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Sunday, 28 July 2019
Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinal Time – Year C



Dear Parishioners and Visitors,

The Dempsey Medals are awarded today (Sunday) at the 10.30am Mass by Archbishop Fisher. What are they?

The Dempsey Medals are given annually by the Archbishop of Sydney to recognise and encourage outstanding contributions and service by Catholics in parishes across Sydney.

The award is named after James Dempsey, a lay Catholic pioneer from Sydney's early European settlement. Dempsey was transported to New South Wales in 1802 for his involvement in the Vinegar Hill rebellion in Ireland. During the period that the colony was without a priest when Fr O'Flynn was deported in 1818, James Dempsey's home was one of the places where the Blessed Sacrament was kept and where Catholics would gather to pray.

In the Gospel at Mass today, Jesus speaks to us about how our prayer should be: trusting! The Lord desires our trust and love, and our prayer is at its best when we lay before God our wants but acknowledge that in His love God will give us what we need in the way which is actually most beneficial for us. Even if sometimes we must keep vigil at the grave of our hopes and aspirations, we should trust in the power and wisdom of God, and expect to see wonders.

Congratulations to all those who receive Dempsey Medals this year!

Fr Don Richardson, Dean

More information about the Dempsey Medal can be found here:
www.sydneycatholic.org/about-us/the-dempsey-medal/

Liturgy...

First Reading Gen 18:20-32

A reading from the book of Genesis

Lord, do not be angry if I speak.

The Lord said, 'How great an outcry there is against Sodom and Gomorrah! How grievous is their sin! I propose to go down and see whether or not they have done all that is alleged in the outcry against them that has come up to me. I am determined to know.'

The men left there and went to Sodom while Abraham remained standing before the Lord. Approaching him he said, 'Are you really going to destroy the just man with the sinner? Perhaps there are fifty just men in the town. Will you really overwhelm them, will you not spare the place for the fifty just men in it? Do not think of doing such a thing: to kill the just man with the sinner, treating just and sinner alike! Do not think of it! Will the judge of the whole earth not administer justice?' The Lord replied, 'If at Sodom I find fifty just men in the town, I will spare the whole place because of them.'

Abraham replied, 'I am bold indeed to speak like this to my Lord, I who am dust and ashes. But perhaps the fifty just men lack five: will you destroy the whole city for five?' 'No', he replied 'I will not destroy it if I find forty-five just men there.' Again Abraham said to him, 'Perhaps there will only be forty there.' 'I will not do it' he replied 'for the sake of the forty.'

Abraham said, 'I trust my Lord will not be angry, but give me leave to speak: perhaps there will only be thirty there.' 'I will not do it' he replied 'if I find thirty there.' He said, 'I am bold indeed to speak like this, but perhaps there will only be twenty there.' 'I will not destroy it' he replied 'for the sake of the twenty.' He said, 'I trust my Lord will not be angry if I speak once more: perhaps there will only be ten.' 'I will not destroy it' he replied 'for the sake of the ten.'

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



Liturgy...

Responsorial Psalm Ps 137:1-3. 6-8. R. v.3

(R) Lord, on the day I called for help, you answered me.

1. I thank you, Lord, with all my heart, you have heard the words of my mouth. Before the angels I will bless you. I will adore before your holy temple. **(R)**

2. I thank you for your faithfulness and love which excel all we ever knew of you. On the day I called, you answered; you increased the strength of my soul. **(R)**

3. The Lord is high yet he looks on the lowly and the haughty he knows from afar. Though I walk in the midst of affliction you give me life and frustrate my foes. **(R)**

4. You stretch out your hand and save me, your hand will do all things for me. Your love, O Lord, is eternal, discard not the work of your hands. **(R)**



Second Reading Col 2:12-14

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Colossians

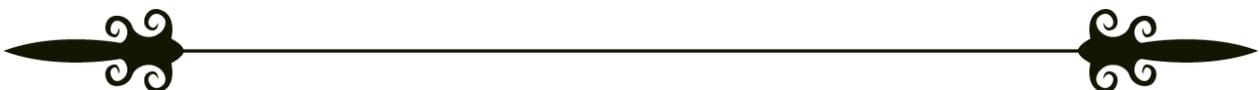
He has made you alive with Christ for he has forgiven all our sins.

You have been buried with Christ, when you were baptised; and by baptism, too, you have been raised up with him through your belief in the power of God who raised him from the dead. You were dead, because you were sinners and had not been circumcised: he has brought you to life with him, he has forgiven us all our sins.

