



Parish Matters

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2ND SUNDAY OF EASTER | 10TH / 11TH OF APRIL

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.



Saturday Sunday 5.00pm 9.30am

Monday 12 April 7.00am Liturgy of the Word & Communion Service, Rosebery

Wednesday 14 April Liturgy of the Word Communion Service, Rosebery

No weekday Masses this week.



Fr Paul Smithers

Parish Priest

& Rector of the Shrine of Our Lady of Mt Carmel

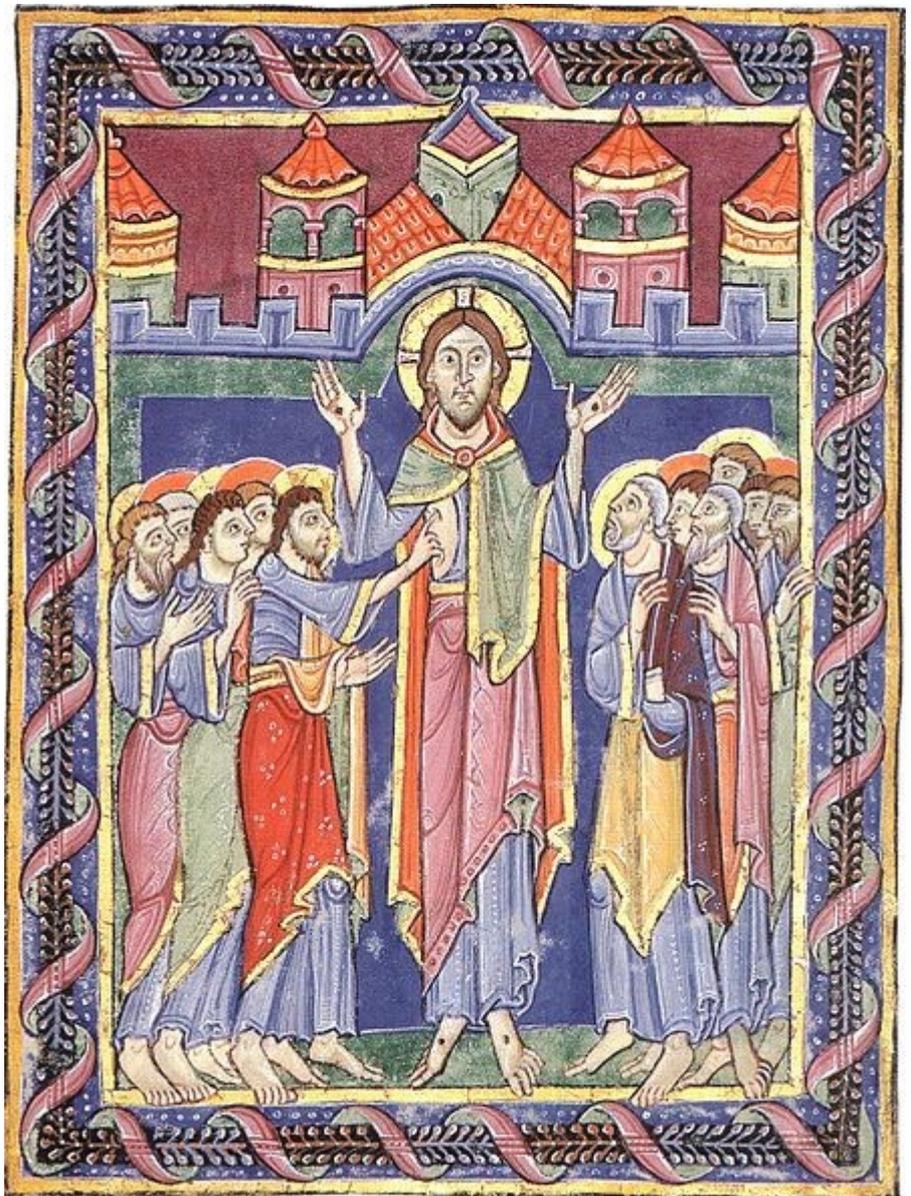
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Sr Rosemary Mitchell RSJ Pastoral Associate

Praying with Icons -

“My Lord and my God”

From St. Alban's Psalter Gospel Scenes, 1130



“Each of us is the result of a thought of God. Each of us is willed. Each of us is loved. Each of us is necessary.”

— Pope Benedict XVI

CATHOLIC COMMUNITY OF CITY SOUTH PRAYER INTENTIONS

Recently Deceased: Anna Siciliano; Winifred D'Costa; Margaret (Peggy) Martin – Baker.

Anniversary: Laurie Beach (14 Apr).

