

The disciples wondered at what Christ did and you will be, too, if you let Him work on you with His word. I wonder myself, "what kind of God is He"? What a great God we have. When you realise that God is in control of the universe and all events and that nothing happens that He does not either will to occur or permit to happen you will be amazed, looking for His hand in every event of your life from success at work to a diagnosis of a deadly disease, from the joy of a new baby to the grief of the loss of a loved one. We are to have faith even unto death. Remember that we live in fallen bodies in a fallen world because of mankind's sin, starting with Adam. Satan is the god of this world and the de facto ruler of it. Christ is the answer for the problem of death and sin. We must physically die in order to be in heaven with Christ. We can never get there in this body as it is now constituted; decaying and dying as we speak. Christ is calling those who trust in Him out of this world and the death that comes with it. He demands faith and trust. We can't cross that bridge unless we believe it will hold us up until we reach the other side.



Thank you



2.50 pm
3.00 pm
3.10 pm
3.20 pm

Performance Academy
Rainbow Dance Group
Mascot Primary School
St Michael's Catholic Church
Greek Community



Multicultural Fair 2015

Entertainment Program
Saturday 13 June 2015 - Eastlakes Reserve Park

Music is the Universal Language. Some people say that laughter is the universal language. Others say love. Still others say stock options. Whatever language you speak, one thing is clear: at the core of who we are, beyond our differences, titles, and strategic plans, we all speak the same language.

For greater glory of God!!!

Believe that every feeling, every emotion felt, can be expressed through music.



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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

It's calm,
no fear



21st June 2015 (B)
12th Ordinary Sunday

1ST READING: Job 38:1, 8-11

RESPONSORIAL PSALM:

Give thanks to the Lord, his love is everlasting.

2ND READING: 2 Corinthians 5:14-17

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

Alleluia, alleluia! A great prophet has appeared among us; God has visited his people. Alleluia!

GOSPEL: St Mark 4:35-41

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 Vigil: †Carmelo La Macchia

Mon: Sean Ciocon (8th Birthday)

Sun 8am: †Yolanda & Giuseppe Pappalettera

Tue: Special Intention

Sun 9:30am: Pro Populo

Wed: Special Intention

Sun 5pm: †Marie & Edgar Busuttil

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

Happy Birthdays to: Mimi D'Arcy (16th), Evelyn Ellis (21st), Michael Low (25th) and Latu Jenner.

We bid a fond farewell to our Reader, **Helen Evening, her husband, Richard Porter and their children, Natalia & Tyrah**, who are leaving our Parish and moving to Glendenning. May God bless and guide you and your family into the future.

Holy Father's Appeal will be held next weekend (27th/28th June). This Appeal supports Pope Francis' charitable works around the world and is an important source of funding that allows the Church to extend its help to where it's most desperately needed. Your support with this appeal would be greatly appreciated.

Parish School News: 1) **Family Masses:** **Sat 20th June:** Yr 4; **Sat 27th June:** Yr 3. 2) **As the last day of term ends on Friday 26th June**, we wish all staff, children, their parents/caregivers a safe and happy holiday. We hope to see all back safe and sound on Monday 13th July for the start of Term 3.

Annual Marriage Mass & Renewal of Vows will be held on **Sun 12th July** at St Mary's Cathedral at **10:30am** to be celebrated by the Most Rev. Archbishop Anthony Fisher OP. Married couples wishing to attend to renew their vows should register on 9307 8404 or email LMFevents@sydneycatholic.org. Registered couples celebrating 50th, 55th, 60th or 65th wedding anniversaries will also receive a special certificate from Archbishop Fisher.

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.

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 Haggart (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

Next weekend: Vigil: J Haggart (A) M Butler, V Hage (R) J Spora, P Tjugito(C) M Yong (M)
8:00am: G Diab (A) G Guerrero, Volunteer (R) O Sarmiento, V Meyer (C) P Low (M)
9:30am: A Varghese (A) M Tjokrowidjaja, Delvin T(R) N Jenner, L Jenner (C) T Chin (M)
5:00pm: R Yang (A) J Chandra, D Sarmiento (R), Volunteers (C) **Counters:** G Hage, V Hage

Pope Francis in his new Encyclical **LAUDATO SI (Be Praised)** offers a broad vision of an endangered planet, partly blaming human activity and fossil fuels for climate change while calling for people of all religions to take swift action. Speaking to the reporters in January, Francis described global warming as mostly human made phenomenon and said that "man slapped nature in the face." Francis begins with a hymn, "Canticle of the Creatures," written by the man whose name he took, St. Francis of Assisi, the 13th-century friar who dedicated his life to the poor and who is the patron saint of the environment. (More next week).



Last month, the Catholic Diocese of Wollongong aired the first of its new radio programs called *The Journey* on local Christian radio station Pulse 94.1FM. Credits to Bishop Peter Ingham. Why not in Sydney?



The Catholic Church takes a very high view of marriage and human sexuality. As the account of Genesis shows, marriage and sexuality were created by God and given to mankind as gifts for our benefit. Scripture records God's statement that "it is not good that the man should be alone; I will make him a helper fit for him" (Gen. 2:18). As a result, "a man leaves his father and his mother and cleaves to his wife, and they become one flesh" (Gen. 2:24). Some may forego the good of marriage to serve a higher calling (cf. Matt. 19:10-12), but it is a good nevertheless. Marriage is a conduit through which God's grace flows to the couple and their children. The Catholic Church understands marriage between a baptized man and woman to be a sacrament, a visible sign of the grace that God gives them to help them live their lives here and now so as to be able to join him in eternity. For Catholics, marriage is social as well as religious, but its religious aspects are very important. The Bible repeatedly compares the relationship between man and wife to that between God and Israel (cf. Hos. 9:1) or between Christ and his Church (cf. Eph. 5:21-32). For Catholics, marriage is a holy vocation. Since the Church sees marriage as holy, it believes it must be treated with reverence. It also recognizes that marriage is basic to the health of society and therefore a public institution that must be defended against harm.

