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Sunday, 11 Nov 2018
Thirty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year B



**Memorial Window to
2nd Lieutenant Brendan Lane Mullins
(killed in action 1917) and
Lieutenant Colonel Ignatius Bertram Norris
(killed in action 1916),
in St Mary's Cathedral, Sydney**

Dear Parishioners and Visitors,

As confirmation came through that an Armistice had been signed in November 2018, solemn celebrations were held in this cathedral on Tuesday 13th November, including a Solemn Mass in the presence of Archbishop Kelly, celebrated by the Cathedral Administrator, Fr O'Gorman. The preacher at the Mass was Fr P. J. Sheehy, and it is interesting to consider some of his words today, with the great "wisdom" of hindsight, as we mark the centennial of that Armistice and the blessings of peace:

The occasion that brings us together around the altar of God is one that calls for a full measure of rejoicing from our people. It is a day of peace. Our Christian civilisation seemed to have become a pagan retrogression. And to-day| Jesus, the Prince of Peace, stands in the midst of His inheritance to save it from destruction. He comes to glorify His name once more amongst us , to stem the tide of insanity let loose upon us, to turn our swords to ploughshares. To-day, then, we offer to God the Holy Sacrifice of 'the Thanksgiving for His mercy- to us;' and we humbly implore His light and grace, that we may for evermore hold Him and His holy law. ...

... And our Holy Father has brought before the world the Christian ideal of a family of nations which mutual confidence will take the place of reciprocal jealousies, in which the true profit of each would be seen to be in the welfare of the whole, in which, we shall be saved in the future from the horrors of the past four- years. Such a peace demands a recognition of the Christian philosophy of life. For a century past we have interpreted civilisation in terms of paganism. We have conceived the world as a factory, and we educated merely for industrial efficiency. We made no account of religion, where the finer urgings and the more powerful restraints of life are bred. At, best we regarded it as a merely personal matter with no wider implication. And so we built up a huge, industrial civilisation whose life-blood was Neo-Paganism. Bigness was our god, the soot of factories our enthusiasm, the roar of machinery our music, efficiency our solitary virtue. We put out the lights of heaven, and with a sudden and appalling logic our paganism ran to primitive sterility in the sickening war trenches of Europe. ...

...Our last thought amid the rejoicings of to-day must be one of remembrance and gratitude to the thousands of gallant men who made the supreme sacrifice of patriotism at the call of duty. Their heroism will be an inspiration to generations yet unborn. May God console the breaking hearts that loved them. Those of us who share the almost universal faith of Christendom will this day pray for them. Eternal rest grant to them, O Lord. May perpetual light shine upon them. May they enjoy everlasting peace with God, of which our earthly peace is but a pale imagine. And so a hundred years on, marked by even further horrible wars, we do well to remember in prayer all those who died in the Great War and to commit ourselves to building a truly human, truly Christian, truly peaceful, civilisation.

*Fr Don Richardson,
Cathedral Administrator and Dean*

Liturgy...

First Reading 1 Kgs 17:10-16

A reading from the book of Kings

The widow made a little scone from her flour meal and brought it to Elijah.

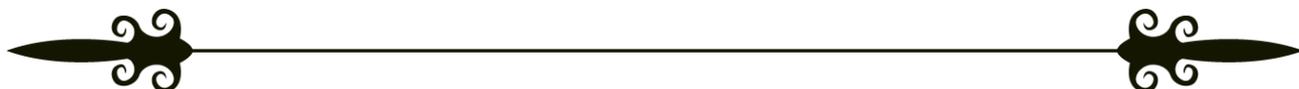
Elijah the Prophet went off to Sidon. And when he reached the city gate, there was a widow gathering sticks; addressing her he said, 'Please bring a little water in a vessel for me to drink.' She was setting off to bring it when he called after her. 'Please' he said, 'bring me a scrap of bread in your hand.' 'As the Lord your God lives', she replied, 'I have no baked bread, but only a handful of meal in a jar and a little oil in a jug; I am just gathering a stick or two to go and prepare this for myself and my son to eat, and then we shall die.' But Elijah said to her, 'Do not be afraid, go and do as you have said; but first make a little scone of it for me and bring it to me, and then make some for yourself and for your son. For thus the Lord speaks, the God of Israel:

"Jar of meal shall not be spent, jug of oil shall not be emptied, before the day when the Lord sends rain on the face of the earth."

The woman went and did as Elijah told her and they ate the food, she, himself and her son. The jar of meal was not spent nor the jug of oil emptied, just as the Lord had foretold through Elijah.

The word of the Lord.

Response: Thanks be to God!



Liturgy...

Responsorial Psalm Ps 145:7-10. R.v.2

(R.) Praise the Lord, my soul.

1. It is the Lord who keeps faith forever who is just to those who are oppressed. It is he who gives bread to the hungry, the Lord who sets prisoners free. (R.)

2. It is the Lord who gives sight to the blind, who raises up those who are bowed down. It is the Lord who loves the just, the Lord who protects the stranger. (R.)

3. The Lord upholds the widow and orphan but thwarts the path of the wicked. The Lord will reign for ever, Zion's God, from age to age. (R)



Second Reading Heb 9:24-28

A reading from the letter to The Hebrews

Christ offered himself only once to take the faults of many on himself.

It is not as though Christ had entered a man-made sanctuary which was only modelled on the real one; but it was heaven itself, so that he could appear in the actual presence of God on our behalf. And he does not have to offer himself again and again, like the high priest going into the sanctuary year after year with the blood that is not his own, or else he would have had to suffer over and over again since the world began. Instead of that, he has made his appearance once and for all, now at the end of the last age, to do away with sin by sacrificing himself. Since men only die once, and after that comes judgement, so Christ, too, offers himself only once to take the faults of many on himself, and when he appears a second time, it will not be to deal with sin but to reward with salvation those who are waiting for him.

