

The first reading is an invitation to keep trusting God always, particularly when our expectations seem to be disregarded and hopes seem in vain. He is the one who can 'raise the bent tree high' and has the power to 'make the withered (tree) bear fruit'. "He has pulled down princes ... and raised high the lowly." He is the same God who raised life from the tomb. If he did work such marvels, will he not be able to transform all of our defeats into victories?



In the Psalm, we are at prayer in the Temple, praying the prayer that the aged Simeon might have made morning and evening (Lk. 2:25). Its tree does not stand for the nation, but for the faithful Israelite who flourishes in his old age because of his fidelity and trust in God (Ps. 1).

Baptismal program at 2.30pm on 2nd Sunday of the month at the presbytery.



Paul was getting old and beginning to feel weary. His many sufferings and persecutions had left their mark on him: In the first part of the reading (6-8), he compares his condition to the condition of an exile. In this world he feels like a foreigner, living far from his country. His mind is constantly fixed on the new country where he expects to be welcomed soon; he yearns to be with God and Christ forever. He knows that this new life can only be achieved by first passing through death, but death does not frighten him.



Great things often have humble and insignificant beginnings. Just as an insignificant seed is capable of growing and giving shelter to birds much bigger than itself, in the same way our small deeds of witnessing the love of God will spread the kingdom of God in ways that we might never have thought possible. This, then, is God's vision for us, God's supreme gift to humanity. It comes to us through the redeeming Son and the sanctifying Spirit. This kingdom of God is still unfolding. It is invisible so we find it difficult to grasp. It doesn't make national headlines, yet it is in our midst, growing in the soil of human hearts. The kingdom of God, that mysterious combination of 'divine grace and human response', is sufficiently flexible and subtle to adapt and apply to the changing circumstances of different centuries and cultures. At the end-time, however, it will be emblazoned in the heavens, clear and unmistakable. For God will then be "all in all". We, as God's children, will reap the many blessings of the dream – eternally. This week especially, plant some small seeds. Be kind to those who 'don't deserve it'. Forgive willingly. Be more generous than is sensible. Break the rules in favour of people.

2nd Sunday of the month at Noon meal sharing at the presbytery.

Devotions at 4.00pm on Sundays and confessions until 4.45pm follow by Holy Mass at 5.00pm.

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WEEKEND MASS TIMES:

Sat. Vigil: 5pm

Sunday: 8am, 9:30am & 5pm

WEEKDAY MASS TIMES:

Mon, Tues & Thurs: 7:30am

Wed: 6pm

Fri: 9:15am

Sat: 9:15am (Sthn Cross Hostel)

HOLY HOUR: Wed: 5pm

RECONCILIATION:

Wed: 5:15 – 5:45pm

Sat: 4:15 – 4:45pm

BAPTISMS:

Sundays 9:30am Mass

BAPTISMAL PROGRAMME &

WEDDINGS: By appointment

ANointing MASS:

Quarterly: 1st weekend

1ST SAT OF EACH MONTH:

11am Mass in honour of Our Lady.

PLANNED GIVING PROGRAMME:

100% tax deductible. Please join by contacting parish office.

FAITH FORMATION:

Sundays 3:30pm (in presbytery)

PARISH OFFICE HOURS:

Mon, Wed & Fri 9am to 2:30pm



14th June 2015 (B)
11th Ordinary Sunday

1ST READING: Ezekiel 17:22-24

RESPONSORIAL PSALM:

Lord, it is good to give thanks to you.

2ND READING: 2 Corinthians 5:6-10

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

Alleluia, alleluia! The seed is the word of God, Christ is the sower; all who come to him will live forever. Alleluia!

GOSPEL: St Mark 4:26-34

Resources on line:

"Zenit News"; "Catholic on Line";
"Liturgical Year Calendar", "Spirit Daily",
Children's web: Google, EWTNKIDS.
Deepen your faith-find answers on "Tim
Staples; Catholic Sacraments" videos;
www.vocationcentre.org.au

MASS INTENTIONS:

Sat 9:15am: †Yolanda & Giuseppe Pappalettera

Sat Vigil: †Rosaria La Macchia

Sun 8am: Pro Populo

Sun 9:30am: †Jetty Tan

Sun 5pm: †Marie & Edgar Busuttil

Mon: Lucas Lieu (Birthday)

Tue: Special Intention

Wed: Special Intention

Thur: †Egrem Alimario

OUR SICK: Patricia Flannery, Josephine Helback, Moira Butler, Alan Sargeant, Southern Cross residents...

