



# St Mary's Cathedral

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## Sunday, 21 July 2019 Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinal Time – Year C

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Dear Parishioners and Visitors,

We're celebrating "Marriage Sunday" at the Cathedral today, in honour of spouses wed here at St Mary's Cathedral and of married couples from across the Archdiocese marking significant anniversaries this year. This will be commemorated at the 10.30am Solemn Mass with the Archbishop, who has recently returned from his "ad limina" visit to Rome.

Appropriately, this Friday is the feast day of a married couple, Saints Joachim and Anne, the parents of the Blessed Virgin Mary. And a little over a week ago, July 12, was the feast day of another married couple, Saints Louis and Zélie Martin, who were the parents of St Thérèse of Lisieux. Zélie died in 1877, when Therese was only four and a half years old, and Louis died in 1894. Zélie and Louis were Canonised in 2015. Sts Louis and Zélie Martin actively took part in the Catholic movement of their time, living, as lay persons, the Christian spirituality in

professional activity and in giving an example of reciprocal love in their marriage and their family. Louis and Zélie's reputation for holiness was already strong during their lifetime and immediately after their death, within the family circle and the friends who knew them well. The publication of *Story of a Soul*, the autobiography of St Thérèse, contributed to making that reputation known more widely at the time, and I would encourage everyone to learn more about this saintly married couple and their remarkable family.

Congratulations to all the married couples among our congregations this weekend for your commitment to each other in all the joys and struggles of life – may the Lord bless you every day!

*Fr Don Richardson, Dean.*

*Liturgy...*

**First Reading Gen 18:1-10**

**A reading from the book of Genesis**

***Lord, do not bypass your servant.***

The Lord appeared to Abraham at the Oak of Mamre while he was sitting by the entrance of the tent during the hottest part of the day. He looked up, and there he saw three men standing near him. As soon as he saw them he ran from the entrance of the tent to meet them, and bowed to the ground. 'My lord,' he said, 'I beg you, if I find favour with you, kindly do not pass your servant by. A little water shall be brought; you shall wash your feet and lie down under the tree. Let me fetch a little bread and you shall refresh yourselves before going further. That is why you have come in your servant's direction.' They replied, 'Do as you say.'

Abraham hastened to the tent to find Sarah. 'Hurry,' he said, 'knead three bushels of flour and make loaves.' Then running to the cattle Abraham took a fine and tender calf and gave it to the servant, who hurried to prepare it. Then taking cream, milk and the calf he had prepared, he laid all before them, and they ate while he remained standing near them under the tree. 'Where is your wife Sarah?' they asked him. 'She is in the tent,' he replied. Then his guest said, 'I shall visit you again next year without fail and your wife will then have a son.'

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



*Liturgy...*

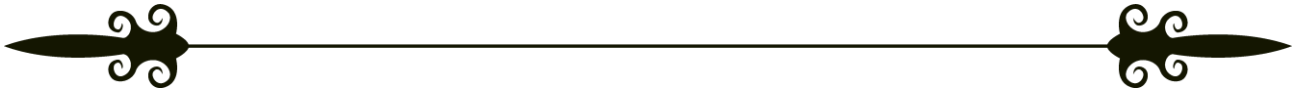
**Responsorial Psalm Ps 14:2-5. R. v.1**

***(R) The just will live in the presence of the Lord.***

1. Lord, who shall dwell on your holy mountain? He who walks without fault; he who acts with justice and speaks the truth from his heart; he who does not slander with his tongue. ***(R)***

2. He who does no wrong to his brother, who casts no slur on his neighbour, who holds the godless in disdain, but honours those who fear the Lord. ***(R)***

3. He who keeps his pledge, come what may; who takes no interest on a loan and accepts no bribes against the innocent. Such a man will stand firm forever. ***(R)***



**Second Reading Col 1:24-28**

**A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Colossians**

***The mystery hidden for centuries has now been revealed to his saints.***

It makes me happy to suffer for you, as I am suffering now, and in my body to do what I can to make up all that has still to be undergone by Christ for the sake of his body, the Church. I became the servant of the Church when God made me responsible for delivering God's message to you, the message which was a mystery hidden for generations and centuries and has now been revealed to his saints. It was God's purpose to reveal it to them and to show all the rich glory of this mystery to pagans. The mystery is Christ among you, your hope of glory: this is the Christ we proclaim, this is the wisdom in which we thoroughly train everyone and instruct everyone, to make them all perfect in Christ.

