



Parish Matters

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7TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME | 22ND / 23RD FEBRUARY 2020

The Catholic Community of City South acknowledge 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 24/2

No Liturgy of the Word

Tuesday 25/2

5.00pm Mass, Waterloo
followed by Pancakes

Wednesday 26/2

Ash Wednesday -
Day of Fast and Abstinence

7.00am & 7.00pm Mass, Rosebery
9.00am Mass, Waterloo
12noon, Redfern

Thursday 27/2

7.00am Mass, Rosebery

Friday 28/2

8.00am Mass, Redfern

Sat 29/2

Waterloo

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

Sunday 1/3

Rosebery

7.30am & 9.30am *Baptism of Charlotte Cooley*
followed by Morning Tea

Redfern

11.00am

SAVE THE DATE

Bishop Terry Brady Pastoral Visit
Parish Dinner
Friday 23 October
More details to be advised.

Dear friends,

It was a great pleasure to join the Archbishop, members of Our Lady's Nurses for the Poor and a full cathedral on Thursday night for the official launch of the Cause for Beatification and Canonisation of our former parishioner, Servant of God Eileen O'Connor. The message of Eileen is that of the Gospel, to be close to the poor and to be close to Mary, to love the Church and to be centred on Jesus. Eileen taught through the witness of her own physical sufferings the importance of trusting the Lord. Why be afraid of falling when we fall into the loving arms of Jesus.



Lent starts this Wednesday. Ashes will be imposed during the Mass on Ash Wednesday. Let us enter into this penitential season open to God's love and mercy as we renew ourselves in body and spirit so that we may celebrate Easter with greater fidelity.

Please let me know if you are coming to my pancake party this Tuesday 25 February after the 5.00pm Mass. RSVP sheets are at each of the Churches.

Lenten Penance

1. Abstinence from meat and fasting are to be observed on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. All who have completed their 18th year and have not yet begun their 60th year are bound to fast. All who have completed their 14th year are bound to abstain.

2. On all other Fridays of the year including the Fridays of Lent, the law of the common practice of penance is fulfilled by performing any one of the following:

(a) prayer – for example, Mass attendance; family prayer; a visit to a church or chapel; reading the Bible; making the Stations of the Cross; praying the Rosary.

(b) self-denial – for example, not eating meat; not eating sweets or dessert; giving up entertainment to spend time with the family; limiting food and drink so as to give to the poor of one's own country.

(c) helping others – for example, special attention to someone who is poor, sick, elderly, lonely or overburdened.

Lent lasts from Ash Wednesday (26 February) to the Mass of the Lord's Supper (9 APRIL) exclusive. On Good Friday and, if possible, also on Holy Saturday until the Easter Vigil, the Easter fast is observed.

PASCHAL PRECEPT

Each of the faithful is obliged to receive Holy Communion at least once a year. This is to be done between Ash Wednesday, 26 February and Trinity Sunday, 7 June 2020 unless for a good reason it is done at another time during the year. All the faithful are obliged to confess their grave sins at least once a year.

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

“When you feel like you’re drowning in life, don’t worry - your Lifesaver walks on water!”

CATHOLIC COMMUNITY OF CITY SOUTH PRAYER INTENTIONS

Recently Deceased: Russell Ford (brother of Fr John Ford).

Anniversary: Anthony Assuncao (1 Mar); Jane Farrugia (24 Feb); Alicia Khoe (25 Feb); Bolivar Villavicencio (27 Feb).

Remembered in the Masses and names recorded at the Archdiocesan Shrine of Our Lady of Mt Carmel: Dorothy & Raymond Blackman; Joseph Mizzi; Urbicia Machado; Joao Machado; Manuel Pontes; Gino Mio; Margaret & Norm Fordward; 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, Marc and Jamie Wickert; Shirley Turner; Sr. Patricia Wilkinson; Anna, Stanley & Jim Atkins; Therese & Alfred Scerri; Margaret & Joseph Fenech; Isabel Fenech; Joseph & Rose Lia; Robert Clarke; Elliot Bennett; Jay Rosenstraus. All Souls, especially those that have no one to pray for them; All Souls of the Unborn.

Those who are sick: Fr Brian Egan; Allan Walker; Fr Emmanuel Seo; Carolyn White; Marlic Erland; Ana Lucia Solorzano; Mary Cunney; Joan Kenny; Abrelita Aguillar; Rosemary Cooley; Pat Frost; Helen Abbey; Joan Buist; and all the housebound.