Happy Birthdays to: Therese Haglund (15th), Anthony Guerrera (17th), Gwen Gates and Cassandra Tjoe (19th)

Funeral for the late Marie Busuttil (Josanna Busuttil's mother) will be held on Monday 15th June at 10am in our Church.

SVDP Winter Appeal this weekend. Please use the specially printed envelopes now available in the pews for your donations. All donations over \$2 are tax-deductible.

Parish School News: 1) Family Masses: **Sat 13th June:** Yr 2. Mass time: 5pm.; **Sat 20th June:** Yr 4.



CONGRATULATIONS to Anne Slattery on being awarded the **Order of Australia medal** in the latest Queen's Birthday Honour List for service to the community of Botany Bay and to social welfare groups.



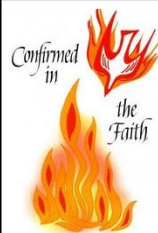
EL SHADDAI Prayer Group from Bondi/Mascot invites all parishioners to their 20th Anniversary celebrations in our Parish on **Sat. 20th June. Programme as follows:** 3pm: Praise and Worship (in church); 5pm: Vigil Mass followed by get-together and catered dinner in the hall.

Achieving Pregnancy Naturally: The Billings Ovulation Method can assist you in having the baby of your dreams. Their teachers can provide essential information to give you the best chance to achieve your pregnancy naturally. For a free information leaflet, please ring Billings LIFE on 1800 335 860.

Foley Gardens Self-care Retirement Village – Upstairs 1-bedroom unit is now open for inspection. Please call Joe de Andrade (Manager-Property) on 0438 696 396 or Patricia Low (Manager-Admin) on 9349 1292 for an appointment or for further details.

This weekend: Vigil: J Haggar (A) F & G Hogan (R) G Hage, S Tjen(C) M Yong (M)
8:00am: G Diab (A) M Marshiella, T Long (R) P Chen, L Hart (C) P Low (M)
9:30am: A Varghese (A) I Lie, J Lie (R) S Pedisich, K Wong (C) T Chin (M)
5:00pm: R Yang (A) Volunteers (R), Volunteers (C) **Counters:** B Dunn., H Morris

Next weekend: Vigil: J Haggar (A) B Purdon, T Bell (R) M Butler, L Paquin(C) M Yong (M)
8:00am: G Diab (A) V Meyer, R Wijaya (R) A Burke, Volunteer (C) P Low (M)
9:30am: A Varghese (A) I Tjahjadi, Darlene T (R) C Findlay, C Goncalves (C) T Chin (M)
5:00pm: R Yang (A) Volunteers (R), Volunteers (C) **Counter:** M Wells



Congratulations to the following children who will make their Sacrament of Confirmation today (14 June):

Laura Angius, Emily Barker, Ethan Blundell, Mimi D'Arcy, Julianne Delusso, Connor Dingli, Ayden Flores, Ella Ford, Angelina Gee, Henry Haglund, Marley Highfield, Ethan Kumar, Logan Lee, Charlee Lester, Sophie Murdoch-Evans, Gloria Nganga. Kiara Odisho, Terrence O'Reilly, Kayla Rairibi, James Simpson, Christina Solyom, Ethan Urquhart, Jessica Webster, Tallis Williamson and Bradley Wong. Our grateful thanks to **Bishop Terry Brady** for his presence to administer the Sacrament; to **Fr Anthony Simari** for concelebrating the Mass; and to **Anne Slattery** and **Joseph Haggar** for conducting the lessons. A **BIG THANK YOU** to all Catechists, REC and Parish school staff, parents and carers, sponsors and parishioners for your prayers, guidance and participation.



RCIA Sponsors' meeting will be held on Wednesday 1st July at 6:30pm in the presbytery. Parishioners above 18 years are invited to come to this meeting to be sponsors of new candidates to the Catholic faith.

St Teresa of Avila: The Way of Perfection – presented by Bishop David Walker at The Centre for Christian Spirituality, Frances St, Randwick on Wednesdays 1, 8 & 15 July from 7pm to 8:30pm. \$30pp. To register please ring 9398 2211.



All parishioners invited to the Investiture with the Pallium of The Most Rev Anthony Fisher OP as the Ninth Metropolitan Archbishop of Sydney on: Sat 25th July 2015 at 10am at St Mary's Cathedral.

The pallium (derived from the Roman pallium or palla, a woollen cloak) is an ecclesiastical vestment bestowed by

the Pope on metropolitans and primates as a symbol of jurisdiction delegated to them by the Holy See. Archbishop Fisher will be in Rome to receive the papal blessing of the Pallium on the Feasts of Ss Peter and Paul (Monday 29th June).

