

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

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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

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

Parish Sacramental Program 2021

This year the dates for our preparation program for children wishing to make their First Reconciliation (done in March) and to receive First Holy Communion are:

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.

St Vinnies Winter Appeal Weekend 26th-27th June 2021

Winter is well and truly here which means your local St Vincent de Paul Conference is holding their annual Winter Appeal

Any donation, big or small, will go towards providing food, shelter and warmth for those who need a hand up in their times of need

If you would like to donate, you can use a Vinnies envelope, hop online at https:/

www.vinnies.org.au/ or by call 13 18 12

Can you picture yourself being a foster carer?

Family Spirit are looking for compassionate people who can provide security and comfort to children in need.

To learn more, join us for an information session: 7pm-8:30pm

Wednesday, 23 June 2021 St Brigid's Catholic Parish

392 Marrickville Road, Marrrickville.

To register call 13 18 19 or email Family Spirit on connect@familyspirit.org

Choir Practice on Monday at 7pm in the Church every fortnight. Next choir practice will be on the 28 June 2021.

Feast/Solemnity/Memorial/Saint of the Week (21 - 26 June 2021)

Mon 21/6 St Alovsius Gonzaga, religious Tues 22/6 Sts John Fisher, bishop, and Thomas More, martyrs

Wed 23/6 St Paulinus of Nola, bishop Thu 24/6 The Nativity of St John the Baptist

"Man is born for action; he ought to do something. Work at each step, awakens a sleeping force and roots out error. Who does nothing, knows nothing. Rise! to work! If thy knowledge is real, employ it; wrestle with nature; test the strength of thy theories; see if they will support the trial; act!"

-St Aloysius Gonzaga

Sts John Fisher and Thomas

More were beatified in 1886 along with fifty-four other English martyrs. The two were canonized together in 1935 Prayer: Saints John Fisher and Thomas More, through your intercession, give all Catholics courage to resist the pressure to conform to falsehood, to the broad way, to popular opinion.



St Paulinus of Nola was a Roman poet, writer, senator, governor of Campania and finally bishop of Nola in Campania, Italy. He was born in France with the name Pontius Meropius Anicius Paulinus.



The Nativity of St John the Baptist The sole biblical

account of the birth of John the Baptist comes from the Gospel of Luke. Nativity of Saint John the Baptist, Zechariah writing, "His name is



Planned Giving Program 2021/2022

The **New Form** for Planned Giving Program 2021/2022 is inside your new set of envelopes. Those who have envelopes, could you please fill in this New Form and indicate whether you "do" or "do not" wish to take deduction for FY 2021-2022. Please return the form before 1st July 2021. The new envelopes with the form inside are available at the back table of the church.

Thank you for your continued and generous support towards the parish. May God bless you and keep you always.

*FY 2020-2021 receipts will be issued a few weeks after 1st July 2021.



12th Sunday in Ordinary Time / B 20 June 2021

"Why are you so frightened? How is it that you have no faith?"

In 1985, the remains of a large boat were discovered, encased in mud, on the shores of the Sea of Galilee after a prolonged drought in Israel. Carbon dating revealed it to have been built a few decades before Jesus' time. It was the kind of boat that Simon Peter and his family would have used for their fishing business and that Jesus would have used to travel to the towns on the Sea of Galilee.

Jesus often also taught from one of these boats to the crowds of people gathered on the shore. In this Sunday's Gospel, we have a different kind of teaching, one that made such an impression on his disciples that it is remembered in different ways in each of the gospels. Jesus' teachings and actions are usually placed within a specific context that is part of their meaning. He healed the blind Bartimaeus 'on the road' and Bartimaeus would then follow Jesus 'on the road' to faith in him. Jesus would also explain the meaning of his parables 'in the house' to his closest followers.

