

The Catholic Community of North Harbour



IN THE CARE OF THE AUGUSTINIANS



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26th Sunday

in Ordinary Time

Year C—25 Sept 2022

PASTOR'S PERSPECTIVE – *Building the future with migrants and refugees!*



Dear Friends,

The World Day of Migrants and Refugees, instituted in 1914 by Pope Pius X, is celebrated annually on the last Sunday in September. This year, we seek to meet the challenge of Pope Francis' Message for the **108th World Day of Migrants and Refugees 2022** around the theme: **'Building the future with migrants and refugees'**. Each year on this day, the Church reminds us of our obligations in justice and love to look out for those who flee oppressive regimes.

Migrants and refugees can be an emotive issue, socially and politically divisive as well, yet as Church we need to persevere in seeking a compassionate consensus and accountability from our elected representatives. Governments bear responsibility for maintaining our borders and ensuring national security but sometimes they adopt a very hard line which is less than humane towards those being trafficked or fleeing. Some soften their stance when there is a shortage of skilled workers in our economy.

In his 1,200-word message this year, Pope Francis describes the presence of migrants and refugees as both 'a great challenge' and 'an immense opportunity.' While our interest is not primarily on Catholic migrants and refugees, the reality is that they can and do energize the ecclesial life of the communities that welcome them. The Pope observes that, 'Sharing different expressions of faith and devotions offers us a privileged opportunity for experiencing more fully the catholicity of the People of God.'

Chairman of the Bishops Commission for Evangelisation, Laity and Ministry, Archbishop Christopher Prowse, endorsed the Pope's message that, 'Migrants and refugees, too often on the peripheries of life, are never to be seen as "invaders or destroyers". They are always "a source of enrichment".' He pointed out how, 'In Australia, a country built on migrants and refugees, we can still overlook the newer Australians to our midst.' I recall the willingness of the Australian community to accept Syrian refugees 8 years or so ago and I sense that few would object to our reaching out to refugees from the Ukraine at the moment.

While our responses need to be carefully discerned, Jesus is very clear in the Gospel: 'Come, you who are blessed by my Father. Inherit the Kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world. For I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me a drink, a stranger and you welcomed me, naked and you clothed me, sick and you took care of me, in prison and you visited me' (Mt 25:34-36). Pope Francis has shared a prayer:

Lord, make us bearers of hope, so that where there is darkness, your light may shine, and where there is discouragement, confidence in the future may be reborn.

Lord, make us instruments of your justice, so that where there is exclusion, fraternity may flourish, and where there is greed, a spirit of sharing may grow.

Lord, make us builders of your Kingdom, together with migrants and refugees and with all who dwell on the peripheries.

Lord, let us learn how beautiful it is to live together as brothers and sisters. Amen.



Fr Dave

This weekend's Homily will be by Fr Abel and available to view via the following link
<https://www.youtube.com/channel/Uct8Dxm0ehFt-5r1ie9xOjLw>

Link on Parish Facebook page: <https://www.facebook.com/NorthHarbourCatholic>

We all have some “knots” in our lives... and Mary can untie them!



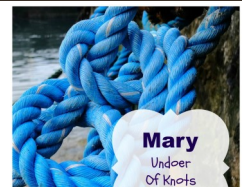
The devotion to Mary, Undoer of Knots has become more popular ever since Pope Francis encouraged the devotion in Argentina, and then spoke about it during his first year as pontiff.

The theology of the devotion actually goes back to the second century. Saint Irenaeus wrote that, “The knot of Eve’s disobedience was untied by the obedience of Mary; what the virgin Eve bound by her unbelief, the Virgin Mary loosened by her faith.”

Mary’s faith unties the knot of sin!

The Diocesan Office for Safeguarding places a special devotion to Mary Undoer of Knots. Her feast day is celebrated Tuesday **28 September**.

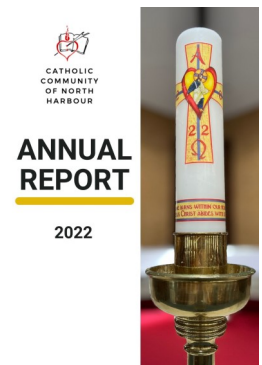
Read more at: <https://www.praymorenovenas.com/mary-undoer-knots-novena>



PARISH ANNUAL REPORT

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2022.**

Our Parish Annual Report is available this weekend and a short video containing highlights and information on the past year’s activities will be shown at each Mass. Some hard copies are available in our churches. On Monday, the Report will be emailed to parishioners, along with the video link. Feedback on the different reports is most welcome. Please direct your comments to a PPC member or the Parish Office.



