

2nd Sunday in Lent – YEAR A

1 March 2026

NOTES:

- All rostered liturgical ministers need to **sign-in** (Readers, Senior Server, EMHC, and Musicians) in the foyer.
- **SC only:** After mass sign-in sheet for St. Cecilia needs to be put back in the basket.
- The Presentation of the Cross, for the children in the Sacramental Program, will take place at all masses this weekend after The Homily. Ursula will read the part of the Leader and the wording can be found in the Presider's Folder. Ursula will bring the Crosses.
- Nationwide Holy Hour following 5pm Mass Sunday.

ROSTER: Week 1

	SAT 5.30	SUN 7.30	SUN 9AM	SUN 9.30	SUN 5PM
Presider	Myk	Jojo	Tony	Senan	Abel
Mass Intention				Jessimine Wilson (A)	
Welcoming			Hazel Grace Alderon		
Coordinator			Pauline Philippa		
Senior Server	David	Michael	Ilde	Michael	Kevin
EMHC	Edelvine Jenny M	Lea Anna	TBA	Titus Kaye	Christine TBA
Readers	Caterina Val Cecilia (R)	Jenny Joseph Pauline (R)	Michael H Michael C	Tania Brian Kate (R)	Gerry Caroline
Music	Parish Choir	None	PPT/Audio	Harvest	PPT/Audio
Hospitality			Philippa Pauline Caline	Beata & Family	
Laptop		Olivier			

BAPTISMS

SC 10.30am	Hazel Grace Alderson	Alexander & Courtney
SK 11.30am	Charlotte Louise Wyatt Lloyd	Benjamin & Melissa

PRESENTATIONS/WELCOMING

SC 9am	Hazel Grace Alderson	Alexander & Courtney

WELCOME TO THE ASSEMBLY

Good morning/evening, everyone. My name is _____, and I warmly welcome you to our celebration of the Eucharist on this Second Sunday of Lent – a time to deepen our faith and renew our commitment to follow Christ.

We also welcome the children and their families who are preparing for First Reconciliation.

In today's Gospel, we hear the story of the Transfiguration, where Jesus reveals His glory to Peter, James, and John. May this celebration strengthen us to listen to Him and walk with hope on our Lenten journey.

Before we begin, we acknowledge the Traditional Custodians of this land and their enduring connection to its lands and waterways. We pay our respects to Elders past and present, and extend that respect to all First Nations people in our community.

As we begin our celebration, I now invite you to stand, warmly greet those around you, and join wholeheartedly in singing our Entrance Hymn.

(pause)

And now, let us welcome our presider for this Mass, Father _____.

Sat 5.30pm Fr Michael

Sun 7.30am Fr Jojo

Sun 9am Fr Tony

Sun 9.30am Fr Senan

Sun 5pm Fr Abel

PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL

PRESIDER Gathered on this holy mountain of prayer, let us turn to the Father who calls us out of darkness and into His wonderful light. As we journey through this Lenten season, we offer our petitions for the Church and the world.

RESPONSE **Lord, hear our prayer.**

For the Holy Church: That like our father in faith, Abraham, she may have the courage to go forth whenever the Lord calls, trusting in His promises and becoming a blessing to all the nations of the earth. **Lord, hear us! R.**

For our Holy Father, Bishops, and Priests: That as they lead us through this Lenten "wilderness," they may be strengthened by the vision of the Transfigured Christ and be renewed in their mission to preach the Gospel of life. **Lord, hear us! R.**

For Government Leaders: That they may work to transfigure our society into one of justice and peace, removing the "shackles of oppression" and protecting the dignity of every human person from conception to natural death. **Lord, hear us! R.**

For those Enduring Hardship: Inspired by St. Paul's exhortation to Timothy, may those suffering for the sake of the Gospel or facing trials of illness, poverty, or grief be given the strength that comes from God to bear their cross with hope. **Lord, hear us! R.**

For our Parish Community: That during this Lent, we may "listen to Him," the Beloved Son, in the silence of our hearts, and that our faces may reflect the light of Christ to those we encounter in our daily lives. **Lord, hear us! R.**

For the Faithful Departed: That those who have died in the present wars and through captivity find life in God. We remember those who have died recently: **Thomas Vu Dang Quoc Bao, Antoni Szczur, Denis McKeogh, Daniel Pedro Firme, Noel Brown,** and those whose anniversaries occur: **Carmelo De Lorenzo, Jessimine Wilson, Niko Seput** Let us pray! **R.**

PRESIDER Heavenly Father, You revealed Your Son's glory to the disciples to strengthen them for the way of the Cross. Hear the prayers of Your people and grant us the grace to follow Him faithfully until we reach the joy of Your kingdom. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Nationwide Holy Hour

On Sunday 1 March, the blessed Sacrament will be exposed after St Kieran's 5pm mass for the Nationwide Holy Hour. Please join us as we pray before Jesus as a country.

