

## **THIS WEEK**



#### **SATURDAY 20 MAR**

6:00pm Mass

#### **SUNDAY 21 MAR**

9:30am Mass + Kids Church, Morning Tea 11:00am Baptisms 3:30pm Indonesian Community Mass 6:00pm Mass

#### **MONDAY 22 MAR**

9:00am Mass 6:00pm Adoration + Reconciliation

#### **TUESDAY 23 MAR**

6:30pm Communal Celebration of Forgiveness

#### **WEDNESDAY 24 MAR**

9:00am Mass

#### **THURSDAY 25 MAR**

6:00pm Mass

#### **FRIDAY 26 MAR**

9:00am Mass

#### **SATURDAY 27 MAR**

6:00pm Mass

#### **SUNDAY 28 MAR**

9:30am Mass + Kids Church, Morning Tea 3:30pm Indonesian Community Mass 6:00pm Mass

## A GRAIN OF WHEAT

Each of us is like a grain of wheat planted by the heavenly Father.

That grain must die if it is to produce a harvest. This dying to self is a gradual process and happens in very ordinary ways.

Every act of kindness involves dying to meanness. Every act of love involves dying to selfishness. Every act of humility involves dying to pride. Every act of courage involves dying to cowardice. Every act of forgiveness involves dying to bitterness.

When a person's life is producing a rich harvest of such acts, it means that the grain of wheat has well and truly died.

The false self is dying, and the true self, made in God's image is slowly being born.

It is the true self-alone that will inherit eternal life, for there is no place for what is false in the presence of God.

It would melt like snow before the sun.

### Fr Terry msc



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#### **PARISH PRIEST**

## Fr Terry Bowman msc

#### **PARISH SECRETARY**

**Maria Caetano** 

(9:30am - 3:30pm Mon to Fri)

#### **MASS TIMES**

Sat 6pm (Vigil), Sun 9:30am (Family), 6pm Mon, Wed, Fri - 9am, Thurs 6pm Indonesian Mass Sun 3:30pm

#### **RECONCILIATION**

Mon 9:30am or by appointment **ROSARY** 

First Saturday at

#### **INDONESIAN COMMUNITY**

Fr Petrus Suroto msc - 0450 625 757

#### **BAPTISMS**

First Sunday - 11am, bookings required **WEDDINGS** 

By Appointment

#### **SACRAMENTS**

Contact parish office

#### **OLR PRIMARY SCHOOL PRINCIPAL**

Marie Nilon - 9663 3346 OLSH COLLEGE PRINCIPAL Brigid Taylor - 9662 4088

## JUSTICE OF THE PEACE

Roy Rigotti - 9313 8334 John Hill - 9663 3222 Sr Pauline Richards - 0419 482 408

Sr Pauline Richards - 0419 482 40 Nani Widarto - 0411 850 350

## **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

#### 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: 20-30

#### **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**

Maria & Ivan Zic, Grace Veronica, Salvatore Messina, Sr Margaret McKay rscj, Amina Chahrouk, Elisabetta Nesci, Umberto Vaccarella, Xavier Stratton, Rose Alessio, Joanna & family, David Lai, John Roberts, Gavin Robertson, Chris (Cindy's husband), Manuel Mouco, Eva (Nicole's mum), Paul Galea, A.L., Plutarco Cadornigara, Olga Nasser, Margaret Stocker, Lynne Chaundhuri

## PARISHIONERS IN RESIDENTIAL CARE/HOMEBOUND

Malcolm MacDonald, Nella Custorella, Rose Kelter, Jill Rees, John Borg, Gwen Smith, Laura Leonard, Maria Pockaj, Sebastiano Gentile, Frances McLaughlin, Lucienne Radzyminski, Nicole Chiaradia

#### **BELOVED DECEASED**

Fr Harold Baker msc, Sr Maria Antonita osf, Teresita Rono-Agoncillo, Mario De Roit, Sir Michael Thomas Somare, Br Reyer Flapper msc

#### **ANNIVERSARIES**

John Michael Stinson, Marilyn Dorahy, Giuseppe Sidoti, Maria Taranto, Vince Hage, Rudy Widjaja, Patrick Bowman, Maria Tan Tiang Nio, Gracinda Rodrigues, Lee Lai Fong

#### PARISH ROSTER 20/21 Mar Sat 6:00pm Sun 9:30am Sun 6:00pm **Acolytes Briant Koh** Roel Castillo John Allen Readers John Dorahy Nani Widarto Bella Siauwidjaja Sarina Capo Jeff Kildea Lena Hermawan **KidsChurch** Arty & Eka Henny Comm to sick Cathy Castillo 27/28 Mar Sun 9:30pm Sun 6:00pm Sat 6:00pm Gus Alimhamzah Danny Tjahjadi **Acolytes** John Ryan Readers Francine Pirola Roy Rigotti Patricia Reyes Ross Martin Byron Pirola Isabel Reves Michelle Alimhamzah Br Rory Higgins Tony King **KidsChurch** Herlina & Erika Comm to sick Trish Veness

#### **PARISH COLLECTIONS - 13/14 MARCH**

1st Collection	\$450	2nd Collection	\$170
Envelope	\$580	Project Compassion	\$430



#### **HOLY HOUR**

Join us for Adoration this coming Monday,
22 March 6pm-7pm Fr Terry will be available
for Reconciliation (call in for a few minutes or
stay the whole hour)

We welcome into our faith community by Baptism this weekend:

> Charlotte Barroso Clark and Sara Abigail Zwoerner

Please keep them and their families in your prayers.



