

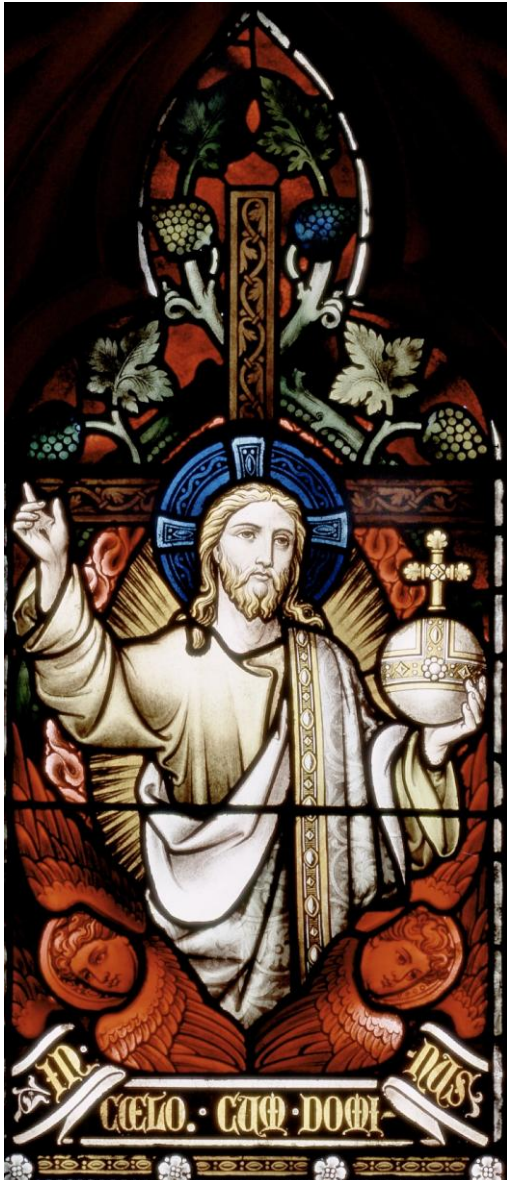


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Sunday, 17 March 2019 Second Sunday Of Lent - Year C



Dear Parishioners and Visitors,

- After a difficult week, I find it helpful that the Gospel today is about the holy Transfiguration of Christ, where the light of divinity shines through the flesh of humanity. The three apostles who witness this are challenged to realise that they are part of something bigger than themselves: the unfolding of God's loving plan of salvation, which nevertheless is achieved through crucifixion and death. That light of divinity also permeates Christ's Mystical Body, the Church, is veiled, but in the end will shine forth and transfigure those who are united with our Lord
- Saint Patrick's Day is transferred to Monday 18th March this year due to the 17th being a Sunday of Lent. Bishop Brady will be celebrating a special St Patrick's Day Mass in the Cathedral on Monday at 10.30am.

- The solemn feast day of Saint Joseph, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary, is on Tuesday 19th. As St Joseph is “Patron of the Universal Church” and was the protector of the Infant Jesus it will be very good to invoke his prayers for the Church at this time.
- The New South Wales parliamentary elections are upon us. It is vital that Catholics, as good citizens, should vote thoughtfully. The Archdiocese of Sydney sent a list of thirteen questions on key areas of interest to the major and minor political parties, and their responses are collected in a State Election Guide which is printed in this week’s Catholic Weekly, available near the doors. There are also copies of the Election Guide displayed in the large notice-board.

May the voice of the Son of God guide us all in the week ahead,

Fr Don Richardson, Dean

Liturgy...

First Reading Gen 15:5-12. 17-18

A reading from the book of Genesis

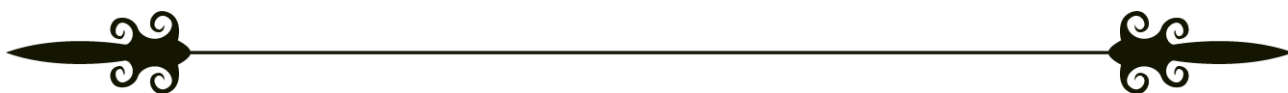
God made a covenant with Abraham, his faithful servant.

