

# CATHEDRAL BULLETIN



# NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

2023

ST MARY'S CATHEDRAL PARISH
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ST COLUMBKILLE'S CHURCH,
MCELHONE STREET, WOOLLOOMOOLOO

## THE LITURGY OF THE WORD



## FIRST READING 1 Kings 19:9, 11-13

A reading from the first book of the Kings Go out and stand on the mountain before the Lord God.

When Elijah reached Horeb, the mountain of God, he went into the cave and spent the night in it. Then he was told, 'Go out and stand on the mountain before the Lord.' Then the Lord himself went by. There came a mighty wind, so strong it tore the mountains and shattered the rocks before the Lord. But the Lord was not in the wind. After the wind came an earthquake. But the Lord was not in the earthquake. After the earthquake came a fire. But the Lord was not in the fire. And after the fire there came the sound of a gentle breeze. And when Elijah heard this, he covered his face with his cloak and went out and stood at the entrance of the cave.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

#### RESPONSORIAL PSALM Ps 84:9-14

R. Lord, show us your mercy and love, and grant us your salvation.

I will hear what the Lord God has to say, a voice that speaks of peace. His help is near for those who fear him and his glory will dwell in our land. **R**.

Mercy and faithfulness have met; justice and peace have embraced. Faithfulness shall spring from the earth and justice look down from heaven. *R*.

The Lord will make us prosper and our earth shall yield its fruit. Justice shall march before him and peace shall follow his steps. R.

### **SECOND READING** Romans 9:1-5

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Romans

I would willingly be condemned if it could help my people.

What I want to say is no pretence; I say it in union with Christ - it is the truth - my conscience in union with the Holy Spirit assures me of it too. What I want to say is this: my sorrow is so great, my mental anguish so endless, I would willingly be condemned and be cut off from Christ if it could help my brothers of Israel, my own flesh and blood. They were adopted as sons, they were given the glory and the covenants; the Law and the ritual were drawn up for them, and the promises were made to them. They are descended from the patriarchs and from their flesh and blood came Christ who is above all, God for ever blessed! Amen.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

### GOSPEL ACCLAMATION Ps 129:5

Alleluia, alleluia!
I hope in the Lord,
I trust in his word.
Alleluia!

GOSPEL Matthew 14:22-33

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew Command me to come to you over the water.

Jesus made the disciples get into the boat and go on ahead to the other side while he would send the crowds away. After sending the crowds away he went up into the hills by himself to pray. When evening came, he was there alone, while the boat, by now far out on the lake, was battling with a heavy sea, for there was a head-wind. In the fourth watch of the night he went towards them, walking on the lake, and when the disciples saw him walking on the lake they were terrified. 'It is a ghost' they said, and cried out in fear. But at once Jesus called out to them, saying 'Courage! It is I! Do not be afraid.' It was Peter who answered. 'Lord', he said 'if it is you, tell me to come to you across the water.' 'Come' said Jesus. Then Peter got out of the boat and started walking towards Jesus across the water, but as soon as he felt the force of the wind, he took fright and began to sink. 'Lord! Save me!' he cried. Jesus put out his hand at once and held him. 'Man of little faith,' he said 'why did you doubt?' And as they got into the boat the wind dropped. The men in the boat bowed down before him and said, 'Truly, you are the Son of God.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

## WORD FROM THE DEAN



Dear Cathedral Parishioners and Visitors,

"Finally the Immaculate Virgin, preserved free from all stain of original sin, when the course of her earthly life was finished, was taken up body and soul into heavenly glory, and exalted by the Lord as Queen over all things, so that she might be the more fully conformed to her Son, the Lord of lords and conqueror of sin and death." (Vatican Council II Lumen Gentium 59; cf. Pius XII, Munificentissimus Deus (1950):DS 3903; cf. Rev 19:16.)

This Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> August is a Holy Day of Obligation, for the feast of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary.

All are obliged to attend Mass on that day. For those who live or work in the CBD, Masses at the Cathedral at 6.45am, 1.10pm and 5.30pm. Mass at Sacred Heart Darlinghurst at 9.00am. If you live out of this area, do please consult your local parish for their Mass times.

Our holy faith teaches us that The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin is a singular participation in her Son's Resurrection and an anticipation of the resurrection of other Christians.

The resurrection of all the dead, "of both the just and the unjust," (Acts 24.15) will precede the Last Judgment. This will be "the hour when all who are in the tombs will hear [the Son of man's] voice and come forth, those who have done good, to the resurrection of life, and those who have done evil, to the resurrection of judgment." (*Jn* 5:28-29.) Also this week, Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> is the anniversary of the death of the 3<sup>rd</sup> Archbishop of Sydney, Cardinal Patrick Francis Moran, in 1911, and Friday 18<sup>th</sup> is the Anniversary of death of his immediate predecessor, Archbishop Roger Bede Vaughan OSB in 1883. Both are buried, in the cathedral crypt, awaiting the resurrection. Please pray for their souls. And pray that all of us may rejoice together in heaven with Our Lady and all the saints.

