



Parish Matters

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4TH SUNDAY OF LENT | 21ST/22ND 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 23/3

7.00am Liturgy of the Word with Communion, Rosebery

Tuesday 24/3

5.00pm Mass, Waterloo

Wednesday 25/3

The Annunciation of the Lord
7.00am, Rosebery

Thursday 26/3

7.00pm Mass, Rosebery

7.00pm RCIA, Rosebery

Friday 27/3

8.00am Mass, Redfern

Sat 28/3

Waterloo

**Adoration: 4pm,
5.00pm Vigil**

Sunday 29/3

**Rosebery
7.30am & 9.30am**

Redfern

11.00am

SAVE THE DATE

***Bishop Terry Brady Pastoral Visit
Parish Dinner
Friday 23 October***

Dear friends,

The Coronavirus medical emergency continues to develop and change the way we interact with each other. We all need to take appropriate steps to safeguard our own health and to support the work of our government in looking after the common good. Adhering to the government guidelines and the advice of Archbishop Anthony I announce the following from this weekend:

- * No Mass will have more than 100 people in attendance.
- * Sunday Masses will have no music as we are recommended to not handle hymn books or sheets and I aim to limit Mass to 30 mins as far as possible.
- * There will be no processions. The priest will process out from the sacristy at the start of Mass.
- * Those who attend Mass must sit at least 1.5 metres from each other.
- * Please use hand sanitiser.
- * If you are sick or have been with those affected by the virus please self isolate.
- * It is strongly recommended that the elderly and vulnerable and those with an acute health issue should **not** come to Mass during this time when the Coronavirus is in the community.
- * All devotions and communal Lenten devotions are cancelled.
- * Morning tea after Sunday Mass is cancelled.
- * Movie Afternoons cancelled.
- * Our Lady of Mt Carmel Church Waterloo will be open for Private prayer Tuesday to Friday.
- * Archbishop Anthony has issued a Pastoral Letter.
- * In the coming days or weeks there may be a need to cancel all public Mass. If this occurs I will offer Mass alone in my private chapel for your intentions.
- * Please connect with the parish website, Facebook and Instagram for updates. If you need a priest in an **emergency** you can call 9698 2869.
- * No decision on Holy Week has been made. I await further advice.

In these challenging times we turn to the Sacred Heart of Jesus and Our Lady of Mt Carmel to protect us, give us strength and continue to hope that The Lord continues to walk with us. This health emergency comes as we make our journey through Lent, stripping us bare. Let us trust in God.

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

**If you are having trouble getting out to do shopping
please contact the parish office and we will be able to help you.**

CATHOLIC COMMUNITY OF CITY SOUTH PRAYER INTENTIONS

Recently Deceased: Valarie Fernandes; Amor Yandoc.

Anniversary: Pamela Jean Chapman (15 Mar); Lea Silveira (22 Mar); Ernesto Lopez, Rollee Lopez Rodriguez (24 Mar); Megan Chow (25 Mar).

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, 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; Warren Nalty; Jillian Nalty; Vilma & Leo Tanujaja; Nellie Eco; Adoracion Yandoc; Lourdes Yandoc; Luz Yandoc; Willie Bulan; 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: Helen Abbey (21 Mar); Gary Wooden (23 Mar); Karen Nonis (26 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.



Baptism

We congratulate Henry, Isabella and Sofia
being baptised this weekend.
God bless you and your family!

Lenten Devotions & Prayer

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



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

Redfern Rosters	Readers	Extraordinary Minister of Communion	Commentators	Music
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

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.

Pray in time of Crisis

Almighty and all-merciful God,
lover of the human race, healer of all our wounds,
in whom there is no shadow of death,
save us in this time of crisis;
grant wisdom and courage to our leaders;
watch over all medical people
as they tend the sick and work for a cure;
stir in us a sense of solidarity beyond all isolation;
if our doors are closed, let our hearts be open.
By the power of your love destroy the virus of fear,
that hope may never die
and the light of Easter, the triumph of life,
may shine upon us and the whole world.
Through Jesus Christ, the Lord risen from the dead,
who lives and reigns for ever and ever.
Amen.
Holy Mary, health of the sick, pray for us.
St Joseph, guardian of us all, pray for us.

Prayer Resources

- ⇒ It is recommended that the elderly and vulnerable and those with an acute health issue should **not** come to Mass during this time when the Coronavirus is in the community.
- ⇒ To fulfil ones obligation please see below some resources to support prayer at home during this time of crisis
- ⇒ A Retreat Based on the Spiritual Exercises of St Ignatius of Loyola
www.pathwaystogod.org/lent-retreat-2020
- ⇒ Taize community broadcast a nightly prayer session (search Taize in Facebook)
- ⇒ Sunday Readings and commentary - www.livingwithchrist.us
- ⇒ Download the weekly newsletter from the Catholic Community of City South
- ⇒ Patron saints in time of sickness:

