

WELCOME TO ST. ANNE'S STRATHFIELD SOUTH PARISH

Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year A)

19 & 20 August 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.

SUNDAY READINGS:

Isaiah 56:1, 6-7
St Paul to the Romans 11:13-15, 29-32
Matthew 15:21-28

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.



Responsorial Psalm:

O God, let all the nations praise you!

Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, alleluia! Jesus proclaimed the Gospel of the kingdom and cured every disease among the people. Alleluia!



FOR OUR DEAD

Please remember those who have gone before us:

Peter Vidovic
Douglas Vannie
Sebastian Sindone
Maria Fatarella
Ivan Skuric
Fr Francis Elsing
Norma Williamson
Graham Atkin
Gordon Fox
Gladys Vannie

FOR OUR SICK

John Carmichael

SPECIAL INTENTON

Anthony Saad



Some twenty years ago, the Pontifical Biblical Commission in Rome published an important document entitled "The Jewish People and Their Sacred Scriptures in the Christian Bible". Part of it is devoted to what Paul had to say about his ancestral

people. Here's a tiny part relating to what we are reading from Romans:

"The resistance mounted by the majority of Jews to the Christian preaching produced in Paul's heart 'great sorrow and unceasing anguish' (Rm 9:2). . . His afflictions and suffering forced him to search for a solution: in three lengthy chapters (Rm 9-11), he goes to the heart of the problem, or rather the mystery, of Israel's place in God's plan, in the light of Christ and of the scriptures, without giving up until he is able to conclude: 'and so all Israel will be saved' (Rm 11:26). These three chapters in the Letter to the Romans constitute the most profound reflection in the whole of the New Testament on Jews who do not believe in Jesus. . . In the final analysis, God's plan for Israel is entirely positive: 'their stumbling means riches for the world', 'how much more will their full inclusion mean?' (11:12). They are assured of a covenant of mercy by God (11:27,31)". (#79)

Source: Liturgy Brisbane

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FROM THE PASTOR'S



CWF PARISH APPEAL

For anyone who would still like to donate towards The Charitable Works Fund (CWF) envelopes are available in the pews and can be placed on any of the collection plates. All donations contribute to our Parish target.



WELCOME FR ADAM

This week we welcome to our Parish Community my classmate Fr Adam from Germany. Fr Adam will be visiting Australia for a few weeks and will be staying in the parish whilst he is here on holidays. Fr Adam is looking forward to meeting you all during his time here.

CONFIRMATION MASS - 2023

The Sacrament of Confirmation at St Anne's will be celebrated on Saturday 26th August at 5.00 pm by Bishop Terry Brady. 9 Candidates will be confirmed during the Saturday Vigil Mass.

We wish all the Confirmation candidates from the school and Parish all the best for the upcoming Sacrament. The children have been well prepared and I'm sure it will be a beautiful celebration. All are welcome.



RAISING FATHERS EVENTS 2023

Join us for the RAISING FATHERS Evening as we unpack practical advice and share powerful, impactful, informative and instructional stories for fathering in today's world. This is a partnership with Robert Falzon and MenAlive.

Tuesday, 29 August - Marist College Eastwood - 44 Hillview Rd, Eastwood /
Wednesday, 30 August - Patrician Brothers' College: 268 The Horsley Drive, Fairfield /
Thursday, 31 August - St Patrick's College: Francis St, Strathfield

Visit Raising Fathers Evenings 2023 Tickets, Multiple Venues (see above) |
TryBooking Australia to attend one of the evenings. [Visit the event website](#)

FATHER'S DAY MASS - CEMETERY

Father's Day is a special day for many to reflect and show their love and appreciation to fathers, grandfathers, and father figures who may no longer be with us.

Liverpool Cemetery

10.30 am Saturday 2 September 2023
The Reflection Chapel

Kemps Creek Memorial Park

10.30 am Saturday 2 September 2023
The Pavillon

Rookwood Catholic Cemetery

12 pm. Saturday 2 September 2023
The Mary, Mother of Mercy Chapel

Hospitality provided after Mass

RSVP by 26th August - marketing@catholiccemeteries.com.au

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FATHER'S DAY APPEAL

The annual **Father's Day Appeal** will take place this year on weekend of **2 & 3 September 2023** and supports the Priest's Retirement Foundation (PRF). It's a beautiful occasion when we honour and celebrate fathers, and most especially our retired spiritual Fathers. The appeal provides vital assistance to our retired Priests who have given so much in service to our families and communities. Envelopes for donations towards this appeal will be provided shortly.

