

CHURCH OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION AND ST. PAUL OF THE CROSS

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Parish Office

Maria - Mondays

9.30am - 2:30pm

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Bishop Richard Umbers DD VG (Bishop in Residence) Fr. Andrew James (Parish Priest), (Deacon) Rev Louis Azzopardi

Parish & Hall enquiries 9558 3257

Mass Times

Sat: 5:30pm (Vigil) Sun: 8am & 10am Mon to Fri: 9:00am **Sat:** 9:30am

Family Mass with Children's Liturgy

3rd Sunday of the Month 10am Mass

Family Rosary & Morning <u>Tea</u> - 2nd Sunday of the Month after 10am Mass in

the Church Hall Filipino Mass

1st Sun 11:30am

Il Gruppo di Rosario Italiano Il gruppo di preghiera Italiano, si raduna ogni giovedi alle

ore 10 nella salla parrocchiale.

Sacraments Confession

Sat 8:30-9:20am, 4:45pm or any time by appointment

Every 2nd, 3rd and 4th

Baptism

Sunday 11.15am **Marriage**

At least 6 months notice required

Anointing of the Sick Any time on call

Devotions Holy Hour & Rosary

Sunday - Friday before morning mass

Rosary & Benediction Sat 8:30-9:30am

Elsa George Rosary

Group Second Saturday of the month at 2.30pm 9716 6676 All welcome

Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Help Wednesday 7pm

Thursday Weekday Mass will be at 8:00am until further notice.

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Stations of the Cross - Every Friday through Lent at 7:00pm.

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Parish Sacramental Program 2021

This year the dates for our preparation program for children wishing to make their First Reconciliation and to receive First Holy Communion are: **First Reconciliation:**

Second lesson: Saturday 27th Feb 4pm/Sunday 28th Feb 9am

Third lesson: Saturday 6th March 4pm/Sunday 7th March 9am

Fourth lesson: Saturday 13th March 4pm/Sunday 14th March 9am

Two alternate dates are available for children to make their First Reconciliation: Tuesday 16th March and Wednesday 17th March. Both are at 6:30 pm in the church. All lessons are in the parish hall.

First Holy Communion: Enrolment and first lesson: Saturday 14th August 4pm/Sunday 15th August 9am

Second lesson: Saturday 21st August 4pm/Sunday 22nd August 9am

Third lesson: Saturday 28th August 4pm/Sunday 29th August 9am

Fourth lesson: Saturday 4th September 4pm/Sunday 5th September 9am

Three alternate Mass times are available for children to receive First Holy Communion: Friday 10th September 6:30pm/ Saturday 11th September 11:00am/ Saturday 18th September 11:00am. All lessons will be in the parish hall

Dates for Confirmation are not finalised yet.

St Joseph's Enfield Healing Mass Friday 5th March 2021,

Celebrant: Father Julian Wellspring Rosary: 7:00pm Reconciliation: 7:00-8:00pm Prayer and Praise: 7:30pm Mass: 8:00pm Exposition (after Mass) & Prayer Ministry St Joseph's Catholic Church 126 Liverpool Rd., Enfield Parking at rear of church. Enter from Baker St.

Feast/Solemnity/Memorial/Saint of the Week (1 - 6 March 2021)

Special Day of Prayer and Penance

Thu 4/3 St Casimir Autumn Ember Day Fri 5/3

Saint Casimir of Poland St Casimir Jagiellon was a prince of the Poland and of the Grand Duchy of

Lithuania.

Autumn

Ember days

seek God's

blessing of

favourable

a fruitful

harvest

from the

land, inter-

weather and

Ember

Day

St Casimir, help us to remember that our true King is Jesus Christ and to always serve him with joy and love. Help us to turn to our true Father for guidance and protection. Amen!



ceding in times of drought or flood and giving thanks in better times



A message from Aid to the Church in Need Australia: Did you know that each year the Catholic charity, Aid to the Church in Need, supports the training of 12,000 seminarians and provides ongoing formation for 8,000 priests. Could you help support a priest or seminarian? Visit www.aidtochurch.org/formation

Second Sunday of Lent / B 28 February 2021



"They saw no one with them any more but only Jesus"

