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## Sunday, 15 July 2018 Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time – Year B



Dear Parishioners and Visitors,

During the coming week, most of the priests of the Archdiocese of Sydney will be attending an important clergy conference to discuss many significant issues. Your prayers for us would be greatly appreciated.

A colleague recently sent me this:

#### REASONS I NEVER GO TO MASS SHOWER

- 1. I was forced to shower as a child.
- 2. People who shower are hypocrites. They think they are cleaner than everyone else.
- 3. There are so many different kinds of soap, I could never decide which one was right.
- 4. I used to shower, but it got boring so I stopped.
- 5. None of my friends shower.
- 6. I shower only on special occasions, like Easter and Christmas.
- 7. I'm still young. When I am older and have gotten a bit dirtier, I might start showering.
- 8. I really don't have time to shower.
- 9. The bathroom is never warm enough in the winter or cool enough in the summer.
- 10.People who make soap are only after your money.

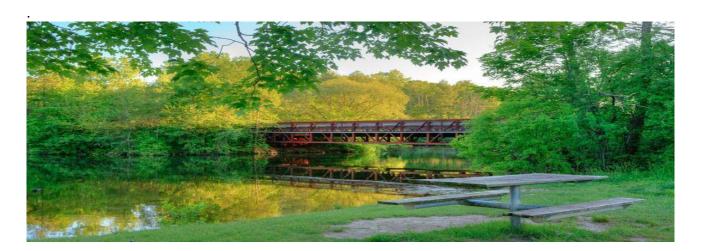
## (There's more)

- I get along well without showering.
- I work hard all week and am too tired to take a shower on the weekend.
- The first bar of soap I ever used gave me a rash, so I haven't gone near soap since.

With every blessing for the week ahead,

Fr Don Richardson, Dean

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Liturgy...

## First Reading Am 7:12-15

# A reading from the prophet Amos Go, prophesy to my people

Amaziah, the priest of Bethel, said to Amos, 'Go away, seer; get back to the land of Judah; earn your bread there, do your prophesying there. We want no more prophesying in Bethel; this is the royal sanctuary, the national temple.' 'I was no prophet, neither did I belong to any of the brotherhoods of prophets.' Amos replied to Amaziah, 'I was a shepherd, and looked after sycamores: but it was the Lord who took me from herding the flock, and the Lord who said, "Go, prophesy to my people Israel."

The word of the Lord.

Response: Thanks be to God!



Liturgy...

## Responsorial Psalm Ps 84:9-14. R. v.8

## (R.) Lord, show us your mercy and love, and grant us your salvation.

- 1. I will hear what the Lord God has to say, a voice that speaks of peace, peace for his people. His help is near for those who fear him and his glory will dwell in our land. (*R*.)
- 2. Mercy and faithfulness have met; justice and peace have embraced. Faithfulness shall spring from the earth and justice look down from heaven. (*R*.)
- 3. The Lord will make us prosper and our earth shall yield its fruit. Justice shall march before him and peace shall follow his steps. (*R*.)



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## Second Reading Eph 1:3-10

## A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Ephesians

## Before the world was made, he chose us in Christ.

Blessed be God the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us with all the spiritual blessings of heaven in Christ. Before the world was made, he chose us, chose us in Christ, to be holy and spotless, and to live through love in his presence, determined that we should become his adopted sons, through Jesus Christ for his own kind purposes, to make us praise the glory of his grace, his free gift to us in the Beloved in whom, through his blood, we gain our freedom, the forgiveness of our sins. Such is the richness of the grace which he has showered on us in all wisdom and insight. He has let us know the mystery of his purpose, the hidden plan he so kindly made in Christ from the beginning to act upon when the times had run their course to the end: that he would bring everything together under Christ, as head, everything in the heavens and everything on earth.

The word of the Lord.

Response: Thanks be to God!





Liturgy...

## Gospel Acclamation Eph 1:17-18

## Alleluia, alleluia!

May the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ enlighten the eyes of our hearts that we might see how great is the hope to which we are called.

#### Alleluia!





**Gospel** Mk 6:7-13

## A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark

He called the Twelve, and began to send them out.