**The word of the Lord**

**Response: Thanks be to God**



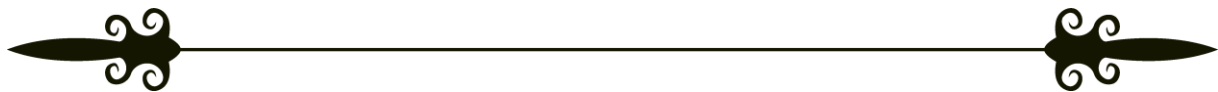
Liturgy...

**Gospel Acclamation Lk 8:15**

**Alleluia, alleluia!**

Happy are they who have kept the word with a generous heart  
and yield a harvest through perseverance.

**Alleluia**



**Gospel Lk 10:38-42**

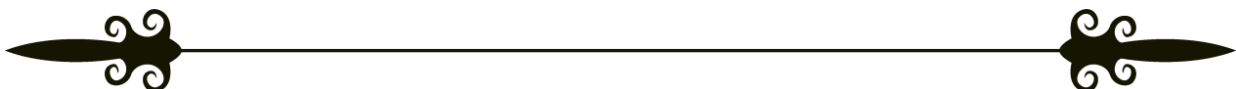
**A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke**

*Martha took up the duties in the house. Mary chose the better part.*

Jesus came to a village, and a woman named Martha welcomed him into her house. She had a sister called Mary, who sat down at the Lord's feet and listened to him speaking. Now Martha who was distracted with all the serving said, 'Lord, do you not care that my sister is leaving me to do the serving all by myself? Please tell her to help me.' But the Lord answered: 'Martha, Martha,' he said, 'you worry and fret about so many things, and yet few are needed, indeed only one. It is Mary who has chosen the better part; it is not to be taken from her.'

**The Gospel of the Lord**

**Response: Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ**



<b>Weekend Mass</b>	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
<b>Weekday Mass</b>	Monday to Friday: 6.45am, 1.10pm & 5.30pm Saturday: 9.00am & 12noon Public Holidays: 9am (or as advertised)
<b>Reconciliation</b>	Monday-Friday: 12noon - 1.00pm & 5.00pm - 5.25pm Saturday: 11.30am - 11.55am, 4.30-5.30pm
<b>Vespers (Evening Prayer)</b>	Saturday: 5.30pm Sunday: 5.00pm (with Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament) <b>PLEASE NOTE: There will be no 11.30am Reconciliation and 12.00pm Mass on Saturday, 03 August.</b>

**\*\*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.

<b>CATHEDRAL CLERGY</b> <i>Archbishop Anthony Fisher OP</i> <i>Father Donald Richardson, Dean</i> <i>Father Brendan Purcell</i> <i>Father Gerard Woo Ling</i> <i>Father Lewi Barakat</i>	<b>CATHEDRAL STAFF</b> <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 .....

### A MESSAGE FROM THE ARCHDIOCESE OF SYDNEY

**SAFEGUARDING. Keeping Our Communities Safe.** We understand how difficult it can be for people who have experienced abuse to make a complaint. We have developed a Listening to You card, which is available in all our parishes to provide guidance for those wishing to make a complaint. We want to support you in this process and we can provide access to counselling and support services if needed. For more information please see the attached posters that we ask Parish Priests to print and display in a prominent area within parishes. For assistance, please contact [safeguardingenquiries@sydneycatholic.org](mailto:safeguardingenquiries@sydneycatholic.org) or visit [www.sydneycatholic.org/safeguarding-and-child-protection/](http://www.sydneycatholic.org/safeguarding-and-child-protection/).

