



Parish Matters

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3RD SUNDAY OF EASTER | 17TH / 18TH 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 19 April 7.00am Liturgy of the Word & Communion Service, Rosebery

Tuesday 20 April 5.00pm Mass, Waterloo

Wednesday 21 April 7.30am Mass, Rosebery

Friday 23 April 8.00am Mass, Redfern



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REFLECTION

The two disciples did not recognise Jesus. But as they walked and talked with him, and listened to him explain the events of the Crucifixion in light of the Scriptures, their hearts began to burn within them.

Has your heart ever burned within you as you recalled something you said or did? What happened?

This story has four parts: they meet; they share stories and listen; they break bread; and they part, knowing they will see one another again.

– by Lisa-Marie Calderone-Stewart



Jesus' Appearance While the Apostles are at Table
by Duccio di Buoninsegna (1255-1319)

“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: Fr Reg Wilson; Fr Michael McCarthy; Anna Siciliano.

Anniversary: Dorothy Blackman (6 Apr); George Marrett (18 Apr); Francis Camilleri, Leopoldo Martinez, Elliot Bennett (19 Apr); Rodolfo Rodriguez Junior (21 Apr); Maria Ala (22 Apr); Owen Burgher (23 Apr).

Deceased: Emmanuel & Josephine Nappa; Annie Vaz; Isabel & Ernesto Quintal; Joseph Mizzi; Verardo Family; 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: Ken Leonhardt; Christina O'Connor; Joan Zammitt; 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: Juliette Gabriele, Isabelle Downs (18 Apr); Lindsay Lobo (20 Apr); Rebekah Lupton (21 Apr); Elleni Daniels (23 Apr).

Wedding Anniversary: Giacomo & Juliette Gabriele (23 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

Thank You

On behalf of my family and I, please accept my heartfelt thank you for your messages of sympathy for the recent passing of my mother, Anna.

My mother lived with Vascular Dementia and was diagnosed over 3 years ago. We gradually lost her to this fatal disease over time and accepted each day as it came.

The past few weeks have been challenging and difficult to comprehend, however with the prayers that have been offered and your messages of support, I trust that God will guide her home and into His embrace.

Kindest regards....Maria and family

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



The National Centre for Pastoral Research of the Australian Catholic Bishops Conference has advised that the 2021 National Count of Attendance (Mass Count) will take place over the **first four weekends in May** (starting 1 May 2021 and concluding 23 May).

The count will be as comprehensive as possible and include people of all ages at Mass (including babies), and other types of Sunday Assemblies. It will be a simple headcount: no other information about individual attenders will be collected. The exercise does not disrupt Mass.

This year, parishes will also be asked to provide estimates of the age and sex of those who attend Mass and Sunday assemblies. As well, in light of ongoing COVID-19 restrictions in some areas, parishes will be invited to provide the number of 'views' of Masses or Sunday assemblies streamed online.

First Holy Communion 2021

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

Saturday 5 June 5.00pm Vigil - Waterloo
Sunday 6 June 9.30am - Rosebery
Sunday 6 June 11.00am - Redfern

An information night will be held Wednesday 28 April 7.00pm at Waterloo. If your child is in Year 3 and above, or has not received the Sacrament, please attend this evening or contact the Parish Office for further information.

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

Project Greeting

We will be resuming our "Project Greeting" next weekend and will be praying for these streets:

- ◆ Asquith Avenue, Rosebery
- ◆ Pitt Street, Redfern
- ◆ Lachlan Street, Waterloo

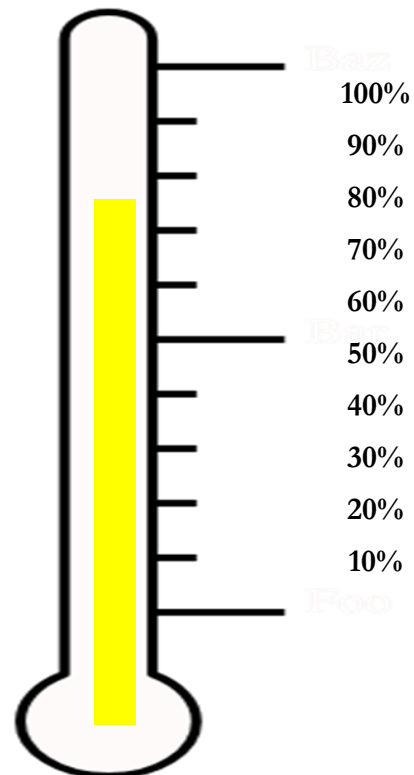
If you live in or near these streets please take the cards at the back of the church and deliver them. If there are cards leftover please return to Parish Office (or place in letterbox 74 Rosebery Ave, Rosebery).

