HORNSBY CATHEDRAL PARISH

Parish Newsletter

12 September 2021







24th Sunday of Ordinary Time, YEAR B



Pope Francis' Prayer Intention for September

An Environmentally Sustainable Lifestyle

We pray that we all will make courageous choices for a simple

and environmentally sustainable lifestyle, rejoicing in our young people who are resolutely committed to this.

SAFEGUARDING SUNDAY 12 September 2021

Sunday 12 September - The Catholic Church in Australia marks Safeguarding Sunday - join Bishop Anthony Randazzo in celebrating Mass at 9.30am via live stream from the Cathedral.

See link below to participate:

https://www.bbcatholic.org.au/hornsby/mass-times/mass-live



Safeguarding Awareness Month
September 2021
Participation of Children & Young
People in Catholic Communities

First Reading Isaiah 50:5-9

Responsorial Psalm Ps 114: 1-6,8-9 R.v.9 Second Reading James 2:14-18 Gal 6:14

Gospel Mark 8:27-35

Catechist Coordinator — Louise Spencer

Dear Parishioners,

provide teachers for.

I came to teach Scripture in our local State Schools, several years after I was first asked if I would become a Catechist, well before I had the courage to teach Scripture. Working in a Parish Office and listening to people who taught SRE really awakened me to their dedication and the efforts they went to to teach as many children as they could

In 2007 I began teaching Scripture. Our Parish Priest was Fr John Hodgson, Jennifer Skelly was my first Catechist Coordinator and the Director of CCD was Ann Maree Whenman. Bishop David was our Bishop and Sharon da Roza was the Administrative Assistant with CCD.

My first lesson was at Hornsby South and I took Year 4s. They were so good. Sometimes I would say things that they interpreted totally differently to the way I meant them to. Consequently I had a lot of learning to do! That's the fun and joy of teaching SRE. One thing that stood out was that if I asked them to do something they would do it. It made me laugh because I didn't have that much success with my own children.

Years later, after being mentored by Deacon Roberto Corpuz, and with Fr Peter's approval, I'm the Catechist Coordinator. During lock down we are not going into the class rooms, however, while the children and parents are home schooling they can google CCRESS Learning from Home SRE lessons to find the same programme that we teach them, namely, Walking With Jesus.

I've been privileged to teach SRE to children in all the State schools in Hornsby Cathedral Parish.

Louise Spencer Catechist Coordinator Hornsby Cathedral parish

SAFEGUARDING PRAYER

Gracious God, you love and care for all of your children, especially the smallest and most vulnerable.

We entrust to you the lives of children and adults at risk who have been sexually abused, and whose trust and innocence have been destroyed.

Help us to hear their cries of pain and to take responsibility for those whose lives have been broken.

Help us to recognise the hurt felt by those wounded by abuse, and the failure to be heard.

We pray that with the help of your grace communities and families will find understanding and support, so that now and in the future their wounds may be healed and they may find lasting peace.

Let your grace and love fall gently now upon our children and adults at risk, giving them the inner strength, peace and resilience to seek out assistance when required.

We ask this prayer through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God forever and ever. Amen

LITURGY OF LAMENT

The annual Liturgy of Lament was held on Thursday 9

September, 7.00pm Bishop Anthony Randazzo presided The Liturgy of Lament – an opportunity to gather and pray to God in



acknowledging the suffering caused to our most vulnerable and to give public expression to our sorrow.

In God's presence, we pray together in lament for the pain caused, for the dignity robbed, for the truth rejected and for the freedom denied to survivors of abuse.

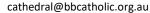
To view the video of the Liturgy of Lament, visit the Diocesan website

https://www.bbcatholic.org.au/about/safeguarding/safeguarding-month-2021/liturgy-of-lament



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Safeguarding—NSW Reportable Conduct Scheme

Are you a member of clergy or a spiritual leader in a religious body? Does the religious body require you to hold a Working with



Children Check - whether as an employee or volunteer? If the answer is yes – you fall under the Reportable Conduct Scheme in NSW. Join the Director and senior staff of the NSW Reportable Conduct Scheme for a 3 hour session to get expert and tailored information that will help your organisation understand its legal obligations.

The session will cover how the reportable conduct scheme relates to your daily work and will include sector-specific data insights and case study examples, information about how to strengthen investigations and a question and answer session.

Date: 15 October 2021—9.30am-12.30pm

To register go to link below:

https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/nsw-reportable-conduct-scheme-for-religious-bodies-registration-167020766609

FAREWELL AND THANK YOU to Aditya Sugiarto.

As you all would be aware, Aditya Sugiarto has been with us in our Cathedral Parish since the start of this year in discernment about the possibility of being accepted for Holy Orders in our Diocese.

After careful discernment, Aditya has left us on the weekend (4th September) as he pursues another vocational opportunity. We thank Aditya for the many different ways in which he has contributed to the life of the Parish over his months with us through SRE teaching, liturgy, visitations and his introductions at Mass and bulletin columns.

We pray that the Lord guide s him now as he begins a new chapter.

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.

We remember those who died recently –

Eduardo Gregory ● Herminia 'Minnie' Rozan ● Fr Paul Purcell ● June D'Souza ● Carmen Elain Gale ● Patricia Paxton

Anniversaries − Pat Miedler • Eileen Elizabeth Hanley • Guido Linssen • June Rodricks

We pray for the sick — John Bolster ● Lisa Hogarth

Father's Day Colouring in Competition

Thank you to all the kids who participated, a great effort — well done to you all! Winners will be notified via email. See the entries we received below.

COVID Update Our Church buildings are closed but our livestreaming service is still available from our Cathedral on Sunday mornings at 9.30AM as well as weekdays at 7AM.

NSW QR Codes for those who do not have a mobile phone to scan the QR Codes electronically, please note that QR code cards are available from the RMS.

CATECHIST CORNER Recruiting for new Catechists/ Assistants/ assist the Co-ordinator

In our Parish, for **next year (training starts this year)**, we are looking for **10 more Scripture teachers** over 5 schools to answer God's call and respond to the honour of being a Catechist.

Enjoy this DIFFERENT *recruitment video*: https://vimeo.com/326948942 and contact Louise Spencer (CCD Co-ordinator) – spencerxyz2427@gmail.com to become a Catechist/assistant

Zoom meeting

All Parishioners are welcome. COME AND JOIN US for a prayer and catch up on Thurs, 16 Sept at 11am on https://bbcatholic.zoom.us/j/97234565129? pwd=TmpmQnNic1U1citIRC9SY2JtZzZ6Zz09

SOCIAL JUSTICE CORNER In the Wake of the tremendous difficulties currently being faced by those in Afghanistan and by those Afghans marooned here on temporary visas a Webinar titled: Hope Out of Horror—Seeking Refuge in Australia is held on Thursday, September 23, 7pm-8pm

Registration to this Event is essential

Please register your attendance clock on the link below and pass the link on. https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/stories -of-hope-and-courage-seeking-refugee-in-australia-tickets-166888717647

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.