Thank you in advance for your on-going support.

ARETÉ 2024 FOUNDATIONS IN MISSIONARY LEADERSHIP COURSE

Applications are open for the Archdiocese of Sydney subsidies for the Areté 2024 Foundations in Missionary Leadership course

The Sydney Centre for Evangelisation has a limited number of partial subsidies available for parishioners of the Archdiocese of Sydney who meet the criteria of the subsidy agreement. **To apply for a subsidy or to find out more, contact parishrenewal@sydneycatholic.org. Places will fill quickly.**

MENTION MY NAME

Parishioners are invited to a special Prayer Service to remember those who have lost their lives through suicide and pray for their grieving family, friends, caregivers, and first responders. When: Tuesday 12th September at 7.30 pm
Where: All Saints Catholic Church, 48 George Street, Liverpool For further information please contact the Grief Care Team on 9646 6908 or email team@griefcare.com.au

LIVERPOOL CEMETERY MASSES

The monthly Mass for those interred at Liverpool Cemetery has returned. The Mass is held on the 3rd Wednesday of the month at 10.30 am in the Padre Pio chapel. The next Mass will be on Wednesday 20 September 2023 at 10.30 am.

GRIEF CARE

Bereavement support groups provide ongoing help in various ways. The groups are a way of bringing people together in a safe space to share common life experiences and provide an opportunity for participants to communicate in a mutual understanding of shared experiences.

These groups are for anyone who has experienced a death, whether it is family, friend, work colleague or neighbour. Groups meet at different locations and days of the month.

If you would like more information about any of the groups, please either call or email:

(02) 9646 6936 or 1300 114 997

email: care@griefcare.com.au

or visit www.catholiccemeteries.com.au

Dear Parishioners, Parents and Carers,



The Science Teaching at St Anne's is so good, it has been included in a new textbook! "Primary Science Education: A Teacher's Toolkit" was written by Dr Anne Forbes and will be used by all beginning teachers at Macquarie University, starting from this semester. The work of our own Mrs Sally Biskupic, Mrs Karen Suttor and Miss Faye Katsoulas features in two chapters: Examples of successful units of work; and how to use English, Maths and Geography to support learning in primary science. We are proud of our "Mad Scientists."

On Friday St Anne's was visited by 18 senior Science students from St Vincent's College Ashfield. The high school students were at St Anne's to mentor our Year 3 and 4 students participating in science investigations in Mrs Biskupic's My Science program. The high school students said that they were very excited to be visiting our primary school. Meanwhile our students were delighted with the arrangement. The St Vincent's girls and boys will return for two more sessions this term.

The St Anne's crew headed out again last Wednesday evening on the St Vincent de Paul Liverpool Night Patrol. We had our usual selection of delicious sandwiches, snacks, and hot and cold drinks. Many of the sandwiches were assembled in a team effort in the staffroom after school on Wednesday. Thank you again to parishioners for supporting this effort. The St Anne's team goes out on every fourth Wednesday. For the first time on Wednesday, we were able to offer hot dogs to our clients. The hot dogs went down very well on a cold Wednesday night.

So, we have Hot dogs, Cold nights, and Warm regards.
Phil Townsend

OREMUS: ONLINE PRAYER SERIES

Strengthen your faith in Christ, your prayer life, and your confidence to pray with others. Join us online for this 3-week series on the Foundations of Prayer:

Wednesdays 6, 13 and 20 September 2023
@ 7:30 – 8:45 pm (**cost: free**)

Optional in-person retreat to follow on:
Saturday, 28 October 2023

St Martha's Leichhardt between 10 am – 4 pm
\$28.50 (+booking fees)

Register for either or both opportunities at
www.gomakedisciples.org.au/cas-events
All welcome.

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 an 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

