indonesian Community Mass

6:00pm Mass

#### MONDAY 18 MARCH

9:00am Mass

6:00pm Adoration

7:00pm Communal Rite of Reconciliation

#### TUESDAY 19 MARCH – ST JOSEPH

9:00am Mass

7:00pm PPC Meeting

#### WEDNESDAY 20 MARCH

9:00am Mass

#### THURSDAY 21 MARCH

10:00am Palm Cross Making – Parish House

6:00pm Mass

#### FRIDAY 22 MARCH + OLR YEAR 2

9:00am Mass

#### SATURDAY 23 MARCH

6:00pm Mass

#### SUNDAY 24 MARCH – PALM SUNDAY

9:30am Mass + KidsChurch, Morning Tea

3:00pm Indonesian Community Mass

6:00pm Mass

*We acknowledge the traditional owners Gadigal Clans of the Eora Nation, who cared for this land for thousands of years and their descendants who have maintained these Spiritual connections and traditions.*

# PARISH DIRECTORY



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## MASS TIMES

Sat 6pm (Vigil), Sun 9:30am, 6pm

Mon, Wed, Fri - 9am, Thurs 6pm

Indonesian Mass Sun 3:30pm

## RECONCILIATION DURING LENT

20 minutes before & after each Mass

## ROSARY

First Saturday of each month

## INDONESIAN COMMUNITY

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# RESPONSES

## ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

Give me justice, O God, and plead my cause against a nation that is faithless. From the deceitful and cunning rescue me, for you, O God, are my strength.

## FIRST READING

Jeremiah 31: 31-34

## RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Create a clean heart in me, O God.

## SECOND READING

Hebrews 5: 7-9

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Glory to you, Word of God, Lord Jesus Christ!

If you serve me, follow me, says the Lord; and where I am, my servant will also be.

Glory to you, Word of God, Lord Jesus Christ!

## GOSPEL

John 12: 20-33

## COMMUNION ANTIPHON

Amen, Amen I say to you:

Unless a grain of wheat falls to the ground and dies, it remains a single grain.

But if it dies, it bears much fruit.

# OREMUS

Let us Pray

## SICK

Amalia Iovannella, Finn McGauhey, Anna Vigliante, John Stuart Park, Kim Michelle Pastor, Livia Mio, Nyauw Kim Tjin, Helen Bolger (nee Breen), Cendrati Kurniawan (mother of Henny Wong), Shona Kaiwai, Grace Provino, Hima, Margaret McShane, Evelyn Marquez, Maria & Ivan Zic, Grace Veronica, Amina Chahrouk, Salvatore Messina, Elisabetta Nesci, Umberto Vaccarella, A.L., Xavier Stratton, Rose Alessio, Joanna & family, Gavin Robertson, Chris (Cindy's husband), Manuel Mouco, Eva (Nicole's mum), Paul Galea, Lynne Chaundhuri

## PARISHIONERS IN RESIDENTIAL CARE/HOMEBOUND

Margaret Stocker, Brigid Siely, Terrence Hertford, Brian Beaver, Rose Kelter, Sebastiano Gentile, Robert Preece, Gai Tyne, Gina Vizacos, John Dorahy, Frank Mifsud, William Van Burke, Brenda Longworth, Christine Moyle, Fr Chris Murphy msc, Olga Nasser, Sayde Harb, Maria Pockaj, Jill Rees, Gwen Smith, Lucienne Radzysinski, Nicole Chiaradia

## BELOVED DECEASED

Br Gerard Rummery fsc

## ANNIVERSARIES

Spiro Mifsud, Reina Calderon, Lupo Macolino, Maria Taranto, John Michael Stinson, Terry McGuinness, Jean Newton, Phyllis Vonnie Meyer, Marilyn Dorahy, Imelda Agnes Pyne, (Fr Bede North's sister), Patrick Bowman (Fr Terry's father)

# ROSTERS

16/17 MAR	SAT 6PM	SUN 9:30AM	SUN 6PM
<b>Acolyte</b>	Handojo Widjaja	Yosep Rizal	Sal Barone
<b>Readers</b>	Sr Diana Hayes Br Rory Higgins	Ana Corpuz Jeff Kildea	Marieann Duncan Marissa Meyn
<b>E. Ministers</b>	Sr Pauline Richards	Andreas Johan Nani Widarto	Connie Barone
<b>KidsChurch</b>	Caroline & Eka		
<b>Counters</b>	Johanna Jahja, Inge Sutanto		
<b>Comm to Sick</b>	Josue Castro		
23/24 MAR	SAT 6PM	SUN 9:30AM	SUN 6PM
<b>Acolyte</b>	John Ryan	John Allen	Gunawan Gunawan
<b>Readers</b>	Sr Helen Hearne Cathy Shiner N: Br Rory Higgins O: Cathy Shiner C: All	Nani Widarto Michelle Alimhamzah N: Ross Martin O: Jeff Kildea C: All	Isabel Reyes Patricia Reyes N: Geraldine Marcellino O: Marissa Meyn C: All
<b>E. Ministers</b>	Shilla Azalea	Trish Veness Margaret Rigotti	Marieann Duncan
<b>KidsChurch</b>	Patrick & Henny Wong		
<b>Counters</b>	Helen Liew, Jan Nicholas		
<b>Comm to Sick</b>	Trish Veness		

