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Sunday, 16 Sept 2018
Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year B



Dear Parishioners and Visitors,

Next weekend we will begin a trial use of “tap and go” technology on our collection plates at Mass. When the collection is taken up, our ushers will pass around special new plates which have a built in credit/debit card terminal. You can either place cash in the plate, or “tap” your credit card on the built-in card reader. Each “tap” of your card will be a donation of \$10.

(You may, of course, tap more than once with several seconds in between each tap, to give in multiples of \$10.)



As we trial this new technology and procedure, from next weekend for one month there will be only ONE COLLECTION at Mass, at the Offertory time. We will then assess how the new system is working.

There are already several “tap and go” donation pads around the cathedral, some clearly marked as \$5 donations, others as \$2, which our many visitors are finding useful.

There are so many things to pray about in these days! Problems in our Catholic Church, problems in our world, problems in our nation, problems in our society, problems in our own lives...

One way we must tackle these many problems is with prayer. Prayer is not the only thing that must be done, but it is extremely important. So I invite everyone to join me here in the cathedral on Sunday 7th October, the feast of Our Lady of the Rosary, at 2 in the afternoon, to pray the Holy Rosary together. Even if it isn't something you would usually do, please come and pray the Rosary that afternoon. Special intentions will be for family, the rekindling of faith, and the sanctification of the Church and clergy. And of course your own personal intentions. I am sure it will bear more fruit than we realise.

Every blessing for the week ahead,

Fr Don Richardson, Dean



Liturgy...

First Reading Is 50:5-9

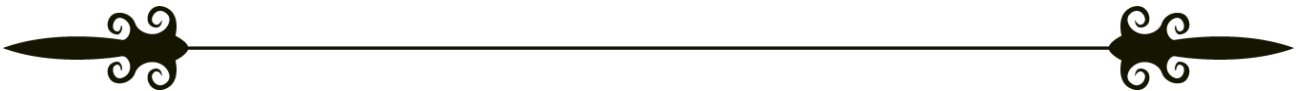
A reading from of the Prophet Isaiah

I gave my body to those who struck me.

The Lord has opened my ear. For my part, I made no resistance, neither did I turn away. I offered my back to those who struck me, my cheeks to those who tore at my beard; I did not cover my face against insult and spittle. The Lord comes to my help, so that I am untouched by the insults. So, too, I set my face like flint; I know I shall not be shamed. My vindicator is here at hand. Does anyone start proceedings against me? Then let us go to court together. Who thinks he has a case against me? Let him approach me. The Lord is coming to my help, who dare condemn me?

The word of the Lord.

Response: Thanks be to God!



Responsorial Psalm Ps 114:1-6. 8-9. R. v.9

(R.) I will walk in the presence of the Lord, in the land of the living.

1. I love the Lord for he has heard the cry of my appeal; for he turned his ear to me in the day when I called him. *(R.)*
2. They surrounded me, the snares of death, with anguish of the tomb; they caught me, sorrow and distress. I called on the Lord's name. O Lord my God, deliver me! *(R.)*
3. How gracious is the Lord, and just; our God has compassion. The Lord protects the simple hearts; I was helpless so he saved me. *(R.)*
4. He has kept my soul from death, my eyes from tears and my feet from stumbling. I will walk in the presence of the Lord in the land of the living. *(R.)*



Liturgy...

Second Reading Jas 2:14-18

A reading from the letter of St James

Faith without good works is dead.

Take the case, my brothers, of someone who has never done a single good act but claims that he has faith. Will that faith save him? If one of the brothers or one of the sisters is in need of clothes and has not enough food to live on, and one of you says to them, ‘I wish you well; keep yourself warm and eat plenty,’ without giving them these bare necessities of life, then what good is that? Faith is like that: if good works do not go with it, it is quite dead.

This is the way to talk to people of that kind: ‘You say you have faith and I have good deeds; I will prove to you that I have faith by showing you my good deeds – now you prove to me that you have faith without any good deeds to show.’

