



MARY MOTHER OF THE CHURCH PARISH

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PARISH MISSION STATEMENT: TO BE A LIGHT UNTO THE WORLD

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Office Hours: Tuesday, Thursday & Friday 9:00am - 3:00pm

Acknowledgement of Country : We acknowledge the Traditional Custodians, Elders and communities and the spirit that binds us in our dreams and aspirations on Dharawal country. We acknowledge the continued deep spiritual attachment and relationship of Aboriginal and Torres Strait peoples to this country and commit ourselves to the ongoing journey of reconciliation.

29th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Year - B – 19th & 20th October 2024

LITURGY OF THE WORD

Entrance Antiphon

To you I call; for you will surely heed me, O God; turn your ear to me; hear my words. Guard me as the apple of your eye; in the shadows of your wings protect me.

FIRST READING

A reading from the prophet Isaiah (53:10-11)

(If he offers his life in atonement, he shall see his heirs and have long life).

The Lord has been pleased to crush his servant with suffering. If he offers his life in atonement, he shall see his heirs, he shall have a long life and through him what the Lord wishes will be done.

His soul's anguish over he shall see the light and be content. By his sufferings shall my servant justify many, taking their faults on himself.

The Word of the Lord.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM (Ps 32)

All: Lord, let your mercy be on us, as we place our trust in you.

Reader: The word of the Lord is faithful and all his works to be trusted. The Lord loves justice and right and fills the earth with his love.

All: Lord, let your mercy be on us, as we place our trust in you.

Reader: The Lord looks on those who revere him, on those who hope in his love, to rescue their souls from death, to keep them alive in famine.

All: Lord, let your mercy be on us, as we place our trust in you.

Reader: Our soul is waiting for the Lord. The Lord is our help and our shield. May your love be upon us, O Lord, as we place all our hope in you.

All: Lord, let your mercy be on us, as we place our trust in you.

SECOND READING

A reading from the letter to the Hebrews (4:14-16)

(Let us be confident in approaching the throne of grace).

Since in Jesus, the Son of God, we have the supreme high priest who has gone through to the highest heaven, we must never let go of the faith that we have professed. For it is not as if we had a high priest who was incapable of feeling our weaknesses with us; but we have one who has been tempted in every way that we are, though he is without sin. Let us be confident, then, in approaching the throne of grace, that we shall have mercy from him and find grace when we are in need of help.

The Word of the Lord.

Parish News and Happenings

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, Alleluia!

The Son of Man came to serve and to give his life as a ransom for all.

Alleluia!

GOSPEL: Mark (10:35-45)

(The Son of Man came to give his life as a ransom for all).

Communion Antiphon

Behold, the eyes of the Lord are on those who fear him, who hope in his merciful love, to rescue their souls from death, to keep them alive in famine.

BAPTISMS are open. Every 2nd & 4th Saturdays of the Month.

For Baptism Preparation please contact **Maria D'souza** through email : maria197114@gmail.com **OR contact the Parish Office.**

Volunteer Thanksgiving Mass & Luncheon : 30th November 2024 at 11am

If you are an active volunteer in any of our parish ministries - whether you assist with church cleaning, reading, serve as a minister etc and haven't received an invitation from your ministry leader, please consider this as Fr Bosco's personal invite to join us for the event. **Kindly RSVP to the parish office by 10th Nov.** Thankyou.

WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday: 6:00 pm. (Vigil Mass)

Sunday : 8:00 am & 10:00 am.

Weekday Masses :

Mon- Fridays at 9:00 am

Saturday : 8.30am

RECONCILIATION:

Saturday : 5:15pm – 5:45pm

Every Wednesday : NOVENA to our Mother Mary, 6:30pm Rosary followed by Novena Prayers

Bible Study : Fortnightly on Sundays at 2.30pm in the Logos Centre.

Sunday School : Every Sundays during 10am Mass in the Logos Centre. (during the School Term)

Catholic Mission Parish Appeal



This week, you're invited to partner with the Church in Mongolia to help deliver essential services to people who need it most.