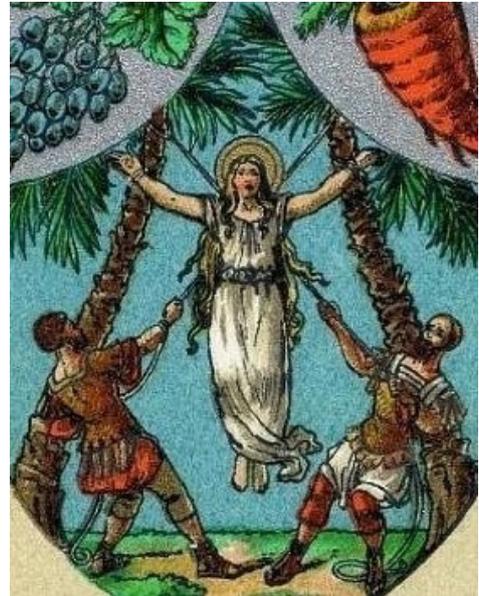
St Roch

St. Sabastian

St Corona

She was a 2nd century martyr

(Patron Against Epidemics) *see below*



Rosebery Rosters

Readers

Extraordinary Ministers of Communion

7:30am

This

Josette M. & Patricia M.

John S.

Next

Ronnell P. & Michael B.

Charlotte B.

9:30am

This

Pilar P & Nancy P.

Lisa S. & Pilar P.

Next

Abbey K. & Amelia K.

Nancy P. & Lisa S.

Counters

This

T. Ellery, E Di Cristo, P. Di Cristo

Next

N & P Paredes

Liturgy of the Word

Entrance Antiphon

Rejoice, Jerusalem, and all who love her.
Be joyful, all who were in mourning;
exult and be satisfied at her consoling breast.

First Reading 1 Sm 16:1, 6-7, 10-13

The Lord said to Samuel, 'Fill your horn with oil and go. I am sending you to Jesse of Bethlehem, for I have chosen myself a king among his sons.' When Samuel arrived, he caught sight of Eliab and thought, 'Surely the Lord's anointed one stands there before him,' but the Lord said to Samuel, 'Take no notice of his appearance or his height for I have rejected him; God does not see as man sees; man looks at appearances but the Lord looks at the heart.' Jesse presented his seven sons to Samuel, but Samuel said to Jesse, 'The Lord has not chosen these.' He then asked Jesse, 'Are these all the sons you have?' He answered, 'There is still one left, the youngest; he is out looking after the sheep.' Then Samuel said to Jesse, 'Send for him; we will not sit down to eat until he comes.' Jesse had him sent for, a boy of fresh complexion, with fine eyes and pleasant bearing. The Lord said, 'Come, anoint him, for this is the one.' At this, Samuel took the horn of oil and anointed him where he stood with his brothers; and the spirit of the Lord seized on David and stayed with him from that day on.

Responsorial Psalm Ps 22

(R.) The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.

1. The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want. Fresh and green are the pastures where he gives me repose. Near restful waters he leads me, to revive my drooping spirit. **(R.)**
2. He guides me along the right path; he is true to his name. If I should walk in the valley of darkness no evil would I fear. You are there with your crook and your staff; with these you give me comfort. **(R.)**
3. You have prepared a banquet for me In the sight of my foes. My head you have anointed with oil; My cup is overflowing. **(R.)**
4. Surely goodness and kindness shall follow me all the days of my life. In the Lord's own house shall I dwell for ever and ever. **(R.)**

Second Reading Eph 5:8-14

You were darkness once, but now you are light in the Lord; be like children of light, for the effects of the light are seen in complete goodness and right living and truth. Try to discover what the Lord wants of you, having nothing to do with the futile works of darkness but exposing them by contrast. The things which are done in secret are things that people are ashamed even to speak of; but anything exposed by the light will be illuminated and anything illuminated turns into light. That is why it is said: Wake up from your sleep, rise from the dead, and Christ will shine on you.

Gospel Acclamation Jn 8:12

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

I am the light of the world, says the Lord; whoever follows me will have the light of life.

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

Gospel Jn 9:1, 6-9, 13-17, 34-38 or longer form Jn 9:1-41

As Jesus went along, he saw a man who had been blind from birth. He spat on the ground, made a paste with the spittle, put this over the eyes of the blind man and said to him, 'Go and wash in the Pool of Siloam' (a name that means 'sent'). So the blind man went off and washed himself, and came away with his sight restored. His neighbours and people who earlier had seen him begging said, 'Isn't this the man who used to sit and beg?' Some said, 'Yes, it is the same one.' Others said, 'No, he only looks like him.' The man himself said, 'I am the man.' They brought the man who had been blind to the Pharisees. It had been a sabbath day when Jesus made the paste and opened the man's eyes, so when the Pharisees asked him how he had come to see, he said, 'He put a paste on my eyes, and I washed, and I can see.' Then some of the Pharisees said, 'This man cannot be from God: he does not keep the sabbath.' Others said, 'How could a sinner produce signs like this?' And there was disagreement among them. So they spoke to the blind man again, 'What have you to say about him yourself, now that he has opened your eyes?' 'He is a prophet' replied the man. 'Are you trying to teach us,' they replied 'and you a sinner through and through, since you were born!' And they drove him away. Jesus heard they had driven him away, and when he found him he said to him, 'Do you believe in the Son of Man?' 'Sir,' the man replied 'tell me who he is so that I may believe in him.' Jesus said, 'You are looking at him; he is speaking to you.' The man said, 'Lord, I believe', and worshipped him.

Communion Antiphon

The Lord anointed my eyes: I went, I washed,
I saw and I believed in God.