A boat however is neither a safe nor a comfortable environment and this is what is emphasised in the story of the storm. "Waves were breaking into the boat so that it was almost swamped". Israel was not a sea faring nation and the sea, with its immensity and unpredictable nature, was an image of chaos in the Old Testament, the darkness that constantly threatens to overwhelm the world. Our reading from Job reflects this fear when it says of God that he alone "pent up the sea behind closed doors."

Naturally the disciples were terrified, as a sudden storm like this could overwhelm even experienced fishermen. Jesus however was fast asleep at the back of the boat. Jonah too had been asleep on a ship during a violent storm when he was woken up by a member of the crew who said to him, "What are you doing sound asleep? Get up, call on your god! Perhaps the god will spare us a thought so that we do not perish" (Jon 1:6).

Jesus however did not call on 'a god' to calm the storm. He confronted the storm personally and "rebuked" the wind and ordered the sea to be calm. His power over them was the power of God who had created them so that, like the sailors in the psalm "who cried to the Lord in their distress", the disciples were rescued from certain death. It is no surprise therefore that the story concludes with a question that expresses both fear and wonder, "Who can this be?" It is a very different kind of fear though to the one they felt when they thought they were going to drown. It is "the fear of the Lord that is the beginning of wisdom" (Ps 111:10), as they wonder who this 'teacher' is who can make even the wind and sea obey him.

Do you ever have a feeling that Jesus might be 'asleep' while the storms of life threaten to overwhelm you and, like the disciples, you panic and feel totally helpless? Is Jesus asleep while 'the ship of Peter' experiences 'a perfect storm' of internal division, loss of credibility because of sexual abuse, an aggressive secularism and the loss of a whole generation? This is what the disciples felt at the time, adding "Do you not care?"

Contrary to what the disciples naturally felt, the sight of Jesus asleep was an image of complete trust in God, even during a storm, "I lie down in peace and sleep comes at once. For you alone Lord make me dwell in safety" (Ps 4:8). This is why he said to the frightened disciples "How is it that you have no faith?" They panicked because, even though Jesus was with them, they were yet to understand who he really was. To them he was simply "Master", a teacher, someone like themselves. Faith however is not primarily a set of beliefs or teachings about God but a relationship of trust in God. God will calm the storm and bring order out of chaos as he has done many times throughout our history and he will do that through the presence of his Son among us, his Spirit working through our lives. ."I am with you always until the end of time."

Reference: Michael Mullins The Gospel of Mark: A Commentary Columba Press Dublin 1989

Deacon Louis

PARISH WEEKEND MASS ROSTER 26 & 27 June 2021

Readers: 5:30pm J Sullivan M Dos Santos

> 8:00am A Di Donato N Dudley

10:00am R Rita

P Marshall

Catholic Mission: India COVID-19 Appeal India Mission Poster (please see our Bulletin Board)

The aid agency, Catholic Mission, has launched an urgent appeal to provide immediate help for vulnerable communities devastated by COVID-19 in India. Well over 300,000 people have died from the illness in India and hospitals have been struggling to cope. Donate online via the Catholic Mission website here: https:// www.catholicmission.org.au/donate/your-donation? id=covid-19-india. Please also find the poster with a QR code in the Bulletin Board.

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

Patricia Stack Jovito Redaja Eimy & Kenzo Raul Cabrera Angela Di Donato Sr Julianne Murphy Helen & Robvn Natalina Gallace Ruth Wilson Raymond Hudson Lourdes Tee Fr Jim Duggan Pat Allport Cardo, Zennie, Ian, Pat Francheska Bechara Igor Tadinac

Recently Deceased Aurora Calpo

Death Anniversary

Alexander Elisabeth Lourdes and Carlos Guevarra Enrique Corpus Snr Elsa Duncan Gregorio Tan

For the Souls

Raimondo & Raffaela Dolce Felisa, Jose & Greg

All forgotten Souls and Holy Souls in Purgatory

Special Intentions

Lorie, Mila, Ric The Children of Hoang's Family Leah Tillam

