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Sunday, 22 September 2019
Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time – Year C



Dear Parishioners and Visitors,

Some of you may remember the visit of the relics of St Thérèse of Lisieux to this cathedral back in 2002. Thousands of people came to venerate the “Little Flower” then, all day and through the night. I was glad to learn this week that the relics of St Thérèse and of her parents, St Louis Martin and St Zélie Guérin Martin, will come to Australia early next year and will again visit St Mary’s Cathedral.

The exact itinerary for the visit of the relics has not been finalised, so I cannot yet give dates but it should be late January/early February.

The month of October, traditionally dedicated to the Holy Rosary, is fast approaching. The cathedral will again be participating in the “Oz Rosary” initiative this year, with a special recitation of the rosary here in the Cathedral on Sunday, 13th October at 3.00pm. You are all invited to come and join in prayer for your own special intentions and for our world.

Every blessing in the week ahead,

Fr Don Richardson, Dean.

Liturgy...

First Reading Am 8:4-7

A reading from the prophet Amos

The Lord God spoke against those who buy the poor for money.

Listen to this, you who trample on the needy and try to suppress the poor people of the country, you who say, ‘When will New Moon be over so that we can sell our corn, and sabbath, so that we can market our wheat? Then by lowering the bushel, raising the shekel, by swindling and tampering with the scales, we can buy up the poor for money, and the needy for a pair of sandals, and get a price even for the sweepings of the wheat.’ The Lord swears it by the pride of Jacob, ‘Never will I forget a single thing you have done.’

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



Responsorial Psalm Ps 112:1-2. 4-8. R.v.1. 7

Praise the Lord who lifts up the poor.

1. Praise, O servants of the Lord, praise the name of the Lord! May the name of the Lord be blessed both now and for evermore! (**R**)
2. High above all nations is the Lord, above the heavens his glory. Who is like the Lord, our God, who has risen on high to his throne yet stoops from the heights to look down, to look down upon heaven and earth? (**R**)
3. From the dust he lifts up the lowly, from the dungheap he raises the poor to set him in the company of princes, yes, with the princes of his people. (**R**)



Liturgy...

Second Reading 1 Tm 2:1-8

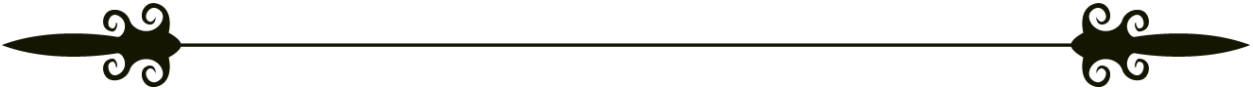
A reading from the first letter of St Paul to Timothy

Let prayers be offered to God for everyone; he wants all people to be saved.

My advice is that, first of all, there should be prayers offered for everyone – petitions, intercessions and thanksgiving – and especially for kings and others in authority, so that we may be able to live religious and reverent lives in peace and quiet. To do this is right, and will please God our saviour: he wants everyone to be saved and reach full knowledge of the truth. For there is only one God, and there is only one mediator between God and mankind, himself a man, Christ Jesus, who sacrificed himself as a ransom for them all. He is the evidence of this, sent at the appointed time, and I have been named a herald and apostle of it and – I am telling the truth and no lie – a teacher of the faith and the truth to the pagans. In every place, then, I want the men to lift their hands up reverently in prayer, with no anger or argument.

The word of the Lord

Response: Thanks be to God

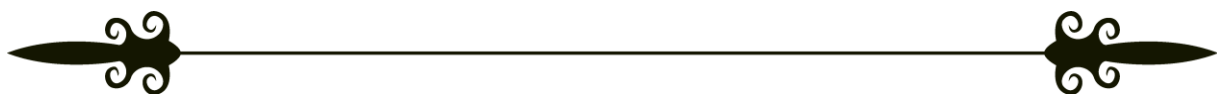


Gospel Acclamation 2 Cor 8:9

Alleluia, alleluia!

Jesus Christ was rich but he became poor,
to make you rich out of his poverty.

Alleluia



Liturgy...

Gospel Lk 16:1-13

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke

You cannot be slaves both of God and of money.

Jesus said to his disciples: ‘There was a rich man and he had a steward who was denounced to him for being wasteful with his property. He called for the man and said, “What is this I hear about you? Draw me up an account of your stewardship because you are not to be my steward any longer.” Then the steward said to himself, “Now that my master is taking the stewardship from me, what am I to do? Dig? I am not strong enough. Go begging? I should be too ashamed. Ah, I know what I will do to make sure that when I am dismissed from office there will be some to welcome me into their homes.”

‘Then he called his master’s debtors one by one. To the first he said, “How much do you owe my master?” “One hundred measures of oil,” was the reply. The steward said, “Here, take your bond; sit down straight away and write fifty.” To another he said, “And you, sir, how much do you owe?” “One hundred measures of wheat,” was the reply. The steward said, “Here, take your bond and write eighty.”