Taking Abram outside the Lord said, 'Look up to heaven and count the stars if you can. Such will be your descendants' he told him. Abram put his faith in the Lord, who counted this as making him justified.

'I am the Lord' he said to him 'who brought you out of Ur of the Chaldeans to make you heir to this land.' 'My Lord, the Lord' Abram replied, 'how am I to know that I shall inherit it?' He said to him, 'Get me a three-year-old heifer, a three-year-old goat, a three-year-old ram, a turtledove and a young pigeon.' He brought him all these, cut them in half and put half on one side and half facing it on the other; but the birds he did not cut in half. Birds of prey came down on the carcasses but Abram drove them off.

Now as the sun was setting Abram fell into a deep sleep, and terror seized him. When the sun had set and darkness had fallen, there appeared a smoking furnace and a firebrand that went between the halves. That day the Lord made a Covenant with Abram in these terms: 'To your descendants I give this land, from the wadi of Egypt to the Great River.'

**The word of the Lord.
Response: Thanks be to God**



Liturgy...

Responsorial Psalm Ps 26:1. 7-9. 13-14. R. v.1

(R) The Lord is my light and my salvation.

1. The Lord is my light and my help; whom shall I fear? The Lord is the stronghold of my life before whom shall I shrink? **(R)**

2. O Lord, hear my voice when I call; have mercy and answer. Of you my heart has spoken: 'Seek his face.' **(R)**

3. It is your face, O Lord, that I seek, hide not your face. Dismiss not your servant in anger; you have been my help. **(R)**

4. I am sure I shall see the Lord's goodness in the land of the living. Hope in him, hold firm and take heart. Hope in the Lord! **(R)**



Second Reading Phil 3:17 – 4:1

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Philippians

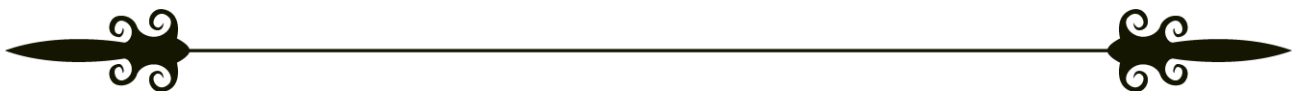
Christ will transfigure these bodies of ours into copies of his glorious body.

My brothers, be united in following my rule of life. Take as your models everybody who is already doing this and study them as you used to study us. I have told you often, and I repeat it today with tears, there are many who are behaving as the enemies of the cross of Christ. They are destined to be lost. They make foods into their god and they are proudest of something they ought to think shameful; the things they think important are earthly things. For us, our homeland is in heaven, and from heaven comes the saviour we are waiting for, the Lord Jesus Christ, and he will transfigure these wretched bodies of ours into copies of his glorious body. He will do that by the same power with which he can subdue the whole universe.

So then, my brothers and dear friends, do not give way but remain faithful in the Lord. I miss you very much, dear friends; you are my joy and my crown.

The word of the Lord.

Response: Thanks be to God



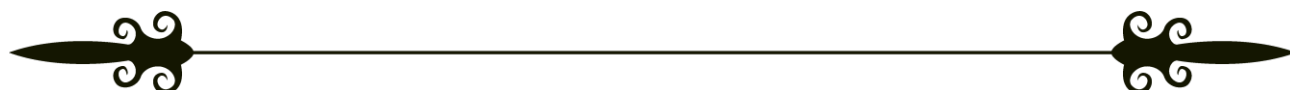
Liturgy...

Gospel Acclamation Mt 17:5

Glory and praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ!

From the shining cloud the Father's voice is heard:
this is my beloved Son, hear him.

Glory and praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ!



Gospel Lk 9:28-36

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke

As Jesus prayed, the aspect of his face was changed, and his clothing became brilliant as lightning.

