



Parish Matters

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3RD SUNDAY OF LENT | 14TH / 15TH MARCH 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 16/3

7.00am Liturgy of the Word with
Communion, Rosebery

Tuesday 17/3

St. Patrick

5.00pm Mass, Waterloo

Wednesday 18/3

7.00am, Rosebery

Thursday 19/3

St. Joseph

7.00pm Mass, Rosebery

7.20pm Stations of the Cross, Rosebery

7.00pm RCIA, Rosebery

Friday 20/3

8.00am Mass, Redfern

2.00pm Lenten Group, Rosebery

6.00pm Lenten Group, Redfern

7.00pm Stations of the Cross (led by
acolyte), Redfern

Sat 21/3

Waterloo

Adoration: 4pm,

Confession: from 4.00pm

Stations of the Cross: 4.30pm,

5.00pm Vigil *Baptism of Henry Seidel*

Sunday 22/3

Rosebery

7.30am & 9.30am

Baptism of Isabella & Sofia Harrison

Redfern

11.00am

SAVE THE DATE

Bishop Terry Brady Pastoral Visit

Parish Dinner

Friday 23 October

Dear friends,

One of the blessings of my role as parish priest is that each weekend I get to be with so many people as we celebrate Mass. I also hear about what's going on in your lives. It takes me a while to get everyone's name and truth be known I'm still learning names. What I've come to realise is that we need a little help in celebrating our new community and getting to know each other. To that end I would like to form a communications group who would have the principle role of producing a community magazine. The people I'm looking for are those who have energy, graphics experience, creative and journalistic skills. If you are interested please drop me an email.

Regarding the renovations to St Joseph church Rosebery, I will be meeting the architect this week to discuss the updates I requested based on the feedback I received from parishioners. The next stage will be to submit it to the liturgical commission for review and approval before it goes to the Archbishop and the College of consultors for final approval.

In July 2018 I announced that I was forming an advisory committee. The role of this committee is to advise me on the major projects we are undertaking and other significant issues. The members of this committee were asked directly by me. Even though the members come from each church they do not represent any group or faction and are concerned with building up the new reality of the Catholic Community of City South. They function like a focus group of parishioners who I value and trust to offer me good advice. The existence of this group does not exclude anyone from providing advice or feedback. I also meet regularly with the property team from the Archdiocese and I meet the finance committee at least four times a year. Through all these meetings and interactions the wisdom of God manifests itself. Last week in my homily I quoted the rule of St Benedict who wisely wrote that all voices in the community need to be heard from the youngest to the oldest but it is to the abbot alone to make the decision. Be assured I am listening to everyone and through prayer and with the Holy Spirit trying to achieve the right decisions.

Furthermore, I work closely with Sr Rosemary and Maria Awad on the day to day matters of running the community. As we move forward I am considering hiring a business manager and evangelisation coordinator. These two roles would enhance our mission, purpose and administration of our community.

The paschal mystery is not simply an abstract theory about the redemption. It is an all encompassing claim, in the light of the cross, about all human experience. The claim is that the dynamic of Christ's dying and rising is present in all human experience. Anthony Ruff OSB

Fr Paul Smithers | Parish Priest |

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Sr Rosemary Mitchell RSJ Pastoral Associate

O God, ever faithful, you remember us always and in time reveal your blessings. Help me trust in you, as St. Joseph faithfully trusted, and never let me lose faith in the wonderful gifts you promise me. Amen.

CATHOLIC COMMUNITY OF CITY SOUTH PRAYER INTENTIONS

Recently Deceased: Mary Borg; Maliq 'Meeky' Namok-Malamoo.

Anniversary: Raymond Blackman (11 Mar); Helen Pisani; Francesco Cassaniti (14 Mar); Graham Twitchings (16 Mar); Nick Di Campli (18 Mar).

Remembered in the Masses and names recorded at the Archdiocesan Shrine of Our Lady of Mt Carmel: Joseph Mizzi; Marcelle Daniels; Urbicia Machado; Joao Machado; Manuel Pontes; Gino Mio; 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: Ron Hawkins; George & Juliet D'Souza; 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: Frank D'Souza (14 Mar); Madeline Maher (18 Mar); Rochelle D'Souza (20 Mar).

Wedding Anniversary: Robert and Joanna Balbi (19 Mar).

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

Chocolate Paschal Lambs

We are again selling Chocolate Paschal Lambs, both white and milk chocolate, for \$10.00. There will be envelopes next to lambs for you to put your money into and place on either collection plate. *The sale of these assists the Michaelites with their fundraising for the people of Papua New Guinea. Thank you in advance for your generosity.*

Room to Rent

A 25 year old Catholic male student is looking for a room to rent, up to \$200 per week, in Rosebery (he also tutors Maths and Physics). If you can assist, please contact the Parish Office.

Lenten Devotions & Prayer

Day	Prayer	Place & Time
Tuesday	Mass only	Waterloo 5.00pm
Thursday	Mass & Stations of the Cross	Rosebery 7.00pm
Friday	Lenten Group	Rosebery 2.00pm Redfern 6.00pm
	Stations of the Cross (led by acolyte)	7.00pm Redfern
Saturday	Stations of the Cross or Vespers	4.30pm Waterloo

Waterloo Rosters	Commentator	Readers	Extraordinary Ministers of Communion
5pm	This	Ika S.	Yvonne S., Mark B.
	Next	Bianca R.	
Overhead Projector		Melissa, Wendy	
Cleaners	2		

Redfern Rosters	Readers	Extraordinary Minister of Communion	Commentators	Music
3 rd Sunday of Month 15 March	Tongan Community			
4 th Sunday of Month 22 March	Volunteer/ Ralph	Judy J. Peter G.	Peter G.	Helen
5 th 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

In consultation with the Finance Committee, we have installed another EFTPOS machine set up for donation of \$10 at Rosebery. This will also go towards the 2nd Collection. 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

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.

