



Parish Matters

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31ST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME | 2ND / 3RD NOVEMBER 2019

The Catholic Community of City South acknowledges the Gadigal People, the traditional custodians, who have walked upon and cared for this land for thousands of years. We acknowledge the continued deep spiritual attachment and relationship of the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples to this country and commit ourselves to the ongoing journey of Reconciliation of this land.

PARISH DIARY

Monday 4/11

St Charles Borromeo

7.00am Liturgy of the Word with
Communion, Rosebery

Tuesday 5/11

10.30am Rosebery, Funeral Urbicia Machado

5.00pm Mass, Waterloo followed by
Adoration

Wednesday 6/11

7.00am Mass, Rosebery

Thursday 7/11

7.00am Mass, Rosebery

RCIA 7.00pm
Rosebery Meeting Room

Friday 08/11

8.00am Mass, Redfern

Sat 09/11

Waterloo

Adoration: 4pm, Rosary: 4.30pm,
Confession: from 4.30pm,
Benediction: 4.45pm
5.00pm Vigil*

Sunday 10/11

Rosebery

7.30am &

9.30am *Baptism of Harry Cole*

Redfern

11.00am

*The Sacrament of Baptism is held within Mass,
highlighting the importance of being baptised into the
community of God.*

**A reminder: Attendance at the Vigil Mass
fulfils one's Sunday obligation (Code of Canon law
1248§1)*

Dear friends,

Last weekend we started our new Mass times. I am happy to report that all four Masses were well attended. I thank those who have demonstrated their loyalty and support for this new and daring mission. It will take time to get used to the new circumstances and for me as your pastor to get the balance right between ministry and rest. In these early days of our mission I am grateful for Sr Rosemary whose support is extremely valued. I'm also grateful and encouraged by so many parishioners who volunteer for different ministries. Many of you have complied with the new safeguarding policy and provided your Working with Children document and completed the online training. Maria is putting together new rosters for liturgical ministry in our churches, so if you would like to be added please contact the parish office. Hopefully we will be able to get this out by Christmas.

The success of any parish is measured in how people treat each other and support one another. I encourage you to continue to meet new people and to be open to the Spirit. In a spirit of welcome and support I would like to host a *Summer Soiree* on Tuesday 26 November after the usual 5pm Mass and Adoration at Our Lady of Mt Carmel Waterloo. As the days get longer and the weather remains fine it's a perfect opportunity to get together and simply enjoy each others company. I will provide the drinks and nibbles. If you can attend sign up today and consider bringing some food to share.

News & Events at Our Lady of Mt Carmel School

Remembrance Day - Assembly commencing at 11.20am Monday 11 November.

Christmas Music Celebration - Monday 9 December 2.00pm, School Hall.

End of the year Awards Presentation and Assembly - Wednesday 11 December 5.00pm.

Graduation and Thanksgiving Mass - Friday 13 December 9.00am, OLMC Church.

Thank you to Steve Lemos and the staff of OLMC for the outstanding and professional way they conduct our parish primary school.

God bless,

Fr Paul Smithers | Parish Priest |
Follow on Instagram & Twitter: @frpaulsydney
Sr Rosemary Mitchell RSJ Pastoral Associate

We are called to remember those who have died, particularly those who have died in the past year. We pray for their joyful reunion with their loving creator. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

CATHOLIC COMMUNITY OF CITY SOUTH PRAYER INTENTIONS

Recently Deceased: Urbicia Machado.

Death Anniversaries: John Thornton (2 Nov); Basilia Roxas, Guillermo Roxas, Sophia Roxas, Domedor Roxas, Martin Hayes (3 Nov); Josephine Merriman (5 Nov); Maureen Abraham (6 Nov).

