



PRUNING TIME

“Pruning time is a painful time for a fruit tree. The pruner rids it of all those suckers which use up a lot of energy but produces no fruit.

However, the aim of this surgery is not to inflict pain, but to help the tree produce more and better fruit.

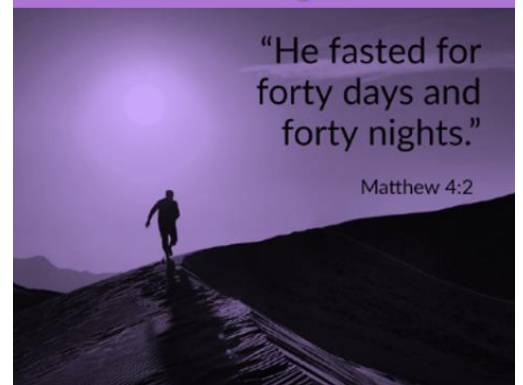
Lent is a kind of spiritual pruning time. There is much that is useless and perhaps harmful in our lives, which saps our energy and diminishes our spiritual fruitfulness.

Of what shall we prune ourselves this Lent, so that we may become more fruitful branches of Jesus Christ the true Vine?”
(Author Unknown)

Fr Terry msc

THIS WEEK

First Sunday of Lent



SATURDAY 25 FEB

6:00pm Mass

SUNDAY 26 FEB

9:30am Mass + KidsChurch, Morning Tea

3:30pm Indonesian Community Mass

6:00pm Mass

MONDAY 27 FEB

9:00am Mass

6:00pm Adoration

WEDNESDAY 1 MAR

9:00am Mass

THURSDAY 2 MAR

6:00pm Mass

FRIDAY 3 MAR

9:00am Mass

SATURDAY 4 MAR

6:00pm Mass

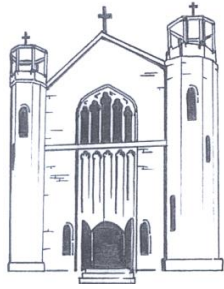
SUNDAY 5 MAR

9:30am Mass + KidsChurch, Morning Tea

11:00am Baptisms

3:30pm Indonesian Community Mass

6:00pm Mass



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Office Hours: 9:30am - 3:30pm

OFFICE CLOSED TUESDAYS

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

Email: hanhanmsc@yahoo.com

BAPTISMS

First Sunday - 11am, bookings required

WEDDINGS

By Appointment

SACRAMENTS

Contact Parish Office

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Jenny Chu - 9663 3346

OLSH COLLEGE PRINCIPAL

Vivienne Awad - 9662 4088

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RESPONSES

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

When he calls on me,
I will answer him;
I will deliver him and give him glory,
I will grant him length of days.

FIRST READING

Genesis 2:7-9; 3:1-7

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Be merciful, O Lord, for we have sinned.

SECOND READING

Romans 5:12-19

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ,
king of endless glory!
No one lives on bread alone,
but on every word that comes
from the mouth of God.
Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ,
king of endless glory!

GOSPEL

Matthew 4:1-11

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

One does not live by bread alone,
but by every word that comes forth
from the mouth of God.

OREMUS

Let us Pray

SICK

Mary Higgins, Cendrati Kurniawan (mother of Henny Wong), Shona Kaiwai, Anthony Liew (nephew of Helen Liew), Grace Provino, Hima, Margaret McShane, Evelyn Marquez, Maria & Ivan Zic, Grace Veronica, Amina Chahrouk, Salvatore Messina, Elisabetta Nesci, Umberto Vaccarella, Xavier Stratton, Rose Alessio, Joanna & family, Gavin Robertson, Chris (*Cindy's husband*), Manuel Mouco, Eva (*Nicole's mum*), Paul Galea, A.L., Lynne Chaundhuri

PARISHIONERS IN RESIDENTIAL CARE/HOMEBOUND

John Dorahy, William Van Burke, Brenda Longworth, Doris White, Christine Moyle, Frank Mifsud, Fr Chris Murphy msc, Olga Nasser, Br Gerard Rummery fsc, Sayde Harb, Rose Kelter, Margaret Stocker, Jill Rees, Gwen Smith, Maria Pockaj, Sebastiano Gentile, Lucienne Radzysinski, Nicole Chiaradia