Stations of the Cross

Stations of the cross will be held 7.30pm on Fridays during Lent at St Kieran's. Join us for this time of prayer and reflection on the Passion and Death of Jesus.

Lenten Reflection booklet

You are invited to take a Lenten reflection booklet from the church foyer to support your prayer and reflection throughout this Lenten season.

Mass of the Anointing of the Sick

Mass of the anointing of the sick will be held on Wednesday 4 March 10am at St Kieran's church followed by morning tea. All are welcome.

Northern Beaches Justice and Peace Gathering

Join us for our first NORTHERN BEACHES JUSTICE AND PEACE GATHERING on Monday 2nd March, 7pm in St Kieran's Parish Centre. We are thrilled to welcome Michaelle Chahine, the Justice and Peace Facilitator for the Diocese of Broken Bay. This is a wonderful opportunity to meet other social justice groups and volunteers, share what's happening in local parishes, listen, reflect, and be encouraged as we explore ways to support one another.

International Women's Day

Join us for the International Women's day morning tea with inspiring guest speakers on Sunday March 8th 10.15am. This year's theme, "Balance the Scales " invites us to reflect on dignity, safety, respectful relationships and practical ways we can support women in our community. Come for a cuppa, stay for conversation, connection, and a shared commitment to positive change.

World day of prayer

All are welcome to gather for the World Day of Prayer 10am Friday, 6th March at St Mary's Manly Parish Hall. The theme is "I Will Give You Rest: Come. Join us as we pray united as one church."

Sunday Readings

Feel free to scan the QR code to access the Sunday readings and reflections on the front page of the bulletin. Meditating on the readings can help us recognize and hear God's voice.

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First Reading

[Genesis 12:1-4](#)

A reading from the book of Genesis

The call of Abraham, the father of God's people.

The Lord said to Abram, 'Leave your country, your family and your father's house, for the land I will show you. I will make you a great nation; I will bless you and make your name so famous that it will be used as a blessing.

'I will bless those who bless you:
I will curse those who slight you.
All the tribes of the earth
shall bless themselves by you.'

So Abram went as the Lord told him.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Responsorial Psalm

[Ps 32:4-5. 18-20. 22. R. v.22](#)

(R.) Lord, let your mercy be on us, as we place our trust in you.

1. The word of the Lord is faithful
and all his works to be trusted.
The Lord loves justice and right
and fills the earth with his love. *(R.)*
2. The Lord looks on those who revere him,
on those who hope in his love,
to rescue their souls from death,
to keep them alive in famine. *(R.)*
3. Our soul is waiting for the Lord.
The Lord is our help and our shield.
May your love be upon us, O Lord,
as we place all our hope in you. *(R.)*

Second Reading

[2 Timothy 1:8-10](#)

A reading from the second letter of St Paul to Timothy

God has saved us, and called us to be holy.

With me, bear the hardships for the sake of the Good News, relying on the power of God who has saved us and called us to be holy – not because of anything we ourselves have done but for his own purpose and by his own grace. This grace had already been granted to us, in Christ Jesus, before the beginning of time, but it has only been revealed by the Appearing of our saviour Christ Jesus. He abolished death, and he has proclaimed life and immortality through the Good News.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation

[Matthew 17:5](#)

Glory and praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ!
From the shining cloud the Father's voice is heard:
this is my beloved Son, hear him.
Glory and praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ!

Gospel

[Matthew 17:1-9](#)

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew

His face shone like the sun.

Jesus took with him Peter and James and his brother John and led them up a high mountain where they could be alone. There in their presence he was transfigured; his face shone like the sun and his clothes became as white as the light. Suddenly Moses and Elijah appeared to them; they were talking with him. Then Peter spoke to Jesus. 'Lord,' he said 'it is wonderful for us to be here; if you wish, I will make three tents here, one for you, one for Moses and one for Elijah.' He was still speaking when suddenly a bright cloud covered them with shadow, and from the cloud there came a voice which said, 'This is my Son, the Beloved; he enjoys my favour. Listen to him.' When they heard this, the disciples fell on their faces, overcome with fear. But Jesus came up and touched them. 'Stand up,' he said 'do not be afraid.' And when they raised their eyes they saw no one but only Jesus.

As they came down from the mountain Jesus gave them this order. 'Tell no one about the vision until the Son of Man has risen from the dead.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Next week's roster (2nd Sunday of the month)

Roster week 2

	SAT 5.30	SUN 7.30	SUN 9AM	SUN 9.30	SUN 5PM
Coordinator			Gabrielle Maria		
Senior Server	Louise	Michael	Ilde/Eva	Catherine	Stephen
EMHC	Elizabeth-Anne Jo	Paul Elsie	TBA	Joseph Kathryn	Carol Geraldine
Readers	Edelvine Bob John (R)	Pauline Olivier Jenny (R)	Maria Larissa Gabrielle	Sol Terry Tania (R)	Sacha/Amy or Youth
Music	TBA	None	TBA	TBA	Amelia/Youth
Hospitality				Linda Josephine	
Laptop		Lea			