Parish Priest

Rev Dr Janusz Bieniek CSMA

Assistant Priest Rev George Gorzkowski CSMA

Visiting Priest Rev Thomas Lasen CSMA

Parish Office

Margaret Thu 10am-2pm Maria, Colleen

Mon, Tue, Fri: 10am-2pm

Accounts Carmela

Pastoral Coordinator Valerie Catechist Coordinator Margaret T

Youth Coordinator Olivia

Mass Schedule

Saturday (Vigil Masses):

5.00pm

7.00pm Spanish

Sunday:

8.00am

10.00am Family Mass

3.00pm Cantonese (4th)

12.15pm Mandarin (1st & 3rd)

6.00pm Youth Mass

Monday - Friday: 8.30am

Saturday: 9.15am

Friday (1^{st}) :

7.00pm Sacred Heart Mass

Reconciliation

Saturday: 9.45am, 4.15pm

Anointing of the Sick

9.15am 1st Saturday of the month Or call the priest anytime

Marriage

Contact the priest 6 months prior

Devotions

Monday - Friday:

9.15am Rosary & Divine Mercy

Tuesday:

6.00pm Marian Cenacle

7.00pm St Michael & Holy Angels Thursday:

10.30am Marian Cenacle Croatian Friday:

9.00am Padre Pio (1st)

6.00pm Sacred Heart of Jesus (1st) Adoration & Holy Mass

Saturday:

9.45am Perpetual Help Novena

10.30am Marian Cenacle

1.00pm Alliance of Two Hearts

3.00pm Divine Mercy (4th)

6.00pm Our Lady of Fatima (1st)

Blessed Sacrament Adoration

Monday to Friday

7.30am - 8.30am; 9.00am onwards

Saturday

9.45am - 12pm

Tuesday evening

6.00pm - 9.00pm

Friday evening

7.30pm - 9.00pm

RCIA (from July until Easter) Tuesdays 8.00pm (except 1st)

Legion of Mary

Wednesdays 7.30pm

Baptism Instruction

Wednesdays 7.30pm (1st) RCIA Cantonese (Margaret)

Sundays 10.30am

RCIA Mandarin (Elsie/Urey) Sundays 10.50am (1st & 3rd)

Young Adults at St Michael's Sundays 7.00pm

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21 April 2024

Fourth Sunday of Easter В Year

Confirmation for Adults

on Pentecost Sunday, 19th May 2024

At St Mary's Cathedral

Instruction sessions in the Parish Office rooms at 8.00 pm:

On Tuesday, 30th April On Tuesday, 7th May On Tuesday, 14th May

To register, email the parish office your contact details then turn up for the instruction sessions.



THE LEGION OF MARY

OUR LADY GATE OF HEAVEN **PRAESIDIUM**

WEDNESDAYS AT 7.30 PM PARISH MEETING ROOM I



Thursday, 25th April 2024

They shall grow not old, as we that are left grow old; Age shall not weary them, nor the years condemn. At the going down of the sun and in the morning We will remember them.

The vibrancy of our community largely depends upon you. Are you involved yet in our parish life? If not, please consider it seriously. The harvest is great but the labourers are few. If you want to be a part of any group or activity please contact the parish office (email or phone) or just turn up for the event. All activities are announced in the bulletin (the regular ones are listed on the left hand panel this page of the bulletin).

THE GIFTS OF THE HOLY SPIRIT Sanctifying Gifts

Wisdom, Understanding, Right Judgement, Knowledge, Fortitude, Piety, Fear of the Lord Poured into us by the Holy Spirit upon Baptism

and Confirmation Enables us to participate in the life of the **Blessed Trinity**

Given to us for our personal sanctification

Charismatic Gifts

Includes miracles, prophecy, healing, tongues, interpretation of tongues

Given to us for the sake of others: the chosen are chosen for the sake of others

The charismatic gifts enable us to help in the process whereby God makes others holy, supplies their needs and heals their wounds

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED for Children's Liturgy

Sunday, 10.00 am Mass A CURRENT WORKING WITH CHILDREN CHECK IS **ESSENTIAL**



OVERNIGHT ADORATION ON THE FEAST OF THE SACRED HEART OF JESUS Friday, 7th June

6.00 pm adoration + reconciliation 7.00 pm Holy Mass

8.00 pm adoration until 9.00 am of the next day which is the FEAST of the

IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY (King's birthday on Monday, 10th June)

THURSDAY, 25 APRIL 2024

Thanks be to God for the gift OF PRIESTHOOD BUT ESPECIALLY FOR THE 40TH ANNIVERSARY OF ORDINA-TION OF OUR BELOVED PARISH PRIEST FR JANUSZ!

"..THAT I MAY BE IN TRUTH WHAT I HAVE HANDLED MYSTICALLY IN THIS SACRIFICE."

Support our Parish

Access our **BPoint** for donations and payments using this 7 **QR Code**. Thank you!



