

# The Catholic Community of North Harbour



IN THE CARE OF THE AUGUSTINIANS



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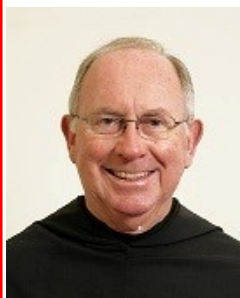


33rd Sunday

in Ordinary Time

Year C—13 Nov 2022

## Pastors Perspective - 'Saints of the Augustinian Order - a Gift Shared!'



Dear Friends,

Each year on 13 November, the Augustinians celebrate the **Feast of All Saints of the Order**. Familiar names include Augustine, Monica, Rita of Cascia, Nicholas of Tolentine, Thomas of Villanova and many others. What we often forget are the lesser known saints and blessed who died for their Faith and are numbered among the Church's martyrs.

In 2004, I had the good fortune to attend an Intermediate General Chapter of the Order at El Escorial, the royal palace monastery near Madrid, Spain. Our accommodation and meeting facilities were across the plaza at the University of Maria Christina and I recall each night looking across the courtyard at the magnificent, illuminated dome of the Basilica.

Once the residence of King Philip II of Spain, the building houses religious communities of Augustinians who provide education for young people and other ministries. Little did I realise the significant drama that affected those Augustinians during the Spanish Civil War which began in 1936, less than 100 years ago. The day after the war began, armed guards took up their posts at the doors of the palace. Once it was clear that the Augustinians would be taken prisoner, the Prior organised a farewell feast the night before their departure – perhaps an appropriate *'Augustinian Way'* of preparing for martyrdom!



In all, five groups of Spanish Augustinians totalling 180 friars were martyred during the Civil War – their offence, being a priest or religious, loyal to the Christian Faith! The 65 members of the Escorial Communities and 33 other Augustinians were executed and are among the 498 Spanish Martyrs who were beatified - officially called *'Blessed'* - by Pope Benedict XVI on 28 October 2007.

While not all those declared *saint* or *blessed* are martyrs, another group, the Martyrs of Japan, included hundreds of Augustinians – religious, priests, catechists and laity – from Spain, Portugal, Mexico and Japan. This persecution occurred during the period 1617-1637. The group reflects the close collaboration in ministry and community that existed even then

between Augustinians and laity, a relationship within the Church promoted by Vatican II and reflective of our equal dignity through our shared Baptism.

This is the strength of the Body of Christ as we are united with the Saints and Mary Mother of Jesus, herself the focus of Augustinian devotion under 6 titles that together reflect the total engagement of our God with us through Jesus' embracing fully our humanness:

***Mother of Grace OR Lady of Grace***

***Our Lady of Good Counsel***

***Our Lady of Perpetual Help***

***Our Mother of Consolation***

***Our Lady of Help***

***Our Lady of Childbirth or Motherhood***

At this time, let us not forget our *'family saints'* – a popular theme of mine, I know. We are a *'remembering'* people and *'memory makes present'*. November is a wonderful time to *'remember'* our story and *'make present'* all those who have been part of our journey of Faith.

*Fr Dave*



This weekend's Homily will be by **Fr JOHN** 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>

### PARISH YOUTH MASS – this Sunday 13 November at 6.00pm

North Harbour Catholic Community invites **ALL** parishioners, youth and families from St Kieran's, St Cecilia's, St Augustine's, Stella Maris, St Paul's and other local schools to a Youth Mass at St Kieran's Church on **this Sunday 13th November at 6pm**. This will be followed by a sausage sizzle allowing young people and families time to interact on a casual basis. This will be our final Youth Mass for the year, so don't miss it!!



