



We learn **at least four things** about God's character from what He said to Moses on Mt Sinai. " **I AM WHO I AM**". **God is Holy, Faithful, Merciful and**

**Eternal One.**

**Why does the Pope wear red shoes?** The tradition of the popes wearing red shoes were carried over from the customs of ancient Rome itself. In fact, by the time of the Byzantine Empire only three people are allowed to officially wear red shoes in the empire: the Emperor, the Empress, and the Pope. Even in art, depictions of people wearing red shoes are severely restricted to the above-mentioned or the angels. During ancient times, the manner and style of dress signified and symbolized rank, heritage, group or cultural affiliations, status, also of privilege. This was more true then than it is now. The manner and style of a person identifies him. For example, during the Yuan dynasty, only the Khan can wear green under pain of death. And during the Ching/Manchu dynasty only the Emperor can wear the Imperial yellow. The toga, for example, was exclusively worn only by Roman citizens. The toga, furthermore, can only be worn by magistrates as this was a symbol of his office and rank. The republican senators wore red shoes, as did the Roman patricians. This custom was carried over from even before the Roman Empire, and before the Roman Republic tracing it back to the Kingdom of Rome. Thus this manner and custom of privilege of footwear is very ancient. By the time of the Edict of Milan in 313 under Constantine the Great, Christianity was finally tolerated and the status of the Church enhanced throughout the Roman Empire. It was around this time that the bishops received the privilege of wearing the purple - a privilege still seen today. It was around this time after the toleration of Christianity and the transfer and donation of the imperial Lateran palace and Lateran basilica to the Bishop of Rome, (Pope Miltiades) and to the Church that privileges of imperial rank and imperial status are crystallized in the manner of footwear. Thus this privilege of red shoes can be (circumstantially, since firsthand written historical or archaeological evidence have since been lost or destroyed by successive waves of barbarian pillage and destruction and looting during wars) traced at this point. The ancient Roman custom has now become Christian. When the capital was transferred to Constantinople in 330, by political necessity the then suffragan bishopric of Byzantium was raised to an archbishopric. It was around this time that aspirations to greater status by the Archbishop of Constantinople becomes evident. Although only Rome, Antioch and Alexandria were patriarchates, by 381 a canon was inserted (and refused by the Popes) to establish the Archbishop of Constantinople as Patriarch. Political vicissitudes under the patronage of the Emperor, notably after 451 would later impress the status quo we have today by creating the Patriarchates of Constantinople and of Jerusalem. It was only after the Council of Florence in the 15th century that the Roman Church accepted the status quo of the Pentarchy. Although the Patriarchs of Constantinople have a history of trying to usurp authority and privilege during the Byzantine Empire, nevertheless, the ancient Roman privilege of red shoes were never extended nor granted to the Patriarch of Constantinople or anybody else in the Empire - a fact that remains to this day in life and iconography ( also the red shoes symbolise martyrdom) .



**Next: History of the Ring of the Fishermen**

**In these historical days let us ask God for His Divine inspiration and guidance for the Church and whole humanity.**



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### 3<sup>rd</sup> March 2013 (C)

#### 3<sup>RD</sup> SUNDAY OF LENT

**1<sup>ST</sup> READING:** Exodus 3:1-8. 13-15

**RESPONSORIAL PSALM:**

The Lord is kind and merciful.

**2<sup>ND</sup> READING:** Corinthians 10:1-6.  
10-12

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:**

Glory to you, Word of God, Lord  
Jesus Christ! Repent, says the Lord;  
the kingdom of heaven is at hand.

Glory to you, Word of God, Lord  
Jesus Christ!

**GOSPEL:** St. Luke 13:1-9

**COMMUNION ANTIPHON:**

The sparrow even finds a home, the  
swallow finds a nest wherein to  
place her young, near to your altars,  
Lord of hosts, my King, my God!  
How happy they who dwell in your  
house! For ever they are praising  
you.

#### 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 Apts)

**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: 1<sup>st</sup> weekend

#### 1<sup>ST</sup> SAT OF EACH MONTH (wef 6<sup>th</sup> Oct):

11am Mass in honour of Our Lady.

#### PLANNED GIVING PROGRAMME:

**70%** tax deductible. Please join by  
contacting parish office.

#### FAITH FORMATION:

Sundays 3:30pm (in presbytery)

#### OFFICE HOURS:

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

### MASS INTENTIONS:

5pm Vigil + Christopher Cham      5pm Sun. Pro Populo  
8am Sunday + Antonio Cavaco      7.30 am Mon. + Despina Hritis  
9.30 am Sun. Joan Lovibond

**OUR SICK: Marie Busuttill, Pat Raby, Maria De Andrade, Jenny & Peter Yong, Mollie Burgess, Alan Sargeant. and Josephine Helback ...**

**Still there is accommodation available in Foley Gardens. Please call Fr. Jerzy on 93491292 or 0411125357 and you will be referred for further details to Mr Robert O'Shea, the manager.**

**HAPPY BIRTHDAYS to:** Kristie & Natalie Chandra (6<sup>th</sup>) and Maria De Andrade (103 on 7<sup>th</sup>).  
**HAPPY 47<sup>th</sup> WEDDING ANNIVERSARY to Frances and Joe De Andrade (5<sup>th</sup>).**

We welcome **Kalani Lee Russell** and her family to her Baptism at the 9:30am Mass.