‘The master praised the dishonest steward for his astuteness. For the children of this world are more astute in dealing with their own kind than are the children of light.

‘And so I tell you this: use money, tainted as it is, to win you friends, and thus make sure that when it fails you, they will welcome you into the tents of eternity. The man who can be trusted in little things can be trusted in great; the man who is dishonest in little things will be dishonest in great. If then you cannot be trusted with money, that tainted thing, who will trust you with genuine riches? And if you cannot be trusted with what is not yours, who will give you what is your very own?

‘No servant can be the slave of two masters: he will either hate the first and love the second, or treat the first with respect and the second with scorn. You cannot be the slave both of God and of money.’

**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)

****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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ELECTRONIC COLLECTION PLATES

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



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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.

IGNITE CONFERENCE. The Ignite Conference is one of Australia's most powerful Catholic youth and family conferences. For the first time this October 3-6, Ignite Conference will be held in Sydney. The conference draws together a network of high schoolers, young adults, ministry leaders, families, teachers, priests and religious from around the country, sending them out with a passion for mission and authentic faith in Jesus. Students from all Sydney Catholic Schools are offered a 50% discount and special packages for families are available as well. For more information, visit www.sydneycatholicyouth.org/ignite19/ or contact the team at Sydney Catholic Youth on **(02) 9307 8152** or info@sydneycatholicyouth.org.

FRIENDS OF THE CATHEDRAL invite you to an exclusive event. **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 at \$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.

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.

DAY OF HEALING WITH SR. MARGARET SCULLY RSC. To be held on **Saturday, 12 October 2019** at the **Catholic Charismatic Renewal Centre**, 19A Quirk Street, **Rozelle** from **9am to 4.30pm**. The session includes, What is Healing, Inner Healing, Prayer for Inner Healing, Healing of the Family Tree and the Healing Power of Forgiveness. Tea and coffee to be provided, please bring your own lunch. Registration is essential. Please contact the CCR Centre on **9810 2499** or email mscully@ccrns.org.au.

ST MARY'S CATHEDRAL IS RECRUITING FOR NEW VOLUNTEERS!

If you have a love of history and architecture, these passions can be brought to life by becoming a St Mary's Cathedral **Volunteer Tour Guide**. St Mary's Cathedral welcomes thousands of visitors on a daily basis, and Volunteer Tour Guides play an important role in helping visitor groups and tourists to explore the largest Cathedral in the Southern hemisphere. All are welcome to apply, as previous experience is not required. Tour guide training and induction will be provided. If you are interested, please contact the Special Liturgies Officer via email:

jennifer.foo@stmaryscathedral.org.au or phone: **02 9220 0453**.

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.

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 **22 Sept** Embrace will be welcoming a visit from Bishop Tony Randazzo, the topic '**Walking with Christ**'. You are welcome to join. For more information please write to embrace@stmaryscathedral.org.au.

DO YOU KNOW ANY SENIORS IN YOUR COMMUNITY WHO COULD USE A LITTLE HELP AT HOME? Our home care services help seniors to enjoy living independently in their own home with comfort and confidence. Call **CCareline** on **13 18 19** to find out more.

SOCIAL JUSTICE STATEMENT

2019-2020. We celebrate **Social Justice Sunday** on **29 September 2019**. This year, the Australian Bishops' Social Justice Statement is entitled: '**Making it Real: Genuine human encounter in our digital world**'. The Statement shares Pope Francis' challenge to us to 'boldly become citizens of the digital world'. It points out that we are called not just to be inhabitants of this world, but active citizens shaping it. For further details visit www.socialjustice.catholic.org.au or call **(02) 8306 3499**.

GERMAN CATHEDRALS AND OBERAMMERGAU PILGRIMAGE 2020.

Fr Chris Dixon, from the Diocese of Parramatta, is leading a pilgrimage focussing on "German Cathedral Pilgrimage and the Passion Play at Oberammergau", for 13 days leaving 25 August 2020 and returning 06 September 2020. For more information and further details, **contact Fr Chris** at annangrove@hotmail.com.

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>.

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!



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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 Safeguarding & Ministerial Integrity Office, in conjunction with the Sydney Archdiocese has stated that all Volunteer roles require a Working With Children Check and are also required to sign a Catholic Archdiocese of Sydney Code of Conduct form.

If you Volunteer here at St Mary's Cathedral, in any capacity (e.g.: reader, usher, shop assistant, bell ringer etc) please contact St Mary's Cathedral's Special Liturgy Officer on 9220 0453.

Applying for a Working with Children Check is a simple three-step process.

Step 1: Complete application for WWCC online: www.check.kids.nsw.gov.au

Step 2: Take your application number from the online process along with identification to be verified at your local Service NSW Centre or Motor Registry.

Step 3: When you receive your clearance number, please pass these details onto St Mary's Cathedral Liturgy Officer who will then verify your details

The role of the Safeguarding Office is to raise awareness regarding our collective responsibility to protect the safety, well-being and dignity of children, young people and vulnerable adults within the Archdiocese of Sydney. Your support and understanding is greatly appreciated.