Remembered in the Masses and names recorded at the Archdiocesan Shrine of Our Lady of Mt Carmel: Charlie & Carmen Vassallo; Arthur & Janice Gray; Ethel & George Gray; Bill & Pat Clarke; Sydney & Violet Green; Arthur & Edna Dennett; John & Eileen Dennett; Hazel Holly; Arthur and Rose Dennett; Carmen Bonello; Bonello Family; Bill, Muriel and Marc Wickert; Shirley Turner; Sr Patricia Wilkinson; Anna, Stanley & Jim Atkins; Therese & Alfred Scerri; Margaret & Joseph Fenech; Isabel Fenech; Joseph & Rose Lia; Robert Clarke; Jay Rosenstraus; all Souls, especially those that have no one to pray for them; all Souls of the Unborn.

Those who are sick: Marlic Erland; Ana Lucia Solorzano; Dalila Quinatoa; Luis Chin; Mary Cunney; Joan Kenny; Abrelita Aguillar; Rosemary Cooley; Pat Frost; Helen Abbey; Joan Buist; and all the housebound.

Wedding Anniversary: Joe & Josephine Bezzina (8 Nov).

Birthdays: Anthony Assuncao (31 Oct); Stephen Smith, Joseph Bezzina, Clive Farrugia (2 Nov); Sonny Jnr Ejess Pettybourne (4 Nov); Paul Farrugia, Rafael Khoe, Julieanne Borg (5 Nov); Mary Cilia, Richard Allen (7 Nov); Guy Bezzina (8 Nov).

If you would like your name included in this section please email the parish office.

For Mass offerings, please use the envelopes available on the notice tables.

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON:

Forsake me not, O Lord, my God;
be not far from me!
Make haste and come to my help,
O Lord, my strong salvation!

COMMUNION ANTIPHON:

You will show me the path of life,
the fullness of joy in your presence, O Lord.

**Morning Tea at Rosebery after 9.30am
Mass Sunday, 3 November.**



Joey's Kids

Due to personal commitments and very few attendances, the volunteers of Joey's Kids have decided to discontinue the children's liturgy at the 9.30 am Sunday Mass at Rosebery. Seeing our Joey's Kids grow in their understanding and faith in Jesus, and so willingly and excitedly make their First Sacraments, has been very rewarding for the volunteers who have participated in this ministry over the last 15 years.

Many thanks to all our supporters and children and God Bless, **Josette.**

Movies at Rosebery

Next movie day will be Sunday 1 December 1.30pm.



CHARITABLE WORKS FUND

The Charitable Works Fund (CWF) Pastoral Appeal will run this weekend and we need your help. The work of CWF's benefiting agencies represents our Christian values of mercy, social justice and compassion, giving your gift the power to change lives for the better.



Baptism

We congratulate **Ava and Austin** being baptised at Rosebery by Fr Paul.
God bless you and your family.

Walk with Christ

The Feast of Christ the King 2019 – 24 November 2.30pm. Meet at cnr of Martin Place and Pitt Street. You will find in the foyer of each church, a Prayer Intention Book. Please write your intentions in this book which will be carried in the procession and presented to Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament at St Mary's Cathedral Forecourt.

Waterloo Rosters	Commentator	Readers	Extraordinary Ministers of Communion
5pm	This	Steven	Yvonne Smith, Mark Blackman
	Next	David MC	
Overhead Projector		Melissa, Wendy	
Cleaners	1		

OCTOBER: Commentary Roster Redfern

Nov 3

Natasha & Kathleen H.

Nov 10

Jack, Clarence & Clayton

Nov 17

Tongan Community

Nov 24

Maria & Ralph

PARISH STEWARDSHIP

(electronic transfers only):

Thank you for your contributions towards our Parishes.

Rosebery (2nd Collection Oct \$3,284.10 EFTPOS \$285.00)

Account Name: Rosebery Parish Church Account

BSB: 062 784 | **Account No.:** 053 750 02

Redfern (2nd Collection Oct \$1,078.15)

Account name: Redfern Parish Church Account

BSB: 062 784 | **Account No.:** 208 450 00

Waterloo (2nd collection Oct \$2,160.50 EFTPOS \$115.00)

Account name: Waterloo Parish Church Account

BSB: 062 784 | **Account No.:** 062 750 01

If you wish to donate more than \$5 using the Tap N Go facility, you need to leave a 60 second gap between taps. Perhaps tap when you enter Church and then again on your way out.