Jesus summoned the Twelve and began to send them out in pairs giving them authority over the unclean spirits. And he instructed them to take nothing for the journey except a staff – no bread, no haversack, no coppers for their purses. They were to wear sandals, but, he added, 'Do not take a spare tunic.' And he said to them, 'If you enter a house anywhere, stay there until you leave the district. And if any place does not welcome you and people refuse to listen to you, as you walk away shake off the dust from under your feet as a sign to them.' So they set off to preach repentance; and they cast out many devils, and anointed many sick people with oil and cured them.

## The Gospel of the Lord

Response: Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ







#### CATHEDRAL CLERGY

Archbishop Anthony Fisher OP Father Donald Richardson, Dean Father Brendan Purcell Father Emmanuel Yoon Jae Seo Father Pierluigi Passoni

#### **CATHEDRAL STAFF**

Chris Backhouse- Cathedral Sacristan Thomas Wilson – Director of Music Helen Morassut – General Manager, St Marys Cathedral Precinct





## A COPY OF THE CATHOLIC WEEKLY CAN BE PURCHASED FOR \$2

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Weekend Mass	Saturday Vigil:	6.00pm
	Sunday:	7.00am, 9.00am, 10.30am (Solemn High Mass);
		12noon Latin Mass in the extraordinary form; 6.00pm Mass
Weekday Mass	Monday to Friday:	6.45am, 1.10pm & 5.30pm; Saturday: 9.00am & 12noon
		Public Holidays: 9am (or as advertised)
Reconciliation	Monday-Friday:	12noon -1.00pm & 5.00pm to 5.25pm Saturday 11.30am-
		11.55am, 4.30-5.30pm
Vespers	Monday to Friday: NO VESPERS DURING SCHOOL HOLIDAYS – 19 TO 24 JULY 2018	
(Evening Prayer)	Saturday- 5.30pm. Sunday - 5.00pm (with Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament)	







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TOURS OF ST MARY'S CATHEDRAL: FREE SUNDAY TOUR OF ST MARY'S CATHEDRAL: Our tour guides would love to take you through the history of the Mother Church for Australian Catholics with a free tour every Sunday after the 10:30am Solemn Choral Mass. Please look out for the tour guide next to the organ console after Mass. All are welcome!

WORLD YOUTH JANUARY 2019. The Catholic Archdiocese of Sydney invites young adults to pre-register for the WYD2019 Panama via Washington DC pilgrimage, which will be led by His Grace, Archbishop Anthony Fisher OP. Pilgrims wishing to accept the offer of a subsidy need to pre-register by depositing a minimum, non-refundable deposit of \$1,000. The deposit will confirm your place on the pilgrimage. The Archdiocese will then add \$1,000 to your account. The Indicative cost of pilgrimage is \$8,686. For pilgrims considering the optional Mexico extension, the indicative total cost is \$9,786. Note that should the pilgrimage not go ahead as planned, all deposits shall be returned in full. For more information and deposit details please contact abbel.gaspi;@sydneycatholic.org.

#### EMBRACE, YOUNG ADULTS GROUP.

Embrace is St Mary's group for young people of 18-35 yrs old from all cultures and backgrounds. We meet every Sunday at St Mary's Cathedral House, adjacent to the Cathedral, after the 6.00pm Mass. Our activities and youth projects are designed to support spiritual development and encourage active practice of our faith. For 15 July, Embrace will reflect on the *How to Say the Rosary*, in honour of Our Lady of Fatima. You are welcome to join: please call/text Embrace Coordinator on 0404 008 870 or write to embrace@stmaryscathedral.org.au.

#### ST VINCENT DE PAUL - REDFERN.

Over the last 20 years, St Vincent de Paul Society has been running the Sharing of the Meal at SVDP Catholic Church in Redfern - 117 Redfern St Redfern. Every Tuesday and Friday from 8.45am to 10.45am. We are looking for volunteers. If anyone is interested we would love to hear from you. It could be a once a month support or every week. Please call Jenny Carter on 0407 977 180 if you are interested. It is a gathering place for the homeless and disadvantaged in the community of Redfern.

CATHOLICCARE SYDNEY. Do you know any seniors in your community who could use a little help at home? Our home care services help seniors to enjoy living independently in their own home with comfort and confidence. Call CCareline on 13 18 19 to find out more.