#### **FIRST SATURDAY ROSARY**

You are invited to join the parish rosary group in the church on **Holy Saturday 3 April at 4:00pm to pray the rosary.** If you would like to join in, please private message Sarina through the Parish WhatsApp Group or contact the Parish Office. All welcomed.



#### PALM SUNDAY -28 MARCH

Our usual palm supplier is not able to provide palms for us any more, so if you have palm or olive trees, would you mind providing some branches for Palm Sunday. These can be dropped off at the Church or Parish House before next weekend.



# Share the joy of Easter

Dear Parishioners

Due to the current restrictions there will not be Easter egg hunt. We would appreciate your help to keep it egg-citing for the children. They will be given Easter eggs following OLR Easter Sunday mass. We welcome your chocolate eggs donation. Please place them in the baskets near the church entrance. Thank you for your egg-ceptional support.

OLR Kids Church





#### FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT - 21 MARCH 2021

Halima is raising two children in a Bangladeshi refugee camp while caring for her mother, who has a disability. A Caritas Australia-supported program helped her with a shelter, cooking equipment and hygiene training. Halima now earns a small income as a trainer, helping to maintain the health and cleanliness of her community. Please donate to Project Compassion 2021 to so this transformational program can continue to empower vulnerable women, men and children, and strengthen the communities around them. You can donate through Parish boxes and envelopes, by visiting <a href="https://www.caritas.org.au/projectcompassion">www.caritas.org.au/projectcompassion</a> or phoning 1800 024 413.



Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> March – 6:30pm Communal Celebration of Forgiveness

Holy Thursday- 1st April Mass of the Lord's Supper – 7:00pm CIC – 9:00pm

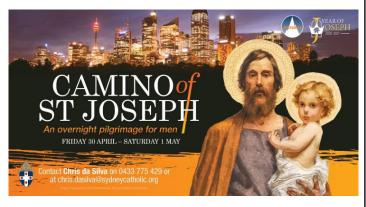
Good Friday – 2<sup>nd</sup> April
Stations of the Cross - 10.00am
Ceremony of the Passion of the Lord – 3:00pm
CIC – 6:00pm

Easter Vigil – 3<sup>rd</sup> April Parish Mass – 7:00pm CIC – 9:00pm

Easter Sunday – 4<sup>th</sup> April 9.30am Easter Mass CIC – 3:30pm

#### **CAMINO OF ST JOSEPH**

Men, it's time to take up a challenge to honour our Spiritual Father on his Feast of St Joseph the Worker in the Year of St Joseph! The Camino will begin with Mass celebrated by Bishop Umbers at 8pm on Friday the 30th of April at Holy Family, Menai. During our walk we will stop at several churches: St Patrick, Sutherland; Our Lady Star of the Sea, Miranda; St Finbar, Sans Souci; and St Thomas More, Brighton-Le-Sands. Each stop will feature a reflection on St Joseph and a time of Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament. We will conclude with a sunrise Mass and breakfast at Brighton-Le-Sands, finishing up at 7am on the 1st of May. To register, visit www.sydneycatholic.org/camino.





## 6 WEEKS OF LENT GIVE 6 THINGS

This Lent, please donate 1 item each week to give to refugees living in this community.



Food donations can be dropped off either at the Parish House or in the boxes in the church foyer.

If you would prefer to give cash or a voucher, you can do so by placing in an envelope and dropping off at the Parish House or placing in the collection baskets.

#### SOCIAL JUSTICE SURVEY

The Justice and Peace Office is an agency of the Catholic Archdiocese of Sydney which promotes, justice, peace ecology and development according to the social teaching of the Catholic Church. To better undertake our work, which includes supporting parish social justice groups to engage in charitable and social justice works, we would like to find out what issues are of most concern to the people in our parishes. If you could take a few minutes to fill out the survey at this link, we would appreciate it: <a href="https://forms.gle/ButTM6mZMmpTkCoD9">https://forms.gle/ButTM6mZMmpTkCoD9</a>. If you have any questions please email <a href="mailto:jpoinfo@sydneycatholic.org">jpoinfo@sydneycatholic.org</a>.

#### **CATHOLICCARE – WE'RE HIRING!**

Join our friendly team of passionate and caring Community Support Workers who provide home care to our clients across Sydney. We are seeking applicants with a Certificate III in Aged Care (or similar) and relevant experience. The role includes assisting Seniors with the following service requirements: Accompanying clients on errands and appointments | Domestic assistance | Meal preparation | Personal care | Social support. We are also recruiting Greek and Italian speaking Care Support Workers. We are looking to grow our team of Greek and Italian speaking Community Support Workers. If you are a carer with the relevant qualifications, and speak one or both of these languages, we encourage you to apply. Find out more by visiting <a href="https://www.catholiccare.org/jobs">www.catholiccare.org/jobs</a> Or call our CCareline team - 8am to 6pm weekdays on 13 18 19.

#### ACCOMMODATON NEEDED

Young Russian University student studying Computer Science at UNSW seeks inexpensive accommodation near the university. He comes from a Refugee family and is well known to John Hill. If you are able to help please contact John on 0411 315 533.

#### A MESSAGE FROM THE ARCHDIOCESE OF SYDNEY

Child sexual abuse is a crime. The appropriate people to deal with crimes 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 safeguardingenquiries@sydneycatholic.org or 9390 5810. 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.