**Beautiful Christmas Nativity cards @ the Parish Piety Shop \$5 per pack of 8 cards**

#### AFA RAFFLE FOR THE CHRISTMAS DINNER ON 19 NOVEMBER

**This weekend 12th /13th after ALL MASSES @ SK -**

**AFA RAFFLE TICKETS will be selling @ \$10 each ticket**

**1st Prize \$1000 Cash plus many more fabulous prize- Raffle will be drawn AFA**

**Christmas Dinner Night - You don't need to be in attendance to Win!! All monies raised go towards helping & supporting the Seminarians**

#### WE ARE STILL COLLECTING DONATIONS

such as - Scratchies, Gift cards, Scented Candles, Bottles of Wine/Champagne/Spirits, small electrical goods, appliances, Holiday House Stays Restaurant Vouchers, Facial,/Manicure/ Pedicure Vouchers, Chocolates, Beauty Products

**ALL DONATIONS CAN BE LEFT AT THE PARISH OFFICE before NOVEMBER 4 or CALL ADRIANA 0402 099 746**

### ★ ★ ★ ★ ★ TIME TO CREATE ADVENT CHEER IN OUR PARISH... ★ ★ ★ ★ ★ CALLING ALL WILLING AND CREATIVE HANDS

With only 13 days to Advent we are calling for all willing and creative hands to take a short time to help at St Kierans: **\*\*Create and set up ADVENT WREATH** on Fri 25<sup>th</sup> or Sat 26<sup>th</sup> November (candles will be provided and costs of the wreath will be covered).

**\*\*Hanging ADVENT BANNERS** in the Church sanctuary on the Fri 25<sup>th</sup> or Sat 26<sup>th</sup> November, and **\*\*CHRISTMAS BANNERS** in the Church sanctuary on Fri 23rd or Sat 24<sup>th</sup> December.

You will be shown how it's done and no climbing of ladders required.

**\*\* Two or three people (a great opportunity for a family) to set up the CHRISTMAS CRIB and CHRISTMAS TREE** in the Church on the Fri 16<sup>th</sup> or Sat 17<sup>th</sup> December. Guiding hands to help show where everything is and to be set up.

**\* Parent Helpers for CHILDREN'S NATIVITY PLAY** at 5.30pm for Christmas Eve Mass (No rehearsal needed) **PLEASE LET THE OFFICE KNOW AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.** ★

#### Invitation for all AFA Members & Friends to an Advent Recollection

**Theme:** Advent Journey

**Mass President:** Fr Jepser

**Date:** Saturday 26 Nov

@ St Kieran's Parish Centre

9am - 9:30 Session One  
9:30 - 10 Small Group Sharing  
10 -10:30 Morning Tea  
10:30- 11:00 Session Two  
11 - 11:30 Small Group Sharing  
11:30 -11:45 Break/Preparation for Mass  
11:45 - 12:30pm Mass  
Please contact Adriana on 0402 099 746 or [albowyer@bigpond.com](mailto:albowyer@bigpond.com) or the Parish Office on 9949 4455 to book your spot.

#### AUGUSTINIAN APPOINTMENTS 2023

By now, all will be familiar with Augustinian appointments that affect North Harbour and other Sydney communities – lists are on the noticeboards in both churches. North Harbour's new Parish Priest **Fr Michael Belonio OSA** (pictured) will be on sabbatical during the first half of 2023 and **Fr Paul Maloney** will be Acting Parish Priest during that time. **Fr Jumbim Torres OSA** from the Province of the Philippines will arrive in Australia in a couple of weeks time and join the ManlyVale Community; he will be part of the Parish Team in 2023.



#### INVITATION TO 2022 PARISH CATECHIST CHRISTMAS MASS

*for all Past and Present Catechists.*

**12:00pm 21st November in St Kieran's Church**

*Followed by a lunch in The Parish Centre afterwards.*

**RSVP IS ESSENTIAL.**

*Please rsvp to Ursula Halloway*

*0423 595 204*

#### WHAT'S ON in OUR PARISH

**Oct 26 - Nov 16 :** Fr John's Class 'Reading St Paul'

**Nov 13 :** 6pm YOUTH MASS

**Nov 19 :** AFA Christmas Dinner Wakehurst Golf Club

**Nov 20 -** SK 9.30 Mass Welcome Kindy 2023

**Nov 21 -** Catechist Christmas Mass & Lunch

**Nov 22 -** Feast of St Cecilia Mass @ SC 9.15

**Nov 25 :** St Kieran's PLAYGROUP 8.45 –10.30am

**Nov 26 :** AFA ADVENT RECOLLECTION

**Nov 27–** SC 9am Mass - Welcome Kindy 2023

#### 70<sup>th</sup> ANNIVERSARY PRAYER CARD Please collect one!

Copies of the special Anniversary Prayer Card, containing an adapted version of our Parish Prayer, photos of the original and new churches and the Parish Vision Statement are still available. Please collect a card from our churches or the Parish Centre.

