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**7 March 2021 – Third Sunday of Lent**

**Parish Mass Times:**  
Monday to Friday: 9am  
Saturday: 9am, 6pm (vigil)  
Sunday: 8am, 10am, 6pm  
Public Holidays: 9am  
Rock Mass: Once a term

**Baptism: Fourth Sunday of each month by appointment**  
**Wedding: Contact Parish Office at least 6 months prior notice**  
**Morning Prayer: Monday - Friday: 8:30am**  
**Anointing of Sick: 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday of the month at 9am or by request**  
**Eucharistic Adoration: Saturday 9:30 – 10am concluding with Benediction**  
**Reconciliation: Saturday 9:30am**  
**Rosary: Immediately after weekday Mass and Saturday (8:35am)**



**Every Friday  
(during term time)**  
Lectio Divina facilitated  
by Fr Greg  
10am Parish Hall

**First Friday  
of Every Month**  
Exposition / Adoration at 7pm  
followed by Mass at 7:30pm

**Second Thursday  
of Every Month**  
Anointing of the Sick —9am

**February 2021**

**Friday 12 March  
Liturgy at 7pm with  
Benediction followed by  
Stations of the Cross—7:30pm**

**Sunday 14 March**  
Parish Choir  
9:00am—11:00am



***He made a whip out of cords and drove them all out of the temple area, and spilled the coins of the money changes. (Gospel)***

Dear Parishioners,

The author of today's responsorial psalm speaks of God's law as refreshment for our journey through life. The law of God revives the soul; it gladdens the heart and brings light to the eyes.

I wonder if we think of God's law as refreshing. We can sometimes experience law as a burden imposed from without that restricts our enjoyment of life. Law formulated by humans can have these characteristics but not the law of God. This law, expressed in the Ten Commandments and in Jesus' Sermon on the Mount, reveals the wisdom and love of God for all. It is the law most true to our human nature. If we are faithful to this law we will be at rights with God, and in harmony with our fellow human beings and all of creation.

The Ten Commandments were given by God to the people of Israel more than three thousand years ago. They retain their validity and freshness. Not one commandment has reached its 'use by' date. To dispense with any one of these commandments would be to impoverish humanity, indeed to threaten its very survival. Yes, 'the precepts of the Lord are right, they gladden the heart'.

May God bless you.  
Fr Greg Chee, OCD

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# UPDATE:

We have filled one class but still need to fill 5 more.

You do not need to be a teacher or have any experience at all. All lessons can be provided on PowerPoint, resources and training provided. You will need approx. an hour and a bit per week (that includes class time and lesson prep). It is very simple and easy.

We also need some young people to help on the high school team. This is a fabulous experience as a team. Our high school team of catechists really enjoy the team teaching environment.

**You will receive more than you put in. The reason a catechist starts on this journey is never the same reason they stay.**



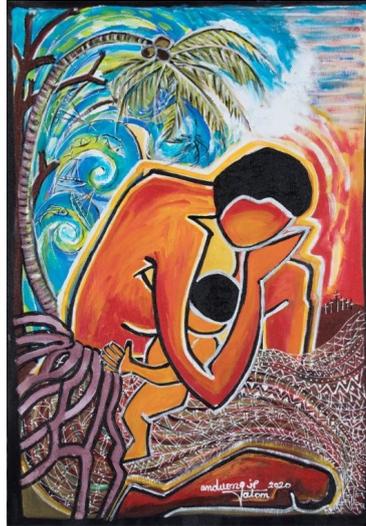
St Ives Public Schools Students 2021				
Classes That Need to Be Filled				
Year	SINPS Tuesday's	SIPS Wednesday's	TNPS Wednesday's	SIPPS Wednesday's
Kindy	Vanessa White 1:50-2:20pm	Jean Lee 9:10-9:45am	10:15-10:55 am	Ruth Cassidy 11:30-12:10pm
1/2	Celine Kok 1:50-2:20pm	Sue-Anne Sher-wood 9:10-9:45am	Betty Ang 10:15-10:55 am	Cypriana Liem 11:30-12:10pm
3	2:20-2:50pm	Kathy Lee 9:45-10:20 am	Dora Chan 10:15-10:55 am	Petty Bahramali /Cheryl Doyle 11:30-12:10pm
4	2:20-2:50pm			
5	1pm - 1.30pm	Teresa Leong 9:45-10:20 am	10:15 -10:55 am	Teresa Leong 11:30-12:10pm
6	Cel Tria 1pm - 1.30pm			



## SOCIAL JUSTICE CORNER:

**WORLD DAY OF PRAYER 2021** The World Day of Prayer is a global ecumenical movement led by Christian women who welcome us to join in prayer and action for peace and justice. It is run under the motto *"Informed Prayer and Prayerful Action,"* and is celebrated annually in over 170 countries on the first Friday in March. The movement aims to bring together people of various races, cultures and traditions in a yearly common Day of Prayer, as well as in closer fellowship, understanding and action throughout the year.

