



*St Mary's Cathedral*  
SYDNEY

## CATHEDRAL BULLETIN



THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

2024

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

## THE LITURGY OF THE WORD



### FIRST READING *Exodus 20:1-17 (Year B)*

A reading from the book of Exodus

*The Law was given through Moses.*

The Lord spoke all these words. He said, 'I am the Lord your God who brought you out of the house of slavery.

'You shall have no gods except me.

'You shall not make yourself a carved image or any likeness of anything in heaven or earth beneath or in the waters under the earth; you shall not bow down to them or serve them. For I, the Lord your God am a jealous God and I punish the father's fault in the sons, the grandsons, and the great-grandsons of those who hate me; but I show kindness to thousands of those who love me and keep my commandments.

'You shall not utter the name of the Lord your God to misuse it, for the Lord will not leave unpunished the man who utters his name to misuse it.

'Remember the sabbath day and keep it holy. For six days you shall labour and do all your work, but the seventh day is a sabbath for the Lord your God. You shall do no work on that day, neither you nor your animals nor the stranger who lives with you. For in six days the Lord made the heavens and the earth and the sea and all that these hold, but on the seventh day he rested; that is why the Lord has blessed the sabbath day and made it sacred.

'Honour your father and your mother so that you may have a long life in the land that the Lord your God has given to you.

'You shall not kill.

'You shall not commit adultery.

'You shall not steal.

'You shall not bear false witness against your neighbour.

'You shall not covet your neighbour's house. You shall not covet your neighbour's wife, or his servant, man or woman, or his ox, or his donkey, or anything that is his.'

The word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

**RESPONSORIAL PSALM** *Ps 18:8-11 (Year B)*

**R.** Lord, you have the words of everlasting life.

The law of the Lord is perfect,  
it revives the soul.

The rule of the Lord is to be trusted,  
it gives wisdom to the simple. **R.**

The precepts of the Lord are right,  
they gladden the heart.

The command of the Lord is clear,  
it gives light to the eyes. **R.**

The fear of the Lord is holy,  
abiding for ever.

The decrees of the Lord are truth  
and all of them just. **R.**

They are more to be desired than gold,  
than the purest of gold  
and sweeter are they than honey,  
than honey from the comb. **R.**

**SECOND READING** *1 Corinthians 1:22-25 (Year B)*

A reading from the first letter of St Paul to the Corinthians

*We are preaching a crucified Christ, a scandal to many, but to those who have been called, the wisdom of God.*

While the Jews demand miracles and the Greeks look for wisdom, here are we preaching a crucified Christ; to the Jews an obstacle that they cannot get over, to the pagans madness, but to those who have been called, whether they are Jews or Greeks, a Christ who is the power and the wisdom of God. For God's foolishness is wiser than human wisdom, and God's weakness is stronger than human strength.

The word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION** *John 3:16 (Year B)*

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory!  
God loved the world so much, he gave us his only Son,  
that all who believe in him might have eternal life.  
Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory!

**GOSPEL** *John 2:13-25 (Year B)*

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John

*Destroy this sanctuary, and in three days I will raise it up.*

Just before the Jewish Passover Jesus went up to Jerusalem, and in the Temple he found people selling cattle and sheep and pigeons, and the money changers sitting at their counters there. Making a whip out of some cord, he drove them all out of the Temple, cattle and sheep as well, scattered the money changers' coins, knocked their tables over and said to the pigeon-sellers, 'Take all this out of here and stop turning my Father's house into a market.' Then his disciples remembered the words of scripture: Zeal for your house will devour me. The Jews intervened and said, 'What sign can you show us to justify what you have done?' Jesus answered, 'Destroy this sanctuary, and in three days I will raise it up.' The Jews replied, 'It has taken forty-six years to build this sanctuary: are you going to raise it up in three days?' But he was speaking of the sanctuary that was his body, and when Jesus rose from the dead, his disciples remembered that he had said this, and they believed the scripture and the words he had said.





During his stay in Jerusalem for the Passover many believed in his name when they saw the signs that he gave, but Jesus knew them all and did not trust himself to them; he never needed evidence about any man; he could tell what a man had in him.

The Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

# UPCOMING LITURGIES AND EVENTS

## March 2024

			2 <i>Saturday</i>	3 <i>Sunday</i> <b>Third Sunday of Lent</b>  2pm Sunday Public Tour	4 <i>Monday</i>	5 <i>Tuesday</i>
6 <i>Wednesday</i>  6:30pm <b>RCIA</b> (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults)	7 <i>Thursday</i>  6:30pm <b>CITY COMPASS</b> 	8 <i>Friday</i>  12.15pm <b>STATIONS OF THE CROSS</b>	9 <i>Saturday</i>	10 <i>Sunday</i> <b>Fourth Sunday of Lent</b>  2pm Sunday Public Tour	11 <i>Monday</i>	12 <i>Tuesday</i>
13 <i>Wednesday</i>  6:30pm <b>RCIA</b> (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults)	14 <i>Thursday</i>  6:30pm <b>CITY COMPASS</b> 	15 <i>Friday</i>  12.15pm <b>STATIONS OF THE CROSS</b>	16 <i>Saturday</i>	17 <i>Sunday</i> <b>Fifth Sunday of Lent</b>  10.30am Mass (Catholic Institute of Sydney Opening Mass)  2pm Sunday Public Tour	18 <i>Monday</i> <b>ST PATRICK</b>  10am St Patrick's Day Mass	19 <i>Tuesday</i> <b>ST JOSEPH, SPOUSE OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY</b>
20 <i>Wednesday</i>  6:30pm <b>RCIA</b> (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults)	21 <i>Thursday</i>  6:30pm <b>CITY COMPASS</b> 	22 <i>Friday</i>  12.15pm <b>STATIONS OF THE CROSS</b>	23 <i>Saturday</i>	24 <i>Sunday</i> <b>PALM SUNDAY</b>  2pm Sunday Public Tour	25 <i>Monday</i>	26 <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




