WELCOME TO ST. ANNE'S STRATHFIELD SOUTH PARISH

Easter Sunday (Year B)

30 & 31 March 2024

Weekday/Weekend Mass Timetable:

Saturday Vigil: 5:00 pm

Easter Sunday: 8:00 am & 10:00 am

Easter Monday: 9:15 am Tuesday- Friday 9:15 am Saturday: 9:15 am

READINGS:

Acts of the Apostles: 10:34, 37 - 43

Colossians: 3: 1-420:1-9John:

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.



Responsorial Psalm:

This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad Alleluia, alleluia! Christ has become our paschal sacrifice; let us

feast with joy in the Lord. Alleluia!

Gospel Acclamation:

those who have

gone before us:

Mabel Harvey

Jim & Gloria Howden

George Brinkley

Damian Wong Peter Rühl

Beth Tudehope

Tony & Laura **Bou-Chahine**

Tom Riemer

CHRIST AS RISEN! ALLELUIA!

Dear Friends, peace, love, and joy to all.



Easter brings so many promises of God to us, life is stronger than death, love can overcome hate, goodness triumphs over evil, and eternity and glory with God in Heaven are our destiny.

That is the true meaning of Easter. May Jesus who rose, body and soul, and is still alive and with us today, live in all our hearts, that we may always embrace Him with love and gratitude. May His love and His peace fill our hearts, our lives, our homes, and our families. God bless every one of you and your loved ones.

Christ is Risen! Indeed, He is Risen! HAPPY EASTER from Fr Jacek



MASS – EASTER MONDAY

Easter Monday 1st April Mass at 9.15 am





Easter Water is available after Mass.



FIRST SATURDAY – 6TH APRIL 2024

The first Saturday Mass with the Sacrament of Anointing will be celebrated on Saturday, 6th April at 9.15 am. Reconciliation will follow.

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EASTER TABLE PRAYER

Creator God and Lord of Life, You who call forth from the darkness of death all those who love You, we rejoice, on this Easter Sunday, in the resurrection from the dead of our Lord, Jesus Christ.

Visit our home and this table with Your bright blessing of peace and life.

We pause in the midst of this prayer to remember all the holy dead of our family who live now in You and who await the final and glorious resurrection of the dead.

Pause for silent reflection to remember those who have died.

May they and we, because of our faith in You, our God, taste in the victory of life over death.

May the Risen Christ, our Lord and Savior, be our guest as we celebrate His resurrection with this Easter Sunday dinner.

Bless those whose work to prepare this meal has truly been a work of prayer, and bless all of us who shall share it with Easter love and joy.

May You, then, bless this table and this food, and each of us in Your holy name. Amen

*Edward Hays, "Prayers for the Domestic Church: A Handbook for Worship in the Home"



THANK YOU FROM FR JACEK

I would like to thank all those among you who have sent Easter cards, gifts, and well wishes for the Easter season. Your thoughts and actions are very generous and overwhelming. Thank you and God bless. Fr Jacek.



EASTER THANK YOU

A **BIG THANK YOU** to all our parishioners who gave so generously of their time and talents to ensure our Easter celebrations were beautiful and holy. May the Lord bless you a hundredfold for all that you have given to build our parish faith and life.



EASTER SUNDAY 31 MARCH



Happy Easter from all at Caritas Australia!



Thank you for your continued support through Project Compassion. Together, we can help vulnerable communities face their challenges today and build a better tomorrow, *for all future generations*.

Thank you for supporting Caritas Australia's Project Compassion 2024 Lenten appeal.

You can donate through Project Compassion donation boxes and envelopes available from your parish, by visiting caritas.org.au/project-compassion or by calling 1800 024 413.

THANK YOU - ST ANNE'S SCHOOL

Thank you to the teachers and students from St Anne's for the beautiful Stations of the Cross that were prepared for the church. We have many talented artists here at the school.

PROJECT COMPASSION BOXES

Project Compassion boxes and envelopes can be returned to the Sacristy, Parish office or be placed in the basket at the front of the pulpit.

EASTER OFFERING ENVELOPES

Are available from the back table. This offering goes towards the support of the active, retired, and sick clergy in the Archdiocese. Please place your offering on either of the two collection plates. Thank you.

DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

Jesus requested to St Faustina that the first Sunday after Easter should be the Feast of Divine Mercy and proclaimed in a special way. In addition to our parish Mass timetable, there will be a special celebration at St Anne's on Sunday 7th April at 2.00 pm: Confessions, Divine Mercy Chaplet and 3.00 pm Mass.



From the Diary of St Faustina, Jesus proclaimed: I want to grant a complete pardon to the souls that will go to Confession and receive Holy Communion on the Feast of My Mercy (1109). Whoever approaches the Fountain of Life on this day will be granted complete forgiveness of sins and punishment(300). The soul that will go to Confession and receive Holy Communion will obtain complete forgiveness of sins and punishment (699).

DAY OF THE UNBORN CHILD

The Feast of the Annunciation is internationally recognised as the Day of the Unborn Child. It marks the day Our Lord Jesus Christ became a tiny unborn child in His mother's womb and it is a day of celebration and remembrance of the dignity of the unborn. An initiative of Family Life International, on Sunday, April 14, 2024, there will be a street procession following 10:30 a.m. Mass at St Mary's Cathedral, Sydney. Archbishop Anthony Fisher OP will lead the procession, which will be followed by an address at Parliament House by guest speaker Archbishop Julian Porteous. All are welcome, and invite family and friends as we process for life!

ST ANNE'S PARISH SACRAMENTAL DETAILS



Sacrament of First Holy Communion Sunday 2nd June 2024 at 12 noon.

Sacrament of Confirmation



Saturday 24th August at 5.00 pm during the Vigil Mass.



Sacrament of First Reconciliation

Saturday 23rd November at 6.30 pm for First Holy Communion in 2025.



Don't Forget

Daylight savings ends Sunday 7th April

Dear Parishioners, Parents and Carers,

Our Holy Week Liturgy on Thursday afternoon was a special occasion. Kinder reflected on the events of Palm Sunday before Year 1 reminded us of the meaning of Jesus washing the feet of the apostles. This was followed by a re-enactment of the Last Supper led by Year 3. Year 2 then took us through the events in the Garden of Gethsemane before Year 4 recounted the sacrifice of Jesus on Good Friday. This liturgy was made even more special by the attendance of parents and carers, but I was particularly grateful to the parishioners who were able to attend. Thank you also to our Religious Education Coordinator, Mrs Pina Cesarano for her enthusiasm and inspiration, and for all the students and staff who contributed to this commemoration.



On Tuesday Years 5 and 6 will lead us in a celebration of the Resurrection of our Lord which will be followed by an Easter Hat Parade and the P & F Easter Raffle.

The Vinnie's Night Patrol to Liverpool and Sadlier Miller on Wednesday provided further evidence of the reality of the teamwork between parish and school. Thank you to all involved. However, the needs seem to be growing.

I wish you all a happy and holy Easter.

Warm regards Phil Townsend

WILLS SEMINAR IN REGENTS PARK

Writing or updating a will can be a complicated task, for many legal and emotional reasons. So, looking after your loved ones during this process is often fraught with difficulty. This is why the Sydney Archdiocese is delighted to announce a FREE seminar designed to make the world of Wills easier to comprehend and navigate.

When: Tuesday 16 April 2024, between 11.30am-1.30pm

Where: Regent St Pavilion (part of DOOLEYS), 67 Regent St Regents Park

Note: Light refreshments will be available on the day, as well as a COMPLIMENTARY

WILL OFFER for attendees. *Terms and Conditions apply.

Please join us as we help you gain a better understanding of important topics such as Estate planning, Enduring Guardianship and Powers of Attorney. Leading industry specialists with many years of experience will present on the day, offer their expertise FREE OF CHARGE, and answer ALL your questions. Representatives from the Sydney Archdiocese will also explain how your parish community can directly benefit from the offering of legacy gifts in Wills.



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CATHOLIC ARCHDIOCESE OF SYDNEY

For further information, contact Tony Maricic on 1800 753 959, or via email tony.maricic@sydneycatholic.org.

← Please scan to register or visit https://bit.ly/DooleysWills

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 safeguardingenquir-ies@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