**WORLD MEETING OF FAMILIES – 21-26** AUGUST 2018 Dublin, Ireland, has been chosen by Pope Francis to host the next World Meeting of Families from 21-26 August 2018. Guided by the theme "The Gospel of the Family: Joy for the World". Held every three years, this major international event brings together families from across the world to celebrate, pray and reflect upon the central importance of marriage and the family as the cornerstone of our lives, of society and of the Church. For further information: https://www.worldmeeting2018.ie/en/.

SILENT RETREAT FOR MEN. "Go out to all the world and tell the good news" (Mark 16:15). How does a Diocesan Priest live this mission? Find out more by attending this upcoming retreat on 3 - 5 August 2018. This retreat is for all men (18 - 35 yrs. old) considering a vocation to the Priesthood spending time in prayerful silence with Daily Mass, Rosary, Prayer of the Church, Adoration and much more. This will be led by Fr. Epeli Qimaqima – Director of Vocations, Archdiocese of Sydney. The cost of the retreat is \$75. RSVP: Wed 01 August 2018. For online registration:

http://www.vocationcentre.org.au/events/sile nt-retreat-for-men-2018/ Registration/Enquiries:

vocationcentre@sydneycatholic.org| (02) 9307 8424 or Email vocations@sydneycatholic.org

CALL FOR WYD08 ANNIVERSARY CHORISTERS. Did you sing at the Final Mass for WYD08 Sydney? We are inviting all WYD08 singers to come back for a 10th anniversary Mass to be held at St Mary's Cathedral, Sydney on Friday 20 July at 5:30pm. For further details and to register go to https://goo.gl/VKoL9t.

#### ST VINCENT PALLOTTI

SCHOLARSHIP: Applications now open. The St Vincent Pallotti Scholarship Trust offer scholarships to enable lay people to further their understanding and skills in leadership/ministry or a specialised activity, such as promoting faith enhancement, social justice and pastoral care. Applications close 23rd July 2018. Details and application: <a href="http://www.pallottine.org.au/scholarships/stvincent-pallotti-scholarship-for-lay-ministry.html">http://www.pallottine.org.au/scholarships/st-vincent-pallotti-scholarship-for-lay-ministry.html</a>

LIFECHOICE AUSTRALIA is running prolife training for young people on Saturday
25th August. Two international speakers will run the workshops - Brendan Malone from New Zealand and Lia Mills from Canada. This will be a great opportunity for young people to learn how to argue against abortion with intelligence and compassion. Tickets are only \$30 and the event will be held in Sydney. More information and to register:
www.LifeChoice.org.au.

LESSONS FROM THE LONG PADDOCK WORKSHOP Lessons from the Paddock offers perspectives from outback and rural NSW on faith and spiritual life including. stories from people in the Diocese and exploring the lived experiences of faith in the bush. Thursday, 09 August 2018 9.30am -12.30 at the Ron Dyer Centre Our Lady of the Way Parish, St Mary's North Sydney -Admission Free. For enquiries ring Kate Englebrecht on 0420 309 689 or visit http://www.wf.catholic.org.au for more information.

**CATHOLICCARE SYDNEY** Join the Sydney Catholic Youth Team to raise funds for CatholicCare Sydney's HOPE program in this year's City2Surf. We're aiming to raise \$75,000 to help vulnerable young mothers and their babies. Challenge yourself and run for HOPE! Register online https://fundraise.catholiccare.org/city2surf and join the Sydney Catholic Youth Team today! For further information please contact Ashleigh Green on 0419 954 839 or at community@catholiccare.org.au

**NSW LAUNCH - The National Catholic** Medical Association. Saturday, 21 July: 3pm. Annual NSW Mass and Blessing of the Hands Ceremony at Sacred Heart Parish Darlinghurst Sydney followed by dinner and speakers at St Vincent's Private Hospital. All doctors. nurses and allied health colleagues including students are warmly invited visit to attend http://facma.org.au/news.html or https://www.facebook.com/events/159178899 094 4281/ and this week's Catholic Weekly for further information.

180TH ANNIVERSARY - St
Benedict's Parish, Chippendale
(Broadway). As part of the 180th Anv
celebration, the first of the twelve
lectures, given by Prof. Tracey Rowland,
will be on the Benedictine Roots of
Western Civilisation & its relevance in
Evangelisation in the 3rd Millennium.
Join us on Thurs, 26 July at 7pm in St
Benedict's Hall to hear how the Rule of
St Benedict is still relevant to us now!
RSVP for catering
http://tinyurl.com/stbenlectureseries1.