



St Mary's Cathedral
SYDNEY

CATHEDRAL BULLETIN



TWENTY FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

2023

ST MARY'S CATHEDRAL PARISH
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THE LITURGY OF THE WORD



FIRST READING *Isaiah 55:6-9*

A reading from the prophet Isaiah

My thoughts are not your thoughts.

Seek the Lord while he is still to be found,
call to him while he is still near.

Let the wicked man abandon his way,
the evil man his thoughts.

Let him turn back to the Lord who will take pity on him,
to our God who is rich in forgiving;
for my thoughts are not your thoughts,
my ways not your ways - it is the Lord who speaks.

Yes, the heavens are as high above earth
as my ways are above your ways,
my thoughts above your thoughts.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM *Ps 144:2-3, 8-9, 17-18*

R. The Lord is near to all who call him.

I will bless you day after day
and praise your name for ever.

The Lord is great, highly to be praised,
his greatness cannot be measured. **R.**

The Lord is kind and full of compassion,
slow to anger, abounding in love.

How good is the Lord to all,
compassionate to all his creatures. **R.**

The Lord is just in all his ways
and loving in all his deeds.
He is close to all who call him,
who call on him from their hearts. **R.**

SECOND READING *Philippians 1:20-24, 27*

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Philippians
For me to live is Christ.

Christ will be glorified in my body, whether by my life or by my death. Life to me, of course, is Christ, but then death would bring me something more; but then again, if living in this body means doing work which is having good results - I do not know what I should choose. I am caught in this dilemma: I want to be gone and be with Christ, which would be very much the better, but for me to stay alive in this body is a more urgent need for your sake.

Avoid anything in your everyday lives that would be unworthy of the gospel of Christ.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION *Acts 16:14*

Alleluia, alleluia!
Open our hearts, O Lord,
to listen to the words of your Son.
Alleluia!

GOSPEL *Matthew 20:1-16*

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew

Why are you jealous because I am generous?

Jesus said to his disciples: 'The kingdom of heaven is like a landowner going out at daybreak to hire workers for his vineyard. He made an agreement with the workers for one denarius a day, and sent them to his vineyard. Going out at about the third hour he saw others standing idle in the market place and said to them, "You go to my vineyard too and I will give you a fair wage." So they went. At about the sixth hour and again at about the ninth hour, he went out and did the same. Then at about the eleventh hour he went out and found more men standing round, and he said to them, "Why have you been standing here idle all day?" "Because no one has hired us" they answered. He said to them, "You go into my vineyard too." In the evening, the owner of the vineyard said to his bailiff, "Call the workers and pay them their wages, starting with the last arrivals and ending with the first." So those who were hired at about the eleventh hour came forward and received one denarius each. When the first came, they expected to get more, but they too received one denarius each. They took it, but grumbled at the landowner. "The men who came last" they said "have done only one hour, and you have treated them the same as us, though we have done a heavy day's work in all the heat." He answered one of them and said, "My friend, I am not being unjust to you; did we not agree on one denarius? Take your earnings and go. I choose to pay the last-comer as much as I pay you. Have I no right to do what I like with my own? Why be envious because I am generous?" Thus the last will be first, and the first, last.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

WORD FROM THE DEAN



Dear Cathedral Parishioners and Visitors,

It is great to have you join us here at St Mary's Cathedral this weekend for Mass.

But...

- We do not have enough ushers to welcome people to Mass and to take up the collections.
- We do not have as many readers as we would like.
- We do not have enough acolytes and servers, especially for the evening and weekday Masses.

With so many people choosing to come to Mass at St Mary's Cathedral each week (about 2,000 over Saturdays and Sundays and 300 or so on most weekdays), it would be great to have more people to take up those helping roles.

Why volunteer?

You may wish to serve St Mary's Cathedral as an extension of your faith.

You may have a special appreciation and love of the building, its history and architecture.

You may enjoy assisting thousands of people every day who visit here.

You may wish to become part of the wider Cathedral community and make new friends.

Together, let's make St Mary's Cathedral an even better place to come to!

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Last Tuesday, Fr Lewi and I had the privilege of celebrating the Graduation Mass for our St Mary's Cathedral College Year 12 students. The cathedral was filled with the graduates and their proud families, our choristers and scholars sang, and it was a great occasion. The College is such an important part of our Cathedral community, from the little kids in the primary classes to the young men completing Year 12. Next year we will be marking 200 years of education here at St Mary's!

There is so much going on each day on this site, it really is a remarkable Church community with many facets. As St Peter said at the Transfiguration, "Lord, it is wonderful for us to be here!"

Every blessing for the week ahead,

Fr Don Richardson, Dean.

RECEIVING HOLY COMMUNION

1. In Australia Catholics may receive Holy Communion standing or kneeling.
2. In Australia Catholics may receive Holy Communion on the tongue or in the hand. They are to respond "Amen" after the priest or minister says "The Body of Christ" before they receive.

PLEASE NOTE:

- If you are receiving on the tongue, PLEASE DO IT PROPERLY.

The minister is not supposed to have to put fingers into your mouth. You are supposed to open your mouth and extend your tongue to cover your front teeth. Nor should you poke your tongue right out. Open your mouth, extend your tongue slightly, and tilt your head back slightly.



