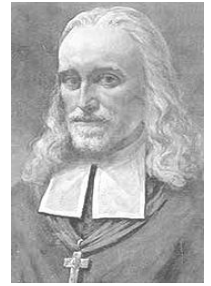




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13 March 2022 - Second Sunday of Lent

SACRAMENTS @ ST OLIVER'S

Reconciliation, Baptism, Marriage and Funerals. Please ring or email the parish office for assistance. **Reconciliation** is by appointment or 4 pm Saturday at the parish office. **RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults).** Thinking about becoming a Catholic or know someone who may be interested in exploring the Catholic faith? Contact the Parish Office for more details on joining the RCIA program.

WEEKDAY MASS TIMES

Tuesday to Friday: *7:00 a.m.

WEEKEND MASS TIMES

Saturday: Vigil 5:30 p.m.

Sunday: 8:00 a.m. & 10:00 a.m.

OFFICE HOURS : Tuesday & Friday 9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

Wednesday 8:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

Of you my heart has spoken: Seek his face.
It is your face, O Lord, that I seek;
hide not your face from me.

Cf. Psalm 26:8-9

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

This is my beloved Son, with whom I am
well pleased; listen to him.

Matthew 17:5



Second Sunday of Lent
12 & 13 March



Biru 30, lives in a rural village in Jharkand State in India's east. He lost mobility in one of his legs, after contracting polio as a child, which makes it difficult for him to walk. With your generous support, Biru was able to access an entrepreneurship and livelihoods development program, run by Caritas Australia's partner, Caritas India. He gained the skills, support and encouragement he needed to establish his own bicycle repair business.

Now, Biru is able to provide a good life for his family – and an essential service to his community. He has discovered a sense of pride, confidence and hope which has inspired others living with a disability and paved the way *For All Future Generations*.

Please donate to Project Compassion 2022 and help people living with disabilities in India gain access to education and clean water, empowering them with skills to build a better future for all.



Together, we can help vulnerable communities face their challenges today and build a better tomorrow *For All Future Generations*. You can donate through Project Compassion donation boxes and envelopes available from your Parish, by visiting lent.caritas.org.au, or by calling 1800 024 413.

FASTING & ABSTINENCE DURING LENT

Lent is the great annual penitential season in the Catholic Church for prayer, self-denial and helping others. This is the way the whole church prepares annually to celebrate Easter.

Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are days of fasting and abstinence.

*The law of fasting binds those who have completed their **eighteenth year, until the beginning of their sixtieth year.** Fasting means having **one full meal and two smaller meals that together are Not equal to a full meal.***

*The law of abstinence binds those who have completed their **fourteenth year.** Abstinence means **refraining from eating meat (or luxury foods).***

*Also, Catholics are obliged to receive the sacraments of **Reconciliation and Holy Communion at least once between Ash Wednesday and Trinity Sunday.***

PARISH READING ROSTER NEXT WEEK: 19/20 MARCH 2022

Saturday 5:30 p.m. Gerard Pinto / Karen Fernandes

Sunday 8:00 a.m. Seini & Ipolito Lasalo | 10:00 a.m. Nick Tagnipis & Emelia Buehler



Please pray for those who are sick, recently deceased, have an anniversary at this time and all those for whom you have a special intention.

Deceased: Freda Budwee (Death anniversary) | Habib Chidiac | Morris Takchi | Hasna Takchi | Gabirella Wehbe | George Aidib Lattouf | Nemer, Melan Families | Joe & Clare Boulous | Isaac Moses | Raymond, Etory & Joe Romanos | Esther Romanos & her family | Carmel & John Estphen | Fayez & Hind Melhem & all deceased of the Melhems | Amie Hassal | Coorey, Budwee, Norman & Nicholas Families | Jeanette Coorey | Queenie Nicholas | Antoinette & Maurice Coorey | Christine Coorey | David (Dib) & Theresia Romanos | Romanos Family | Tony & Samira Ahood & their Family | Fred Betros Family | Constanton Family | Namtallah & Patrick Malkoun | Frank & Ray Malkoun | Badwani & Samiha Frome | Fr. Rizcullah Coorey | Patricia Coorey | Chrisinta Namtallah Coorey | Nicholas | All those who died recently | Holy Souls in Purgatory especially for those who have no one praying for them