**Parish School News:** \*Class Mass: Fri 8<sup>th</sup>: Yr 4; Fri 15<sup>th</sup>: Yr 3. \*Family Mass: Sat 9<sup>th</sup>: Yrs 1&2.

**2013 Quarterly Mass for the Deceased in Botany:** Crematorium South Chapel at 11am on **Sat 9<sup>th</sup> March**, Sat 11<sup>th</sup> May, Sat 14<sup>th</sup> Sept and Sat 9<sup>th</sup> Nov.

**Anointing Masses will be held this weekend.**

**4<sup>th</sup> session for EMHC, Altar Assts & Acolytes : Mon 4<sup>th</sup> March at 7pm in presbytery.**

**Day of the Unborn Child: Sun 17<sup>th</sup> March.** Bishop Julian Porteous will lead the annual procession from St. Mary's Cathedral through the Sydney CBD from 10:30am. Mass will begin at 10:30am followed by the procession and will end with Benediction at 1:30pm. Afternoon tea will be served at the Cathedral Hall.

**"The Great Grace – Receiving Vatican II Today" Conference from 20-23 May at Australian Technology Park, Redfern.** It has been specifically organised with clerical and laity in mind and will provide a wealth of opportunities for learning and professional development in this Year of Grace and Faith. For more info, visit [www.thegreatgrace.org.au](http://www.thegreatgrace.org.au).

**This weekend: Vigil:** Volunteer (A)      G Chin, T Chin (R)      F & G Hogan (C)      G Guerrero (M)  
**8:00am:** J Heaney (A)      M Marshiella, T Long (R)      A Burke, Sr Betty (C)      CD Music  
**9.30am:** Volunteer (A)      E Widjaja, H Widjaja (R)      I Tjahjadi (C)      A Burton (M)  
**5.00pm:** R Yang (A), Volunteers please      **Counter:** J De Andrade

**Next weekend: Vigil:** Volunteer (A)      F & G Hogan (R)      G Chin, M Wong (C)      G Guerrero (M)  
**8:00am:** J Heaney (A)      V Meyer, R Wijaya (R)      M Alimario, G Gates(C)      CD Music  
**9.30am:** Volunteer      F Altarejos, C Altarejos (R)      M Tjokrowidjaja (C)      A Burton (M)  
**5.00pm:** R Yang (A), Volunteers please      **Counters:** G Hage, V Hage



The purpose of a parable is to cover the real meaning behind the story, so that only those who are capable of understanding it or willing to put forth enough effort to find the meaning, will do so. This effort or ability is literally a type of spiritual test to sift away those who do not care about the significance of the teaching, because that concern (or lack thereof) is truly an outward sign of the heart or 'spiritual fortitude' of the person.

**The Great Adventure:** Bible Study, 3rd Sundays of the month, 3:30pm presbytery. Next session: Sun 17<sup>th</sup> March 2013.

**Catholicism,** The Journey with Fr. Robert E. Barron. 4<sup>th</sup> Sun. at 3:30 pm presbytery. Next session: Sun 24<sup>th</sup> March 2013.

Let us offer our prayers for the NEW PONTIFF ... May God bless His Ministry.

**Plenary Indulgences 2013 at St Peter's Church, Surry Hills –** During this Holy Year of Faith, a plenary indulgence may be gained on the following nominated days:

☛ Mon 18 <sup>th</sup> March	☛ Tue 19 March	☛ Fri 3 May	☛ Tue 14 May
☛ Fri 24 May	☛ Tue 11 June	☛ Sat 29 June	☛ Wed 3 July
☛ Thu 25 July	☛ Tue 6 Aug	☛ Thu 8 Aug	☛ Thu 15 Aug
☛ Fri 6 Sept	☛ Sat 21 Sept	☛ Mon 28 Oct	☛ Sun 24 Nov

It will be necessary to do the following:

- Spend half an hour before the Blessed Sacrament in prayer and pious meditation (mental prayer) concluding with:
  - ◇ The Lord's Prayer (Our Father);
  - ◇ Recitation of a Profession of Faith (Creed);
  - ◇ Invocations to the Blessed Virgin Mary (Litany of Our Lady); and
  - ◇ Invocation to the Holy apostles and patron saints (Litany of the Saints).
- Receive absolution in the Sacrament of Penance (Confession) on the same day or during the same week.
- Receive Holy Communion during Holy Mass within a 24-hour period of the visit to St. Peter's.
- Pray for the intention of the Supreme Pontiff (the See of St Peter) at the time of the visit.
- Offer suffrages (prayer and/or Mass intention) for the deceased faithful (Holy souls).

**NOTE:** A plenary (complete) indulgence (pardon) from the temporal punishments due to sin is often commuted to a partial indulgence unless the pilgrim (indulgence seeker) abhors mortal sin **and** is completely **detached** from venial sin at the time of making the visit and praying for the indulgence from Holy Mother Church's treasury of merits. Therefore, spiritual preparation for the visit is necessary.