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Sunday, 24 March 2019
Third Sunday Of Lent - Year C



Dear Parishioners and Visitors

All the Masses of Lent provide a great richness of scripture passages for us to reflect on as we pray and fast and give alms and prepare ourselves for the Easter mysteries.

This weekend in the Cathedral Masses three different Gospel passages will be read. At most Masses, the Gospel will be Luke 13.1-9, which is an urgent call to repentance, for without repentance for our sins, we will be cut down and thrown into the fire, warns Jesus. This is the reading for the 3rd Sunday of Lent, Year C.

At the 12.15pm Traditional Latin (“Extraordinary Form”) Mass, the Gospel passage is Luke 11.14-28, in which Jesus cast out a devil from a possessed man and warns the bystanders against the power of evil and says “Blessed are they who hear the word of God and keep it.”

At the Sunday 6.00pm Mass, the rite of the Scrutinies is celebrated, at which special prayers are prayed over our “elect” catechumens who are preparing to be baptised at Easter. At the Mass for the Scrutinies, the readings for Year A are always read instead of the Year C ones, and the Gospel passage is from John 4.5-42: where Jesus encounters the Samaritan woman at the well in Sychar, and reveals to her that he is the Messiah. She and many of her neighbours came to believe in Jesus at this time.

Taken together, then, the Gospels show us that evil is present and active in the world and in people’s hearts – there is plenty of evidence of that around and within. We need to repent of our sins, and the consequence of unrepented sin is truly dreadful. Jesus is the Christ, the source of forgiveness, the one who can give us eternal life. This is the pressing message of Lent, the pressing message of the Church, the pressing message of God!

So let us pray for one another, pray for all who do not yet believe in Jesus, pray for the gift of a new beginning through Jesus, the Son of God, whose Annunciation we celebrate tomorrow, 25th March.

Fr Don Richardson, Dean

Liturgy...

First Reading Ex 3:1-8. 13-15

A reading from the book of Exodus

This is what you must say to the children of Israel: I Am has sent me to you.

Moses was looking after the flock of Jethro, his father-in-law, priest of Midian. He led his flock to the far side of the wilderness and came to Horeb, the mountain of God. There the angel of the Lord appeared to him in the shape of a flame of fire, coming from the middle of a bush. Moses looked; there was the bush blazing but it was not being burnt up. 'I must go and look at this strange sight,' Moses said, 'and see why the bush is not burnt.' Now the Lord saw him go forward to look, and God called to him from the middle of the bush. 'Moses, Moses!' he said. 'Here I am' he answered. 'Come no nearer' he said. 'Take off your shoes, for the place on which you stand is holy ground. I am the God of your father,' he said 'the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac and the God of Jacob.' At this Moses covered his face, afraid to look at God.

And the Lord said, 'I have seen the miserable state of my people in Egypt. I have heard their appeal to be free of their slave-drivers. Yes, I am well aware of their sufferings. I mean to deliver them out of the hands of the Egyptians and bring them up out of that land to a land rich and broad, a land where milk and honey flow.'

Then Moses said to God, 'I am to go, then, to the sons of Israel and say to them, "The God of your fathers has sent me to you." But if they ask me what his name is, what am I to tell them?' And God said to Moses, 'I Am who I Am. This' he added 'is what you must say to the sons of Israel: "The Lord, the God of your fathers, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, has sent me to you." This is my name for all time; by this name I shall be invoked for all generations to come.'

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



Liturgy...

Responsorial Psalm Ps 102:1-4. 6-8. 11. R. v.8

(R) The Lord is kind and merciful.

1. My soul, give thanks to the Lord, all my being, bless his holy name. My soul give thanks to the Lord and never forget all his blessings. **(R)**
2. It is he who forgives all your guilt, who heals every one of your ills, who redeems your life from the grave, who crowns you with love and compassion. **(R)**
3. The Lord does deeds of justice, gives judgement for all who are oppressed. He made known his ways to Moses and his deeds to Israel's sons. **(R)**
4. The Lord is compassion and love, slow to anger and rich in mercy. For as the heavens are high above the earth so strong is his love for those who fear him. **(R)**



Second Reading 1 Cor 10:1-6, 10-12

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Corinthians

All this that happened to the people of Moses in the desert was written for our benefit.

