



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

Catholic Parish of Dulwich Hill, Archdiocese of Sydney, Established in 1907

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**Bishop Richard Umbers DD VG (Bishop in Residence)**

**Fr. Andrew James (Parish Priest), (Deacon) Rev Louis Azzopardi**

### Parish Office

Maria - Mondays  
Cecilia –Wed-Friday  
9.30am - 2:30pm

### 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

**Tea** - 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 giovedì alle  
ore 10 nella sala  
parrocchiale.

### Sacraments

### Confession

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

### Baptism

Every 2nd, 3rd and 4th  
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.

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

### 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:

*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.

### Remembering Holy Saturday

(The brochure and the information are in the  
bulletin board)

*This retreat will be made available during the Holy  
Week. It explores the mystery of Holy Saturday, on  
what it means to live in "in-between" times,  
liminal times. There will be video talk everyday  
starting from Palm Sunday to Easter Sunday. This  
retreat will be given by an oblate of Jamberoo  
Abbey, Rev Catherine Eaton.*

For more information, go to our website:

<https://www.jamberooabbey.org.au/retreats/online-retreats/holy-week-retreat/>

### 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](http://www.gomakedisciples.org.au)

For more information: contact the Parish Renewal Team at [parishrenewal@sydneycatholic.org](mailto:parishrenewal@sydneycatholic.org) or on (02)  
9390 5330.



Third Sunday of Lent / B

7 March 2021

## 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

Raul Cabrera

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

Jose (Dodong) R Gullas

Eddie Antigua

Stevenson Dajalos

### Death Anniversary

### For the Souls

Deogracias, Rosita, Christopher,

Ricky, Baby (Shirley) Fabia

Tranquilino, Antonina,

Conching, Polito, Eddie

Yayaw, Lendring, Ito, Sesu,

Perting, Ludovico, Goring, Roly

All forgotten Souls and Holy  
Souls in Purgatory

### Special Intentions

Freddy Rahme (b'day)

Robert Rahme

Leah Tillam

“.....stop turning my Father's house into a market.”

The dramatic story of Jesus driving the money changers and the animal sellers out of the Temple is such a significant moment in Jesus' life that it is found in each of the four Gospels. John places it at the beginning of Jesus' public life, “just before the Jewish Passover”. In other words, it happened at the most important festival in the Jewish calendar, a time when they remembered their deliverance from slavery in Egypt. This ‘remembering’ was more than a recalling of a key moment in their history. Through the sacrifices and liturgies of Passover, Israel relived and reaffirmed its experience of God during the Exodus.

As described by John, what Jesus did therefore was quite radical. He wasn't getting rid of corrupt practices - money changers overcharging for their services, for example. He was effectively putting an end to Temple worship. Without sacrifices, whether of cattle or sheep (for the wealthy) or pigeons (for the poor), the Temple couldn't function.

What does Jesus offer in its place? Through their sacrifices in the Temple, the Jewish people expressed their relationship with God in the most solemn and dramatic way possible. Jesus however offered himself, his own life as the connection with God rather than the life of the animals who were sacrificed at the Temple altar. Through the way they shared in his life, his followers would relate to God in a more personal and profound way. He would later tell the Samaritan woman, “*The hour is coming, and is now here, when the true worshippers will worship the Father in spirit and truth, for the Father seeks such as these to worship him*” (John 4:23).

In our Gospel story, Jesus puts this new way of relating to God very strongly when he says, “*Stop turning my Father's house into a market!*” A market is entirely the wrong image of our relationship with God. God doesn't do deals with us and we have nothing of our own that God needs. This is why the account of the Ten Commandments (our First Reading) begins with God reminding Israel of his initiative in freeing them from slavery. The commandments that follow spell out how Israel (and we) should respond to God's love for us throughout our life.

“My Father's house” also expresses the close and very personal relationship Jesus had with God the Father. It is the opposite of the formal, organisational image represented by a market (supermarket in our context). Our relationship with God isn't about getting things from God (comfort, security, etc.) but about recognising God as the focus of our lives, “*You shall have no gods except me*”. We can't pick and choose among different images of Jesus. He is not just a great teacher or a remarkable healer but rather, whom he has shown himself to be, “*a crucified Christ... a Christ who is the power and wisdom of God.*” We can't pick and choose among the commandments and teachings of the Church. We may naturally find them difficult to follow but all are necessary to help us grow in our love of God and each other.

Instead, we move, through our own personal relationship with Christ through the Church, from the ‘*house of slavery*’ where we are controlled by our own needs to “*the Father's house*” where we discover how much God loves us and wants to free us from all that separates us from him and from each other.

Deacon Louis

### 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](mailto:bookings@mtcarmel.com.au)

### PARISH WEEKEND MASS ROSTER

#### 13 & 14 March 2021

Readers:	5:30pm	J Sullivan
		M Dos Santos
	8:00am	A Di Donato
		N Dudley
	10:00am	B Yammine
		C Alam

### A message from the Archdiocese of Sydney

Child sexual abuse is a crime. The appropriate people to deal with crimes 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](mailto: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.