- If you are receiving on the hand, PLEASE DO IT PROPERLY.

Your hands should be bare, empty and clean. Place one hand open on top of the other so the minister can place the host on the open palm of your hand. Allow the minister to place the host on the palm of your hand. Then take the host with the fingers of your other hand and place it in your mouth, **in the presence of the minister** – do not walk away with the host!

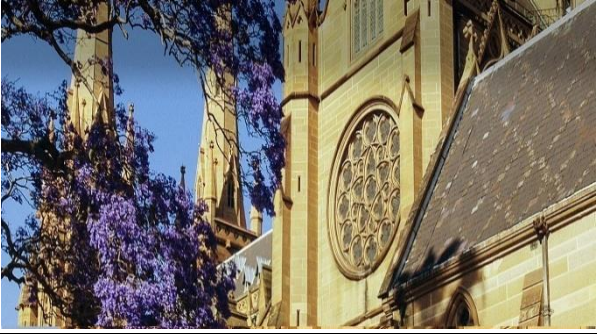










- Because Catholics believe that the celebration of the Eucharist is a oneness of faith, life, and worship, members of those churches with whom we are not yet fully united are ordinarily not admitted to Communion. There are certain circumstances in which non-Catholic Christians may be admitted to receive Holy Communion – but this should be discussed personally with a priest well before Mass.

Thank you.

UPCOMING LITURGIES AND EVENTS

September - October 2023

			16 <i>Saturday</i> <i>Sts Cornelius & Cyprian</i>	17 <i>Sunday</i> 2pm Sunday Public Tour 7pm EMBRACE Young Adults 	18 <i>Monday</i>	19 <i>Tuesday</i> 7pm Organ Concert 
20 <i>Wednesday</i> <i>Sts Andrew Kim Tae-gon, Paul Chong Ha-sang & companions</i> 6:30pm RCIA	21 <i>Thursday</i> <i>St Matthew</i> 6:30pm CITY COMPASS 	22 <i>Friday</i>	23 <i>Saturday</i> <i>St Pius of Pietrelcina</i>	24 <i>Sunday</i> WORLD REFUGEES & MIGRATION DAY 2pm Sunday Public Tour 7pm EMBRACE Young Adults 	25 <i>Monday</i>	26 <i>Tuesday</i>
27 <i>Wednesday</i> <i>St Vincent de Paul</i> 6:30pm RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults)	28 <i>Thursday</i> 6:30pm CITY COMPASS 	29 <i>Friday</i> <i>Sts Michael, Gabriel, Raphael</i>	30 <i>Saturday</i> <i>St Jerome</i>	1 <i>Sunday</i> 2pm Sunday Public Tour 7pm EMBRACE Young Adults 	2 <i>Monday</i> <i>The Holy Guardian Angels</i> Public Holiday Mass 9am	3 <i>Tuesday</i>
4 <i>Wednesday</i> <i>St Francis of Assisi</i> 6:30pm RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults)	5 <i>Thursday</i> 6:30pm CITY COMPASS 	6 <i>Friday</i>	7 <i>Saturday</i> <i>Our Lady of the Rosary</i>	8 <i>Sunday</i> 2pm Sunday Public Tour 7pm EMBRACE Young Adults 	9 <i>Monday</i>	10 <i>Tuesday</i>

Weekly Mass Schedule

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






EMERGENCY APPEALS
Morocco Earthquake and Libya Floods
www.caritas.org.au

St Mary's Singers at St Mary's Cathedral Sydney presents

CHURCH MUSIC THROUGH THE YEAR


FEATURING MOZART'S CORONATION MASS



FRIDAY 17 NOVEMBER 2023
7PM
AT ST MARY'S CATHEDRAL, SYDNEY


Tickets at the door or
www.trybooking.com/1097546

TICKET PRICES
Adults \$30, Students \$15 and under 16 free



Life, Marriage and Family Sunday


All families are invited to come to 10:30 Mass at St Mary's Cathedral on **Sunday, 22 October 2023** with an opportunity to renew marital promises and a special blessing for families. Join us after Mass at the Cathedral Hall to witness and celebrate couples celebrating significant wedding anniversaries. Registrations are essential to receive a certificate. RSVP by no later than 8 October at <http://www.trybooking.com/CJTNE>. For further information contact the Life Marriage and Family Office: lifemarriagefamily@sydneycatholic.org




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. This week's topic of interest for discussion will be "Call to Discipleship".
All welcome.



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.

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



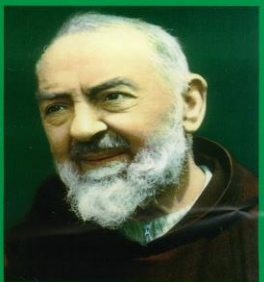
St. Padre Pio of Pietrelcina

FEAST DAY


and Blessing by the relic of St. Padre Pio

24 September 2023

Triduum
Thursday 21 September 7:00pm
Novena to St. Padre Pio and Mass
Friday 22 September 7:00pm
Novena to St. Padre Pio and Mass
Saturday 23 September 5:30pm
Novena to St. Padre Pio and Vigil Mass



Sunday 24 September 10:00am
Procession followed by the Feast Day Mass
Veneration and Blessing by the Relic of St. Padre Pio.



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