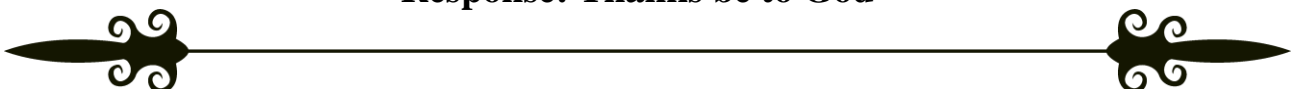
I want to remind you how our fathers were all guided by a cloud above them and how they all passed through the sea. They were all baptised into Moses in this cloud and in this sea; all ate the same spiritual food and all drank the same spiritual drink, since they all drank from the spiritual rock that followed them as they went, and that rock was Christ. In spite of this, most of them failed to please God and their corpses littered the desert.

These things all happened as warnings for us, not to have the wicked lusts for forbidden things that they had. You must never complain: some of them did, and they were killed by the Destroyer.

All this happened to them as a warning and it was written down to be a lesson for us who are living at the end of the age. The man who thinks he is safe must be careful that he does not fall.

The word of the Lord.

Response: Thanks be to God



Liturgy...

Gospel Acclamation Mt 4:17

Glory to you, Word of God, Lord Jesus Christ!

Repent, says the Lord;
the kingdom of heaven is at hand.

Glory to you, Word of God, Lord Jesus Christ!



Gospel Lk 13:1-9

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke

Unless you repent you will all perish as they did.

Some people arrived and told Jesus about the Galileans whose blood Pilate had mingled with that of their sacrifices. At this he said to them, ‘Do you suppose these Galileans who suffered like that were greater sinners than any other Galileans? They were not, I tell you. No; but unless you repent you will all perish as they did. Or those eighteen on whom the tower at Siloam fell and killed them? Do you suppose that they were more guilty than all the other people living in Jerusalem? They were not, I tell you. No; but unless you repent you will all perish as they did.’

He told this parable: ‘A man had a fig tree planted in his vineyard, and he came looking for fruit on it but found none. He said to the man who looked after the vineyard, “Look here, for three years now I have been coming to look for fruit on this fig tree and finding none. Cut it down: why should it be taking up the ground?” “Sir,” the man replied “leave it one more year and give me time to dig round it and manure it: it may bear fruit next year; if not, then you can cut it down.’

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
24 Hours For The Lord	Friday, 29 March 12.00pm to 8.00pm (except for Mass at 1.10pm & 5.30pm) To Saturday, 30 March 8.00am – 12.00pm (except for Mass at 9.00am)

****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
OR PURCHASE A COPY FOR \$2.**

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:

24 HOURS FOR THE LORD – Continuing the Lenten custom called for by Pope Francis, St Mary's Cathedral will open the doors for an extended time of Eucharistic Adoration and the Sacrament of Penance.

All welcome.

Hours: Friday, 29 March 12.00pm to 8.00pm
(except for Mass at 1.10pm & 5.30pm)
Saturday, 30 March 8.00am – 12.00pm
(except for Mass at 9.00am)

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.**

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.song.company/Bach-sorrow-joy/>.

CATHOLIC BREAKFAST GROUP. The Catholic Breakfast Group's next get together will be held on **Monday, 25 March at 8.00am** at Parliament House NSW. The guest speaker will be Miss Lana Turvey-Collins, National Plenary Council Facilitator, Plenary Council 2020. Tickets are \$30 pp. An opportunity for networking. Contact Paul Zammit to arrange to obtain tickets: Office **02 9223 4330** or Email: paulz@zamsal.com.au.

