

Liturgy of the Word

26th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Year A • 24th/25th September

1st Reading

Ezekiel 18:25-28

Responsorial Psalm

Remember your mercies,
O Lord.

2nd Reading

Philippians 2:1-11

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

Alleluia.

Gospel

Matthew 21:28-32

Next Weeks Liturgy of the Word

Is 5:1-7; Phil 4:6-9; Mt 21:33-43

Feast Days

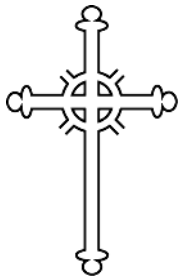
26th – Sts Cosmas & Damian

27th – St Vincent de Paul

28th – St Wenceslaus, St Laurence Ruiz & Companions

29th – St Michael, Gabriel & Raphael, Archangels

30th – St Jerome



Our Community

St Benedict's Arcadia

Our Lady of Fatima Committee would like to invite your church community to this special event commencing with a re-enactment of the story of Our Lady of Fatima, a procession of the rosary in five different languages, Mass in English followed with a light lunch and refreshments on Sunday 9th October at 1pm at Parish Church of St Benedict's on Cnr Arcadia & Fagans Roads, Arcadia.

Operations Officer – General, Catholic Development Fund

The above position is vacant, if you are interested ring Anthony Spata 9390 5317 or email anthony.spata@sydneycatholic.org.

Our Parishioners

Past and Present

Please pray for our sick

Jade Bridgett, Phillip Bates,
Virginia Monagle, Michael Watkins,
Betty Tonkin, Jean Tyrrell, Pat Peachey,
Alex Rizzo, Ron Claridge, Frank Wiggins,
Frank Galluzza & our parishioners in nursing homes.

Please pray for the deceased

RECENTLY DECEASED

May Mitchell

ANNIVERSARY

Helen McDonald & Jim Cutrone

REMEMBRANCE

Grace Palise, Mario Gagliardi,
Bede Brown, Michele Gagliardi,
Nicola Abbattista, all souls in purgatory,
and those relatives and friends listed on our commemoration board

Baptisms, Marriages and Anniversaries

Each week we will publish all Baptisms and Marriages occurring in our church, along with special Anniversaries of our Parishioners, such as 25th and 50th Wedding Anniversaries.



Deadline for Bulletin items

All information to be submitted to the Parish Office by 12 noon Thursdays

Acknowledgement of Land

We acknowledge that we share the land with the ancestors of the Wallamattagal Band, part of the Dharug people of the Eora Nation.



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Weekend Masses

5pm Saturday Vigil • 9am Sunday

Family Mass

Third Sunday of every month

Weekday Liturgies

Liturgy of the Word and Communion

9:15am Monday, Wednesday & Friday

Mass: 9:15am Tuesday & Thursday

Mass: 8am Wednesday at Holy Cross Chapel

Mass: 9.15am Wednesday & Friday and

9am on Saturday at St Charles Borromeo

Sacrament of Reconciliation

4.15pm on Saturday before the 1st Sunday

of each month and after 9am Mass on

Saturday at St Charles Borromeo.

Italian Mass

10.45am Second Sunday of each month

Baptisms

11am Third Sunday of each month

3 months notice required

Marriages

6 months notice required

Reflection **Father Paul Monkerud**

FOLLOWING JESUS: THE SEARCH FOR TRUTH

Jesus hated hypocrisy. On several occasions, he criticised religious leaders for claiming to represent God's Law officially while undermining it personally through contrary attitudes and behaviours. The purpose of the Law was to articulate the covenant or permanent relationship which God established with the people of Israel so they might realise, and in doing so witness to all humankind, that every person is created in God's image and likeness with a sacred destiny to enjoy life with God now and forever. The core principles of the Law – love of God and love of neighbour – indicated how persons were to respond to God's invitation to this dual relationship. The purpose of religion was to enlighten and encourage individuals in this relationship.

In the society of his day, in which religion and politics were deeply entwined, Jesus took issue with those who interpreted religion functionally; who emphasised rigorous execution of the externals of religion while downplaying the principles which these practices were intended to represent; who exercised religious or political office not for service but as a way of self-promotion, political opportunism, or for exerting power over others by burdening them with such guilt and fear that they were unable to experience the Law as God's invitation to love and liberation.

In the parable of the two sons, Jesus suggests that his new, fresh interpretation of the Law is likely to be more attractive to those who find little solace from the established religious interpretations and practices of the day. The son who tells his father he will work but does not, represents those who live superficially; who are concerned only with appearances: how others see them and expect them to be and act. The other son represents those who reject superficiality and pretence in search of truth; who are prepared to question and even reject established forms of wisdom and authority, sometimes forever, but often so that they might one day come to accept them personally, on their own terms. [Fr Paul]

Roster

THIS WEEK • 24/25 SEPTEMBER

5pm Vigil
 ACOLYTE P Camilleri
 1st READING M Brand
 2nd READING D Saville
 PRAYER LEADER G Rastall
 ALTAR SERVERS J Camilleri
 R Camilleri
 R Viveiros

MINISTERS OF COMMUNION
 S Camilleri, M Brand, L Greco, M Fisher

9am Sunday Mass
 ACOLYTE M Hogan
 1st READING S Salvemini
 2nd READING S Wigney
 PRAYER LEADER G Biagioni
 ALTAR SERVERS J Harvey
 T Voss
 MLattouf

MINISTERS OF COMMUNION
 C Fonti, C Mitchell, R Mitchell, A Alessi

MINISTERS TO THE SICK
 C/R Mitchell, C Fonti (A Alessi)