## THE SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION – SOME (LONG) THOUGHTS

Pope Francis: “Confession is the passage from misery to mercy.” Making an examination of conscience was a way of “rereading my day, opening the heart, bringing to him [Jesus] people, choices, fears, falls, hopes, and all of the things that took place; to learn gradually to look at things with different eyes, with his eyes and not only our own.” Remember, Jesus does not look on us with eyes of condemnation but of mercy when we approach this Sacrament. The following are taken from various sources, including from Francis, and it applies to me as a Priest: practicing what I preach can be a pitfall. I know it is a bit long – and we are used to quick reads - but this is important.

**Honouring God:** Do I pray and give thanks to God, simply because God is God, source and nourisher of all creation? Clearly, we see in Jesus, **the human heart and face of God**, that God is **passionate** about being with and for us – hence Jesus becoming man bridges any “gap” between God and us. **The Mass is the foundational “bridge” where Jesus comes to be our companion, saviour and source of life and hope, lifting us up to be at home in us, sharing his very self with us spiritually.** [St Paul: I no longer live, Christ lives in me.”] **We may feel lonely at times, but, upon reflection, we are in fact never alone because of Jesus’ closeness within us spiritually.** Do we reflect upon what is offered here in the Eucharist, the Mass, in a sullied world, the truly “pure offering”? **Where does the Mass and prayer**, described by St John of the Cross as “an intimate conversation between two friends” (nothing scary about that?), **rank in my activities? Let’s not make them merely our “default” position – but essential to our life – daily for prayer, and weekly at least, for Mass. Can we recover these central activities of our Catholic culture?**

**Family life: For children:** Do I **listen** respectfully to parents, learn to **take my part** cheerfully in the family chores and activities, getting beyond my self-centered ways, giving of my best at school? **For older children:** Do I ever thank my parents, forgive them for any perceived wrongs? Have I assisted parents in their emotional and material needs, especially in their old age?

**For parents:** Have I taken care of my children’s Christian education and the formation of their character and values? Do I strive to give good example regarding our faith and Catholic practice? Do I spend quality time with them, supervising what they watch and engage with through media?

**For spouses/partners:** Have I loved and honoured my spouse/partner, truly listened to each other and spent time together, sharing the upbringing of children and care of the home together? Do I/we pray, sharing from the heart and soul? Am I able to say sorry, and to forgive? How do I process hurts when relationships may fall apart? [ I recently met a couple where he spends four hours a day travelling to and from work, and she five hours two days a week just to put bread on the table, pay the mortgage and secure a future for their family life. Yet families are the foundation stones of our society but our social order places so many obstacles in their path to set up.]

**In general:** Am I aware of the mission God has been entrusted to me? Does God see best what I am suited for as my vocation in life? Do I practice justice by being honest at work in all things? Am I guilty of pilfering, stealing, not fulfilling my hours at work honestly? Have I given fair pay to all those who work for me in any capacity? Have I been faithful to contracts and promises, to paying taxes? Greed seems to be the first cousin to corruption in business practice. Do I seek the common good?

Have I practiced **truthfulness**? It is better to look “bad” in the eyes of others, but to do the right and truthful thing in God’s eyes and suffer for it. Have I harmed others with lies, slander, reckless judgments, broken confidentiality?

Have I procured an abortion or counselled a woman to abort? What was I trying to “save”: by doing this? While driving, have I put my life or that of others at risk, for example when under the influence of drugs or alcohol? Do I **numb myself** with alcohol, drugs, gambling, sex, pornography, technology, shopping?

Have I harboured hatred and desire for revenge in my heart?

Have I imposed my will on others, violating their freedom and disregarding their rights, for example using financial control of a spouse? Have I developed patterns of condemning or blaming others, being negative?