Sick: John Nemer | Emiliana Rodriguez | All the Sick especially those who are sick in our parish community

Special Intention: Lynn | Richard Imbun

To our parishioners who would like to request for a home or hospital visit for the sick, please call the parish office on (02) 8863 8801 or email harrisparke@parracatholic.org. For mass offerings or special intentions, please use the envelopes provided at the church foyer.

MET Natural Fertility Online Information Session:

22 March at 7.30pm will focus on how couples observe their naturally occurring symptoms of fertility to space their children. Come along to learn about The Sympto-Thermal Method of Natural Family Planning. To register and receive your Zoom link, contact Catherine on catherine.bourne@parracatholic.org or call 0400 427 605.

Mt Schoenstatt 24 Hours for the Lord: 25 – 26

March. Come and spend time in 24 hours of Adoration before Our Lord and His Mother at the Mt Schoenstatt Shrine and Retreat Centre, Mulgoa. It begins Friday 25 March at 6pm with Holy Mass and a BBQ meal, concluding Saturday 26 March at 5pm with Mass. Reconciliation will be available on Friday from 7.15pm to 10pm and Saturday 4pm to 4.45pm. For more information, contact (02) 4773 8338 or visit the [Mt Schoenstatt Shrine & Retreat Centre, Mulgoa Facebook page](#).

MGL Sisters' Consecrated Life Weekend: 26-27

March. Where and how is God calling you to respond to His love? Have you taken time to listen? Here's your opportunity to come and hear the voice of Jesus, ask questions and experience prayer, talks, sisterhood and times of sharing to help you discern your vocation. For more information or to register, call (02) 9626 8382 or email mgl sisters.sydney@gmail.com

PRAYER FOR PEACE AND JUSTICE IN UKRAINE

God of peace and justice,
who change the hardened heart
and break the power of violence,
we entrust the people of Ukraine to you.

Protect them in this time of peril;
let them know not death but life,
not slavery but freedom.

You are Father of all;
we are brothers and sisters.

Give us the strength
to live that truth in love,
choosing peace not war.

Through Christ our Lord.

Amen.



Plenary Council Prayer

*Come, Holy Spirit of Pentecost.
Come, Holy Spirit of the great South Land.
O God, bless and unite all your people in Australia
and guide us on the pilgrim way of the Plenary Council.
Give us the grace to see your face in one another
and to recognise Jesus, our companion on the road.
Give us the courage to tell our stories
and to speak boldly of your truth.
Give us ears to listen humbly to each other
and a discerning heart to hear what you are saying.
Lead your Church into a hope-filled future,
that we may live the joy of the Gospel.
Through Jesus Christ our Lord,
bread for the journey from age to age.
Amen.*



Plenary Council 2020
Listen to what the Spirit is saying...

POSITIONS VACANT:

• Governance, Risk & Compliance Admin Support Coordinator – Diocese of Parramatta – Applications close 10pm Wednesday 23 March
More details at: parracatholic.org/employment

HAIL HOLY QUEEN

Hail, holy queen, mother of mercy, hail, our life, our sweetness, and our hope! To thee do we cry, poor banished children of Eve, to thee do we send up our sighs, mourning and weeping in this valley of tears. Turn, then, most gracious advocate, thine eyes of mercy toward us; and after this our exile, show unto us the blessed fruit of thy womb, Jesus; O clement, O loving, O sweet virgin Mary.
V. Pray for us, O holy Mother of God
R. That we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.
Amen.