NEXT WEEK • 1/2 OCTOBER

5pm Vigil
 ACOLYTE P Camilleri
 1st READING T Fitzgerald
 2nd READING M Fisher
 PRAYER LEADER C Torresan
 ALTAR SERVERS R Fernandez
 E Fernandez

MINISTERS OF COMMUNION
 L Greco, A Leanza, S Virzi, G Rastall

9am Sunday Mass Family Mass
 ACOLYTE S Cincotta
 1st READING P Conaghan
 2nd READING J Payne
 PRAYER LEADER L Ashcroft
 ALTAR SERVERS T Conaghan
 P Conaghan
 A Boys

MINISTERS OF COMMUNION
 C Cincotta, M Mastro, A Grasso, A Alessi

MINISTERS TO THE SICK
 M Mastro & G Walsh

Our Parish

Social Justice Sunday

Today is Social Justice Sunday. The statement from the Australian Catholic Bishops Conference focuses on, 'Building Bridges, Not Walls: Prisons and the justice system'. "It is time for all Australians to revisit the needs of prisoners, their loved ones and those who work with them. It is time to recommit ourselves to reducing the number of Australians held in prison, making better provision for ex-prisoners to become law-abiding and constructive citizens. It is time to knock down the walls of social exclusion that increase the prospects that a person will end up in jail. Before and after jail, we need bridges, not walls." To download the full statement from ACBC go to www.socialjustice.catholic.org.au.

Fr Paul on Retreat

I will be on retreat this week. I make a personal retreat each year. It has become an essential part of my physical, intellectual and spiritual renewal, especially with the demands of two parishes. You will be in my prayers.

Congratulations to James Camilleri

We would like to offer our congratulations to James Camilleri, one of our senior altar servers, who has been elected as Vice Captain for 2012 at St Pius College Chatswood, a great honour and a tribute to his integrity and leadership qualities .

World Mission Day Appeal

Thank you for your generosity to the above appeal last weekend. So far we have received \$2724.

A Walk Through the Mass

The Mass is made up of four main parts; Introductory Rites, Liturgy of the Word, Liturgy of the Eucharist and the Concluding Rite.

Introductory Rite

The General Instruction of the Roman Missal, states the following regarding the Introductory Rites: *"Their purpose is to ensure that the faithful, who come together as one, establish communion and dispose themselves to listen properly to God's word and to celebrate the Eucharist worthily."* (GIRM #46). Our celebration begins with song, which is meant to "foster the unity of those who have been gathered,

introduce their thoughts to the mystery of the liturgical season or festivity, and accompany the procession of the priest and ministers." (GIRM #46). The ministers and priest bow before the altar, which the priest then kisses. In Christian tradition the altar is the sign of Christ. When the priest kisses the altar he points toward the prayers and actions that will be celebrated there through, which Christ will become present to us in Communion. References 'Why The Mass Matters' – Gerard Moore; GIRM.

Catholics Returning Home Program

Commencing 12th October 2011. This 6 week program assists Catholics to return to the active practice of their faith. The emphasis in the sessions is about making them feel welcome, accepted and comfortable in rejoining the faith community and practicing in its sacramental life. If you know someone who has left the church please invite them to join us. The program is being jointly presented by the parishes of St. Charles Ryde and Holy Name of Mary Hunters Hill at 3A Mary Street Hunters Hill. For more information call Phil 9808 4137 or Mike 9816 1069.

Catechist 4th Term Meeting & Lunch

Our 4th term meeting (including lunch) will be held on Wednesday 5th October in the parish centre at 1:15pm , please RSVP to Geraldine on 9817 3098. Classes for 4th term resume at Gladesville and Boronia Park Public Schools on Wednesday 5th October.

In Our Local Inter Church Cycle of Prayer

This week we give thanks and uphold in prayer the parishioners of Our Lady Queen of Peace, Gladesville.

Coles Vouchers

Coles Supermarkets are sponsoring 'Sport for Schools' if you shop at Coles please remember to collect your vouchers which can then be deposited in the marked box in the Church side porch. Last year the school was able to purchase 2 soccer goals, 6 soccer balls, 6 gymnastics mats – so if you haven't already done so, start collecting!!

Our School

Hope • Strength • Courage

Mini Maestro's Festival Success

All students from Year 6 plus the Vocal Enrichment Group performed in the annual Mini Maestro's Festival at Marist Sisters College Woolwich last Friday. The standard this year was very high with remarkable performances from other Catholic schools including Ryde, North Ryde, Denistone, Eastwood and Marsfield.

Congratulations to the very talented Vocal Enrichment Group who were awarded 1st place for the second year running.

They were very excited to receive their trophy. All students who performed in the Mini-Maestro's Festival will also receive a certificate later this week. Well done everyone!

OLQP School Website

This is a reminder about the fabulous information that you can find on our OLQP website. All the student newspapers and newsletters are available to read on-line. Recently uploaded is **Episode 3 of OLQP TV**, so go online and check it out!

<http://www.olqpgladesville.catholic.edu.au/>

Parents Promoting Resilience

What an empowering opportunity it was for all who attended the seminar with Jacqui Marquis-Conder. The 'Resilience Doughnut' showed us the areas of strength that are already working well in your child's life and gave ideas about how to use these strengths to enhance resilience further. If you didn't attend the evening but would like some more information, please email Anna Alessi on anna.alessi@olqpgladesville.catholic.edu.au and I will send you the presentation.