In 2021 the focus country is Vanuatu, the country which proudly adopted the motto, *'In God we stand'* after gaining independence in 1980, and Juliette Pita is the artist. Juliette was born in 1964 on Erromango Island, the third of eight children, and was the first woman to graduate from the Institut National de Technologie du Vanuatu. Juliette's painting titled *"Cyclone Pam II: 13th of March, 2015"* shows a mother bending and praying over her child. The waves crash over her but a palm tree bends protectively over them. The palm tree is Juliette's favourite tree with strong roots able to withstand strong winds. The woman's skirt is modelled after the traditional clothing on Erromango. On the horizon you can see small crosses representing the lives taken by cyclone Pam in 2015.



During the cyclone, Juliette and neighbours took refuge in a container. Pam had moved to Vanuatu overnight and people could not see anything - they could only pray. In the morning they climbed out of the container to see that almost everything was destroyed. There was a hut behind Juliette's studio, built traditionally using palm trees, and it withstood the cyclone with big trees above it deflecting the wind. Juliette believes God heard their prayers and that nature protected them that night. Juliette never imagined making money from her art but she believed God had plans for her. She gives all the money she earns to anyone who needs help.

For further information about the World Day of Prayer go to: <https://www.worlddayofprayeraustralia.org>.

## 2021 LENTEN REFLECTION ON ZOOM

*Please use this meeting ID and Passcode to access the Zoom meeting on Wednesday nights.*

Time: March 10, 2021 07:30 PM  
Canberra, Melbourne, Sydney  
Every week on Wed, until Mar 31, 2021.

Mar 10, 2021 07:30 PM  
Mar 17, 2021 07:30 PM  
Mar 24, 2021 07:30 PM  
Mar 31, 2021 07:30 PM



## Prayer Zone



**Anniversary:** Cecil Rascher; Filippo Montforte

### Please pray for the ill:

Kevin Ruberu; Anne Jardane; Naomi Upton; Vanessa Park; Rebecca Davies; Denise Carmody; Steve Swain; Grace Cheah; Elizabeth Walsh; Rebecca Anderson; Maria Garcia; Jose Mestres; Meacheal; Estelle Sok; Lewis Criniti; Thi Nguyen; Victoria; Carmel Hadley; Carmel Hurrell, Mary Sanzone, Fergus O'Brien, Michelle Soumier, Jane Donnelly, Lisa Doherty, Gina Jaksetic, Gracie Spencer, Brendan Stone

***If you know of anyone who can no longer attend mass due to illness; or if you have noticed one of our parishioners is no longer attending mass, could you please let the office know.***

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Oliva, 22, didn't have the opportunity to go to school, and was embarrassed that she was unable to read, write or count. Her business was losing money because she couldn't add up.

Then Oliva enrolled in Caritas Australia's literacy and numeracy classes. She also set up a home classroom to teach her neighbours for free, because they were too shy to attend larger classes.

Oliva has now graduated, attendance at her classes is growing, her kiosk is thriving and she is helping her children with their homework. She aims to become a pastor and run for leadership in the next local election - to help her community to 'Be More.'

**Please donate to Project Compassion 2021 and support people like Oliva's gain access to education to build a brighter future and live in communities that upholds everyone's dignity.**

You can donate through Parish boxes and envelopes, by visiting [www.caritas.org.au/projectcompassion](http://www.caritas.org.au/projectcompassion) or phoning 1800 024 413

**MT CARMEL RETREAT PROGRAM:**

**Weekend Retreats—Cost: \$300 per person**  
**Embracing Three Dimensional Thinking: The Length and the Breadth, the Height and Depth**

March 12-14 Presenter: John Charadia and Artist Tutor Team.  
*Through creating symbolically, abstractly and scripturally in art, participants will explore contemplative thinking that invites us to grow in awareness of the depths, and breadths of God’s Presence in our lives.*

**Day Retreat—Cost: \$30 per person (BYO Lunch)**  
**Lazarus Come Out**

March 6 Presenter: Lorraine Murphy, OCDS  
*A Day of Recollection on the raising of Lazarus in John 11.*

The retreats are held at the Mt Carmel Retreat Centre, 247 St Andrews Road, Varroville NSW 2566. For information of any of the retreats, please call 8795 3400 or email: [bookings@mtcarmel.com.au](mailto:bookings@mtcarmel.com.au)  
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We wish to acknowledge the traditional custodians of these lands on which we gather and show our respect to the Elders past and present . We also wish to pay our respects to all Aboriginal people.