BELOVED DECEASED

Br Celestine Gavin fsc, Sr Margaret McKay rscj, Paz Morales-Ferrer, Virgilio Balatbat-Martin

ANNIVERSARIES

Gracinda Rodrigues, Vince Hage, Ethel Longworth, Eileen Gregson, Michael Vigilante, Jack Papallo, May Kavaney, Barbara Zakrzewski, Brian McClusky, Ruza Studenovic, Pero Studenovic, Carlo Pengue, Alfredo Pengue, John Sutton, Ana Gamulin, Lynette Marie Allen, Tom Simpson, Madeline Patricia Rowley, Charles Hamilton Bell, Fr Adrian Meaney msc, Br Barney Delaney msc, Kevin McGregor, Peter Ashelford, Elaine Love, Bernadette Brosnan, Henry Mossman, Joseph Zammit

ROSTERS

25/26 FEB	SAT 6:00PM	SUN 9:30PM	SUN 6:00PM
Acolyte	Danny Tjahjadi	John Allen	Gunawan Gunawan
Readers	Thelma Slunsky Cathy Shiner	Nani Widarto Ross Martin	Isabel Reyes Patricia Reyes
E. Ministers		Ana Corpuz Andreas Johan	
KidsChurch	Lily & Henny Osa		
Counters	Johanna Jahja, Arief Suhadi		
Comm to Sick	Josue Castro		
4/5 MARCH	SAT 6:00PM	SUN 9:30AM	SUN 6:00PM
Acolyte	Gus Alimhamzah	Arthur Handjojo	Yosep Rizal
Readers	Shilla Azalea Sr Helen Hearne	Abbey Yang Toni McGuinness POF – Year 1	Jasmin Sahade Marcel Sahade
E. Ministers			
KidsChurch	Lia Tjoe & Arty		
Counters	Giovanna Ziccardi, Bob Brenac		
Comm to Sick	Trish Veness		



FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

Laxmi, 16, lives in in Jajarkot, a remote district in Nepal where almost half of the population live below the poverty line. Tragedy struck when Laxmi was 10 years old and her father passed away. Her father worked hard to pay for his children's education and after losing him Laxmi was at risk of falling further into extreme poverty. With the support of our partner Caritas Nepal, Laxmi joined a child's club at her school where she was encouraged to resume her education. Through the child's club, Laxmi developed the skills and confidence to become a leader, advocating for clean water taps at her school. Laxmi is now excelling in her studies and working towards her dream of becoming a civil engineer. She continues to be involved in the child's club, serving as an advisor and mentoring the next generation of young leaders at her old school. **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, or by calling 1800 024 413.



FIRST RECONCILIATION AND FIRST EUCHARIST



Enrolments are now being taken for the Sacraments of First Reconciliation and First Eucharist for children who do not attending OLR Primary School. Please contact the parish office **for an enrolment form on 9663 1070 or olrkensoparish@gmail.com.**



TRAINING PROGRAM FOR EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION

ACU Centre for Liturgy has developed a comprehensive, engaging and truly formative online training program for Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion (and will add a program for Ministers of the Word shortly). This excellent program has been crafted by expert pastoral liturgy educators specifically for the Australian context using the most informed and contemporary interactive online learning principles and techniques. ACU is planning to start a new training program in March, aiming to prepare parishioners to exercise their ministry with confidence and devotion during the Easter season. If you would like to joining this program **please contact the Parish Office on 9663 1070 or olrkensoparish@gmail.com.**

SISTERHOOD CATHOLIC WOMENS' CONFERENCE

The **Sisterhood conference** is a weekend for women aged 18 + to grow in their faith and encounter a community of likeminded Catholic women committed to their faith. The conference will be held at The Tops Conference Centre at **Stanwell Tops 17-19th March**. This is a live-in weekend. Places are limited. For more information visit www.sisterhood.org.au email info@sisterhood.org.au.

