



LET GOD WORK

“When I was a child, I was always kept in my place and became shy and withdrawn. For some reason I was angry.

Many years later, I was married, and my wife and I had two lovely boys: James who was three and the baby who was one. One day I was digging up an old tree in the backyard and James was helping me. The roots were deep and it wouldn't budge. I was furious, blew up and then sat down stewing. I looked up and saw James. He wasn't scared. He walked over to me and gave me the gentlest hug, which melted my heart on the spot. I thought, *‘What on earth am I doing?’*

After this, I began questioning why I was so angry. I was working long hours and drinking a bit, but there was something else – it was my confidence. So, I started doing many things that I had always wanted to do, woodworking, making shelves, cupboards, all sorts of things. Then I began restoring old furniture which led to French polishing. Later I took up guitar, and then the piano and had singing lessons. But every now and then I still blow my top.

Today at Mass our priest talked about faith and asked, *‘How often do you leave God's good work unfinished because you are scared of what others think or say?’* And I realised that my problem is still faith and confidence. It took a little boy to snap me out of it last time. The difference now is that God is in my life, and he wasn't then. Well, maybe he was and was speaking through my son. I just couldn't see it then.” (Michael)

Fr Terry msc

THIS WEEK

“The kingdom of heaven may be compared to a man who sowed good seed in his field.”

Matthew 13:24



SATURDAY 22 JULY

6:00pm Mass + First Eucharist

SUNDAY 23 JULY

9:30am Mass + KidsChurch, Morning Tea

3:30pm Indonesian Community Mass

6:00pm Mass

MONDAY 24 JULY

9:00am Mass

6:00pm Adoration

WEDNESDAY 26 JULY

9:00am Mass

THURSDAY 27 JULY

6:00pm Mass

FRIDAY 28 JULY

9:00am Mass

SATURDAY 29 JULY

6:00pm Mass

SUNDAY 30 JULY

9:30am Mass + KidsChurch, Morning Tea

3:30pm Indonesian Community Mass

6:00pm Mass

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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

Mon 9:30am or by appointment

ROSARY

First Saturday of each month

INDONESIAN COMMUNITY

Fr Agustinus Handoko msc
 Phone: 0420 347 002
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BAPTISMS

First Sunday - 11am, bookings required

WEDDINGS

By Appointment

SACRAMENTS

Contact Amanda - Parish Office

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RESPONSES

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

See, I have God for my help.
 The Lord sustains my soul.
 I will sacrifice to you with willing heart, and praise your name,
 O Lord, for it is good.

FIRST READING

Wisdom 12: 13, 16-19

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Lord, you are good and forgiving.

SECOND READING

Romans 8: 26-27

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!
 Blessed are you, Father,
 Lord of heaven and earth;
 you have revealed to little ones
 the mysteries of the kingdom.
 Alleluia!

GOSPEL

Matthew 13: 24-43

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

The Lord, the gracious, the merciful,
 has made a memorial of his wonders;
 he gives food to those who fear him.

OREMUS

Let us Pray

SICK

Frank Reid, 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

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

BELOVED DECEASED

Sam Bonarrigo, Eva Agustin, Fr Noel Molloy, Tamsir Widjaja (Sherly Handjojo's dad), Doris White

ANNIVERSARIES

Jack Papallo, Leonard See, Tom Longworth, Francesco Del Vecchio, John McCluskey, Philip Newton, Lyn King, Robert Rowley, Neil Arundle, Patricia Ann Caba, Fr Aubrey Collins, Mary Lanti, Jim Siely, Teresa Kim, Giuseppina & Stefano Rando

ROSTERS

22/23 JULY	SAT 6:00PM	SUN 9:30PM	SUN 6:00PM
Acolyte	John Ryan	Sal Barone	John Allen
Readers	Sr Diana Hayes Sr Pauline Richards	Billy Siauwidjaja Geraldine Marcellino	Marieann Duncan Marissa Meyn
E. Ministers		Maria Esguerra Amelia Iovanella	
KidsChurch	Patrick & Henny Osa		
Counters	Helen Liew & Jan Nicholas		
Comm to Sick	Maria Esguerra		
29/30 JULY	SAT 6:00PM	SUN 9:30AM	SUN 6:00PM
Acolyte	Danny Tjahjadi	John Allen	Briant Koh
Readers	Shilla Azalea Sr Pauline Richards	Nani Widarto Ross Martin	Marcel Sahade Jasmine Sahade
E. Ministers		Trish Veness Andreas Johan	
KidsChurch	Lily & Eka		
Counters	Giovanna Ziccardi & Bob Brenac		
Comm to Sick	Trish Veness		



World Day
for Grandparents
and the Elderly
2023

**PRAYER FOR THE WORLD DAY
FOR GRANDPARENTS AND THE ELDERLY
23 JULY 2023**

Virgin Mary,
Mother of faith and hope,
an example for this humanity bent by indifference,
make me as willing as You
to accept the will of God,
to magnify and praise His Mercy.
Mary, Mother of fortitude,
you who knows my heart,
do not allow me to become discouraged.
I confidently surrender my life into your hands.
Heal my wounds.
May your tenderness accompany me on the way.
Your presence, Mother of love,
brings us to experience the joy
of seeing our families united.
Help me to transmit the tenderness and Love of God
to the grandchildren and youth
so that, in addition to praying for them,
we can pray with them.
Mary, may the gift of the Holy Spirit intercede for me:
sustain my weakness;
breathe into my heart the consolation
that I may leave traces of faith among the young,
bearing witness to the beauty of life,
knowing that life has a limit
and that beyond it lies before us our Father's embrace.
Amen.