**WALK WITH CHRIST** In light of it being the Feast of Corpus Christi we ask all parishioners to save the date for a very special celebration for all Sydney Catholics. Please join your fellow Sydneysiders in the Walk with Christ annual Eucharistic Procession through the streets of Sydney on the **Feast of Christ The King on November 24 at 2.30pm**. Thousands of people took part in last year's joyful public proclamation and act of worship to invoke Christ's blessing upon our beautiful city. Meet at the **corner of Martin Place & Pitt Street at 2.30pm**.

**PRAISE & WORSHIP, DIVINE MERCY AND HEALING MASS - First Thursday of every month at St. Joseph church Camperdown.** There will be Praise & Worship, Divine Mercy and Healing Mass - **First Thursday of every month** at St. Joseph church, 2 Missenden Road, Camperdown NSW 2050 from **7pm to 8:45pm**.

**POSITION VACANT – Plenary Council Discernment and Writing Group Chairs and Members.** As we move into the Listening and Discernment stage of our preparation for the Plenary Council 2020, the Bishops Commission for the Plenary Council is seeking people who are willing to be leaders and partners in the process of discernment. Opportunities are available to apply to be the Chair, or to be a member, of one of six Discernment and Writing Groups. For more information, visit the Office for Employment Relations website [www.employmentrelations.catholic.org.au](http://www.employmentrelations.catholic.org.au) or contact Ms Olivia Lee on (02) 9919 7822 or [olivia.lee@catholic.org.au](mailto:olivia.lee@catholic.org.au). Applications close on **22 July 2019**.

**ANNUAL MEMORIAL MASS FOR THE UNBORN. Wednesday, 28 August 2019, St Mary's Cathedral Sydney, 7.00pm.** You are cordially invited to attend the annual Mass to commemorate the lives lost for abortion in NSW and in solidarity with bereaved mothers, fathers, siblings and grandparents. Please come along and participate through your prayerful presence. **Enquiries:** [steven.buhagiar@sydneycatholic.org](mailto:steven.buhagiar@sydneycatholic.org) or **0415 600 290** – Life Family and Outreach Team

**PARISH RENEWAL WORKSHOP.** The Archbishop of Sydney, Anthony Fisher OP has invited world-renowned author Sherry Weddell to come to Sydney in September. Sherry will be speaking at several different engagements during her visit. Life, Family & Outreach will be hosting one of these events, which will be open to the lay faithful. **The Parish Renewal Workshop** will take place on **Saturday, 07 September** from 10.00am – 4.00pm at **Dooleys** in **Regents Park**. Cost: \$20.00 including lunch and tea breaks. Register online at [www.sydneycatholic.org/sherry-weddell](http://www.sydneycatholic.org/sherry-weddell).

**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!

**TRIBUNAL OF THE CATHOLIC CHURCH.** Outreaching to all of those who have experienced a marriage breakdown and question the validity of their first marriage as understood by the Church. Enquiries: Ph. **02 9307 8300** Email: [admin@sydneytribunal.org.au](mailto:admin@sydneytribunal.org.au).

**EMBRACE YOUNG ADULTS GROUP.** Embrace, St Mary's Cathedral young adult group is for young people of 18-35 yrs old 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. On 21 July Embrace will continue its **monthly devotion to our Blessed Mother.** You are welcome to join. For more information please write to [embrace@stmaryscathedral.org.au](mailto:embrace@stmaryscathedral.org.au).

**'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](mailto:LMFEvents@sydneycatholic.org).

**CENTACARE** provides meaningful work for people living with an intellectual disability. They provide services to businesses across Sydney including packaging, assembly, security shredding, gardening, cleaning and logistics. Call **CCareline** on **13 18 19** to find out more.

**CHARITABLE WORKS FUND PARISH APPEAL.** In the coming weeks, the Catholic Archdiocese of Sydney will be holding a CWF Parish appeal, **03 and 04 August 2019**, and the Development and Fundraising Office turns to you for your continued support in facilitating this appeal. Your assistance helps raise funds for many of our important works across the Archdiocese of Sydney, including providing family counselling, sharing the gospel to youth, forming our seminarians, outreach to Aboriginal communities and support for our Catholic deaf community. The agencies which provide the above services include CatholicCare, the Confraternity of Christian Doctrine, Aboriginal Catholic Ministry, our seminaries and the Ephpheta Centre.

