

WELCOME TO ST. ANNE'S STRATHFIELD SOUTH PARISH

Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year A)

17 & 18 June 2023

Weekday/Weekend Mass Timetable:

Saturday Vigil: 5:00 pm
Sunday: 8:00 am & 10:00 am
Tuesday - Friday 9:15 am
Saturday: 9:15 am

Reconciliation - Saturdays from 9:45 am
Baptisms, marriages and funerals, by appointment only.

ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF COUNTRY

We acknowledge and celebrate that this land is of the Wangal people of the Darug nation on which we are gathered. We commit ourselves to work together for reconciliation, justice and peace.



SUNDAY READINGS:

Exodus 19:2-6
St Paul to the Romans 5:6-11
Matthew 9:36 - 10:8

Responsorial Psalm:

We are his people: the sheep of his flock .

Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, alleluia! The sheep that belong to me listen to my voice, says the Lord, I know them and they follow me. Alleluia!



FOR OUR DEAD

Please remember those who have gone before us:

Beryl Fernandes
Fr Giovanni
Giampietro
Wahib, Nohad,
Marianne & Roly
Maram Mark Bembia
Ronnie Africa

FOR OUR SICK

Beth
Lian Chow

SPECIAL INTENTIONS:

Tony Chow



"The harvest is rich but the labourers are few, so ask the Lord of the harvest to send labourers to his harvest". How often has Jesus' remark been adopted to appeal for vocations to religious life and the priesthood! A worthy cause indeed, and still commendable, but with

the unfortunate side-effect of obscuring the call of all the baptised to mission.

In the Eucharistic Prayer for Use in Masses for Various Needs III, we pray: "Grant that all the faithful of the Church, looking into the signs of the times by the light of faith, may constantly devote themselves to the service of the Gospel. Keep us attentive to the needs of all that, sharing their grief and pain, their joy and hope, we may faithfully bring them the good news of salvation and go forward with them along the way of your Kingdom".

That's a prayer that deserves a Great Amen!

Source: Liturgy Brisbane



THANK YOU TO THE STUDENTS FROM ST ANNE'S

Thank you to the students from St Anne's who prepared special decorations for the Feast of the Sacred Heart.

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FROM THE PASTOR'S



HOLY FATHER'S APPEAL

The annual Holy Father's Appeal will be held across the weekend 24th & 25th June. This appeal, also known as Peter's Pence, is a gesture of solidarity with the universal Church to support the works of the Holy Father Pope Francis.

FAMILY MASS



Our next Family Mass will be held this Sunday 18th June 2023 at 10 am. All are welcome to attend.

FUNERAL OF FR GABRIEL TAYLOR **PAULINE FATHER FROM PENROSE PARK (BERRIMA)**

The details for the Funeral of Fr. Gabriel Taylor are as follows. The Vigil will be on the 19th of June at 3 pm. The Funeral Mass will be on the 20th of June at 11 am. The full program for the vigil and funeral are as follows:

VIGIL & VIEWING OF FR GABRIEL

The Solemn Reception of the Body of Fr Gabriel and Vigil Liturgy will be on Monday, 19th June, at the Old Monastery, commencing at 3 pm and concluding around 7 pm.

The Order of Service will be the following:

- 3 pm:** Reception of the Body, procession into the Old Monastery Chapel and opening of the coffin along with the Funeral Vigil Liturgy.
- 4 pm:** Rosary (Joyful Mysteries)
- 5 pm:** Rosary (Sorrowful Mysteries)
- 6 pm:** Solemn Vespers and closing of the coffin.

Refreshments will be available in the conference room in the Old Monastery.

SOLEMN REQUIEM FOR FR GABRIEL

The Solemn Pontifical Funeral Mass for Fr Gabriel will be in the Shrine Church on Tuesday, 20th June, commencing at 11 am.

The Order of the day is as follows:

- 8 am:** Reception of the Body and procession into the Shrine Church
- 8:30 am:** Solemn Morning Prayer of the Church
- 9 am:** Viewing in the Shrine Church
- 9:30 am:** Rosary (Luminous Mysteries)
- 10:15 am:** Closing of the coffin and Rosary (Glorious Mysteries)
- 10:40 am:** Singing of the Litany of the Blessed Virgin Mary
- 11am:** Solemn Pontifical Requiem Mass

Burial will follow the Mass and will take place at St Patrick's Cemetery, Sutton Forest.

Wake and Refreshments to follow at St Paul's Parish Hall (24 Garrett Street, Moss Vale).

Please continue to keep Fr. Gabriel in your prayers.





FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

MULTICULTURAL SUNDAY

Parishioners from all ethnic communities are invited to join together in Mass to celebrate Multicultural Sunday, next Sunday 18th June in St Mary's Cathedral at 2.00 pm. The Mass will be celebrated by Bishop Vincent Long from Parramatta Diocese, together with Migrant Chaplains from Sydney Archdiocese and Parramatta Diocese.