DOMINICAN SISTERS OF  
*Saint Cecilia*  
Founded in 1860—Nashville

## WOMEN'S LENTEN RETREAT DAY

with THE DOMINICAN SISTERS OF SAINT CECILIA

**CHRIST, OUR FIRM FOUNDATION**  
Rediscovering the wisdom of the Church's spiritual tradition  
*Matthew 7:24-27*

**16 MARCH 2024**  
ST MARY'S CATHEDRAL HALL | SATURDAY 10AM-4PM

Women of all ages are invited to join the Dominican Sisters of Saint Cecilia for a Lenten Retreat Day. This day will focus on renewing the foundations of the spiritual life as we strive to live the Paschal Mystery throughout the year. The retreat day will include all day Eucharistic Adoration and Confessions, talks by the Sisters, personal testimony, a Holy Hour, and discussion groups. Women who have attended previous retreat days with the Sisters are encouraged to bring a friend to this event.

REGISTRATION  
SCAN QR CODE OR VISIT THE WEBSITE TO REGISTER.  
A \$30 FEE ASSISTS WITH COVERING RETREAT EXPENSES.  
DOORS OPEN 9AM. TEA & LUNCH INCLUDED.  
[www.bit.ly/3RRAKfa](http://www.bit.ly/3RRAKfa)

SUPPORTED BY CATHOLIC WOMEN'S NETWORK

GO MAKE DISCIPLES PARISH RENEWAL TEAM

## Prayer and the Mission to Proclaim Jesus

YEAR OF PRAYER 2024

# 18 MARCH

Monday | 7:30-9PM | St Martha's  
38 Renwick Street Leichhardt | RSVP 15 March

gomakedisciples.org.au/cas-events  
parishrenewal@sydneycatholic.org



THE FRIENDS OF ST MARY'S CATHEDRAL

## Save the date

**FRIDAY 24TH MAY 2024**

The Friends of St Mary's Cathedral will be celebrating the Cathedral's patroness, Our Lady Help of Christians, with dinner and entertainment in Cathedral House on the evening of 24th May. All welcome: more details will be available soon.

Keep an eye out for an announcement of our 2024 programme of events.


Sign up for our no-obligation email list

Join the Friends today to become part of our vibrant community

### Mission: Transform Lives - theirs...and yours.

Communities in Africa, Asia, Australia and the Pacific are looking for qualified and experienced Australians from ALL sectors to share their skills with those who have had little opportunity for formal training. You too will learn and grow within a most welcoming community. Experience the joy as you assist to change lives.

Learn more: Join our **Mission Webinar March 5th, 2024** from **6:00 - 6:30 pm.**

 **Palms Australia** 63 years preparing Australians for enduring global relationships to build sustainable, self-reliant, community development.

Learn Even More: Join our two-week tour to Timor-Leste on 06/05/2024 to see Palms program participants our local partner communities in action together.

Contact: **02 9560 5333** or email [palms@palms.org.au](mailto:palms@palms.org.au)



No photography or videography permitted while Mass is in progress.



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](mailto: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.



# EASTER

## AT

### ST MARY'S CATHEDRAL

*"I welcome you to the Sacred Liturgies of Holy Week.*

*Jesus Christ died for all and rose from the dead so that all people may come to know and believe in the saving power of God."*

**Fr Lewi Barakat**  
Acting Dean of St Mary's Cathedral

#### **PALM SUNDAY / 24 MARCH 2024**

7.00am: Mass  
9.00am: Mass  
10.30am: Procession & Solemn Mass  
5.00pm: Solemn Vespers and  
Benediction 6.00pm: Mass

#### **MAUNDY THURSDAY / 28 MARCH 2024**

10.30am: Chrism Mass  
6.30pm: Mass of the Lord's Supper  
9.00pm: Compline The Office of Night Prayer

#### **GOOD FRIDAY / 29 MARCH 2024**

10.00am: Stations of the Cross  
3.00pm: Celebration of the Passion of the Lord

#### **HOLY SATURDAY / 30 MARCH 2024**

10.00am: Tenebrae The Office of Readings  
7.30pm: Easter Vigil

#### **EASTER SUNDAY / 31 MARCH 2024**

7.00am: Mass  
9.00am: Mass  
10.30am: Solemn Mass  
5.00pm: Solemn Vespers and  
Benediction 6.00pm: Mass



## St Mary's Cathedral Training Choir is launching from February 2024 for Boys and Girls in Years 1-3

This group will be the foundation choir for the main Cathedral Choir, rehearsing every Thursday from 4:15pm to 5:30pm in the Cathedral Song School. Run by experienced vocal specialist Anna Sandström, this free-to-access ensemble is available to any child with an interest in singing.

To register your interest, please scan the QR code and complete the online form.