The word of the Lord.

Response: Thanks be to God!



Gospel Acclamation Gal 6:14

Alleluia, alleluia!

My only glory is the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ,
which crucifies the world to me and me to the world.

Alleluia!



Liturgy...

Gospel Mk 8:27-35

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark

You are the Christ ... the Son of Man was destined to suffer much.

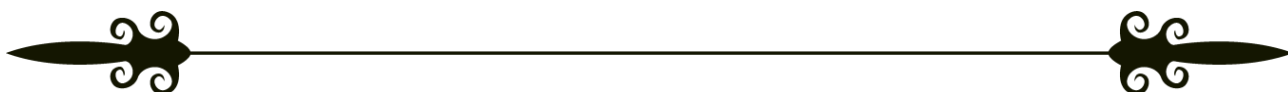
Jesus and his disciples left for the villages round Caesarea Philippi. On the way he put this question to his disciples, 'Who do people say I am?' And they told him. 'John the Baptist,' they said, 'others Elijah; others again, one of the prophets.' 'But you,' he asked, 'who do you say I am?' Peter spoke up and said to him, 'You are the Christ.' And he gave them strict orders not to tell anyone about him.

And he began to teach them that the Son of Man was destined to suffer grievously, to be rejected by the elders and the chief priests and the scribes, and to be put to death, and after three days to rise again; and he said all this quite openly. Then, taking him aside, Peter started to remonstrate with him. But, turning and seeing his disciples, he rebuked Peter and said to him, 'Get behind me, Satan! Because the way you think is not God's way but man's.'

He called the people and his disciples to him and said, 'If anyone wants to be a follower of mine, let him renounce himself and take up his cross and follow me. For anyone who wants to save his life will lose it; but anyone who loses his life for my sake, and for the sake of the gospel, will save it.'

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

Weekend Mass	Saturday Vigil: 6.00pm Sunday: 7.00am, 9.00am, 10.30am (Solemn High Mass); 12.15pm 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 - 5.25pm Saturday: 11.30am - 11.55am, 4.30-5.30pm
Vespers (Evening Prayer)	Monday to Thursday: 5.00pm Saturday: 5.30pm Sunday: 5.00pm (with Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament)

****COELIACS: Special Provision is made for Coeliacs at the Cathedral. Those who are gluten intolerant may receive communion either from the Chalice or with a gluten low host. Application should be made to the Sacristan before Mass.**



CATHEDRAL NOTICES

NOTIFICATION OF ROAD CLOSURE

8 – 17 September 2018

Park Street between Elizabeth and College Streets. For more information ring 8785 7640 or sydney@evolutiontraffic.com.au

FULL TUITION SCHOLARSHIPS TO ST MARY'S CATHEDRAL COLLEGE. Boys currently in year 2 are invited to audition as members of the prestigious St. Mary's Cathedral Choir to begin in 2019. All students receive full-tuition scholarships to St Mary's Cathedral College when placed as Cathedral Choristers. Please contact our Music Administrator to arrange an audition or for more information visit

music@stmaryscathedral.org.au or by visiting

<https://cathedralchoir.sydney/about/choristers/>.

VOLUNTEERING - PALMS AUSTRALIA

carefully prepares teachers, health professionals, accountants, managers, and others who volunteer for Palms mission work so that they may share their skills to assist overseas parishes and vital grass root movements aiming to foster sustainable solutions to poverty. For more information on volunteering ring 02 9560 5333 or visit

www.palms.org.au.

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!

THE FRIENDS OF ST. MARY'S CATHEDRAL will be holding a Spring Luncheon on Friday, **21 September** in Cathedral House at 12.00pm for 12.30 pm. \$90 per person. Alan Jones, AO, Radio Broadcaster is the Guest Speaker. Bookings **Annette Marskell** Tel. No. **9398 -6498**.

WORLD YOUTH DAY PANAMA 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 the 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 **16 Sept** Embrace will reflect on *the Angelic Salutation: Ave Maria, 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

PILGRIMAGE WALK 2018 - 23 Sept.

