

# ***Saint Michael's War Memorial Catholic Church***

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*"Come to worship  
Go to proclaim"*

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**2nd May, 2021**

**5th Sunday Easter - Year B**

**Sat 1st May St Joseph the Worker (Memorial)**

**Mon 3rd May St Philip and James Feast**

## **FIRST READING:**

**Apostles 9:26-31**

He explained how the Lord appeared to Saul and spoke to him on his journey

## **RESPONSORIAL PSALM**

**Ps 21:26-28, 30-32. R. v.26**

I will praise you, Lord, in the assembly of your people.

## **SECOND READING:**

**John 3:18-24**

His commandments are these: that we believe and that we love one another.

## **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

**Jn 15:4-5**

*Alleluia, Alleluia!*

*Live in me and let me live in you, says the Lord;  
my branches bear much fruit.*

*Alleluia!*

## **Gospel :**

**John 15:1-8**

All who live in me, and I in them, bear much fruit.

# St. Michael's Parish Notice

**Sick:** Amanda & Stephano Guidone , Joe, Steve Delgado–Reves, Anita Ruiz & Blanca Jose Vargas Family, Joseph Haggar, Vince Buchan, Nada Vucetic.

**Mass Intentions:** Sun 8am †Susan Soo Sim Lee & †Maria Filly Conte

## **Rosary**

Rosary is said before morning Mass at 7.05am on Tuesday and Thursdays.

## **Project Compassion Boxes**

A basket will be placed in front of the altar for returned Project Compassion boxes. Please return as soon as possible. Thank you.

## **CWF MAY Parish Appeal**

The Charitable Works Fund (CWF) May Appeal is happening this weekend and we need your help. COVID-19 has taken a special toll on the most vulnerable in Sydney – including those now facing homelessness, single mothers, those struggling with mental health, and our local Aboriginal communities. Appeal envelopes will be provided for your use, so please keep an eye out for them! You can also make a donation and find out more at [www.ourfaithourworks.org/cwf](http://www.ourfaithourworks.org/cwf)

**Donations of \$2 or more are tax deductible.**

## **Sanitizing Church**

**Please could you take a wet wipe located at back of Church and wipe your seat and back of chair when you enter the Church. Bins located at back of Church.**

**Thank You.**

## **National Count**

The National Counting will again be conducted throughout Australia this year. All parishes are urged to take part. The count is conducted over the first four consecutive Sundays (and Saturday evenings) in May. This year, parishes will also be asked to provide estimates of the age and sex of those who attend Mass, as well the number of 'views' of Masses or Sunday assemblies streamed online.

(2021 National Count of Attendance)

## **The Catholic Archdiocese of Sydney Safeguarding Office**

Child sexual abuse is a crime. If you, or anyone you know, have been abused, please contact the police. Or contact the Safeguarding and Ministerial integrity office at (02) 9390-5810 or [safeguardingenquiries@sydneycatholic.org](mailto:safeguardingenquiries@sydneycatholic.org)

***Please observe silence in God's house.  
Please turn your mobile off or put it on silent.***



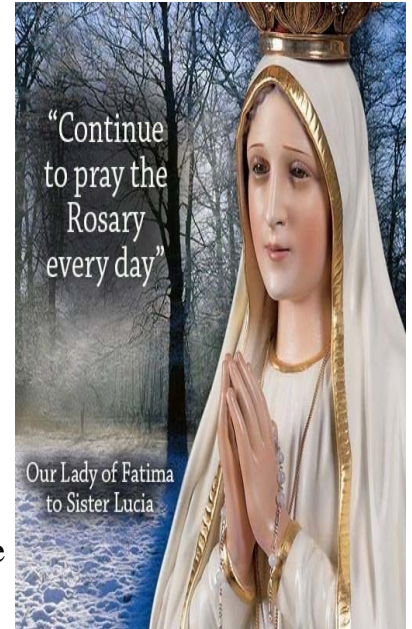
### **Confirmation**

Sacrament of Confirmation will be on Sunday 23rd May at 11.30am and 2pm.