There is an extraordinary depth of insight into the many 'layers' of our Gospel story of the Transfiguration of Jesus in this painting by the Fifteenth century Italian painter and Dominican friar, Fra Angelico. Jesus is, of course, at the centre dominating the whole scene, his garments "dazzlingly white." His disciples are so overcome that they shield their eyes. Peter is actually turning away as if this revelation of Jesus was too much to face. On either side of the painting are his mother, representing all the promises and hopes of Israel that she had said 'yes' to and St Dominic, representing the continuing teaching of Jesus. Beneath Jesus arms, as if drawing them into himself, are the two greatest prophets of the Old Testament, Moses and Elijah.

But it is the stance of the transfigured Jesus that draws us into the painting. His outstretched arms draw us into his life just as his own life fulfilled all the promises God had made to his people

throughout the Old Testament. Even though Jesus is shown as radiating the light of God, his outstretched arms remind us above all, of his crucifixion and the resurrection that would follow.

We glimpse in the depth of the imagery in this painting, some sense of what the disciples themselves experienced in their time with Jesus "on a high mountain." All that they had experienced with him so far - his extraordinary 'authority', his teaching and his miracles of healing - all this came together in that revelation of Jesus as the "Son, the Beloved."

It was a revelation that would eventually transform their lives as they allowed themselves more and more to be drawn into the life of Jesus. They were told to "Listen to him." Here we remember how 'seeing' and 'listening' are used throughout each of the Gospels as images of conversion. We 'listen to' Jesus when we take him into our lives and reshape them in obedience to God's Word, the Word that "became flesh" in Jesus.

Seeing Jesus and listening to him throughout our lives brings us into God's own life, "Whoever has seen me has seen the Father" (Jn14:90). The disciples could not bear to look at Christ in his divinity, the life he shared with the Father. But when it was "only Jesus", the man who remained faithful to God despite suffering and rejection, they could follow him. They followed him until they were finally able to 'see' that the Son of God and the Son of Man were one and the same person. Our own faithfulness to Jesus as we welcome him into our lives gives our lives the depth and the hope that he brought us through his life, despite the failures, suffering and difficulties we may experience ourselves "With God on our side, who can be against us?" (Roms 8:13)

Deacon Louis

Weekly Online Lenten Group - Receive the Grace to Go Make Disciples: A Lenten Companion Join Fr Noel Custodio, host of *The Furnace* podcast, as he leads an online Lenten Group which will use Receive the Grace to Go Make Disciples: A Lenten Companion.

Dates: Wednesdays of Lent. Time: 7:30pm - 8:15pm

Register: www.gomakedisciples.org.au

For more information: contact the Parish Renewal Team at parishrenewal@sydneycatholic.org or on (02)

9390 5330.

Carmelite Retreat Program 2021

(Brochures are in the church and bulletin board) Day Retreat & Weeklong and Weekend Retreats To make a booking for day retreat, please contact Telephone: (02) 8795 3464

Mobile phone: +61 0404 262 076 Or, to make an enquiry: (02) 8795 3400 or

0435 857 690

bookings@mtcarmel.com.au

PARISH WEEKEND MASS ROSTER 6 & 7 March 2021

Readers: 5:30pm R Lazarus S Draysey

8:00am J Peters G Turnbull

10:00am J Duru

V Simms

PRIMARY SCHOOL

Ph: 9558 5308 Fax: 9558 4909 Principal:

Ms Frances Stewart **REC:** Ms Jo-Anne Ross

With St Paul of the Cross we pray ...

For the sick

Angela Di Donato Sr Julianne Murphy Helen & Robyn Natalina Gallace Ruth Wilson Raymond Hudson Lourdes Tee Fr Jim Duggan Paul Weber Kevin Russell Pat Allport Cardo, Zennie, Ian, Pat Martin Welfare Francheska Bechara

Recently Deceased Albert

Death Anniversary

Foula Moobarak Rena Boutros Salima Kazzi Nadim Sara Naim & Wadih Eleter Andres Paraiso

For the Souls

All forgotten Souls and Holy Souls in Purgatory

Special Intentions

Henry & Tina and family Leah Tillam