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Sunday, 01 September 2019
Twenty Second Sunday in Ordinary Time – Year C



Dear Parishioners and Visitors,

“What you have come to is Mount Zion and the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem where the millions of angels have gathered for the festival.”
(Hebrews 13.22)

The passage from this Sunday's Second Reading is a timely reminder of what happens when we come to celebrate the Mass, and what is symbolised in this cathedral. The Church teaches that “sacred buildings and requisites for divine worship should be truly worthy and beautiful and be signs and symbols of heavenly realities.” (General Instruction of the Roman Missal n.288)

September 2nd is celebrated as the Anniversary of the Dedication of St Mary's Cathedral, recalling the ceremonies by which a pile of sandstone, glass, timber, cement and slate became a sign of heavenly realities, a symbol of our eternal homeland, a visible sacramental of the mystical Body of Christ which is the Church.

The commemoration of the Anniversary of Dedication this year begins liturgically on Sunday evening at Vespers.

September 1st is Father's Day in Australia this year and as has become customary we have a special collection on Fathers Day for the "Retired Priests' Foundation." This helps provide appropriate living conditions for our retired spiritual fathers in Christ, and I invite you to consider making a kind gift in appreciation for their ministry to the people of God over the years.

Fr Don Richardson, Dean

Liturgy...

First Reading Sir 3:17-20, 28-29

A reading from the book of Ecclesiasticus

Humble yourself and you will find favour with the Lord.

My son, be gentle in carrying out your business, and you will be better loved than a lavish giver. The greater you are, the more you should behave humbly, and then you will find favour with the Lord; for great though the power of the Lord is, he accepts the homage of the humble. There is no cure for the proud man's malady, since an evil growth has taken root in him. The heart of a sensible man will reflect on parables, an attentive ear is the sage's dream.

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



Responsorial Psalm Ps 67:4-7. 10-11. R. v.11

God, in your goodness, you have made a home for the poor.

1. The just shall rejoice at the presence of God, they shall exult and dance for joy. O sing to the Lord, make music to his name; rejoice in the Lord, exult at his presence. **(R)**

2. Father of the orphan, defender of the widow, such is God in his holy place. God gives the lonely a home to live in; he leads the prisoners forth into freedom. **(R)**

3. You poured down, O God, a generous rain: when your people were starved you gave them new life. It was there that your people found a home, prepared in your goodness, O God, for the poor. **(R)**



Liturgy...

Second Reading Heb 12:18-19, 22-24

A reading from the letter to the Hebrews

You have to come to Mount Zion and to the city of the living God.

What you have come to is nothing known to the senses: not a blazing fire, or a gloom turning to total darkness, or a storm; or trumpeting thunder or the great voice speaking which made everyone that heard it beg that no more should be said to them. But what you have come to is Mount Zion and the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem where the millions of angels have gathered for the festival, with the whole Church in which everyone is a 'first-born son' and a citizen of heaven. You have come to God himself, the supreme Judge, and been placed with spirits of the saints who have been made perfect; and to Jesus, the mediator who brings a new covenant.

The word of the Lord

Response: Thanks be to God

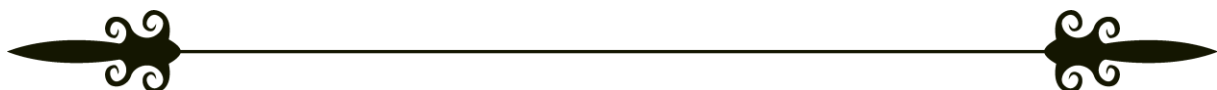


Gospel Acclamation Mt 11:29

Alleluia, alleluia!

Take my yoke upon you;
learn from me, for I am gentle and lowly in heart.

Alleluia



Liturgy...

Gospel Lk 14:1. 7-14

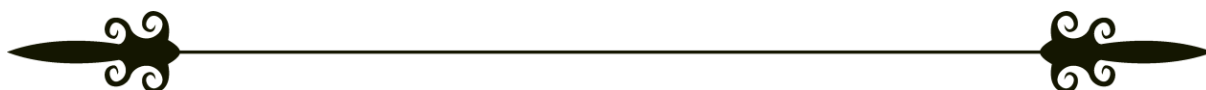
A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke

All who exalt themselves shall be humbled and all who humble themselves shall be exalted.