The House of Mercy will provide a haven for many people, including those affected by homelessness and domestic violence. Without your partnership, people in need will go without the assistance they require.

You can support this work by using the appeal envelope or going online at catholicmission.org.au/mongolia. Your gift will also assist many other Church programs around the world.

A third collection will be taken to support the Mission appeal. Please donate generously. Thank you!

CATHOLIC CARE Aged Care PRESENTATION –

Monday 21 October :

CatholicCare will be visiting Mary Mother of the Church Parish to provide a comprehensive and important presentation on Aged Care, covering topics such as: How to get into the Aged Care system and also the services that CatholicCare can provide. Presentation to commence after 9am Mass. Morning Tea will be provided.

RSVP : Veena - Parish office :

mfields@dow.org.au OR call 9605 6169



The Light: Daily Advent and Christmas Reflections 2024 - a beautiful 88-page book of daily reflections designed to deepen your spiritual journey from the beginning of Advent (1 December 2024) through to the Baptism of the Lord (12 January 2025), offering profound insights and contemplative thoughts that invite you to explore the depths of your faith and anticipate the joy of God's presence in the world.

Limited copies available now in the Church Foyer. Please see Lina for your copy. \$3.00 / Book

Come & See, Go & Make Formation Pathway

NOVEMBER REGISTRATION OPEN
Campbelltown Tuesday 12 November 7 – 9:30pm
Wollongong & Zoom Wednesday, 13 November 7-9:30pm. Register today @ dow.sh/nov2024

Parish News and Happenings

Dates for your Diary

Friday, November 1 : All Saints Day
- Mass at 9am and 7pm

Saturday, November 2: All Souls Day
- Mass at 8:30am and 11am

Saturday November 23: First Holy Communion
- Mass 10am & 12 pm

Sunday November 24: Christ the King Feast

Saturday, November 30: Volunteer Thanksgiving
- Mass at 11am followed by lunch in the Parish Hall

December 1: First Sunday of Advent

Monday December 9: Feast of the Immaculate Conception Mass at 9am

Saturday December 14: Parish Carols after 6:00pm vigil mass followed by sausage sizzle.

Monday December 16: 2nd Rite of Reconciliation at 6pm

December 16-24 :Dawn Masses at 5am daily

Tuesday December 24 : Christmas Family Mass at 7pm

Tuesday December 24: Midnight mass at 11:30pm

Monday December 25: Christmas Day Mass at 9am

Monday December 31: End of year Thanksgiving with Adoration at 6:30pm followed by mass

Tuesday January 1, 2025: New Year's mass at 9am

November Masses:

November is a special time to pray for the dead. If you would like Masses offered for your deceased relatives and friends, please write their name(s) on November Mass envelopes clearly. You can place the envelope in one of the collection baskets at Mass or drop the envelope into the parish office. Mass will be offered for your intentions during November and ongoing. If you would like mass offered on a particular day please see Fr. Bosco. We will also remember those whose names are inscribed in our memorial plaque and recorded in our Book of Remembrance.

Reflection :

Role reversal

During the Last Supper Jesus washed the feet of the apostles. He was hammering home a lesson he had taught them earlier (see Gospel), namely, that for them authority was to be a form of service. So that there would be no doubt in their minds as to what he meant he said, 'If I, the Master, have washed your feet, you must wash each other's feet. I have given you an example so

that you may copy what I have done'.

Today there is often a gulf between those who rule and those who are ruled. A lot of hurt results especially for those below. Those in low positions feel they are not appreciated by those in high positions. They see the latter as remote and uncaring. It's easy for those who have worked their way up into high positions to forget what it is like to be 'in the trenches'. To remember is to understand. A good parent remembers what it was like to be a child.

Would that those above might follow the example Jesus gave at the Last Supper. Let the policeman be arrested; the priest sit in the pew; the teacher sit at the desk; the foreman get down into the trenches; the warder be locked up; the doctor get seriously ill; the judge be put in the dock; the general go to the front line; the man with the secure job join the dole queue... Might we not have a more caring and sensitive exercise of authority?