Redfern Keys

The Redfern church locks will be upgraded due to increased security concerns. If you have a key to the church please email me so that a new key can be arranged for you. The new locks and keys will take a few weeks to arrange...Maria. Please email: secretary@citysouthcatholic.org.au

Icon of St Joseph Donations

If you wish to donate towards the Icon of St Joseph, **scan the QR code** and pick 'donation' from the dropdown bar, or contact the Parish Office. We have received close to 80% of the purchase price thanks to your generosity.



Morning Tea @ Rosebery Parish Office

will be **Wednesday 12 May 10.30am.**

Please RSVP to Parish Office.

Liturgy of the Word

Entrance Antiphon



Cry out with joy to God, all the earth;
O sing to the glory of his name.
O render him glorious praise, alleluia.

First Reading Acts 3:13-15. 17-19

Peter said to the people: 'You are Israelites, and it is the God of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob, the God of our ancestors, who has glorified his servant Jesus, the same Jesus you handed over and then disowned in the presence of Pilate, after Pilate had decided to release him. It was you who accused the Holy One, the Just One, you who demanded the reprieve of a murderer while you killed the prince of life. God, however, raised him from the dead, and to that fact we are the witnesses. 'Now I know, brothers, that neither you nor your leaders had any idea what you were really doing; this was the way God carried out what he had foretold, when he said through all his prophets that his Christ would suffer. Now you must repent and turn to God, so that your sins may be wiped out.'

Responsorial Psalm Ps 4:2. 4. 7. 9. R. v.7

(R.) Lord, let your face shine on us.

1. When I call, answer me, O God of justice; from anguish you released me, have mercy and hear me! (R.)
2. It is the Lord who grants favours to those whom he loves; the Lord hears me whenever I call him. (R.)
3. 'What can bring us happiness?' many say. Lift up the light of your face on us, O Lord. (R.)
4. I will lie down in peace and sleep comes at once, for you alone, Lord, make me dwell in safety. (R.)

Second Reading 1 Jn 2:1-5

I am writing this, my children, to stop you sinning; but if anyone should sin, we have our advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ, who is just; he is the sacrifice that takes our sins away, and not only ours, but the whole world's. We can be sure that we know God only by keeping his commandments. Anyone who says, 'I know him', and does not keep his commandments, is a liar, refusing to admit the truth. But when anyone does obey what he has said, God's love comes to perfection in him.

Gospel Acclamation See Lk 24:32

Alleluia, alleluia!

Lord Jesus, make your word plain to us: make our hearts burn with love when you speak.

Alleluia!

Gospel Lk 24:35-48

The disciples told their story of what had happened on the road and how they had recognised Jesus at the breaking of bread. They were still talking about all this when Jesus himself stood among them and said to them, 'Peace be with you!' In a state of alarm and fright, they thought they were seeing a ghost. But he said, 'Why are you so agitated, and why are these doubts rising in your hearts? Look at my hands and feet; yes, it is I indeed. Touch me and see for yourselves; a ghost has no flesh and bones as you can see I have.' And as he said this he showed them his hands and feet. Their joy was so great that they could not believe it, and they stood dumbfounded; so he said to them, 'Have you anything here to eat?' And they offered him a piece of grilled fish, which he took and ate before their eyes. Then he told them, 'This is what I meant when I said, while I was still with you, that everything written about me in the Law of Moses, in the Prophets and in the Psalms, has to be fulfilled.' He then opened their minds to understand the scriptures, and he said to them, 'So you see how it is written that the Christ would suffer and on the third day rise from the dead, and that, in his name, repentance for the forgiveness of sins would be preached to all the nations, beginning from Jerusalem. You are witnesses to this.'

Communion Antiphon

The disciples recognized the Lord Jesus in the breaking of the bread, 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).