Jesus took with him Peter and John and James and went up the mountain to pray. As he prayed, the aspect of his face was changed and his clothing became brilliant as lightning. Suddenly there were two men there talking to him; they were Moses and Elijah appearing in glory, and they were speaking of his passing which he was to accomplish in Jerusalem. Peter and his companions were heavy with sleep, but they kept awake and saw his glory and the two men standing with him. As these were leaving him, Peter said to Jesus, 'Master, it is wonderful for us to be here; so let us make three tents, one for you, one for Moses and one for Elijah.' – He did not know what he was saying. As he spoke, a cloud came and covered them with shadow; and when they went into the cloud the disciples were afraid. And a voice came from the cloud saying, 'This is my Son, the Chosen One. Listen to him.' And after the voice had spoken, Jesus was found alone. The disciples kept silence and, at that time, told no one what they had seen.

The Gospel of the Lord

Response: Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ



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)	Saturday: 5.30pm Sunday: 5.00pm (with Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament)
Stations of the Cross	Fridays @ 4.30pm: March – 08, 15, 22, 29 & April – 05, 12

****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 CLERGY <i>Archbishop Anthony Fisher OP</i> <i>Father Donald Richardson, Dean</i> <i>Father Brendan Purcell</i> <i>Father Emmanuel Yoon Jae Seo</i> <i>Father Gerard Woo Ling</i>	CATHEDRAL STAFF <i>Chris Backhouse – Cathedral Sacristan</i> <i>Thomas Wilson – Director of Music</i> <i>Helen Morassut – General Manager,</i> <i>St Mary's Cathedral Precinct</i>
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**SUBSCRIBE TO THE NEW LOOK CATHOLIC WEEKLY
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ELECTRONIC COLLECTION PLATES

The option to make an offering via credit card is available at this mass.



Please note: you can continue to donate with cash
or pass the plate on.

CATHEDRAL NOTICES

PLEASE NOTE: Stations of the Cross a special devotion commemorating the journey of Christ to his Crucifixion and burial is prayed every Friday in Lent at 4.30pm.

PRAY FOR THE PLENARY COUNCIL

Across Australia, Catholics are gathering to pray, talk and listen to one another about our experiences of faith and the Church. Many parishes within the Archdiocese have commenced their journey towards the Plenary Council 2020, sharing and reflecting on the future of the Catholic church in Australia. Please continue to pray for the community of the Sydney Archdiocese that we will respond well to the call of the Holy Spirit, by engaging in the preparatory phase of the Plenary with open and humble hearts, listening to what the Spirit is saying to each one of us as we share our experiences of faith towards the preparation of the agenda of the Plenary Council. The Plenary Council Prayer: <http://plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au/pray/> Want to know more or on how to become involved? Please contact **9390 5147** or email plenarycouncil@sydneycatholic.org.

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!

HEALING AFTER ABORTION. Rachel's Vineyard Retreats offers a sanctuary in which to renew, rebuild and redeem hearts broken by abortion in a safe, supportive, confidential and non-judgemental environment. Confidential contact 0400 092 555 or info@rachelsvineyard.org.au. 2019 retreats at Varroville, NSW 05 – 07 April and 25 – 27 Oct.

ST PATRICK'S DAY MASS. Please find attached invitations from Bishop Terry Brady to join him for the Annual St Patrick's Day Mass on 17 March 2019 and 18 March 2019. The Masses will take place at **St Patrick's Church Hill on Sunday, 17 March 2019** commencing at 12.00pm and in **St Mary's Cathedral, Sydney on Monday, 18 March 2019** commencing at 10:30am.

EMBRACE, YOUNG ADULTS GROUP.

Embrace is St Mary's group for young adults aged 18-35 yrs from all cultures and backgrounds. We meet every Sunday after the 6.00pm Mass at St Mary's Cathedral House, adjacent to the Cathedral. Our activities and youth projects are designed to support spiritual development and encourage active practice of our faith. For **17 March** Embrace will host Fr Brendan Purcell of St Mary's Cathedral who will give a talk on *"The Purpose of Suffering"*. You are welcome to join. Please call/text Embrace Coordinator on **0404 008 870** or write to embrace@stmaryscathedral.org.au for enquiries.