Deceased: Annie Vaz; Rosemary Cooley; Carmen Bonello; Bonello Family; Bill, Muriel, Marc and Jamie Wickert; Shirley Turner; Sr. Patricia Wilkinson; Anna, Stanley & Jim Atkins; Robert Clarke; Elliot Bennett; Jay Rosenstraus; Arthur & Janice Gray; Ethel & George Gray; Bill & Pat Clarke; Sydney & Violet Green; Arthur & Edna Dennett; John & Eileen Dennett; Arthur & Rose Dennett; Hazel Holly; All Souls, especially those that have no one to pray for them; All Souls of the Unborn.

Those who are sick: Christina O'Connor; Joan Zammit; Assis Quintal; Carlos Chua; Mary Borg; Mariazinha Quintal; Lee Frost; John Gavan; Milena Braganza; Sandra Truong; Geraldine Carrington; Rose Galea; Therese Mullaney; Fr Brian Egan; Allan Walker; Carolyn White; Marlic Erland; Ana Lucia Solorzano; Joan Kenny; Abrelita Aguillar; Pat Frost; Helen Abbey; Joan Buist; and all the housebound.

Birthdays: Jemimah Pettybourne, Philip Khoe (11 Apr); Paul Wong (12 Apr); Brian Fong, Joseph Farrugia (14 Apr); Julia Villanueva, Margaret Allen, James Allen (15 Apr); Dominic Walker, Tim Smyth (16 Apr).

Wedding Anniversary: Tim & Catherine Downs (10 Apr); Eric & Gina Di Cristo (16 Apr).

Please place your Mass Intentions in the collection plate or contact the Parish Office.

Names of recently deceased will be printed in bulletin for 2 weeks and included in Prayer of Faithful for one week. Names of the Deceased will only be included for one week unless you notify Parish Office.

Open Days at Coogee to honour Servant of God, Eileen O'Connor



Our Lady's Nurses for the Poor is opening up its home at 35 Dudley Street, Coogee to visitors for monthly open days throughout 2021 to allow Sydneysiders to pray at the tomb of Servant of God, Eileen O'Connor and learn more about this 'saint in waiting'. Due to COVID-19 restrictions, numbers will be limited to 12 visitors at any one time. The next open day is Sunday 2 May. Register online at the new Eileen O'Connor website: eileenconnor.com.au/open-days

Easter Collections

On behalf of the Mission of Our Lady of Lourdes, Phetchabun in Thailand, thank you for your generosity with the Candelabra donations, which will go the Mission in rural Thailand supporting vulnerable families in education, and basic living arrangements. Over \$200 was raised.

On behalf of the Holy Land Commissariat, thank you for your generosity with the Good Friday Appeal which promotes the missionary work of the Church in the Holy Land. Over \$2,400 was donated.

On behalf of the Priests of the Archdiocese, thank you for your generosity with the Easter Offering Appeal which supports all priests of the Archdiocese of Sydney. Over \$200 was donated.

Supporting the Parish

If you are able to, please find ways of supporting the parish:

- * *Direct deposit into Church Accounts. Please contact the Parish Office for details.*
- * *Visit the parish website and click the Support Us tab.*
- * *Credit Card donations - either a one off donation, or be set up to donate monthly. Please contact the Parish Office for more details.*
- * *In person - leave in Office letterbox or visit Parish Office.*
- * **QR Code donations** - *You can now donate to the Catholic Community of City South via this QR code. You can donate to the first collection, Planned Giving (2nd Collection) or **donate to the St Joseph Icon.** Simply scan the QR code with your mobile phone camera and follow the links.*

DONATIONS USING QR CODE



Dear friends,

The Liturgies over Easter were extremely well attended and it was so good to see. I am still on a spiritual high after the wonderful Easter Vigil. I also wish to thank Fr Danny Meagher and Fr Peter Guy MSC for helping with Good Friday liturgies. Thank you to everyone.

On behalf of the whole Catholic Community of City South we send our condolences to Maria Awad, our parish secretary, and all her family on the death of her beloved mother Anna, who passed away on Easter Monday. I was privileged to lead the Mass of Christian Burial for Anna on Friday.

God bless,



Construction Corner

- ◆ Entry/exit into the **Rosebery** church is now via the side door as the construction of the Early Learning Centre (ELC) moves its attention to the front of the building and the piazza between the church and ELC.
- ◆ The Tender process has begun on the renovation of the Rosebery church.
- ◆ **Waterloo** church remediation work continues on the front of the façade. Entry is possible via the front door.