Birthdays: John Lupton (23 Feb); Catherine Downs (24 Feb); Rosemary Cooley (25 Feb); Emma Casolin, Mari Aguila (26 Feb); Jason Borg, Mia Aditya (27 Feb); Fa Pettybourne (28 Feb).

Wedding Anniversary: Zach & Usha Marrett (26 Feb).

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



Morning Tea

Redfern Sunday 23 February after 11.00am Mass.
Rosebery Sunday 1 March after 9.30am Mass.

Easter Choir

All are welcome to join the choir to sing at the following ceremonies:

- Holy Thursday: 7:00pm Waterloo
- Good Friday: 3:00pm Rosebery
- Easter Vigil: 6:00pm Waterloo

Rehearsals will be on Wednesdays at 7:00pm, St Joseph's Church, Rosebery, beginning on 4 March. Ability to read music not required. Questions? Email Stephanie hms64@yahoo.com

Catechists

You are invited to think about this ministry. You will need a willingness to share your faith, be part of a team and the appropriate WWC requirements. We teach a single half hour lesson each week plus preparation. You will receive plenty of practical training courses, a teacher's manual with lesson plans and student activity books. Also the support and encouragement of the catechist team and the CCD (The Confraternity of Christian Doctrine is part of the Catholic Archdiocese of Sydney and oversees religious education in public schools). If you can assist, please contact the Parish Office.

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.

Waterloo Rosters	Commentator	Readers	Extraordinary Ministers of Communion
5pm	This	Lenette C.	Yvonne S., Mark B.
	Next	Steven B.	
<i>Overhead Projector</i>			<i>Melissa, Wendy</i>
Cleaners	1		

Redfern Rosters	Readers	Extraordinary Minister of Communion	Commentators	Music
4th Sunday of Month 23 Feb	Volunteer/ Ralph	Christine & Chris W.	David	Helen
1st Sunday of Month 1 March	Natasha Kathleen	Mary W. Esmey H.	Anne H.	Helen
2nd Sunday of Month 8 March	Jack Geraldine	Joelle B. Jack C.	Sheila Q.	Christine & Chris
3rd Sunday of Month 15 March	Tongan Community			
4th Sunday of Month 22 March	Volunteer/ Ralph	Judy J. Peter G.	Peter G.	Helen
5th Sunday of Month 29 March	Clayton David	Deborah W.	Esmey H.	Helen

PARISH STEWARDSHIP

(electronic transfers only):

Thank you for your contributions towards our Parishes.

Rosebery

Account Name: Rosebery Parish Church Account

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

Redfern

Account name: Redfern Parish Church Account

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

Waterloo

Account name: Waterloo Parish Church Account

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

The Tap N Go facility is an alternate way of giving to the 2nd Collection. It is not a payment to enter the Church. We thank those who use this facility and remind you that the funds 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.

Safeguarding and Ministerial Requirements

All volunteers in the Archdiocese of Sydney require a Working With Children Check (WWCC) and the Archdiocese Training (SALT). We also require a Volunteer Registration Form and a signed Code of Conduct form. In reviewing our records we have come to the realisation we do not have all volunteer details. Please provide details on form attached with Volunteer Registration form and return to parish office. If you have not received this via email, please collect an envelope from Church foyer, complete and return to the Parish Office or place on collection place (in envelope). If anybody requires assistance with online training, please contact the Parish Office.

The link for WWCC

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

and for Archdiocese Training

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

We will slowly work towards getting to 100% in the coming months.

- Current Working with Children Check (WWCC)
- Complete the online Salt Training
- Complete the Volunteer Registration form
- Complete the Code of Conduct form
- Volunteer details

LENT 2020

Lenten Reflection:

Lent starts on Wednesday 26 February. If anyone would like to lead a Lenten group please contact the Parish Office for a CD. Again this year we will use the program from the Diocese of Wollongong. There are Lenten booklets available for your use and reflection. Donations can be given via the Catholic Weekly slot/plate.

Project Compassion envelopes are available for collection and return each week, or boxes to be returned at the Easter Saturday Vigil. At this time of global change the idea of common good is more important than ever. Project Compassion 2020 takes the theme of Global Community - Go Further Together.

Candelabra Donations:

During Lent all funds given via the Candelabra will be donated to the Mission of Our Lady of Lourdes Phetchabun in Thailand.