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**POPE FRANCIS'  
PRAYER  
INTENTION  
FOR MARCH**

**Sacrament of  
Reconciliation**

Let us pray that we may experience the sacrament of reconciliation with renewed depth, to taste the infinite mercy of God.

## The Word

Sunday 7 March 2021: Third Sunday of Lent

### First Reading

From the book of Exodus Ex 20:1-17

*The Law was given through Moses.*

God spoke all these words. He said, 'I am the Lord your God who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery.

'You shall have no gods except me.

'You shall not make yourself a carved image or any likeness of anything in heaven or on earth beneath or in the waters under the earth; you shall not bow down to them or serve them. For I, the Lord your God, am a jealous God and I punish the father's fault in the sons, the grandsons, and the great-grandsons of those who hate me; but I show kindness to thousands of those who love me and keep my commandments.

'You shall not utter the name of the Lord your God to misuse it, for the Lord will not leave unpunished the man who utters his name to misuse it.

'Remember the sabbath day and keep it holy. For six days you shall labour and do all your work, but the seventh day is a sabbath for the Lord your God. You shall do no work on that day, neither you nor your son nor your daughter nor your servants, men or women, not your animals nor the stranger who lives with you. For in six days the Lord made the heavens and the earth and the sea and all that these hold, but on the seventh day he rested; that is why the Lord has blessed the sabbath day and made it sacred.

'Honour your father and your mother so that you may have a long life in the land that the Lord your God has given to you.

'You shall not kill.

'You shall not commit adultery.

'You shall not steal.

'You shall not bear false witness against your neighbour.

'You shall not covet your neighbour's house. You shall not covet your neighbour's wife, or his servant, man or woman, or his ox, or his donkey, or anything that is his.'

The Word of the Lord.

**Responsorial Psalm** Ps 18:8-11. R. Jn 6:68

*(R.) Lord, you have the words of everlasting life.*

1. The law of the Lord is perfect, it revives the soul. The rule of the Lord is to be trusted, it gives wisdom to the simple. *(R.)*
2. The precepts of the Lord are right, they gladden the heart. The command of the Lord is clear, it gives light to the eyes. *(R.)*
3. The fear of the Lord is holy, abiding for ever. The decrees of the Lord are truth and all of them just. *(R.)*
4. They are more to be desired than gold, than the purest of gold and sweeter are they than honey, than honey from the comb. *(R.)*

### Second Reading

From the first letter of St Paul to the Corinthians 1 Cor 1:22-25

*We are preaching a crucified Christ, a scandal to many, but to those who have been called, the wisdom of God.* While the Jews demand miracles and the Greeks look for wisdom, here are we preaching a crucified Christ; to the Jews an obstacle that they cannot get over, to the pagans madness, but to those who have been called, whether they are Jews or Greeks, a Christ who is the power and the wisdom of God. For God's foolishness is wiser than human wisdom, and God's weakness is stronger than human strength.

The Word of the Lord.

### Gospel Acclamation

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory! God loved the world so much, he gave us his only Son, that all who believe in him might have eternal life.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory!

### Gospel

From the holy Gospel according to John Jn 2:13-25

*Destroy this sanctuary, and in three days I will raise it up.*

Just before the Jewish Passover Jesus went up to Jerusalem, and in the Temple he found people selling cattle and sheep and pigeons, and the money changers sitting at their counters there. Making a whip out of some cord, he drove them all out of the Temple, cattle and sheep as well, scattered the money changers' coins, knocked their tables over and said to the pigeon-sellers, 'Take all this out of here and stop turning my Father's house into a market.' Then his disciples remembered the words of scripture: Zeal for your house will devour me. The Jews intervened and said, 'What sign can you show us to justify what you have done?' Jesus answered, 'Destroy this sanctuary, and in three days I will raise it up.' The Jews replied, 'It has taken forty-six years to build this sanctuary: are you going to raise it up in three days?' But he was speaking of the sanctuary that was his body, and when Jesus rose from the dead, his disciples remembered that he had said this, and they believed the scripture and the words he had said.

During his stay in Jerusalem for the Passover many believed in his name when they saw the signs that he gave, but Jesus knew them all and did not trust himself to them; he never needed evidence about any man; he could tell what a man had in him.

The Gospel of the Lord.