DISCERNMENT RETREAT FOR MEN

2019. A retreat for men at all stages of their discernment who are considering a vocation to Priesthood. The weekend includes talks, time for personal prayer, sacraments, spiritual guidance, Q&A with seminarians and discussions. Keynote address by His Grace, Most Rev. Archbishop Anthony Fisher OP. **Friday, 22 to Sunday, 24 March 2019.** Friday, 22 - 5pm to Sunday, 24 1pm. Seminary of the Good Shepherd, Homebush. **Cost: \$99.** Registration is Essential: https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSel39KjJXVZ_O9xu2kQn4o8RYbEf07t7PIS955JTyxcpwjAlQ/viewform. Have some questions or simply want to enquire? Call us on **02 9307 8424** or email vocations@sydneycatholic.org www.vocationcentre.org.au.

MIND, BODY & SOUL RETREAT 22 – 24 MARCH. Mt Schoenstatt Spirituality Centre, 230 Fairlight Road, Mulgoa with Andrea Dean as facilitator. 5.00pm on 22 to 2.00pm 24 March. \$230 including 2 nights private, ensuite accommodation and all meals. For more information/to book: manager@schoenstatt.org.au or 4773 8338 Maria.

DEANERY MEN'S BREAKFAST. Calling all Men! We all need the supportive brotherhood of other good men. Come and find out more about men's ministry in Sydney archdiocese. Find out how you can start or join a local men's group in your area with support from us. Hosted by St. Christopher's Parish Panania, hear from Robert Haddad from Sydney Catholic Schools on his experience of Catholic brotherhood and what helped him connect with his faith as a young man. Mass and adoration of the Blessed Sacrament with Bishop Anthony Randazzo. **Saturday, 16 March**, 8am Exposition and Adoration, 8.30am Mass celebrated by Bishop Randazzo, 9.30am BBQ breakfast. St. Christopher's Parish, 233 Tower St. Panania. \$10 per person. **Register:** www.trybooking.com/BAACH **More Info:** christopher.gordon@sydneycatholic.org **Ph:** 9307 8402

'OF LIFE AND LOVE'- MARRIAGE PREPARATION COURSE. The Catholic Archdiocese of Sydney is offering marriage preparation courses for engaged couples preparing for the Sacrament of Marriage. Each course will be held over 3 consecutive Wednesdays. 2019 dates include: **20, 27 March** (Venue: Dooleys Club, Lidcombe – Banksia Room) and **16, 23, 30 October** (The Assisi Centre, Lidcombe). To book online visit <https://www.trybooking.com/ZWSU> or contact LMFEvents@sydneycatholic.org.

DO YOU CARE FOR A FAMILY MEMBER OR FRIEND? Are you caring for a loved one? Do you like connecting with others online? CatholicCare is seeking volunteers who are carers to participate in an online community and lend your advice and insights to others in a similar situation. Tel: 131819/connect@catholiccare.org

DAY OF THE UNBORN CHILD: "I will not forget you, I have carved you on the palm of my hand." Isaiah 49. The Family and Life Institute are holding their annual Day of the Unborn Child rally on **Sunday, 24 March**. This is a day of celebration and remembrance of the dignity of the unborn. It is also a day to remember the millions of unborn children whose lives have been ended by abortion. Join us to witness to the sanctity of human life! **10.30am Mass** at St. Mary's Cathedral, **12pm Angelus**, followed by a peaceful procession through the streets of the CBD led by Bishop Anthony Randazzo. **1.30pm Benediction** at St. Mary's Cathedral.

THE BOY CHORISTERS OF ST MARY'S CATHEDRAL CHOIR join forces with the Song Company soloists Susannah Lawergren and Anna Fraser to present *Bach, Sorrow and Joy*. This concert, held in St Mary's Cathedral Crypt, features Bach's arrangement of Pergolesi's famous and enduring *Stabat mater* as well as Bach's most substantial motet, the eleven-movement *Jesu, meine Freunde*. **Friday, 29 March 2019 - 7pm & Sunday, 31 March - 2pm.** Tickets \$60 (concession available): <http://the.songcompany/Bach-sorrow-joy/>.