Sunday Mass Collections		
	7 April	14 April
1st Collection blue bag	\$874.35	\$840.15
2nd Collection red bag Planned Giving	\$468.85 \$340.00	\$499.25 \$615.00

First Reading Acts of the Apostles 4:8-12

Filled with the Holy Spirit, Peter said: 'Rulers of the people, and elders! If you are questioning us today about an act of kindness to a cripple, and asking us how he was healed, then I am glad to tell you all, and would indeed be glad to tell the whole people of Israel, that it was by the name of Jesus Christ the Nazarene, the one you crucified, whom God raised from the dead, by this name and by no other that this man is able to stand up perfectly healthy, here in your presence, today. This is the stone rejected by you the builders, but which has proved to be the keystone. For of all the names in the world given to men, this is the only one by which we can be saved.'

Responsorial Psalm Psalm 117:1. 8-9. 21-23. 26. 28-29. R. v.22

- R: The stone rejected by the builders has become the cornerstone.
- All: The stone rejected by the builders has become the cornerstone.
- R: Give thanks to the Lord for he is good, for his love has no end.

 It is better to take refuge in the Lord than to trust in men:

 it is better to take refuge in the Lord than to trust in princes.
- All: The stone rejected by the builders has become the cornerstone.
- R: I will thank you for you have given answer and you are my saviour.

 The stone which the builders rejected has become the corner stone.

 This is the work of the Lord, a marvel in our eyes.
- All: The stone rejected by the builders has become the cornerstone.
- R: Blessed in the name of the Lord is he who comes.

 We bless you from the house of the Lord;
 I will thank you for you have given answer and you are my saviour.

 Give thanks to the Lord for he is good; for his love has no end.
- All: The stone rejected by the builders has become the cornerstone.

If your children would like to be ALTAR SERVERS, please bring them to Church 15 minutes before Mass starts. The acolytes will guide the children in serving at Mass. To become altar servers, the children must have had their First Holy Communion.

SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM: FIRST RECONCILIATION

This is for children in year 2 (or for those in higher years who have missed out on this sacrament).

The registration forms may be downloaded from the parish website.

Place the completed forms in the parish office letter box (just outside the parish office door).

The parent meeting is on Thursday, 2nd May.

Second Reading 1 John 3:1-2

Think of the love that the Father has lavished on us, by letting us be called God's children; and that is what we are. Because the world refused to acknowledge him, therefore it does not acknowledge us. My dear people, we are already the children of God but what we are to be in the future has not yet been revealed; all we know is, that when it is revealed we shall be like him because we shall see him as he really is.

Gospel Acclamation *John 10:14*

Alleluia, alleluia!

I am the good shepherd, says the Lord;

I know my sheep, and mine know me.

Alleluia!

Gospel *John 10:11-18*

Jesus said: 'I am the good shepherd: the good shepherd is one who lays down his life for his sheep. The hired man, since he is not the shepherd and the sheep do not belong to him, abandons the sheep and runs away as soon as he sees a wolf coming, and then the wolf attacks and scatters the sheep; this is because he is only a hired man and has no concern for the sheep. I am the good shepherd; I know my own and my own know me, just as the Father knows me and I know the Father; and I lay down my life for my sheep. And there are other sheep I have that are not of this fold, and these I have to lead as well. They too will listen to my voice, and there will be only one flock and one shepherd. The Father loves me, because I lay down my life in order to take it up again. No one takes it from me; I lay it down of my own free will, and as it is in my power to lay it down, so it is in my power to take it up again; and this is the command I have been given by my Father.'

The pilgrim statue of Our Lady of Fatima has been visiting the families of our parish over many years. The visits may be requested to mark special occasions or when special prayers are needed. The statue of Our Lady of Fatima stays for a week in each home. Please contact the parish office to request a visit.

If the parish office is unattended when you come to visit, please leave a note and place it in the black letter box with your details and query. Alternatively, please email the parish office. Mass offering envelopes, note paper and pens can be found in the drawer of the white table in the little foyer just outside the parish office door.

Thank you for your patience!

Pray for the sick: Sr Louise Byrne, Josephine Ferraro Almo, Sandra Kirner, Henry Chau, Bob Hinson, Edward Gorzkowski.

Pray for the recently departed: Michael Shiel, Aurelia Muscat, Marie Doherty, John Mercer, Fred Perera, Eva Sakrs, Arthur Budihalim, Abboud Sarkis.

Pray for those whose death anniversary occurs about now: Rosina Flammia, Celine John, Magdalena Helena Melati, Simon Husin Subakti.

Pray for the souls of the deceased parishioners of St Michael's, those who sacrificed their lives for our country, and for the Poor Souls in Purgatory.

Pray for the safe delivery of Heidi & Michael Remon's baby. Thanksgiving is offered by Evelyn Ciciotti.

Pray for the Sciacca family on Mikey's birthday!



A message from the Archdiocese of Sydney. Abuse is a crime. The people who deal with crime are the police. If you or anyone you know have been abused in any way, please contact the police. You can also contact the Safeguarding and Ministerial Integrity Office at (02) 9390 5810 or safeguardingenquiries@sydneycatholic.org. Your Parish Priest may be able to provide support and guidance.