



FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT, Year C

LENT 2022

NEW TRIAL MASS TIMES DURING LENT

We are trialing some new Mass times during Lent—please see new Mass Schedule in column below.

7am weekday Masses and 9:30am Saturday and Sunday Mass at the Cathedral continue to be live-streamed.

STATION OF THE CROSS

Friday nights during Lent at 7:30pm QOP Church. All welcome!

LENTEN GROUP

Every Wednesday during Lent. All welcome!

- 5 sessions starting 9th March till 6th April
- 7pm at OLOR Cathedral
- Leader: Seminarian Rosan Mathew

For more information contact the parish office 8379 1700

First Reading
Deut 26:4-10

Responsorial Psalm
Ps 90:1-2, 10-15 R.v.15

Second Reading
Rom 10:8-13

Gospel Acclamation
Mt 4:4

Gospel
Lk 4:1-13

NEW MASS SCHEDULE LENT 2022

Vox Episcopi— 2 March 2022

Weekday Mass Schedule

OLOR Cathedral:

Mon to Fri 7:00am
Tues to Sat 9:30am

QOP Church:

Tues to Sat 8:45am

Korean Mass

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

Weekend Mass Schedule

OLOR Cathedral:

Saturday 5:00pm Vigil
Sunday 8am, 9:30am,
11am & 6:00pm

QOP Church:

Saturday 5:30pm Vigil
Sunday 8:00 am

Korean Mass

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

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

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

Sacrament of Penance / Reconciliation

OLOR Cathedral Saturdays from 9 am to 9:30 am
Queen of Peace Church Saturdays 4:30pm-5:15 pm

Exposition every First Friday of the month from 10am– 10pm

Cenacle prayer group meets every Thursday after 8.45am Mass at QOP church

Private Prayer Our Cathedral Chapel is open for private prayer from 8am-8pm. **It is necessary for everyone who enters the chapel to check in using QR Code, hand sanitise and to wear a face mask. 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**.

My dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

We began our annual Lenten journey this week with Ash Wednesday and the distribution of ashes which are a sign of repentance from sin.

The liturgical practice of applying ashes on one's forehead goes back as far as the eighth century, and while they symbolise penance and contrition, they are also a reminder that God is gracious and merciful to those who call on Him with repentant hearts. Lent is a time of prayer, fasting and almsgiving – often called the three pillars of Lent. It also reminds us of the 40 days Jesus spent in the desert praying and fasting, and leads us to Jesus' death and resurrection.

This is as time when we can put our souls before a mirror and see who we really are; when we recognise and own our fragility; when we can reflect and refocus on our lives and make sure we are not in any way being deflected from love of God and neighbour.

Lent allows us to give more time to prayer and build our personal relationship with God. We all have busy lives in different ways but a life without prayer is a life without the joy of the presence of God.

Fasting is one of the oldest practices linked to Lent. An imitation of Jesus Christ's fasting in the wilderness before He began His public ministry, it is the most solemn period of fasting on the Church's calendar, leading to the celebration of our most important feast, Easter.

We give up some comforts or adopt particular spiritual practices, spend time in self-examination, resolve to repent from sin but ultimately this is the time for spiritual renewal and spiritual growth.

Almsgiving is a very ancient charitable practice, and while we should always consider the suffering and needs of others, Lent encourages us to do more than just consider.

One of the central lessons of the cross is compassion, and making the needs of other people our own, sharing our material goods. Contributing to an appeal for the poor or persecuted is true Christian charity.

We don't have to look far to see the recent desperate situations of people both here and abroad. This past week the heartbreaking devastation unleashed by unprecedented rain and floods, the loss of life and homes, has been heartbreaking. *(continued on page 2...)*



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And on the other side of the world the invasion of Ukraine, the targeting of civilian buildings, and an escalating death toll.

We have a great deal to pray for during these turbulent times. Now more than ever, I encourage you to reconnect with the Body of Christ during this Lenten season, and reflect upon your spiritual pilgrimage as individuals and a community as we prepare for the glorious celebration of Easter.