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY

Join Mary MacKillop Place! Situated in North Sydney and conveniently accessible by public transport, MMP is currently in search of enthusiastic volunteers who will warmly welcome and assist visitors to the MMP Museum. If you enjoy interacting with people and have some spare time, please get it touch! Whether it's for a couple of hours, a day or two a week, fortnightly or month, we would love to have you on board! Rest assured, all necessary training and support will be provided. For more information or to express your interest, please contact Sr Annie Bond, Ministry & Mission Manager, or send an email to annie.bond@mmp.org.au.

SAFEGUARDING UPDATE

It is important that all Parishioners are aware of the importance and responsibility of our Volunteers to meet the Child safety requirements. This week I bring your attention to the requirement of a Working with Children Check.

All Safeguarding requirements are on the Archdiocese Website and the website of the Office of the Children's Guardian.

Office of the Children's Guardian regulates and oversees organisations in NSW because children and young people have the right to be safe.

The Archdiocese Safeguarding Office has been advised that Churches within the Archdiocese will be audited by the Office of the Children's Guardian this year. It is the Church's obligation to participate in the audit but more importantly, we are required to meet the Regulations set down for Volunteers.

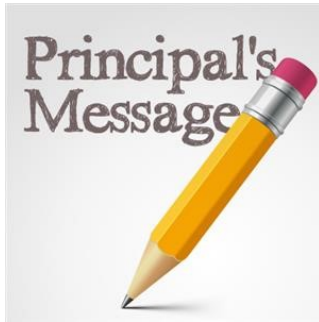
The first responsibility (among others) is to ensure that volunteers in certain Parish roles that DO require a WWCC, have one. In our Parish the following roles are required to hold a WWCC which much be verified by the Parish:

Parish Secretaries, Sacramental Group Leaders, Catechists in State Schools, Acolytes and Senior Altar Servers, Ministers of the Work/Readers/Lectors, Parish Collectors and Eucharistic Minister.

If we do not meet the requirements of the Office of the Children's Guardian, the Priest and the Church will be fined and the amounts are substantial.

I urge any volunteer in the above categories that do not have a WWCC to immediately obtain one and forward a copy to the Parish Office. Please check that your WWCC has not expired, and you need to renew it. There is no cost associated with holding a WWCC and if you have any queries, please contact the Parish Office on a Tuesday and we will be able to answer your queries.

Dear Parishioners, Parents and Carers,



Our Athletics Carnival took place at Campbell Athletics Field in Canterbury on Thursday.

Four records were broken in the glorious winter sunshine. Congratulations to the Gold House who were victorious in the carnival. Blue House won the Cheering Competition. A highlight was the race for the mums. This sprint event attracted the biggest and most competitive field of the day.

On Friday the school joined the parishioners to celebrate the Feast of the Sacred Heart. Father Jack was very kind in congratulating our students' efforts to provide appropriate art works for the church. The art works remain in the church as they complement the theme of our Family Mass on Sunday which is "Hearts on Fire."

Our students currently can enrol in the ICAS competitions run by the University of NSW later in the year. These competitions are designed for students from Year 2 to Year 6. There are competitions in Digital Technology, Writing, English, Science, Spelling and Mathematics. These competitions are not suitable for every student, but they can be an interesting challenge for students who have strengths in these academic areas.

Warm regards
Phil Townsend

NEW PLANNED GIVING ENVELOPES

The new planned giving envelopes for 2023/2024 can be collected from the back table in the church. If you are not currently part of the planned giving program but would like to join, please contact the parish office either by email or phone. We will ensure a new set of envelopes will be available to you as well.

ONLINE PRAYER SERVICE FOR REFUGEE WEEK 2023

We invite you to an online prayer service to commemorate Refugee Week from 18 to 24 June. The prayer service will be broadcast live at 7pm AEST on Tuesday, 20 June 2023. [Click here to register.](#)

PURPOSE NIGHTS | BLACK AND WHITE NIGHT



Our first ever Purpose Nights event is happening June 27th and we can't wait to have you! There will be a live music concert, food trucks, talks, adoration, confession, bonfires, and a Q&A panel!

Topic: 'What is Truth?'

Dress code: Black and White Clothing!

Open to students across Sydney in years 9-12

Date and Time: Tuesday 27th June, 5.30 PM to 9PM.

Venue: St Christopher's, Holsworthy 205 Heathcote Rd, Holsworthy

Registrations are essential. For more information and to register, visit the [event page](#)

A MESSAGE FROM THE ARCHDIOCESE OF SYDNEY:



Child sexual abuse is a crime. The appropriate people to deal with a crime are the police. If you, or anyone you know have been abused, please contact the police. Alternatively, you can contact the Safeguarding and Ministerial Integrity Office at (02) 9390 5810 or safeguardingenquiries@sydneycatholic.org. You may also want to speak to your Parish Priest who will be able to provide support and guidance. The Archdiocese has a legal obligation to report crimes to the police. **Website:** [Archdiocese of Sydney Safeguarding and Child Protection](#)