An online course for learning how to manage fertility naturally in context of the Catholic faith. Based on the Sympto-Thermal method, the course incorporates a unique blend of scientific insights, relationship frameworks and Catholic Theology. From 19 July - 31 August you can register for the course at 50% off to

celebrate Natural Fertility Awareness Week. Use **NFPWEEK** coupon code to claim your discount. www.smartloving.org/fertility.

RCIA

OLR Parish is taking enrolments for anyone who is interested in learning more about the Catholic faith and becoming a Catholic. RCIA classes will commence on the **26th of August**. Please email the Parish office with your details for more information.

HOLY HOUR

Join us for Adoration – Monday 24th July
6pm-7pm (*call in for a few minutes
or stay the whole hour*).

FIRST EUCHARIST

Congratulation to the following children
receiving their First Eucharist on
Saturday 22nd July 2023

Thomas Castro
Chloe Chia
Samara Olivia Edwards
Carel Jin Sheng Li
Eugene Jin Liung Li
Naama Sofia Vakafua



23 July 2023
Christopher Yong
and
Cassandra Wong

Last weekend we welcomed
into our faith community
by Baptism:

Sinsty Reddy



*Please keep Sinsty and her family
in your prayers.*

**FIVE FIRST SATURDAYS
DEVOTION**

Please join us at OLR Church on the
first Saturday of each month for the
"5 first Saturdays Devotion" associated with Our
Lady of Fatima. **5.30pm Rosary | 6.00pm Mass.**
<https://www.fatima.org.au/five-first-saturdays/>



PARISH COLLECTIONS – 15/16 JULY

First Collection	\$900
Second Collection	\$653
Envelope Collection	\$685

OLR VOLUNTEER TEAM FOR ST CANICE'S KITCHEN

The OLR Volunteer Team for St Canice's Kitchen is rostered for the kitchen on Saturday, 19 August. Please be in front of the church by 8am so we could get there before 9am. Kitchen and Cafe opens at 9am. Lunch service starts at 11am.

Meal service ends at 12:30 pm. Kitchen closes by 1pm. We are expected to serve around 150 meals and we will work closely with another small team rostered the same day. Parking is very limited so we plan to ride share going there. No need to bring anything than a bottle of water, a ton of energy, and a cheerful heart. See you all on 19 August. Please contact Ana on 0416 166 149 if you have any questions.

POSITIONS VACANT

The Parish of St Mary's in Erskineville is seeking a **part time Parish Secretary** and a **cleaner**. Hours of work: 12-15 hours per week. Responsibilities include general administration, phone enquiries and sacramental registers. Experience preferred. A sound level of computer literacy, including Microsoft Office, and administrative skills are essential requirements for this position. Experience with databases is desirable. If you have great interpersonal skills, a strong work ethic, and are attracted to the prospect of working in faith-filled community, please send your Resume/Application to the Parish Priest using the following email address: admin@stmaryserskineville.org.au or contact 9516 3542.

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 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.

AMADEUS

MUSIC EDUCATION PROGRAM
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Bring music to our children

Sydney Catholic Schools seeks experienced music tutors and teachers to deliver our new music program, Amadeus.

Share your expertise with students from Kindergarten to Year 8 to create the musicians of the future.

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- **Botany-Randwick Network** (Botany / Maroubra / Randwick)
- **Ryde Network** (Eastwood / Gladesville / Ryde)
- **St George Network** (Arncliffe / Brighton-Le-Sands / Hurstville / Kingsgrove)

Apply here: sydcatholic.schools.nsw.edu.au/musicjobs



Research shows music:

- Boosts brain power
- Promotes wellbeing
- Improves memory

A PROUD INITIATIVE OF Sydney Catholic Schools

CALIX SOCIETY

CALIX "We substitute the cup that sanctifies for the cup that stupefies". Stay and sober with the Catholic faith and a 12-Step program. Join us in prayer for: total abstinence, spiritual development, and personal sanctification. Do you "thirst" for more? Contact calixsydney@outlook.com or <https://www.calixsociety.org>

SEASONS OF RENEWAL: ORDINARY TIME

Ordinary Time is an extraordinary opportunity to invite others into friendship with Christ in the midst of the everyday. Be equipped to welcome family, friends, colleagues, and neighbours to your parish, by joining the Parish Renewal Team online for a practical and encouraging presentation and discussion. All welcome!

Thursday 27 July, 7:30 – 8:30 pm | Tuesday 1 August, 10 – 11 am

To register, visit the [events page](#)