

Liturgy of the Word

32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Year A • 5th/6th November 2011

1st Reading

Wisdom 6:12-16

Responsorial Psalm

O God, I seek you, my soul thirsts for you, your love is finer than life

2nd Reading

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

Alleluia.

Gospel

Matthew 25:1-13

Next Weeks Liturgy of the Word

Prov 31:10-13, 19-20, 30-31; 1 Thess 5:1-6;

Mt 25:14-30

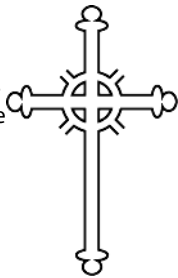
Feast Days

9th – The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica

10th – St Leo the Great

11th – St Martin of Tours

12th – St Josaphat



Our Community

A Day of Prayer & Reflection

Find out more about the Sisters of Mercy who dedicate their lives to God, serving the poor, the sick, the marginalized, the disadvantaged and those lacking education. When Sunday 20th November, where Marymount Mercy Centre, 36 David Rd, Castle Hill. See notice board for more details, flyers are also available.

The Scalabrini Village Drummoyne

Volunteer group is organising a fundraising Trash & Treasure Market. The Event is organised to help raise funds to provide special functions and extra equipment for the elderly residents of the Village. The markets will be held on Thursday, 24th Nov from 2pm, Friday 25th Nov from 10am till 3pm and Saturday 26th November from 10am till 3pm at the Scalabrini Village Drummoyne 1a Lyons Rd In the Piazza. Just follow the signs Many items for sale some new some pre-loved –eg jewellery, bags, homewares & kitchen wares. Café will be open during the markets. All Welcome & Free Entry.

Our Parishioners

Past and Present

Please pray for our sick

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

Beatrice Walker

ANNIVERSARY

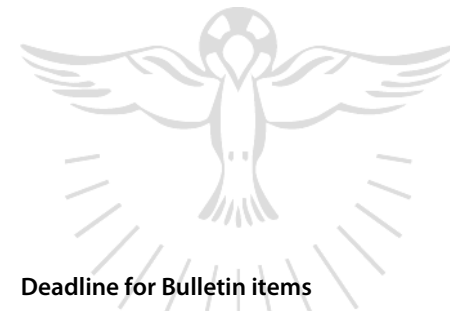
Gloria Atterton

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**

AWARENESS: THE MODERN CALL TO VIGILANCE

“End of the world” predictions are a standard go-to piece for editors on slow news days. Yet, the consummation of the world in the final coming of Christ is a core element of Catholic teaching. For Christians, the question is not whether the world will end but when!

The early Christian community for which St Matthew wrote was comprised predominantly of Jewish converts. They were familiar with an apocalyptic way of viewing the world that had become popular in Jewish literature during the previous two centuries. The book of Daniel in particular created dramatic scenes and scenarios to reassure the people of Israel suffering terrible persecution that despite appearances, God and good would crush evil and their enemies in the end, and restore them to their sacred status as God’s chosen people.

St Matthew wrote his gospel in the wake of the destruction of Jerusalem and its Temple by the Romans in 70AD. It seemed like the end of the world to the people of Israel. The few who had converted to Christianity, including Matthew, wondered whether this was a further unfolding of God’s plan to consummate the world which had begun with the resurrection of Jesus. If the second coming of Jesus was imminent, Jesus’ followers needed to be vigilant about the way they lived; to be ready when the final coming occurred. So compelling was this issue for St Matthew that he dedicated the greater part of his final three chapters about Jesus ministry to it.

Two thousand years on, Christians still wait for Jesus’ second coming. It is harder to be vigilant when the end is less imminent. The call to vigilance remains. However, perhaps it is best translated in the modern context as awareness. Vigilant Christians are aware of the “signs of the times”; of how the Spirit of God is calling them to realise Jesus’ gospel in the daily circumstances of their lives. When they respond accordingly, salvation unfolds. [Fr Paul]

Roster

THIS WEEK • 5/6 NOVEMBER

5pm Vigil
 ACOLYTE S Greco
 1st READING T Fitzgerald
 2nd READING
 PRAYER LEADER First Communion
 ALTAR SERVERS R Fernandez
 E Fernandez

MINISTERS OF COMMUNION
 L Greco, A Leanza, M Fisher, G Rastall

9am Sunday Mass
 ACOLYTE C Farrell
 1st READING J Payne
 2nd READING
 PRAYER LEADER First Communion
 ALTAR SERVERS K Bortolussi
 L Alessi

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

MINISTERS TO THE SICK
 M Mastro & G Walsh



NEXT WEEK • 12/13 NOVEMBER

5pm Vigil
 ACOLYTE P Camilleri
 1st READING R Vance
 2nd READING D Saville
 PRAYER LEADER A Kleinberg
 ALTAR SERVERS C Lopez
 K Bortolussi
 N Denton

MINISTERS OF COMMUNION
 M Fisher, S Camilleri, A Bortolussi, G Rastall

9am Sunday Mass
 ACOLYTE S Lourey
 1st READING P Conaghan
 2nd READING
 PRAYER LEADER First Communion
 ALTAR SERVERS T Conaghan
 P Conaghan

MINISTERS OF COMMUNION
 A Boys

MINISTERS TO THE SICK
 V Boys, B Mollica, A Alessi, G Biagioni

MINISTERS TO THE SICK
 B Mollica & G Biagioni (V Boys)

Our Parish

First Communion

The children will be making their First Communion this weekend at both Masses, please continue to keep them and their families in your prayers. The sacrament of First Communion will also be celebrated at the 9am Mass on Sunday 13th November.