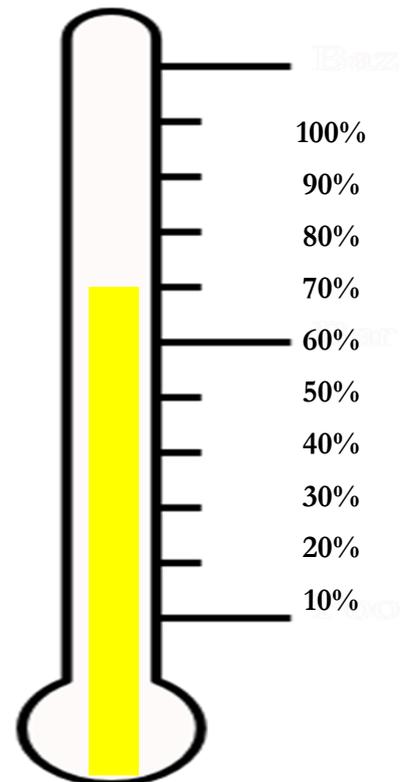
Parish Dinner

Our first combined parish dinner will be held at Doltone House, Hyde Park, on Friday 15 October. Tickets will be \$40* inclusive of 3 course dinner, beer, wine, soft drink and coffee. Children 12 years and under \$20.00. Please purchase your tickets from the Parish Office. Numbers limited to 100.

*Please contact Fr Paul if this is prohibitive. No one should miss out!

Icon of St Joseph Donations

The new Icon was blessed at Mass on Friday 19 March at Rosebery. Very Rev Don Richardson, Dean of St Mary's Cathedral and Dean of the City Deanery blessed the Icon. If you wish to donate, **scan the QR code** and pick 'donation' from the dropdown bar, or contact the Parish Office.



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Liturgy of the Word



Entrance Antiphon

Receive the joy of your glory, giving thanks to God,
who has called you into the heavenly kingdom,
alleluia.

First Reading Acts 4:32-35

The whole group of believers was united, heart and soul; no one claimed for his own use anything that he had, as everything they owned was held in common. The apostles continued to testify to the resurrection of the Lord Jesus with great power, and they were all given great respect. None of their members was ever in want, as all those who owned land or houses would sell them, and bring the money from them, to present it to the apostles; it was then distributed to any members who might be in need.

R sponsorial Psalm Ps 117:2-4. 15-18. 22-24. R. v.1

(R.) Give thanks to the Lord for he is good, his love is everlasting.

1. Let the sons of Israel say: 'His love has no end.' Let the sons of Aaron say: 'His love has no end.' Let those who fear the Lord say: 'His love has no end.' **(R.)**
2. The Lord's right hand has triumphed; his right hand raised me up. I shall not die, I shall live and recount his deeds. I was punished, I was punished by the Lord, but not doomed to die. **(R.)**
3. The stone which the builders rejected has become the corner stone. This is the work of the Lord, a marvel in our eyes. This day was made by the Lord; we rejoice and are glad. **(R.)**

Second Reading 1 Jn 5:1-6

Whoever believes that Jesus is the Christ has been begotten by God; and whoever loves the Father that begot him loves the child whom he begets. We can be sure that we love God's children if we love God himself and do what he has commanded us; this is what loving God is – keeping his commandments; and his commandments are not difficult, because anyone who has been begotten by God has already overcome the world; this is the victory over the world – our faith. Who can overcome the world? Only the man who believes that Jesus is the Son of God; Jesus Christ who came by water and blood, not with water only, but with water and blood; with the Spirit as another witness – since the Spirit is the truth.

Gospel Acclamation Jn 20:29

Alleluia, alleluia!

You believe in me, Thomas, because you have seen me; happy are those who have not seen me, but still believe!

Alleluia!

Gospel Jn 20:19-31

In the evening of that same day, the first day of the week, the doors were closed in the room where the disciples were, for fear of the Jews. Jesus came and stood among them. He said to them, 'Peace be with you,' and showed them his hands and his side. The disciples were filled with joy when they saw the Lord, and he said to them again, 'Peace be with you.' 'As the Father

sent me, so am I sending you.' After saying this he breathed on them and said: 'Receive the Holy Spirit. For those whose sins you forgive, they are forgiven; for those whose sins you retain, they are retained.' Thomas, called the 'Twin', who was one of the Twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. When the disciples said, 'We have seen the Lord', he answered, 'Unless I see the holes that the nails made in his hands and can put my finger into the holes they made, and unless I can put my hand into his side, I refuse to believe.' Eight days later the disciples were in the house again and Thomas was with them. The doors were closed, but Jesus came in and stood among them. 'Peace be with you' he said. Then he spoke to Thomas, 'Put your finger here; look, here are my hands. Give me your hand; put it into my side. Doubt no longer but believe.' Thomas replied, 'My Lord and my God!' Jesus said to him: 'You believe because you can see me. Happy are those who have not seen and yet believe.' There were many other signs that Jesus worked and the disciples saw, but they are not recorded in this book. These are recorded so that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that believing this you may have life through his name.

Communion Antiphon

Bring your hand and feel the place of the nails,
and do not be unbelieving but believing, alleluia.



Resurrection. It's on the front wall in St. Paul de Meythet Church in Meythet, a suburb of Annecy, south-eastern France. Painting 1998 - by Arcabas (Jean-Marie Pirot).