He has overridden the Law, and cancelled every record of the debt that we had to pay; he has done away with it by nailing it to the cross.

The word of the Lord

Response: Thanks be to God



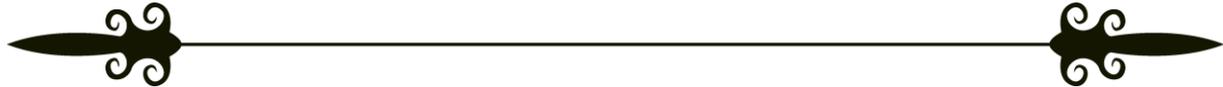
Liturgy...

Gospel Acclamation Rom 8:15

Alleluia, alleluia!

You have received the Spirit which makes us God's children,
and in that Spirit we call God our Father.

Alleluia



Gospel Lk 11:1-13

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke

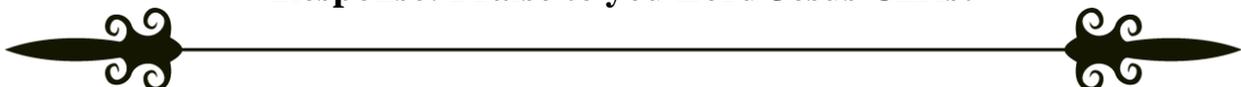
Ask, and it will be given to you.

Once Jesus was in a certain place praying, and when he had finished, one of his disciples said, 'Lord, teach us to pray, just as John taught his disciples.' He said to them, 'Say this when you pray: "Father, may your name be held holy, your kingdom come; give us each day our daily bread, and forgive us our sins, for we ourselves forgive each one who is in debt to us. And do not put us to the test."'

He also said to them, 'Suppose one of you has a friend and goes to him in the middle of the night to say, "My friend, lend me three loaves, because a friend of mine on his travels has just arrived at my house and I have nothing to offer him"; and the man answers from inside the house, "Do not bother me. The door is bolted now, and my children and I are in bed; I cannot get up to give it to you."' I tell you, if the man does not get up and give it him for friendship's sake, persistence will be enough to make him get up and give his friend all he wants. 'So I say to you: Ask, and it will be given to you; search, and you will find; knock, and the door will be opened to you. For the one who asks always receives; the one who searches always finds; the one who knocks will always have the door opened to him. What father among you would hand his son a stone when he asked for bread? Or hand him a snake instead of a fish? Or hand him a scorpion if he asked for an egg? If you then, who are evil, know how to give your children what is good, how much more will the heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him!'

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) PLEASE NOTE: There will be no 11.30am Reconciliation and 12.00pm Mass on Saturday, 03 August.

****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 Gerard Woo Ling</i> <i>Father Lewi Barakat</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

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 or visit 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.**

WATERLOO PARISH MARKS 160 YEARS. Our Lady of Mt Carmel parish Waterloo is celebrating its 160th anniversary as a parish on **Friday, 16 August** with a Mass celebrated by Archbishop Anthony Fisher OP at **7.00pm.** Anyone who has a connection with Waterloo is invited to the celebration. There will be supper provided after the Mass in the Patrician Brothers Hall. RSVP to roseberycatholic@gmail.com.

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 or contact Ms Olivia Lee on (02) 9919 7822 or 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 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.

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.**

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!

CHORISTER FOR A DAY. St Mary's Cathedral invites boys aged between 6 and 8 to be a 'Chorister for a day' on Saturday 21st September. Meet the Choristers, find out about Chorister life and perform with the Choristers. To register your son or for more information, please contact our Music Administrator at music@stmaryscathedral.org.au or by ringing (02) 9220 0481. There are only 40 places available!

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.

'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.