Parish Christmas Party

This year we will be holding our parish Christmas party on Friday evening 25th November in our parish hall including the outside area if weather permits. Our menu will be a spit roast which includes 3 meats, salads and desserts. Cost is \$10 per family or \$5 per individual. Tickets are on sale at the parish office on 9817 3098 or last chance to purchase at the church on the **weekend 19th/20th November**. Everyone is welcome.

Our Prayers & Condolences

We would like to offer our prayers and condolences to the family of Beatrice Walker whose funeral was held in our church last Friday. May she rest in peace.

Month of Holy Souls

November Mass envelopes are available at the entrances to the church. Only recently deceased and anniversaries will be published in the parish bulletin. Please place the envelopes on the collection plates, do not hand them to the priest. After the offering has been received the envelopes will be placed on the sanctuary and names will be printed on our November list and placed on the noticeboard in the side porch.

First Reconciliation 2012

The sacrament of First Reconciliation will be celebrated in the parish at 5.30pm on Wednesday, 28 March 2012. Parents wishing to nominate their child for First Reconciliation must attend **one of two** Information Evenings, from 7.30pm-8.30pm, on either **Tuesday, 22 November** at Our Lady Queen of Peace Church, or **Thursday, 24 November** at St Charles Borromeo Church. The content of both Information Evenings will be identical so you may attend which ever session and venue is more suited to your needs. Children are not required to attend the Information Evenings. Please note: Nomination forms for First Reconciliation will be issued **only** at the Information Evenings. Children who

will be in Yr 3 (2012) and above are eligible to receive the sacrament. Enq: Nadia Baker 0412 669 956.

Remember in our Prayers Yr12 Students

May God bless the Yr12 students with peace of mind.

A Walk through the Mass

The Liturgy of the Word-continued
 In the readings God reveals himself to us. The Old Testament readings tell us of creation, the fall, and of God's loving preparation of a people through whom he would send to the world his only Son, the Messiah, to restore the relationship lost through the first (original sin). In the New Testament readings we hear the inspired reflections of St Paul, St Peter and other writers of the Epistles on the life and mission of Christ. The Acts of the Apostles, read particularly in the Easter Season, offers a history of the early Church, and the Book of Revelation an apocalyptic vision of the end of time and the heavenly kingdom, our final goal. The Responsorial Psalm is a reflection on the First Reading in the inspired words of the psalmist, and periods of silence after the acclamation concluding each reading offers a quiet opportunity to listen to the voice of the Holy Spirit working through God's Word. The Church tells that 'all must listen with reverence to the readings from God's Word' GIRM #29 Sr Janet Baxendale SC

National Church Life Survey

Thank you to all who participated in the National Church Life Survey last weekend. We have received Forms in Italian, Korean, Tongan, Vietnamese, Arabic & Chinese. Parishioners who were unable to complete a Survey last week because of limitations with English are able to fill out a form in their own language simply by requesting a copy from the office on 98173098.

Women's Prayer Gatherings

Sr Leone Pallisier will facilitate the next Women's Prayer gathering on **Wednesday 23 November at 9.30 am & Wednesday 7 December at 7.30pm**, in the OLQP Parish Centre, 11 Pittwater Rd, Gladesville. **Babysitting will be available at the 9.30am gathering.** We will continue to explore the significant role of women in the Gospel. For catering and babysitting purposes, please RSVP to the parish office. Enq: Nadia Baker 0412 669 956.

Our School

Hope • Strength • Courage

From the Principal

Today Mrs Mary Elliott and I attended a conference with Michael Fullan along with 300 CEO staff members. Michael Fullan is Professor Emeritus of the Ontario Institute for Studies in Education of the University of Toronto. Recognized as a worldwide authority on educational reform, Michael is engaged in advising policymakers and local leaders around the world in helping to achieve the moral purpose of all children learning.

Curriculum News

How wonderful it was to welcome our Kindergarten 2012 students for their first primary school classroom experience last Thursday! This is the beginning of the amazing formal learning journey for each child and they certainly appeared to be ready and eager to begin the adventure. We look forward to welcoming back our new kindy class as they enter an exciting new world of friendships, knowledge and new skills early next year. **Helen Butler Assistant Principal**

Public Speaking Finals

On Monday 17th October the Macquarie Cluster of Catholic Schools held their annual Public Speaking Competition at St. Therese Denistone. Our school was represented by Gemma O'Grady and Tom Voss. All competitors had to deliver a prepared speech and an impromptu speech which students had to prepare at the competition.

An Invitation to Visit Mary MacKillop Place on Friday 25th November

Anna Alessi – Family & Faith Co-ordinator has organized a visit to the museum followed with lunch. There are only 2 spots available on the bus which leaves from OLQP school at 9:15am and returns at 2:30pm. Please see noticeboard.