MESSAGE FROM THE DIOCESE

We pray that migrants and refugees will continue to be a source of enrichment for our Church, for our nation and for our Diocese, bringing their unique culture and gifts, and energising the ecclesial life of our faith community.

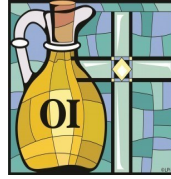
We also pray for those currently on the difficult journey, that they might find safety, refuge, and comfort, and that the Church will open her arms to support and welcome them, following in the example of Jesus Christ. Since 1914, the Catholic Church has celebrated the World Day of Migrants and Refugees, expressing concern for different vulnerable people on the move and raising awareness about the opportunities offered by migration. This Sunday, September 25, we will gather with the rest of the faithful around the world to commemorate the wonderful contribution migrants and refugees have made to the life of both our Church and nation.

In May, His Holiness Pope Francis stressed the importance of building the future with migrants and refugees, recognising how each of them can contribute to the process of construction.



Readings for this week: Amos 6:1, 4-7 Timothy 6:11-16 Luke 16:19-31
Response: Praise the Lord, my soul!
Readings for next week: Habakkuk 1:2-3, 2:2-4 Timothy 1:6-8, 13-14 Luke 17:5-10
NEXT WEEK'S READERS (Roster week 1):
SK 5.30pm Bob, John, Cecilia **7.30am** Andrew, Jenny **9.30am** Brian C, Kate
6.00pm Louise, Catherine **SC 9.00am** Louise, Ailis, Julien

Anointing Mass 10am @
SK Wednesday Sept 28 followed by
morning tea in parish centre



PARISH YOUTH MASS – Thank you!
 Next Youth Mass will be on
Sunday 13 November at 6pm.



**PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL
 NOMINATIONS 2022-2024**

Thank you to those parishioners who have submitted nominations for membership of our PPC. You will be contacted very soon about the next step in the process.



**Our Baptism of Young
 Children Program**

(for children aged 7 – 11 years)
 will commence on Sunday 16
 October 2022 after the 9.30am
 Mass at St Kieran's.



Please contact Janette on
 0408 866 521 or at
sacraments@northharbourcatholic.org.au for
 program details, dates and further information.

Altar Servers

Children who have made their First Communion might like to become an altar server. Servers assist at the Mass and training is provided. Please contact Janette if you would like to know more about Servers at sacraments@northharbourcatholic.org.au or on 0408 866 521



PARISH FINANCE COMMITTEE

Our PFC needs a couple of new members in preparation for the coming year. Helpful skills include experience in finance, project management, small business, etc. Please contact Fr Dave for more details.



WINE AND CHEESE INFORMATION EVENING RESCHEDULED

Due to the declared public holiday our Wine and Cheese has been rescheduled to Thursday 13 October at 7.00pm in the Parish Centre

Are you or someone you know interested in joining the Catholic Church?

Have you been away, and want to come back to the church and not sure how?

Do you have a family member or friend who would like to know more about the Catholic faith?

Were you baptized but did not receive First Communion or Confirmation?

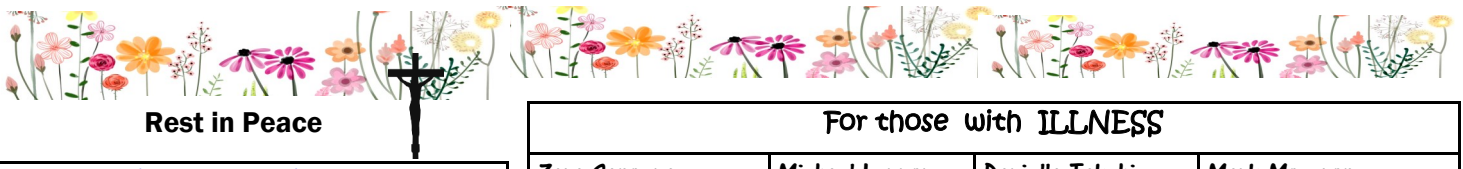


The **Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA)** is the Catholic Church's way of welcoming new members and those interested in the Catholic faith and practice.