### **May– Month of Rosary**

The tradition of dedicating the month of **May** to **Mary**, came about in the 13<sup>th</sup> century. Some say because it was created to replace various pagan cults. The actual reason is that this **month** is the time when spring is at the height of its beauty. The month of May became a Marian month in 1945 when Pope Pius XII proclaimed May 31 as the feast day of the Queenship of Mary. In later years, the day was moved to August 22. The Church based the May 13, 1917 apparitions of Mary at Fatima in Portugal to confirm the month of May as a Marian month.

According to Rev Fr Henry Ssebwana, the vice rector of Bukalasa Minor Seminary in Masaka diocese, on May 13, 1917, three young girls, Lucia Santos and her cousins Jacinta and Francisco Morta were herding sheep when they saw a woman “brighter than the sun, shedding rays of light clearer and stronger than the rays of the sun.” The lady is said to have asked them to devote themselves to the Holy Trinity and to pray “the rosary every day, to bring peace to the world and an end to war”.



“During May, we pay special homage to Mother Mary by saying the rosary daily and the litany of the Blessed Virgin Mary, seeking her intercession,” Fr Ssebwana said.

### **St Joseph the worker**

Joseph understood the importance of work. He was a carpenter—a builder—and probably taught Jesus his trade. To give workers a patron, the Church turned to Joseph, who had been made the Patron of the Universal Church by Pope Pius IX in 1870 and the model for fathers of families. Joseph was named protector of workers by Pope Benedict XV, and in 1955, the feast of Saint Joseph the Worker on May 1 was proclaimed by Pius the XII. Let us pray to Saint Joseph for his help in all our work and for those people who need jobs but cannot find them .

The Sisters of Loretto, a religious order assigned to care for the chapel, called several carpenters to try and find a solution. It was proposed that instead of a stairway, which would interfere with the chapel's interior space, a ladder should be built. After refusing the ladder as an inappropriate solution, the sisters started praying to St. Joseph, the patron saint of carpenters. It is said that on the ninth day of prayer, a man appeared in the chapel looking for work, equipped with only a toolbox. A few months later, the construction was completed. The result was a 22 feet tall spiral staircase with 33 steps (Jesus's age when he was crucified), that makes two 360 degree turns.

The carpenter disappeared without being paid. Some of the Sisters believed that he was St. Joseph himself, who after hearing the prayer, came to their aid.

**Mass Times:**      **Saturday Vigil:** 5:00pm  
                                  **Sunday:**                    8:00am, 10:00am  
**Weekday:**      **Monday:**  
                                  **Tuesday:**                    7:30am  
                                  **Wednesday:**                6:00pm  
                                  **Thursday:**                   7:30am  
                                  **Friday:**                      9:15am

**2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Saturday: 9:30am** (Southern Cross Hostel)

**Reconciliation**

**Wednesday:** 5:15pm – 5:45pm  
**Saturday:**    4:15pm – 4:45pm



**Contact The Presbytery**

**Parish Office Hours:** Thurs & Fri 9:00am to 2:30pm

**Holy Hour:** Wednesday, 5:00pm

**Baptisms & Weddings:** by appointment.

**Baptisms:** Sundays after the 10am Mass

**Volunteers Roster:**

**This weekend - 2nd May (5th Sunday Easter)**

<b><u>Vigil:</u></b> (A) Hartanto, A Yap	(R) F Hogan, M Vassallo	(M) Thomas W
<b><u>8am:</u></b> (A) Andy H	(R) A Burke, T Trujillo	(M) Thomas W
<b><u>10am:</u></b> (A) N Jenner	(R) C Findlay, A Suryadi	(M) M Sarmiento

**Piety Stall:** (Vigil) F Wu (Sun, 8am) J Busutil (Sun, 10am) L Jenner

**Next weekend - 9th May (6th Sunday Easter) Mother's Day**

<b><u>Vigil:</u></b> (A) Hartanto, A Yap	(R) F Hogan, M Vassallo	(M) Thomas W
<b><u>8am:</u></b> (A) Andy H	(R) T Trujillo, T Long	(M) Thomas W
<b><u>10am:</u></b> (A) N Jenner	(R) K Wong & B Wong	(M) M Sarmiento

**Piety Stall:** (Vigil) C Lan Kam (Sun, 8am) I Koeswanto (Sun, 10am) L Jenner

Parishioners wishing to apply for any of the Ministries, please contact the Parish Office.  
 Thank you!