ST VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

The St Vincent de Paul Society needs volunteers to work in the Kingsford Support Centre. This involves basic admin task, booking appointments, data entry. No qualifications required. It is a great opportunity to use your skills in a way that very directly assists the poor and needy. People must be able to volunteer on a regular and permanent basis, i.e. at least half a day each week. To volunteer or seek further details please call Marlene, the Centre manager, on 0490 666 100.



HOLY HOUR

Join us for Adoration - Monday 27 February
6pm-7pm (*call in for a few minutes or stay the whole hour*).



Happy Birthday to Amalia Iovanella who turned 90 on Thursday 23rd February

"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 – 18/19 FEB

First Collection	\$917
Second Collection	\$465
Envelope Collection	\$645

CALENDAR CLAIMER

MSC MISSION OFFICE 25-year celebration
Opening Eucharist 10am, 26th March at
Our Lady of the Sacred Heart Church,
Randwick. Thanksgiving
Mass 9th July at St Mary's
Cathedral at 2.30 pm.
Followed by
refreshments.



OUR LADY OF THE ROSARY
CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL KENSINGTON

OPEN DAYS

9 March

9.20-12.30pm & 2.10-2.40pm

30 March

9.20-12.30pm & 2.10-2.40pm

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PROUDLY PART OF THE COMMUNITY OF Sydney Catholic Schools

To Register please visit the following link:
<https://www.trybooking.com/CFUAS>

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.

MSC MISSION OFFICE AT KENSINGTON IS LOOKING FOR A DONATION DATA ENTRY OPERATOR PART-TIME - 20 HOURS PER WEEK

Job Description

Within this rewarding role you will be the first point of contact for donors and will demonstrate a professional and personable nature. You will also focus on:

- Maintaining donor database;
- Recording donor details;
- Processing donations;
- Answering and directing phone enquiries;
- Being a point of contact for donors;
- Providing a high level of client service.

The Successful Applicant

The successful applicant will possess high speed data entry skills. In order to be considered for the role, you must have a high attention to detail and proven skills in data entry. You will be friendly and enthusiastic and demonstrate this through your verbal and written communications. To apply for this position, please send your CV and references to Fr Roger Purcell msc, Director MSC Mission Office, by email to mscmisio@mscmision.org. Applications close Sunday 5th March 2023.

ST CANICE'S KITCHEN

The Our Lady of the Rosary volunteer team helping St Canice's Kitchen (King's Cross) is now calling for new, enthusiastic and energetic members who wish to be part of this worthwhile apostolate. The OLR team has volunteered to do this work for over 15 years but the operation had to pause during Covid lockdowns. Now it is back and running and more than ever, there's more people needing assistance. Several volunteer teams from different Parishes come based on a roster requiring each team to serve meals 2 or 3 times a year. It is not a big imposition - and each roster will only be for 4 to 5 hours. Our team of 12 to 15 people will cook, serve, clean and wrap up starting from 9am to 2pm. All the food and tools are provided so there is no financial cost to you if you register as a volunteer. From 2023, the roster will be on Saturdays (previously on Sundays) and we will be rostered as soon as I give the Kitchen notice that we will be there to help. If you think you can spare 2 or 3 Saturdays a year, have the humble heart to serve those who are in most need, please contact Ana on 0416 166 149. It is a joy to be part of a team with so much generosity and care and receive heartfelt gratitude from our brothers and sisters who come to the kitchen.



The Aisling Society
of Sydney

FR FRANK BRENNAN TO SPEAK ON THE VOICE AT AISLING SOCIETY ST PATRICK'S DAY DINNER

The Aisling Society St Patrick's Day dinner

will be held on **Friday 10 March 2023 at 6.30pm for 7pm** at the Sir Stamford Hotel, Macquarie Street, Sydney. The guest speaker will be **Fr Frank Brennan SJ** who will speak on the Voice to Parliament. Numbers are limited. To reserve a place, contact the event organiser Patrick Tansey (beeint@yahoo.com) or the Aisling secretary Jeff Kildea (contact@aislingsociety.org.au)