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 are on Wednesdays at 7:00pm, St Joseph's Church, Rosebery. Ability to read music not required. Questions? Email Stephanie hlms64@yahoo.com

First Holy Communion 2020

The Celebration of First Holy Communion will be held this year on:

Saturday 21 November 5.00pm Vigil - Waterloo
Sunday 22 November 9.30am - Rosebery

More information will be given later in the year.

Easter Liturgy Times

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	Charlotte B. & John S.
	Next	Josette M. & Patricia M.
9:30am	This	Lisa S. & Adam
	Next	Pilar P & Nancy P.
Counters	This	M. Cunney & C. O'Brien
	Next	T. Ellery, E Di Cristo, P. Di Cristo

Liturgy of the Word

Entrance Antiphon

My eyes are always on the Lord,
for he rescues my feet from the snare.
Turn to me and have mercy on me,
for I am alone and poor.

First Reading Ex 17:3-7

Tormented by thirst, the people complained against Moses. 'Why did you bring us out of Egypt?' they said. 'Was it so that I should die of thirst, my children too, and my cattle?' Moses appealed to the Lord. 'How am I to deal with this people?' he said. 'A little more and they will stone me!' The Lord said to Moses, 'Take with you some of the elders of Israel and move on to the forefront of the people; take in your hand the staff with which you struck the river, and go. I shall be standing before you there on the rock, at Horeb. You must strike the rock, and water will flow from it for the people to drink.' This is what Moses did, in the sight of the elders of Israel. The place was named Massah and Meribah because of the grumbling of the sons of Israel and because they put the Lord to the test by saying, 'Is the Lord with us, or not?'

Responsorial Psalm Ps 94:1-2. 6-9.

(R.) If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts.

1. Come, ring out our joy to the Lord; hail the rock who saves us. Let us come before him, giving thanks, with songs let us hail the Lord. **(R.)**
2. Come in; let us bow and bend low; let us kneel before the God who made us for he is our God and we the people who belong to his pasture, the flock that is led by his hand. **(R.)**
3. O that today you would listen to his voice! 'Harden not your hearts as at Meribah, as on that day at Massah in the desert when your fathers put me to the test; when they tried me, though they saw my work.' **(R.)**

Second Reading Rom 5:1-2, 5-8

Through our Lord Jesus Christ by faith we are judged righteous and at peace with God, since it is by faith and through Jesus that we have entered this state of grace in which we can boast about looking forward to God's glory. This hope is not deceptive, because the love of God has been poured into our hearts by the Holy Spirit which has been given us. We were still helpless when at his appointed moment Christ died for sinful men. It is not easy to die even for a good man – though of course for someone really worthy, a man might be prepared to die – but what proves that God loves us is that Christ died for us while we were still sinners.

Gospel Acclamation See Jn 4:42. 15

Glorify to you, Word of God, Lord Jesus Christ!

Lord, you are truly the Saviour of the world; give me living water, that I may never thirst again.

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Gospel shorter form Jn 4:5-15, 19-26, 39-42

Jesus came to the Samaritan town called Sychar, near the land that Jacob gave to his son Joseph. Jacob's well is there and Jesus, tired by the journey, sat straight down by the well. It was about the sixth hour. When a Samaritan woman came to draw water, Jesus said to her, 'Give me a drink.' His disciples had gone into the town to buy food. The Samaritan woman said to him, 'What? You are a Jew and you ask me, a Samaritan, for a drink?' – Jews, in fact, do not associate with Samaritans. Jesus replied: 'If you only knew what God is offering and who it is that is saying to you: Give me a drink, you would have been the one to ask, and he would have given you living water.' 'You have no bucket, sir,' she answered 'and the well is deep: how could you get this living water? Are you a greater man than our father Jacob who gave us this well and drank from it himself with his sons and his cattle?' Jesus replied: 'Whoever drinks this water will get thirsty again: but anyone who drinks the water that I shall give will never be thirsty again: the water that I shall give will turn into a spring inside him, welling up to eternal life.' 'Sir,' said the woman, 'give me some of that water, so that I may never get thirsty and never have to come here again to draw water. I see you are a prophet, sir. Our fathers worshipped on this mountain, while you say that Jerusalem is the place where one ought to worship.' Jesus said: 'Believe me, woman, the hour is coming when you will worship the Father neither on this mountain nor in Jerusalem. You worship what you do not know; we worship what we do know; for salvation comes from the Jews. But the hour will come – in fact it is here already – when true worshippers will worship the Father in spirit and truth: that is the kind of worshiper the Father wants. God is spirit, and those who worship must worship in spirit and truth.' The woman said to him, 'I know that Messiah – that is, Christ – is coming; and when he comes he will tell us everything.' 'I who am speaking to you,' said Jesus 'I am he.' Many Samaritans of that town had believed in him on the strength of the woman's testimony, so, when the Samaritans came up to him, they begged him to stay with them. He stayed for two days, and when he spoke to them many more came to believe; and they said to the woman, 'Now we no longer believe because of what you told us; we have heard him ourselves and we know that he really is the saviour of the world.'

Communion Antiphon

For anyone who drinks it, says the Lord,
the water I shall give will become in him
a spring welling up to eternal life.

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6 - 16 June 2020

Accompanied by Fr Paul

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