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Rest in Peace

ANNIVERSARIES	
Vincenzo Mandile	Denny Fogarty
John Holden	
RECENTLY DECEASED	
Queen Elizabeth II	Arthur Fairall
Vanja Basic	Marjorie Kelly
Terry Brennan	Elizabetta Sganzweka
Barbara Vickers	Betty Flowers
Krystyna Bojko	Ray Kirby


For those with ILLNESS			
Zara Sapounas	Michael Lennon	Daniella Takchi	Mark Moscrop
Yvonne Taylor	Jenny B	Muireann Casey	Vince Jewell
Ed Burchard	Joan Killick	Simone Young	Bob McEwan
Christopher Newman	Maria Kogovsek	Yvonne Hickey	Henryk Gawecki
Richard Paul Reynolds	Margaret Appleby	Joan Kelly	Peter Van de Velde
Chloe Zarb	Andrew Scotland	Bridie Lennon	Jan Van de Velde
Shirley Barker	Angie Olic	Sue Colwell	



From St Augustine

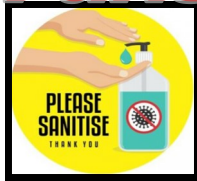
Lord, I have seen Christ the Bridegroom. Let no one now lure me away from among the members of Your Bride. Be not my Head if I fail to be among her members.

Commentary on Psalm 147, 18

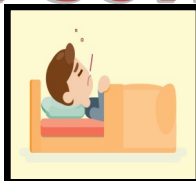


SICK CALLS AND OTHER URGENT MATTERS
IF YOU NEED A PRIEST URGENTLY, PLEASE CALL THE APPROPRIATE NUMBER:
 Business hours – Parish Office – 9949 4455 After hours (Evenings and weekends) – 0490 898 464

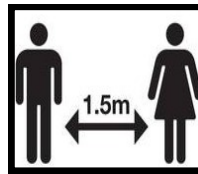
Parish Covid-Safe Plan



Use hand sanitiser



Do not attend if unwell



Maintain social distancing



Catch up outside at a safe distance



CATHOLIC COMMUNITY OF NORTH HARBOUR

REGULAR PARISH MASS TIMES

St Cecilia's, Balgowlah
SUNDAY 9.00AM
WEDNESDAY 9.00AM
St Kieran's, Manly Vale
SATURDAY VIGIL 5.30pm
SUNDAY 7.30am, 9.30am & 6.00pm
Weekdays 8.30am except Wednesdays
St Augustine's Chapel, Brookvale
 Wednesdays 8.10am during term time



RECONCILIATION

St Kieran 5 – 5.45pm Saturday or by appointment.

BAPTISMS

St Cecilia 10.30am Sun. by appointment
 9.00am Mass on 1st Sundays of the month
St Kieran 11.30am Sun. by appointment
 9.30am Mass on 1st Sundays of the month

Baptism preparation is required for 1st baptisms.
 Contact parish office 9949 4455

MARRIAGES

Require 6 months notice and include Pre-marriage

Fr David Austin OSA Parish Priest 0419 265 317
 Fr Paul Maloney OSA Assistant Priest and Prior 0439 595 723
 Fr John Sullivan OSA Assistant Priest and Prior 0423 634 029
 Fr Jepser Bermudez Assistant Priest 0410 203 601
 Fr Senan Ward OSA Chaplain – St Augustine's College
 Fr Abel van der Veer OSA Retired 0409 368 449
 Fr Peter Jones OSA Provincial—In Residence

Jacky Worthington Parish Manager 9949 4455
 Marianne Deveza Music Co-ordinator 9949 4455
 Ursula Halloway Catechist Coordinator 9949 4455
 Janette Davidson Sacramental Coordinator 0408 866 521
 Anne Ross Parish Secretary 9949 4455
 Jane Filacuridi Parish Secretary 9949 4455

We acknowledge the Gayamagal and Canagal people, the traditional custodians of this land and pay our respects to the elders past, present and emerging.