A reminder that funds using the Tap N Go facility go to 2nd Collection which is for the upkeep of the Church and administration expenses. Please continue to give to the 1st Collection plate which supports the Priests.

The month of November is dedicated to the Holy Souls in Purgatory. The Church commemorates all her faithful children who have departed from this life, but have not yet attained the joys of heaven. St. Paul warns us that we must not be ignorant concerning the dead, nor sorrowful, "even as others who have no hope ... For the Lord Himself shall come down from heaven ... and the dead who are in Christ shall rise.

The Church has always taught us to pray for those who have gone into eternity. Even in the Old Testament prayers and alms were offered for the souls of the dead by those who thought "well and religiously concerning the resurrection." It was believed that "they who had fallen asleep with godliness had great grace laid up for them" and that "it is therefore a holy and wholesome thought to pray for the dead, that they may be loosed from sins." We know that a defiled soul cannot enter into heaven.

If you have an envelope with names of deceased family and friends that you would like remembered in Masses during November please give them to Fr Paul or put them in the collection.

We are selling Columban Calendars 2020 (\$10 per calendar) and St Vincent de Paul Christmas Cards (\$7 per packet). Please put your money in envelopes provided. At Rosebery you can put your money in the Catholic Weekly Slot in the wall.

Working With Children

Thank you to those that have completed and sent in their Working With Children numbers. There are still quite a few not received. The child "safeguarding" norms recently implemented by the Archdiocese of Sydney require that everyone volunteering to perform liturgical ministries in churches, including those proclaiming the readings or Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion, must provide a "Working With Children Check" (WWCC) number to the parish, together with name and date of birth so that the parish can verify the status of their clearance. This policy is now being put into place right across the parishes of the Archdiocese. For those that haven't already done so you can follow the link to obtain yours:

<https://www.service.nsw.gov.au/transaction/apply-working-children-check>

Once you have applied, you will receive an application number and you take this, together with your ID to a Service NSW office and verify your identity. **The WWCC number, names and date of birth can be emailed to the Parish Office: roseberycatholic@gmail.com**

Induction

We also require all volunteers in our parish to complete the Online Safeguarding Induction Training (even if you have completed such training with another organisation eg: school). The Online Safeguarding Induction Training will provide you with the knowledge and understanding about the types of abuse, the Archdiocese of Sydney expected behaviours of all volunteers who are working with children and how our parish can create a safer environment for children and young people.

To register to complete this training please follow this link:

<https://bit.ly/2ZvKdfl>

Both these requirements should be completed as soon as convenient, however no later than February 2020. If anyone requires assistance, please contact the Parish Office. With gratitude for your kind assistance,
Fr Paul Smithers, Parish Priest.

Rosters 2020

With the change of Mass times, we will be preparing new rosters for commencement January 2020. We invite those who were rostered as Readers or Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion at Rosebery Vigil Mass or Waterloo Sunday morning Mass to join a roster at a Mass of your preference.

If there is anybody who would like to join a roster please contact the office. *Many thanks for your Ministry.*

Rosebery Rosters		Readers	Extraordinary Ministers of Communion
7:30am	This	Ronell P. & John S.	John S.
	Next	Charlotte B. & Kath A.	Charlotte B.
9:30am	This	Lisa S. & Nancy P.	Lisa S. & Pilar P.
	Next	Jennifer M. & Pilar P.	Lisa S. & Nancy P.
Counters	This	T. McDonald, G. Elliott, T. Lumibao	
	Next	N & P & A Paredes	

Liturgy of the Word

First Reading Wis 11:22-12:2

In your sight, Lord, the whole world is like a grain of dust that tips the scales, like a drop of morning dew falling on the ground. Yet you are merciful to all, because you can do all things and overlook men's sins so that they can repent. Yes, you love all that exists, you hold nothing of what you have made in abhorrence, for had you hated anything, you would not have formed it. And how, had you not willed it, could a thing persist, how be conserved if not called forth by you? You spare all things because all things are yours, Lord, lover of life, you whose imperishable spirit is in all. Little by little, therefore, you correct those who offend, you admonish and remind them of how they have sinned, so that they may abstain from evil and trust in you, Lord.