Am I actively aware of my responsibility for **Planet Earth**, the environment and practice sustainability in my purchases, recycling? Do I support public policies which encourage and enforce sustainable stewardship of natural resources? PHMSC

## NOVENA FOR FR TERRY

*Memorare* to Our Lady of the Sacred Heart



Remember, Our Lady of the Sacred Heart, the great things the Lord has done for you; He chose you for His mother; He wanted you close to His cross; He gives you a share in His glory. He listens to your prayer. Offer Him our prayers of

praise and thanksgiving.

Present our petitions to Him...

*(here pause and mention your petition).*

Let us live like you in the love of your

Son that His Kingdom may come.

Lead all people to the source of living water that flows from His Heart,

spreading over the world hope and salvation, justice, and peace.

See our trust in you; answer our prayer.

Show yourself always, our Mother.

Amen.

## FIRST FRIDAYS MASS

**First Fridays Mass with anointing of the sick at 9am. There are many elderly and sick parishioners undergoing treatment in our parish. PHMSC**

## HOLY HOUR

Join us for Adoration – **Monday 18th March**

**6pm-7pm** *(call in for a few minutes or stay the whole hour).*

## CONFIRMATION

Confirmation will take place in our parish on **12<sup>th</sup> June at 6:30pm**. If you haven’t already enrolled your child, please contact Sarina on [olrkensoevangelise@gmail.com](mailto:olrkensoevangelise@gmail.com) for more information.

**The Parent Information evening will be held in the church on Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> March at 6:30pm.**

## PARISH COLLECTIONS – 9/10 MAR

First Collection	\$1,104
Second Collection	\$583
Envelope Collection	\$610
<b>Project Compassion</b>	<b>\$227</b>



## Our Lady of the Rosary Holy Week Ceremonies



### Monday 18<sup>th</sup> March

Communal Rite of Reconciliation – 7:00pm

### Holy Thursday- 28<sup>th</sup> March

Mass of the Lord's Supper – 7:00pm  
CIC – 9:00pm

### Good Friday – 29<sup>th</sup> March

Stations of the Cross - 10.00am  
Ceremony of the Passion &  
Death of Jesus – 3:00pm  
CIC – 6:00pm

### Easter Vigil – 30<sup>th</sup> March

Parish Mass – 7:00pm  
CIC – 9:00pm

### Easter Sunday – 31<sup>st</sup> March

9.30am Easter Mass  
CIC – 3:30pm  
6pm Easter Mass

## 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, please contact the police. Alternatively, you can contact the Safeguarding and Ministerial Integrity Office at 9390 5810 Or [safeguardingenquiries@sydneycatholic.org](mailto:safeguardingenquiries@sydneycatholic.org) You may also want to speak to your Parish Priest who will be able to provide support and guidance. The Archdiocese has a legal obligation to report crimes to the police.

## READERS NEEDED

Readers needed for Saturday 6pm Mass and Sunday 6pm Mass.

## PALM CROSSES

If you're available please join us at the parish office on **Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> March at 10am** to make Palm Crosses for Palm Sunday. We will teach you how to make them and supply morning tea.



Peter Hearn msc



## FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

The work of Caritas Australia is only possible with generous supporters and the dedication, passion and tenacity of our local partners who implement the programs. They are the heroes on the ground working tirelessly behind-the-scenes every day to create a better future for their communities. **Please donate to Project Compassion 2023.** Together, we can help vulnerable communities face their challenges today and build a better tomorrow, **for all future generations.**

You can donate through Project Compassion donation boxes and envelopes available from your parish, by visiting [caritas.org.au/project-compassion](http://caritas.org.au/project-compassion) or by calling 1800 024 413.



Dear Parishioners,

We would appreciate your help to keep it egg-citing for OLR children to celebrate Easter, and welcome your chocolate eggs donation. Please place them in the baskets near the church entrance. Children will be given Easter eggs following OLR Easter Sunday mass. Thank you for your egg-ceptional support.

OLR Kids Church

## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION IN KINDERGARTEN B



At the start of the term KB completed the unit 'K.1 Welcome'. This unit introduced the students to simple prayer routines with a focus of the Sign of the Cross. The unit introduced the students to what a sacred space and prayer place is and the importance of time to pray. Through the use of the Christ candle, the students learnt about the image of Jesus, as the light of the world. We also looked at Jesus as the Good Shepherd. For the next part of this term KB will unpack the unit of 'K.2 Lent and Holy Week' through the stories of 'The Lost Sheep', 'The Washing of the Feet' and 'The Last Supper'. Through these stories, and in keeping with the season of Lent and Holy Week, the students are introduced to Jesus as the one who loves them, who seeks out the lost, who humbly serves others and who provides nourishment. KB will then finish the term with 'K.3 The Easter Season'. The students will hear about and respond to the Easter message of the Resurrection: Jesus is alive.