YOU ARE CALLED TO MISSION – PALMS AUSTRALIA GLOBAL VOLUNTEERING. Communities in Myanmar, PNG, Samoa, Timor Leste, Kiribati and Kenya seek volunteers to mentor locals and build capacity. Overseas Catholic communities are inviting you to immerse yourself for 1 to 2 years. If you have teaching, medical, business, admin or trade skills share your valuable skills with our global family. **Info Session: Thursday, 21 March @ 5:30pm Aquinas Academy, 141 Harrington Street, The Rocks,**

CHOCOLATE PASCHAL LAMBS. Fundraising for Michaelites, PNG. **Orders accepted until 09 April 2019.** Contact: parish@holyspiritnorthryde.org.au to place orders.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

at

ST MARY'S CATHEDRAL



***INFORMATION ON IMAGE:**

*The Carrying of the Cross Window – 4th Sorrowful
Mystery of the Rosary.*

Positioned on the Eastern side of the Cathedral.

The image depicts Jesus being forced to carry his cross uphill to
the place of execution.

*“You are welcome to join us
for Stations of the Cross,
a special devotion that
commemorates Jesus Christ’s
suffering and death for
our sake”.*

Fr Don Richardson,
DEAN OF ST MARY'S CATHEDRAL

DATE: FRIDAYS

8 MARCH, 15 MARCH,

22 MARCH, 29 MARCH, 5 APRIL

& 12 APRIL

TIME: 4.30PM

ABOUT STATIONS OF THE CROSS:

The Stations of the Cross is a special devotion that
commemorates the journey of Christ to his
Crucifixion and burial.

St Mary's Cathedral has 14 stations arranged in
order in which we visit to commemorate and pray.
The stations are magnificent oil paintings painted
in France, which were acquired by Cardinal Moran
in 1885 during a visit to Europe.

Day of the Unborn Child

... I will not forget you. I have carved you on the palm of my hands - *Isaiah 49*

Sydney, Sunday
24 Mar 2019

10:30am Mass

St Mary's Cathedral, Sydney

12 noon

Angelus, followed by a prayerful procession through the streets of Sydney led

by **Most Rev Bishop Anthony Randazzo**



1:30pm

Benediction at
St Mary's Cathedral

The Feast of the Annunciation is internationally recognised as the **Day of the Unborn Child**. It marks the day Our Lord Jesus Christ became a tiny unborn child in His mother's womb. It is a day of celebration and remembrance of the dignity of the unborn. It is also a day to remember the millions of unborn children whose lives have been ended by the violence of abortion.

Join us to witness to the sanctity of human life!

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as *Tilge, Höchster, meine Sünden* BWV 1083
J.S. Bach *The Art of Fugue / Contrapunctus XIX*
J.S. Bach *Jesu, meine Freude*

The Song Company
The Choir of St Mary's Cathedral, Sydney

directed by
Thomas Wilson & Antony Pitts

Crypt of St Mary's Cathedral, Sydney
Friday 29 March 2019 – 7pm
Sunday 31 March 2019 – 2pm



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EASTER

AT

ST MARY'S CATHEDRAL

*"I invite you to join us as we
commemorate the saving
Passion, Death and Resurrection
of Jesus Christ, celebrated in the
sacred Liturgies of Holy Week".*

Fr Don Richardson,
DEAN OF ST MARY'S CATHEDRAL

PALM SUNDAY / 14 APRIL, 2019

7.00am: Mass
9.00am: Mass
10.15am: Procession & Solemn Mass
12.15pm: Low mass (Extraordinary Form)
5.00pm: Solemn Vespers and Benediction
6.00pm: Mass

MAUNDY THURSDAY / 18 APRIL, 2019

10.30am: Chrism Mass
6.30pm: Mass of the Lord's Supper
9.00pm: Compline The Office of Night Prayer

GOOD FRIDAY / 19 APRIL, 2019

10.00am: Stations of the Cross
3.00pm: Celebration of the Passion of the Lord

HOLY SATURDAY / 20 APRIL, 2019

10.00am: Tenebrae The Office of Readings
6.00pm: Easter Vigil

EASTER SUNDAY / 21 APRIL, 2019

7.00am: Mass
9.00am: Mass
10.30am: Solemn Mass
12.15pm: Low Mass (Extraordinary Form)
5.00pm: Solemn Vespers and Benediction
6.00pm: Mass