On a sabbath day Jesus had gone for a meal to the house of one of the leading Pharisees; and they watched him closely. He then told the guests a parable, because he had noticed how they picked the places of honour. He said this, ‘When someone invites you to a wedding feast, do not take your seat in the place of honour. A more distinguished person than you may have been invited, and the person who invited you both may come and say, “Give up your place to this man.” And then, to your embarrassment, you would have to go and take the lowest place. No; when you are a guest, make your way to the lowest place and sit there, so that, when your host comes, he may say, “My friend, move up higher.” In that way, everyone with you at the table will see you honoured. For everyone who exalts himself will be humbled, and the man who humbles himself will be exalted.’

Then he said to his host, ‘When you give a lunch or a dinner, do not ask your friends, brothers, relations or rich neighbours, for fear they repay your courtesy by inviting you in return. No; when you have a party, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, the blind; that they cannot pay you back means that you are fortunate, because repayment will be made to you when the virtuous rise again.’

**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 PLEASE NOTE: The Latin Mass on Sunday, 25 August will be held in the Crypt
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)

****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
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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

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.**

'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.

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

CHORISTER FOR A DAY. St Mary's Cathedral invites boys aged between 6 and 8 to be a 'Chorister for a day' on **Sat, 21 Sept.** 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 phoning **(02) 9220 0481.** There are only 40 places available.

AID TO THE CHURCH IN NEED - Mass Offerings. Give a spiritual gift by arranging a Mass for a loved one, this supports a poor priest overseas who will receive your donation and offer the Mass for your intentions. 10% of priests worldwide are supported by Mass offerings through Aid to the Church in Need. You can arrange a Mass anytime at: www.aidtochurch.org/mass-offerings.

BOOK LAUNCH - Hidden in the Shadow of Love. Our Lady's Nurses for the Poor invites friends of Eileen O'Connor, Servant of God, to the office launch of the book: "Hidden in the Shadow of Love: The Story of Mother Theresa McLaughlin and our Lady's Nurses for the Poor" by Jocelyn Hedley. Launched by Most Rev. Anthony Randazzo, Auxiliary Bishop of Sydney. 11am Saturday, 28 September. Our Lady's Home, 35 Dudley St, Coogee followed by a light luncheon. **RSVP by 13 September** at olnp@ourladynurses.org.au or call **(02) 9665 6331.**

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 **01 Sept** Embrace will have a Social Dinner outing. You are welcome to join. For more information please write to

embrace@stmaryscathedral.org.au.

FRIENDS OF THE CATHEDRAL invite you to two exclusive events. **Thurs, 05 Sept** at 6.30pm - visit the Choir Rooms to hear **Thomas Wilson**, Music Director speak about the requirements of Church music. **Thurs, 10 Oct** at 6.30pm - visit to the **Bell Tower** to hear Murray-Luke Peard explain how the bells are rung. Each event will be followed by wine and cheese. **Tickets for each event \$10 members, \$15 non-members.** Access to the bell tower is by narrow spiral stairs: a minimum level of physical fitness is required. To **purchase tickets** and read more, visit www.cathedralfriends.org.au.

TRAUMA AFFECTS US ALL

DIFFERENTLY. If you have been affected by trauma either recently or in the past, our counsellors have specialist experience working through loss. Call **CCareline on 13 18 19** to be connected to our free counselling service today.

RACHEL'S VINEYARD MINISTRIES –

Healing After Abortion Retreat 25-27 October 2019. Rachel's Vineyard Ministries, Sydney offers regular healing retreats for those who have experienced an abortion. The retreat offers a sanctuary in which to renew, rebuild and redeem hearts broken by abortion in a safe, supportive, confidential and nonjudgmental environment. Information and a brochure can be found at: www.rachelsvineyard.org.au or call us on our confidential voicemail number **0400 092 555** or Email: info@rachelsvineyard.org.au.

PRIESTS' RETIREMENT FOUNDATION.

In collaboration with Father's Day, the annual pastoral appeal **will be held this weekend.**

SILENT GUIDED RETREAT - "Remain In Me". Would you like to spend a weekend away with God? Join us, for this weekend retreat run by Verbum Dei Missionaries, at Hartzler Park, Bowral, on **20-22 Sept.** For more info email verbumdeisydney@gmail.com or Maria **0402 452 342**