2019 ANZAC EVE MASS OF REMEMBRANCE – 24 April 2019.

Sydneysiders are invited to join Archbishop Anthony Fisher OP, active and retired members of the Defence Forces for Mass, prayer and reflection on the Eve of ANZAC Day at **5.00pm, St Mary's Cathedral**. There will be a Wreath laying ceremony with the Governor of NSW, and the Australian army band Sydney will join the Cathedral choir, to provide a beautiful musical accompaniment to the Mass. For enquiries please ring **02 9390 5100** or email: events@sydneycatholic.org.

TOUR OF ST MARY'S CATHEDRAL:

Our tour guides would love to take you through the history of our mother church in Sydney on **weekdays at 10am, 10.30am and a visit at 1.45pm or 2pm.** Please contact the Cathedral office at info@stmaryscathedral.org.au or ring **(02) 9220 0400** to book your tour. *Please note: minimum tour group numbers of 10 required. There are no tours on Fridays as the Crypt can be closed at short notice.*

ONE MILLION ROSARIES FOR

UNBORN BABIES. The One Million Rosaries for Unborn Babies multinational pro-life prayer event is scheduled for **3, 4 and 5 May** this year. People will pray at least one Rosary for the protection of the unborn. For details and to register go to:

<http://www.saintmichaelthearchangelorganization.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**

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 **24 March** Embrace continues to mark Lent with a group reflection on a chosen passage of the Holy Scriptures (Lectio Divina). You are welcome to join. Please call/text Embrace Coordinator on **0404 008 870** or write to embrace@stmaryscathedral.org.au for enquiries.

'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: **16, 23, 30 October** (The Assisi Centre, Lidcombe). To book online visit <https://www.trybooking.com/ZWSU> or contact LMFevents@sydneycatholic.org.

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.**

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

WALK THE LENTEN JOURNEY ON YOUR MOBILE PHONE.

In his message for Lent 2019, Pope Francis emphasised that we should "not allow this season of grace to pass in vain." With new content daily, the Lent Calendar App can help those who desire to journey through Lent with purpose. The App includes the daily Gospel, a suggested Lent act, and a multimedia feature to pray and reflect upon. Available as an App on Apple and Android devices, and online at www.sydneycatholic.org/xt3lent.

MEN'S LENTEN RETREAT DAY – Notre Dame Broadway. Saturday, 13 April from 9.00am to 4:00pm. The day will include Mass, time for reflection and reconciliation, lunch and afternoon tea, and inspiring talks from three speakers. The retreat will take place at The University of Notre Dame Australia on Broadway campus. Event is free, **registration essential:** sydney.chaplaincy@nd.edu.au, (02) 8204 4189 or Trybooking.com/475522.

RETREATS. 6 Day Retreat, **29 Mar – 4 April** "Trinity-Heart of our Desiring" Sr Colleen Rhodes rsm: \$690 (prayer weekend 29-31 Mar \$230). We will explore ways of encountering the Trinity in our everyday life, with prayerful reflection on the Triune God whose flowing life constantly draws us to share in the energy of God's love. Come, relax and enjoy God in tranquillity at St. Mary's Towers Retreat Centre, Douglas Park, **RSVP: 4630 0233** or **Email:** contact@towersretreat.org.au **website:** <http://towersretreat.org.au>.

BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT REFLECTION MORNINGS. Third Wednesday of Every Month 10.00am – 1.00pm. For family and friends who grieve and their companions. Understanding and managing life's changes in Loss, Grief & Bereavement. Morning tea provided. For further information please contact Bereavement Support: (02) 9646 6908 / bereavementsupport@catholiccemeteries.com.au.

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.



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: Chism 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



ANZAC EVE MASS

24TH APRIL 2019, 5:30PM

ST MARY'S CATHEDRAL, SYDNEY

Join Archbishop Anthony Fisher OP for a time of remembrance and prayerful reflection on the sacrifices of our retired and active defence personnel

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24 HOURS FOR THE LORD



ST MARY'S CATHEDRAL, SYDNEY

29 MARCH (12pm to 8pm) - 30 MARCH (8am to 12pm)

(EXCEPT FOR MASS TIMES 1:10PM & 5:30PM ON FRIDAY, 9AM ON SATURDAY)