Responsorial Psalm Ps 144:1-2. 8-11. 13-14.

R. see v.1 (R.) I will praise your name for ever, my king and my God.

1. I will give you glory, O God my King, I will bless your name for ever. I will bless you day after day and praise your name for ever. **(R.)**
2. The Lord is kind and full of compassion, slow to anger, abounding in love. How good is the Lord to all, compassionate to all his creatures. **(R.)**
3. All your creatures shall thank you, O Lord, and your friends shall repeat their blessing. They shall speak of the glory of your reign and declare your might, O God. **(R.)**
4. The Lord is faithful in all his words and loving in all his deeds. The Lord supports all who fall and raises all who are bowed down. **(R.)**

Second Reading 2 Thes 1:11-2:2

We pray continually that our God will make you worthy of his call, and by his power fulfil all your desires for goodness and complete all that you have been doing through faith; because in this way the name of our Lord Jesus Christ will be glorified in you and you in him, by the grace of our God and the Lord Jesus Christ. To turn now, brothers, to the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ and how we shall all be gathered round him: please do not get excited too soon or alarmed by any prediction or rumour or any letter claiming to come from us, implying that the Day of the Lord has already arrived. Gospel Acclamation Jn 3:16 Alleluia, alleluia! God loved the world so much, he gave us his only Son, that all who believe in him might have eternal life. Alleluia!

Gospel Lk 19:1-10

Jesus entered Jericho and was going through the town when a man whose name was Zacchaeus made his appearance; he was one of the senior tax collectors and a wealthy man. He was anxious to see what kind of man Jesus was, but he was too short and could not see him for the crowd; so he ran ahead and climbed a sycamore tree to catch a glimpse of Jesus who was to pass that way. When Jesus reached the spot he looked up and spoke to him: 'Zacchaeus, come down. Hurry, because I must stay at your house today.' And he hurried down and welcomed him joyfully. They all complained when they saw what was

happening. 'He has gone to stay at a sinner's house' they said. But Zacchaeus stood his ground and said to the Lord, 'Look, sir, I am going to give half my property to the poor, and if I have cheated anybody I will pay him back four times the amount.' And Jesus said to him, 'Today salvation has come to this house, because this man too is a son of Abraham; for the Son of Man has come to seek out and save what was lost.'



Our Lady of Mt Carmel Waterloo

Tuesday 26 November

5pm Mass, 6pm meal

RSVP Parish office or attendance sheet in foyer.

Practical Transport Ideas

If anyone requires transport to/from Waterloo Church for the Saturday Vigil Mass or if you can offer assistance with transport, please contact the office. The 304 Bus starts/terminates outside St Joseph's, Kimberley Grove. The 343 Bus picks up and sets down outside Our Lady of Mt Carmel on Elizabeth Street, and drops/picks up on the cnr Rothschild & Crew Place, which is a short walk to St Joseph's Rosebery. The 301 bus from Redfern to Mascot stops outside St Joseph's.

Blue Knot Day

An Interfaith Service in support of Blue Knot Day, a national awareness day to 'untangle the knot of complex trauma', will be held Sunday 3 November, 3pm, Redfern Park, Chalmers Street, Redfern (next to Park Café). It is a day to mourn with and for people who have been betrayed and wounded in childhood. There will be time for reflection in silence, gentle music and prayer for justice and healing. People of various faiths and spiritualities are welcome.



Eileen O'Connor (1892-1921), Servant of God, attended Mass at Redfern and Waterloo and attended Our Lady of Mt Carmel School Waterloo. May she pray for us in our journey to unity and our desire to build a Church of welcome, respect and support.