With my prayers and blessing, Bishop Anthony Randazzo

SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM 2022

Calling All Parents of Students wishing to receive any of the Sacraments.

This year we have Confirmation for Year 3 students and First Communion for Year 4 and 5 students.

(You will find the registration forms on our Parish website or at the back of the church). Or scan the QR code below for the Sacrament enrolment you are after.



Confirmation QR Code



Eucharist QR Code

Once all forms are submitted, we will know the numbers we expect and can then advise you of the program dates.

The date for Confirmation will be Saturday June 4th, the eve of Pentecost. The Feast of Christ the King is the usual day for First Holy Communion, but we need to know numbers before deciding the date/s for the celebration in 2022.

CATECHIST RECRUITMENT—THANK YOU

I would like to thank all the people who have come forward, willing to train to become Catechists, some of whom have started teaching Scripture last week and this week, as schools welcome the return of Special Religious Education. Some people would like to assist and others would like to take their own classes. To all the people who have contacted me thank you.

Louise Spencer, Catechist Coordinator, Hornsby Cathedral Parish.

ALTAR SERVERS CAN YOU HELP PLEASE:

We have vacancies for various Masses for Senior and Junior Altar Servers, your generosity is much appreciated.

If interested please contact the Parish Office on 8379 1700. Training will be provided.



May we ask you to pray for those who are affected by the recent floods, those affected by war, those who are sick, those who are struck with the virus, those tested positive and those in isolation.

We remember those who died recently: Roberto Mataverde • Peter Wild • Sheila Margaret Barnett • Elizabeth Anderson

Anniversaries: Annie Antao • Gerald Quinton Rao • Tim Dalton

We pray for the sick: Michelle Manjon • Allan Ivers • Lisa Kaye Willatt • Martin Palisi

CATECHIST RECRUITMENT — TRAINING NOW FOR 2022

Catechist or Assistant needed for the following public schools:

Tuesdays at Hornsby South PS –
Yrs 1 and 2 at 1:45 - 2:15 pm.
Yr 6 at 2:20 – 2:50pm.

Wednesdays at Normanhurst PS –
Yrs 5 and 6 at 10:30 – 11:00am.

Wednesdays at Thornleigh West PS -
Kindergarten at 2:15 – 2:45pm.

Wednesdays at Waitara PS -
Yr 3 at 2:30 – 3:10pm.

Thursdays at Normanhurst West PS –
Yr 3 at 10:30 - 11:00am.

Thursdays at Thornleigh West PS -
Yr 6 at 2:15 - 2:45pm.

To become a Catechist or an Assistant, contact via email: louise.spencer@bbcatholic.org.au



CHILDREN'S LITURGY

Hornsby Cathedral is exploring recommencing Children's Liturgy on Sunday mornings in coming weeks!

If you would like to be a parent helper, or have children in years K-6 who might like to be involved, please contact Fionnuala Armstrong 0444 59 59 59 armstrongfionnuala@hotmail.com.



CURIOUS ABOUT CATHOLICISM?

Are you, or someone you know, interested in finding out more about what Catholics believe and practice, and why? Do you think you might like to become a Catholic?

Free information and discussion sessions start very soon. Come and see with no obligation.

Contact Peter, Parish Christian Initiation team leader
On Mobile 0411 389 300 or via email rcia.hornsby@gmail.com

HOMILIES FROM DEACON PETER

Deacon Peter publishes his homilies each week on his website. The address is: www.deaconpeter.org

HAVE YOU CHANGED ADDRESS, EMAIL ADDRESS OR CREDIT CARD DETAILS?

Please let the parish know if you have changed your address, email or credit card details so we can update our data system. Thank you

WELCOME TO NEW PARISHIONERS

Welcome to anyone who is joining us for the first time today, or has only begun to come to Mass here recently. It's great to have you.



Please pick up a welcome pack from the back of the church. Thanks for building your spiritual home with us.