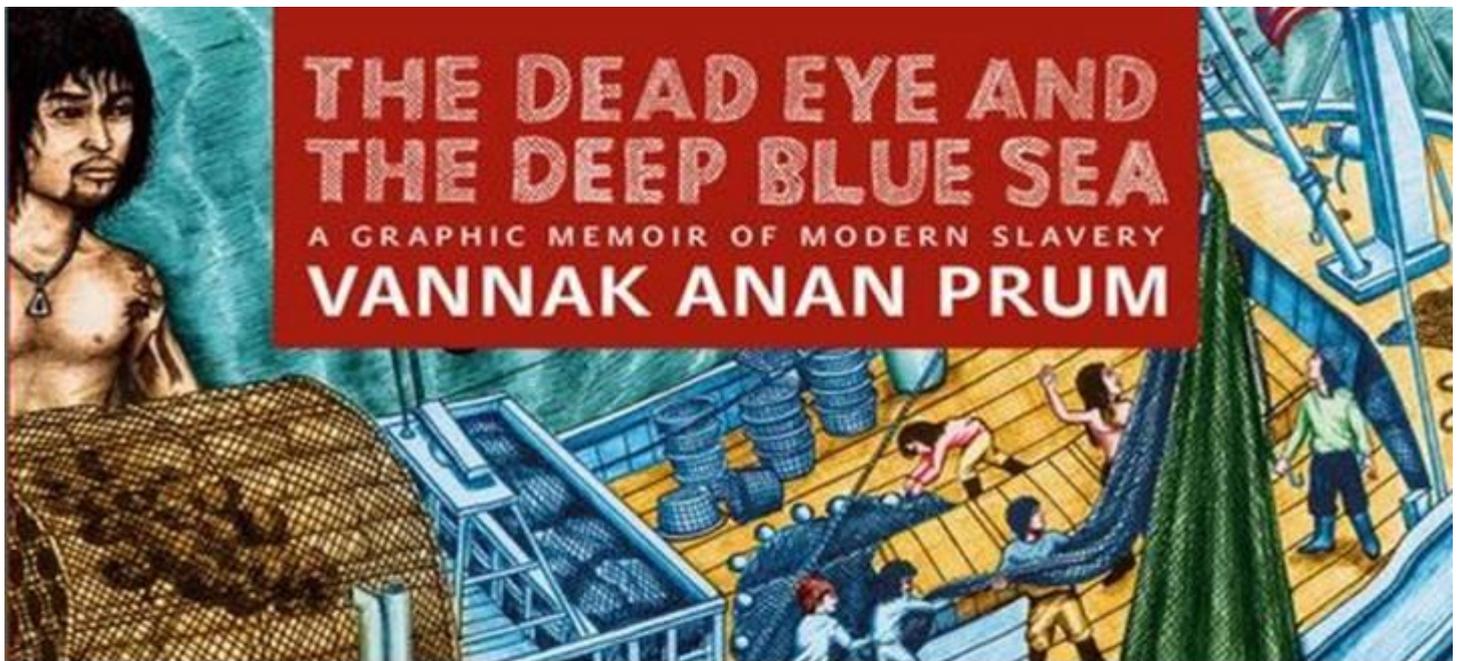
IS YOUR FAMILY IMPACTED BY ALCOHOL, DRUGS OR GAMBLING? Connect with counsellors if you're an individual or family member who is concerned about someone else's use of alcohol, drugs or gambling, or if you're concerned about your own gambling. Call **CCareline** on **13 18 19** to find out more.

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.

MARY MACKILLOP APPEAL - (10 & 11 August 2019): In the spirit and legacy of Australia's first Saint, Mary MacKillop, we invite you to bring life to **"the poorest and most neglected parts of God's vineyard."** Mary MacKillop believed that education could transform lives and everyone, regardless of their circumstances deserved the opportunity to learn. As part of the celebrations for the feast of Saint Mary MacKillop, please consider making a donation (envelopes will be provided) or visit www.marymackilloptoday.org.au. Your generous donation to Mary MacKillop Today will support thousands of people in Timor-Leste, Peru, Papua New Guinea, Fiji and here in Australia with education, health, finance and livelihoods opportunities, bringing hope to communities for generations to come.+

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.**

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.



**An important event to commemorate
United Nations World Day Against Trafficking
in Persons with survivor of slavery
Mr Vannak Anan Prum.**

**Please join us for the
Australian book launch and rare opportunity to meet author, artist
and survivor Mr Vannak Anan Prum.**

DATE & TIME

Tue., 30 July 2019

5:00 pm – 8:00 pm AEST

LOCATION

Polding Centre,

133 Liverpool Street, Sydney, NSW 2000

TICKETS

Register for your FREE ticket at:

<https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/the-dead-eye-the-deep-blue-sea-a-graphic-memoir-of-modern-slavery-tickets-65021456928>



KONICA MINOLTA

This event is generously sponsored by [Konica Minolta Australia](#).

2018 winner of the Australian Human Rights Commission's Human Rights Award Business category.



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



"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



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 Liturgy Officer
on 9220 0453 for further details

Please note: all Volunteers must have an approved WWCC
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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/
Applications Close: Monday 30 September