Fr Don Richardson, Dean

# **UPCOMING LITURGIES AND EVENTS**

# **August – September 2023**

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		5	Saturday	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday
				2pm Sunday Public Tour	St Maximilian Mary Kolbe	The ASSUMPTION of the BLESSED VIRGIN MARY
		364		7pm Embrace Young Adults		Ô
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday
6:30pm	6:30pm			2pm Sunday Public Tour	St Pius X	The Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary
RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults)	CITY COMPASS			7pm Embrace Young Adults		
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday
	St Bartholomew			SOCIAL JUSTICE SUNDAY	St Augustine	The Passion of St John
<b>6:30pm RCIA</b> (Rite of Christian	6:30pm CITY			2pm Sunday Public Tour		the Baptist
Initiation of Adults)	COMPASS			7pm Embrace Young Adults		
30	31	1	2	3	4	5
Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday
		WORLD DAY OF PRAYER FOR CREATION	ANNIVERSARY OF THE DEDICATION OF	2pm Sunday Public Tour		
6:30pm	6:30pm	SPRING EMBER DAY	ST MARY'S CATHEDRAL, (1928)			
RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults)	CITY COMPASS	Today's 5.30pm Mass (Anniversary of the Dedication)	Today's Masses for the Dedication	7pm Embrace Young Adults		

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#### MASS

Monday to Friday: 6:45am, 1:10pm, 5:30pm Saturday: 9:00am, 12:00 noon Saturday Vigil: 6:00pm Sunday: 7:00am, 9:00am, 10:30am (Solemn Choral Mass), 6:00pm

#### RECONCILIATION

Monday to Friday: 12noon to 1:00pm and 4:30pm to 5:25pm Saturday: 11.00am to 12noon and 4:30pm to 5:30pm

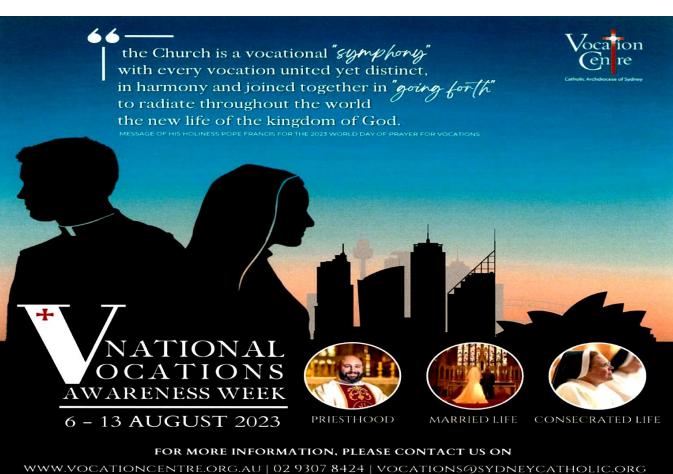
## EVENING VESPERS

Monday to Friday: 5:00pm Saturday: 5:30pm Sunday: 5:00pm

(Choral Vespers and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament)

## CATHEDRAL NOTICES





THE FRIENDS OF ST MARY'S CATHEDRAL

# TRIVIA NIGHT

Saturday 9th September 2023, 6.30 p.m.
Br Hoffman Hall, St Mary's Cathedral
Tickets from \$15, tables of up to 8 people
All welcome

The Friends' famous Trivia Night returns! This year we are raising money for our new Cathedral videos project. This is a trivia night like no other, with questions for everyone, especially those who say they don't like quizzes! Come and meet members of the parish community in a friendly and relaxed environment: bring a team of up to eight people, or join a team on the night. BYO supper.

Read more and book online www.cathedralfriends.org.au



Looking to join a group and have the opportunity to meet other like-minded young adults?

## then St Mary's Cathedral "EMBRACE" invites you to join them!

Meeting every Sunday after the 6pm Mass at St Mary's Cathedral House, (next to St Mary's Cathedral), young people between the ages of 18-35 gather to discuss and enjoy activities and youth projects designed to support spiritual development and encourage active practice of the faith.

The group is run by our very own Fr Emmanuel Lubega.

This week's topic of interest for discussion will be Life in the spirit and spiritual Beings (Angels).

All welcome.

#### **Raising Fathers Events 2023**

Join us for the RAISING FATHER'S Evening as we unpack practical advice and share powerful, impactful, informative and instructional stories for fathering in today's world. This is a partnership with Robert Falzon and MenAlive.

#### **DATES:**

Tuesday, 29 August - Marist College Eastwood, 44 Hillview Rd, Eastwood Wednesday, 30 August - Patrician Brothers' College: 268 The Horsley Drive, Fairfield Thursday, 31 August - St Patrick's College: Francis St, Strathfield

To attend one of the evenings, please register at https://www.trybooking.com/events/landing/1092812?gr=true



## Palms Australia Global Development Opportunities Webinar

Palms Australia is offering Australian Catholics the opportunity to undertake a Global Mission. We need your help to reach out to qualified and experienced Australians requested by vulnerable communities overseas in support of sustainable poverty reduction through skill development. Please visit www.palms.org.au. We are holding a webinar on 14 September 2023 at 6pm on our global development opportunities, please register at

https://palms.org.au/event/discover-global-mission-webinar/



#### A message from the Archdiocese of Sydney:

Child sexual abuse is a crime. The appropriate people to deal with crimes are the police. If you, or anyone you know, have been abused, please contact the police. Alternatively, you can contact the Safeguarding and Ministerial Integrity Office at (02) 9390 5810 or safeguardingenquiries@sydneycatholic.org.

You may also want to speak to your Parish Priest who will be able to provide support and guidance.

The Archdiocese has a legal obligation to report crimes to the police.



No photography or videography permitted while Mass is in progress.





### **Support Sisters** in Paraguay

This month Aid to the Church in Need is raising money to support Sisters in Paraguay. These Sisters not only care for the young people in Paraguay but they also support the families, visit the sick and the elderly, bring Holy Communion to those in need, give catechetical instruction and support disadvantaged with practical help and advice. To learn more and to make an offering visit

www.aidtochurch.org/monthlyproject

#### **ELECTRONIC DONATIONS**

The option to make an offering via credit card is available at St Mary's Cathedral.