Liturgy Times

I provide the times for Easter 2020. The timetable is based on me leading all the liturgies except for Good Friday which attracts the largest attendance, Fr Simon from the Seminary has kindly agreed to lead a second liturgy at Redfern. I have tried to be fair and balanced with sharing the ceremonies in each location. *Fr Paul*

Mass on Ash Wednesday - 26 February.

Rosebery	7.00am & 7.00pm
Waterloo	9.00am
Redfern	12pm

Easter Triduum

Holy Thursday 9 April:	7pm Waterloo
Good Friday 10 April:	10am Stations of the Cross Rosebery
	3pm Liturgy of the Passion Rosebery
	3pm Liturgy of the Passion Redfern
Easter Vigil 11 April:	6pm Waterloo
Easter Sunday 12 April:	7.30am & 9.30am Rosebery
	11.00am Redfern

Rosebery Rosters

Readers

Extraordinary Ministers of Communion

Rosebery Rosters	Readers	Extraordinary Ministers of Communion
7:30am	This	John S. & Ronell P.
	Next	Volunteer & Michael B.
9:30am	This	Lisa S. & Therese P.
	Next	Abbey K & Amelia K.
Counters	This	T. Ellery, E. DiCristo, P. DiCristo
	Next	T. McDonald, G. Elliott, T.Lumibao.

Liturgy of the Word

Entrance Antiphon

O Lord, I trust in your merciful love.
My heart will rejoice in your salvation.
I will sing to the Lord who has been bountiful with me.

First Reading Lv 19:1-2. 17-18

The Lord spoke to Moses; he said: 'Speak to the whole community of the sons of Israel and say to them: "Be holy, for I, the Lord your God, am holy. "You must not bear hatred for your brother in your heart. You must openly tell him, your neighbour, of his offence; this way you will not take a sin upon yourself. You must not exact vengeance, nor must you bear a grudge against the children of your people. You must love your neighbour as yourself. I am the Lord."'

Responsorial Psalm Ps 102:1-4. 8. 10. 12-13. R. v.8

(R.) The Lord is kind and merciful.

1. My soul, give thanks to the Lord, all my being, bless his holy name. My soul, give thanks to the Lord and never forget all his blessings. **(R.)**
2. It is he who forgives all your guilt, who heals every one of your ills, who redeems your life from the grave, who crowns you with love and compassion. **(R.)**
3. The Lord is compassion and love, slow to anger and rich in mercy. He does not treat us according to our sins nor repay us according to our faults. **(R.)**
4. As far as the east is from the west so far does he remove our sins. As a father has compassion on his sons, the Lord has pity on those who fear him. **(R.)**

Second Reading 1 Cor 3:16-23

Didn't you realise that you were God's temple and that the Spirit of God was living among you? If anybody should destroy the temple of God, God will destroy him, because the temple of God is sacred; and you are that temple. Make no mistake about it: if any one of you thinks of himself as wise, in the ordinary sense of the word, then he must learn to be a fool before he really can be wise. Why? Because the wisdom of this world is foolishness to God. As scripture says: The Lord knows wise men's thoughts: he knows how useless they are, or again: God is not convinced by the arguments of the wise. So there is nothing to boast about in anything human: Paul, Apollos, Cephas, the world, life and death, the present and the future, are all your servants; but you belong to Christ and Christ belongs to God.

Gospel Acclamation 1 Jn 2:5

Alleluia, alleluia!

Whoever keeps the word of Christ, grows perfect in the love of God.

Alleluia!

Gospel Mt 5:38-48

Jesus said to his disciples: 'You have learnt how it was said: Eye for eye and tooth for tooth. But I say this to you: offer the wicked man no resistance. On the contrary, if anyone hits you on the right cheek, offer him the other as well; if a man takes you to law and would have your tunic, let him have your cloak as well. And if anyone orders you to go one mile, go two miles with him. Give to anyone who asks, and if anyone wants to borrow, do not turn away. 'You have learnt how it was said: You must love your neighbour and hate your enemy. But I say this to you: love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you; in this way you will be sons of your Father in heaven, for he causes his sun to rise on bad men as well as good, and his rain to fall on honest and dishonest men alike. For if you love those who love you, what right have you to claim any credit? Even the tax collectors do as much, do they not? And if you save your greetings for your brothers, are you doing anything exceptional? Even the pagans do as much, do they not? You must therefore be perfect just as your heavenly Father is perfect.'

Communion Antiphon

I will recount all your wonders,
I will rejoice in you and be glad,
and sing psalms to your name, O Most High.



Footsteps of Jesus Pilgrimage 6 - 16 June 2020 Accompanied by Fr Paul

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