**Readings for this week: Malachi 3:19-20**

**Thessalonians 3:7-12**

**Luke 21:5-19**

**Response:**

*The Lord comes to rule the earth with justice*

**Readings for next week: 2 Samuel 5:1-3**

**Colossians 1:12-20**

**Luke 23:35-43**

**NEXT WEEK'S READERS (Roster week 3):**

**SK 5.30pm** Rick, Elizabeth-Ann **7.30am** Jenny, Andrew **9.30am** Cathie, Dale **6.00pm** Jo, Rodney

**SC 9.00am** Stephen, Clare, Hilde, Res: Kerry



**70TH  
CELEBRATIONS !!**



**70<sup>th</sup> ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATIONS – THANK YOU!!**

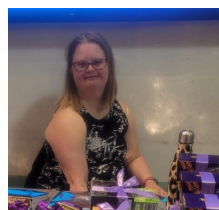
The 70<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the establishment of the Parish of Manly Vale in 1952 was celebrated last weekend, and what a celebrations it was. Saturday's Bingo was a spirited affair led by caller Lea Joris and challenged the concentration of those present – a fun night all round. The Anniversary was celebrated at all liturgies, the highlight being the Mass at 9.30am which was full of life and energy. The music added much to the celebration and we thank the large group of Parish musicians and singers who came together specially for the occasion under the leadership of Kevin Mascarenhas who wrote additional verses for a couple of the hymns to commemorate the 70<sup>th</sup> anniversary. Thanks to our priests and liturgical ministers who enhanced the occasion.

Unfortunately, Provincial Fr Peter Jones OSA was unable to attend and give the homily but a special, congratulatory message from Fr Peter was incorporated into an excellent, commemorative video prepared by Ed Coney and Jacky Worthington. The video included historical film footage of the Opening of the new Church in 1968, along with interviews with current parishioners and other material. Interestingly, the video included some familiar faces of those present at the 70<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Mass! During the morning tea, a lengthy PowerPoint and a video of a Mass screened by the ABC in the 1980s were part of the entertainment. Thanks to all who provided and prepared this material.

Our appeal for volunteers brought a generous response across the weekend – arranging

tables and chairs for bingo and then resetting for morning tea, putting up decorations and photos, serving tea & coffee on Sunday, cleaning up and washing up, and putting away furniture at the end. A big thank you to all of our volunteers, Parish staff, our caterer, and to the organising committee who worked so hard to put plans for the 70<sup>th</sup> Celebrations in place.

**What a great weekend for our Parish Community of North Harbour – well done everyone!**





Rest in Peace



**ANNIVERSARIES**

Zita (Timmy) Neil  
Sidney Robinson  
Rocco Panetta

Agnes Ward  
Veronica Lange  
Giuseppina Lombardo

**RECENTLY DECEASED**

Paul Landrigan	

**FUNERALS @ SK**

Nov 15 10.30am MARGARET ARMSTRONG

**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	Yvonne Richardson	

**From St Augustine**

*Lord, my God, how great You are, and yet You make Your home in the humble of heart! It is You Who lift up the downtrodden, and You are their grandeur.*

**Confessions 11, 31**



**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

2023 DAILY MASS BOOK



**2023 Daily Mass Books available @ the parish office \$25 each ..... EFTPOS available**



**FOUND MY PEACE** is the new single by Kevin Mascarenhas - listen to it on your favourite streaming service <https://harmonesque.com>

**ADVENT NATIVITY CALENDARS \$ 8.95**



@ Parish Piety Shop

**PARISH 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 Canalgal people, the traditional custodians of this land and pay our respects to the elders past, present and emerging.*