Celebrating 200 years of the preservation of the Blessed Sacrament in Australia. Seven Prayer Stops - leaving from Holy Name of Mary

Church (Hunters Hill) at 9.30 am and ending at St Patrick's Church Hill (to attend late afternoon Mass at St Patrick's) For more information or to register your participation email: pilgrimage2018@westnet.com.au or ring Holy Name of Mary parish office on **9817 5325** Everyone is welcome.

PLENARY COUNCIL. Why not be involved? The 2020 Plenary Council is a gathering of the Church in Australia to make decisions for the future. Your voice is important. You are invited to contribute to the Plenary Council agenda, by sharing your experience of faith and of the Church. To be involved, visit <http://plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au/> Become an Ambassador, facilitating listening and dialogue groups in your parish. If you want to know more, please speak with your Parish Priest, contact **9390 5100** or email: plenarycouncil@sydneycatholic.org.

WORLD ROSARY. 07 October, the Feast of Our Lady of the Rosary. Countries around the world are joining to hold Rosary Rallies. The World Rosary will **start** with a '54-day Novena' on **15 August** (Feast of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary) **until** the feast of the Holy Rosary on the **7 October**. Each nation has been asked to pray for its own intentions on the day. The website to register your involvement for the world rosary is holyleagueofnations.com. **To Register in Australia:**
<https://ozrosary.wixsite.com/ozrosary53/cont-act-us-and-participate> /
Jane, OzRosary, **0476 535 59**.
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CATHOLICCARE SYDNEY. Counselling for individuals, couples and families. Counselling can support you and your family to face life's challenges. Our caring team provides services for individuals, couples and families that are affordable. For more information contact CCareline on **13 18 19**.

ST JOSEPH'S Prayer Group, Enfield. Teaching day - **Saturday, 22nd September, 2018**

"Healing of the Family Tree". 9:45 am - 3:30 pm
Speaker: Fr. John Ritzzo. St Joseph's Catholic Church, 126 Liverpool Road, Enfield. Parking at rear of church. Enter from Baker Street. Cost \$15.00. Please bring a dish for our communal lunch. Coffee & Tea provided Please bring your bible with you. Contact: **Rose: 9642 2359**
Mobile: **0412 115 961** Email: rosetwymansydney@gmail.com.

"MORE ALIVE, MORE HUMAN" - join us for a weekend silent retreat guided by Verbum Dei Missionaries at Hartzler Park, Bowral on **28- 30 Sept**. All ages welcome. For more info contact Louise on **0402 374 751** or email verbumdeisydney@gmail.com

ROME PILGRIMAGE - 16 to 23 May 2019. To celebrate our Cathedral's 150 years it would be a great opportunity to join Fr Don Richardson, Dean of St Mary's Cathedral on a unique tour of Rome. Get your free pilgrimage kit today by ringing Rome Pilgrimages on **1800 753 959** or Email: pilgrimages@sydneycatholic.org.

VOCATIONS CAMP FOR MEN.
Srodowisko 19 – 21 October at Benedict XVI Retreat Centre, Grose Vale. Mass, prayer, talks, good food, bush walks, archery and sports. Cost \$75. RSVP. **Fri, 28 Sept**. For information and registration: www.vocationcentre.org.au.

BE AWAKE NATIONAL MEN'S CONFERENCE. The Life Marriage and Family Centre and Sydney Catholic Youth are partnering with Young Men of God and Men Alive in a conference to provide valuable input, opportunities for prayer, reflection and fellowship for men of all ages. To be held on **19 – 21 October** at Stanwell Tops Conference Centre, Sydney. To register contact www.menalive.org.au or www.ymgmovement.org.

FEAST OF ST PADRE PIO – 23 Sept. Padre Pio Parish, Glenmore Park. 9.30am procession then Mass. For more information contact 02 **4737 9735** or glenmorepark@parracahtolic.org.