ST VINCENT PALLOTTI SCHOLARSHIP

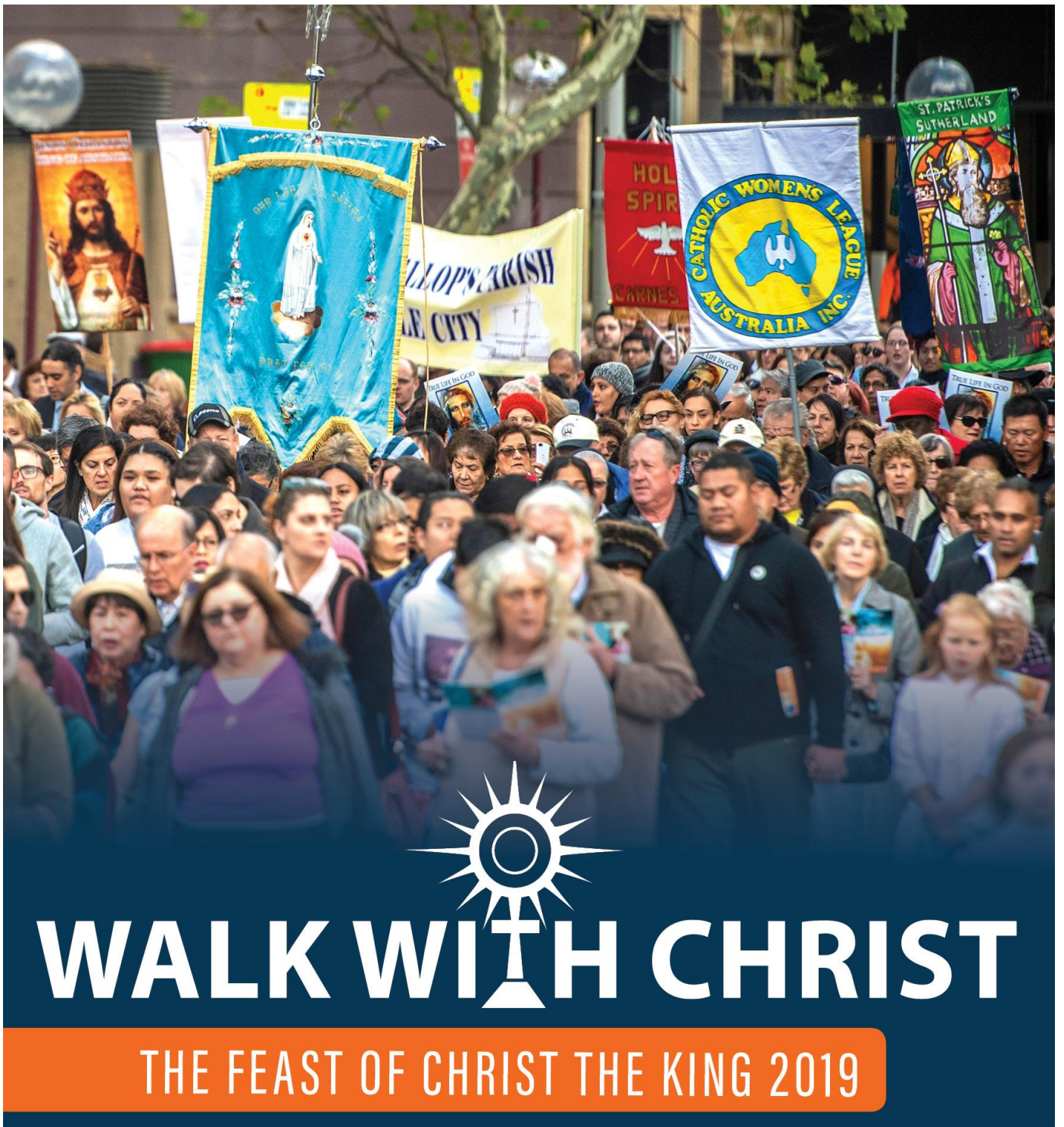
TRUST. The St Vincent Pallotti Scholarship Trust offers scholarships to enable lay people to further their understanding and skills in leadership/ministry or a specialised activity, such as promoting faith enhancement, social justice and pastoral care. **Closing Date 18 October.** More information and applications forms are available from <http://www.pallottine.org.au/scholarships/st-vincent-pallotti-scholarship-for-lay-ministry.html>.

FAITH ECOLOGY NETWORK

ENRICHMENT DAY 2019. The FEN network in Sydney will be held on **Sunday, 08 September** at St Anthony in the Fields Catholic Church Terrey Hills. It includes a Public Forum as well. Entry by donation of \$10 to cover costs. Please **RSVP by Monday, 02 September** to faithecology@gmail.com or **0408 279 871.**

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!.

SALESIAN MISSION – Emergency Flood Appeal. Heavy monsoon rains have caused extensive damage to homes and crops in Cambodia, Myanmar and India. Donations will be used to provide urgent relief to these areas. Tax deductible donations may be sent to Salesian Missions Australia via the website www.salesianmissionaustralia.org.au.



WALK WITH CHRIST

THE FEAST OF CHRIST THE KING 2019

NOVEMBER 24 MEET AT CORNER OF
AT 2.30PM MARTIN PLACE AND PITT ST



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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