**ST MARY'S CATHEDRAL. We're looking for more volunteers.** Are you or do you know someone who has common sense, tact, an even temperament and comfortable shoes? **Would you like to help?** Please call St Mary's Cathedral Office on **9220 0400** for further details. **Please note: all volunteers must have an approved WWCC number and undertake compulsory training.**

**BILLINGS LIFE.** The Billings Ovulation Method® can assist you in having the baby of your dreams. If you have been trying to have a baby without success, our teachers can provide essential information, which will give you the best chance to achieve your pregnancy naturally. Please call Billings LIFE on **1800 335 860** or check our website - [www.billings.life](http://www.billings.life) and shop <https://billings.ecwid.com/>.

**FR ROB GALEA COMING HOME CONCERT.** At the O'Grady Auditorium, Neich Parade, Burwood on **Sunday, 28 July.** Bring your family & friends to be encouraged and inspired in prayer through great music and inspirational stories. **All tickets \$55** through [frgministry.com/tickets](http://frgministry.com/tickets) or ring **Carol** on **0408 149 962**



# SHERRY WEDDELL

**Sherry Weddell** is the world-renowned author of *Forming Intentional Disciples: The Path to Knowing and Following Jesus* and founder of the *Catherine of Siena Institute*. The Catholic Archdiocese of Sydney has invited Sherry to run a day especially for strengthening parish renewal. Open to all, this day will cater especially to parish priests and their parish teams to hear Sherry's insights on how to form parishes of intentional disciples.



## FORMING PARISHES OF INTENTIONAL DISCIPLES

### A PARISH RENEWAL WORKSHOP WITH SHERRY WEDDELL

#### Details

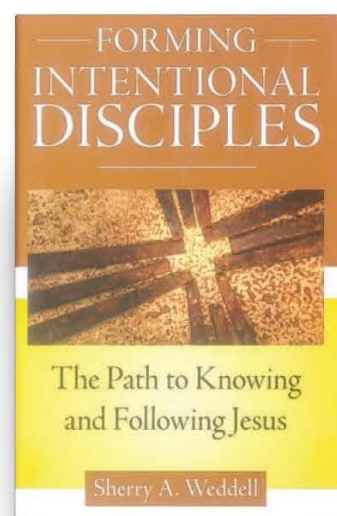
**Date:** Saturday 7th September 2019

**Times:** 10:00am – 4:00pm

**Venue:** DOOLEYS Regents Park Sports Club

**Address:** Terrene St, Regents Park NSW 2143

**Cost:** \$20 (includes lunch and tea breaks)



#### Register Online

[www.sydneycatholic.org/sherry-weddell](http://www.sydneycatholic.org/sherry-weddell)



In commemoration of this profound loss, and in solidarity with bereaved mothers and fathers, the Catholic Archdiocese of Sydney invites all people to a solemn memorial mass

# Memorial Mass for the Unborn

REMEMBERING ALL THOSE HURT BY ABORTION



TO BE OFFERED BY  
THE AUXILIARY BISHOP OF SYDNEY  
**MOST REV RICHARD UMBERS**

WEDNESDAY 28th AUGUST 2019, 7:00 PM  
ST MARY'S CATHEDRAL, SYDNEY

Seventy-four candles will be lit in remembrance of the innocent lives ended on this day in NSW  
Enquiries: Life, Family & Outreach Office, 9307 8480 or [steven.buhagiar@sydneycatholic.org](mailto:steven.buhagiar@sydneycatholic.org)



*"You will restore my life; from the depths of the earth you will raise me up again." Psalm 71:20*

# WE'RE LOOKING FOR MORE VOLUNTEERS



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someone who has common  
sense, tact, an even  
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# The Inaugural Archbishop's Prize For New Composers



Compose a choral piece of music set to a poem by Australia's greatest contemporary poet **Les Murray**.

Have your work performed at the **2019 Christmas Concert** at **St Mary's Cathedral**.

Win prizes of up to \$2500.

For further information visit: [sydneycatholic.org/about-us/awards/](http://sydneycatholic.org/about-us/awards/)  
Applications Close: Monday 30 September