Of course the opposite also happens - those above are not understood by those below, and harsh judgements are sometimes handed up.

One day a watch was crossing the town square just as the big clock on the church steeple was chiming twelve noon. The watch looked up at the big clock and said, 'You think you're better than the rest of us, don't you? You ought to take a look at yourself. Your face is so common, your hands so clumsy, and your voice so coarse!'

But the big clock calmly replied, 'Come up here, my little brother, and I'll show you something.'

The little watch climbed up the long stairs, and at last stood beside the big clock. What a view there was from here. But pretty soon it realised that it was dangerous up here, very exposed, and ever so lonely.

'Little brother, there is a man down there who wants to know the time. Why don't you tell him?' Said the big clock.

'Oh, I couldn't make him hear me from here or see me either,' the watch replied.

'So you can't tell him,' said the big clock. But I can tell him. We each have a job to do. I can do what you can't do. You can do what I can't do. Let us therefore not criticise one another. Instead, let each of us in our own way, from our own place, tell people the time. In that way, we will not only be equal but brothers as well.'

Jesus abolished the distance between the master and servant. In him two became one.

New Sunday & Holy Day Liturgies

Parish News and Happenings

Thanksgiving & Special Intention Mass offered for:

Thanksgiving : Edita Punla & Family / Luca & Alwyn Noronha

This week masses have been offered for the Sick and Special needs of :



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| * Dr Lydia de Jesus | * Eva Silang |
| * Dr Joycelyn de Jesus | * Carole Dimayuga |
| * Jaypee Masangkay | * Selda Dimayuga |
| * Aida Dayao | * Nancie |
| * Nelia Ambat | * Mason Dulalia |
| * Vivian Martin | * Jun & Charo Doctors |
| * Lucinda Rose | * Catherine Nguyen |
| * Maria Vu | * Resty Perez |
| * Vlado Kutle | * Susan Biag |
| * Luis Vincente Marcelo | * Lysiane |
| * Carla Geronimo | * Jake Valte |
| * Hania Stoklosa | * Andrea Tuazon |
| * Ricardo San Juan | * Daniela Vladislavic |
| * Alan & Margaret Raisbeck | * Mabel Artuz |
| * Aleyna Meryam Lacin | * Monique Yongching |
| * Mirella Autard-Catherine | * Jordan Joval |
| * Mick Jones | * Katarina Klindic |
| * Lavina, Joseph & Lawry | * Dominique Autard |
| * Sue Aston | * June Carroll |
| * Alwyn Noronha | * Fellie Duggan |
| * Sr Juliana Ioane | |
| * Sion Gilchrist | |
| * Noelene Bartlet | |

THIS WEEK MASSES HAVE BEEN OFFERED FOR THE REPOSE OF THE SOULS & DEATH ANNIVERSARIES OF :



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| ✠ Adolfo Pedimonte | ✠ Evelyne Sullivan |
| ✠ Marilyn Pedimonte | ✠ Antonio Torres Sr |
| ✠ Mary Stevenson | ✠ Reg Waldon |
| ✠ Veronica Webster | ✠ Ben Pineda |
| ✠ Mary Raisbeck | |
| ✠ Ramesh Boojharut | |
| ✠ Bienvenido Legaspi | |
| ✠ Francis Sequeira | |
| ✠ Nancy Pereira | |
| ✠ Elsa del Rosario-Abanales | |
| ✠ Tojo Sebastian | |
| ✠ Florence Campbell | |
| ✠ Tadeo Claravall | |
| ✠ Frank Rochecouste | |
| ✠ Ricardo Villarosa | |
| ✠ All souls in Purgatory | |



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SVD Prayer : *“May the darkness of sin and night of unbelief vanish before the light of the Word and the spirit of grace, and may the heart of Jesus live in the hearts of all. Amen”* **Saint Arnold Janssen**

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 most
high Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory
of God the Father. Amen.*

The Apostles' Creed

*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, (all bow)
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.*