HORNSBY CATHEDRAL PARISH

Parish Newsletter

25 April 2021







FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER YEAR B

Pope Francis' Prayer Intention for April **Fundamental Rights**

We pray for those who risk their lives while fighting for fundamental rights

under dictatorships, authoritarian regimes and even in democracies in crisis.

Vox Populi - The Voice of the People

This week's Vox Populi comes from Danny Casey. Director, Catholic Schools Broken Bay. Mr Casey is an active member of St Agatha's Parish, Pennant Hills, and is known by many from his role as Chief Executive Officer for the 23rd World Youth Day held in Sydney in



First Reading Acts 4:8-12

Responsorial Psalm Ps117:1,8-9,21-23,26,28-29 R.v.22

Second Reading Jn 3:1-2

Gospel Acclamation

Gospel

Jn 10:14

Jn 10:11-18

ANZAC DAY 2021

"They shall grow not old, as we that are left grow old; Age shall not weary them, nor the years condemn. We will remember them."



My dear Parishioners,

The 4thSunday of Easter, is known as Good Shepherd Sunday, it is also the World Day of Prayer for Vocations. An invitation to make the conscious efforts to pray for vocations to the Priesthood, the Diaconate, Consecrated and Religious life, so that we may be blessed with good faithful and committed shepherds. It is also an invitation to pray for families, it is there that the first seeds of vocation are sown, nurtured, and allowed to flourish and grow. May I request to pray for vocations that many of our young men may respond to God's call to serve His Church in the Ministerial Priesthood, share a moment of prayer also for your Priest that minister to you in various ways, and those gone to God after years of toil.

For us in Australia it is ANZAC day too, a National Day of Remembrance in Australia and New Zealand that broadly commemorates all Australians and New Zealanders "who served and died in all wars, conflicts, and peacekeeping operations" and "the contribution and suffering of all those who have served" (From Wikipedia, the free encyclopedia). In being good shepherds, we are called to care for the sheep entrusted to our care, our ex-service men and women and their families, need our care too, are we there to support them on this journey of shepherding? With prayerful wishes Fr Peter D

FROM OUR VOCATIONS OFFICE—GOOD SHEPHERD SUNDAY

World Day of Prayer for Vocations, Good Shepherd Sunday.

Today the Church throughout the world prays for vocations. Will you make a special effort to ask the Lord for more vocations to the priesthood and religious life?

- Pray for the priests who have ministered to you throughout your life, both living and dead.
- Keep our parish priests in your prayers throughout the week.
- Encourage your children, grandchildren, or other young people to consider a vocation as a priest or religious brother or sister.

Pray a rosary for more young men and women in our diocese to respond to God's call.

Does a life of joy in knowing you are following the Lord as a priest, deacon or in the consecrated life inspire you? Contact the Vocations Office at 0418 522 449 or email: vocations.ministry@bbcatholic.org.au

Welcome to Pia Nam Our new Parish Administrative Assistant, as Pia takes on this role, on behalf of the Parish Community, I welcome her to the office, and I am sure you will make Pia feel welcome too.

Prayerful wishes to our Sacramental team on their journey in preparing Young ones and their Families, for the Sacrament of Confirmation, I encourage you to support the families, in prayer, as well as your persons, talk to our team if you can be of any help.





Welcome to be on our Rosters:

For those who wish to be on the Rosters for assisting at various points of celebrations of the Mass, could you please contact the office, with your names and telephone numbers, and if you have a preference for a particular Mass or you are happy to rotate as per need. This weekend of the 24/25th April, 2021 members from the liturgy committee will be outside at every Mass also taking down your names for the same

We are looking for Adult servers/Junior Servers/Extra ordinary Ministers of Holy communion/Readers/ AV operators/ and other ways one can offer.

Welcome to Ministry at Hornsby Hospital:

Hornsby Hospital is happy to welcome back all those who were in ministry before COVID19, if you were on the team, could you please call or email the office with your details, this is also an opportunity for new members to come onboard, we are happy to support you with the initial training and induction to the same.

<u>Thanks to the "Shed":</u> for a face lift of our wooden seat, that seats outside the Cathedral, and well used during the day both for prayer and just for a seat.

CHARITABLE WORKS FUND—MAY APPEAL

Please note that our last CWF appeal for this financial year takes place on 8/9 May 2021



<u>April 22 - International Mother Earth Day 2021 - theme</u> <u>"Restore Our Earth"</u>

Mother Earth is clearly urging a call to action. Nature is suffering. Oceans are filling with plastic and turning more acidic. Extreme heat, wildfires and floods, as well as record breaking Atlantic hurricane season, have affected millions of people.

Climate change, man-made changes to nature as well as crimes that disrupt biodiversity, such as deforestation, landuse change, intensified agriculture and livestock production or the growing illegal wildlife trade can increase contact and the transmission of infectious diseases from animals to humans, like COVID-19.

See more: https://www.un.org/en/observances/earth-day

The UN Campaign for Individual action.

COVID-19 has upended our lives. The way we work, the way we interact, the way we move about. This can be a turning point. Let's seize the moment, and change course - toward a more sustainable lifestyles.

ActNow is the United Nations campaign for individual action on climate change and sustainability.

See: https://www.un.org/en/actnow

May I ask you to pray for those who are sick, those who are struck with the virus, those tested positive, those in isolation, and those vaccinated for COVID-19 in your special prayers.

We remember those who died recently – Mario Mendezona • Cardinal Edward Cassidy • Caterina Vieira • Esmeralda Rosario • Jill Lenehan • Patrick Greene • Enid Lander

Anniversaries – Jason Brown ● Bella Vivo

MASS SCHEDULE

from 27 January 2021 until further notice

Public Health Orders, NSW regarding places of worship: Everyone *attending* the service are required to <u>sign in using QR Code</u>, and <u>face masks are recommended</u>.

Weekday Mass Schedule

OLOR Cathedral:

Mon to Sat 7:00 am Fri 7:00 am and 9:30 am (until further notice).

Queen of Peace Church:

Tue, Thu *, Fri 8:45 am Sat 7:30 am

* Cenacle Prayer immediately follows. All are welcome.

Korean Mass

Tue, Thu 7:30 pm Wed, Fri 10:00 am

Weekend Mass Schedule

OLOR Cathedral:

Saturday 5:00 pm Vigil Sunday 9:30 am, 6:00 pm

Filipino Mass 3:30 pm (Every 2nd Sunday of each month.)

Queen of Peace Church:

Saturday 5.30 pm Vigil Sunday 8:00 am

Korean Mass

Sat 7:30 pm Sun 11:00 am & 5:00 pm

Watch the Mass

THANK YOU to those who stay after Mass to clean the pews.

McQuoin Park Chapel Mass for Residents only

Wednesdays & Sundays at 11 am

Sacrament of Penance / Reconciliation

Available only at the Our Lady of the Rosary Cathedral Saturdays from 9 to 9:30 am.

Private Prayer Our Cathedral *Chapel* is open for private prayer. It is necessary for everyone who enters the chapel to check in using QR Code for every visit. Failure to do so will mean we need to close the Chapel.

If a Priest is needed in a matter of emergency, after hours or on the weekend, please call **0458 351 843**.

ONLINE PARISH GIVING

In light of the extraordinary circumstances, we are experiencing due to pandemic, please know that ONLINE Parish Giving is available. To donate, please click on the button below.

1st **Collection** is used for the support of the Bishop and priests of the Diocese.

Donate to our Parish

2nd Collection is used to meet Parish running costs, maintenance of Church, Presbytery, offices, other buildings and grounds. It is also used to pay for all our Ministries' expenses and staff salaries and superannuation.