The word of the Lord.

Response: Thanks be to God!



Liturgy...

Gospel Acclamation Jn 14:23

Alleluia, alleluia!
Happy the poor in spirit;
the kingdom of heaven is theirs.
Alleluia!



Gospel Mk 12:38-44

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark

This poor widow has put more in than all who contributed.

In his teaching Jesus said, 'Beware of the scribes who like to walk about in long robes, to be greeted obsequiously in the market squares, to take the front seats in the synagogues and the places of honour at banquets; these are the men who swallow the property of widows, while making a show of lengthy prayers. The more severe will be the sentence they receive.'

He sat down opposite the treasury and watched the people putting money into the treasury, and many of the rich put in a great deal. A poor widow came and put in two small coins, the equivalent of a penny. Then he called to his disciples and said to them, 'I tell you solemnly, this poor widow has put more in than all who have contributed to the treasury; for they have all put in money they had over, but she from the little she had has put in everything she possessed, all she had to live on.'

The Gospel of the Lord
Response: Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ



Weekend Mass	Saturday Vigil: 6.00pm Sunday: 7.00am, 9.00am, 10.30am (Solemn High Mass); 12.15pm Latin Mass in the extraordinary form; 6.00pm Mass
Weekday Mass	Monday to Friday: 6.45am, 1.10pm & 5.30pm Saturday: 9.00am & 12noon Public Holidays: 9am (or as advertised)
Reconciliation	Monday-Friday: 12noon - 1.00pm & 5.00pm - 5.25pm Saturday: 11.30am - 11.55am, 4.30-5.30pm
Vespers (Evening Prayer)	Monday to Thursday: 5.00pm Saturday: 5.30pm Sunday: 5.00pm (with Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament)

****COELIACS:** Special Provision is made for Coeliacs at the Cathedral. Those who are gluten intolerant may receive communion either from the Chalice or with a gluten low host. Application should be made to the Sacristan before Mass.

CATHEDRAL CLERGY <i>Archbishop Anthony Fisher OP</i> <i>Father Donald Richardson, Dean</i> <i>Father Brendan Purcell</i> <i>Father Emmanuel Yoon Jae Seo</i> <i>Father Pierluigi Passoni</i>	CATHEDRAL STAFF <i>Chris Backhouse – Cathedral Sacristan</i> <i>Thomas Wilson – Director of Music</i> <i>Helen Morassut – General Manager,</i> <i>St Mary’s Cathedral Precinct</i>
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**TAKE OUT A 12 MONTH SUBSCRIPTION TO THE NEW LOOK
CATHOLIC WEEKLY & GO INTO THE DRAW
TO WIN AN IPAD. SEE THE PAPER FOR DETAILS**

ELECTRONIC COLLECTION PLATES

The option to make an offering via credit card is available at this mass.



Please note: you can continue to donate with cash
or pass the plate on.

#RedWednesday

Stand up for Faith and Freedom
Pray for those persecuted for their faith.

JOIN US ON
NOVEMBER 28, 2018 @ 5:30pm mass

CATHEDRAL NOTICES

PRISON SUNDAY - 11 NOVEMBER 2018.

Marking two years since the Holy Father's Year of Mercy 2016 Jubilee for Prisoners. Remembering the prison community as we call to mind the need for compassion and care for those in prison in Australia, and offer prayers for all prisoners to our compassionate God.

FULL TUITION SCHOLARSHIPS TO ST MARY'S CATHEDRAL COLLEGE.

Boys currently in year 2 are invited to audition as members of the prestigious St. Mary's Cathedral Choir to begin in 2019. All students receive full-tuition scholarships to St Mary's Cathedral College when placed as Cathedral Choristers. Please contact our Music Administrator to arrange an audition or for more information visit music@stmaryscathedral.org.au or by visiting <https://cathedralchoir.sydney/about/choristers/>.

TOURS OF ST MARY'S CATHEDRAL.

Our tour guides would love to take you through the history of our mother church in Sydney on weekdays at **10am, 10.30am** and a visit at **1.45pm or 2pm**. Please contact the Cathedral office at info@stmaryscathedral.org.au or ring **(02) 9220 0400** to book your tour. *Please note: minimum tour group numbers of 10 required; also no tours on Fridays as the Crypt can be closed at short notice.*

WORLD YOUTH DAY PANAMA 2019.

The Catholic Archdiocese of Sydney invites young adults to pre-register for the WYD2019 Panama via Washington DC pilgrimage, which will be led by His Grace, Archbishop Anthony

deposit of \$1,000. The deposit will confirm your place on the pilgrimage. The Archdiocese will then add \$1,000 to your account. The Indicative cost of the pilgrimage is \$8,686. For pilgrims considering the optional Mexico extension, the indicative total cost is \$9,786. Note that should the pilgrimage not go ahead as planned, all deposits shall be returned in full. For more information and deposit details please contact abel.gaspi@sydneycatholic.org.

THE BISHOP'S BLEND. Bishop Richard Umbers is hosting the sixth edition of a series of breakfast events for young professions, titled *The Bishop's Blend*, on **Thursday, 15 November 2018 at 7.00am**. The purpose of these events is to bring young Catholic professionals together for a quarterly breakfast, and for them to hear from a well-versed professional in a chosen field how they personally live their faith in the workplace. It will also be an opportunity for those who attend to network with other young Catholic professionals.

MEMORIAL MASS FOR DECEASED PRIESTS. Celebrated by Bishop Brady to be held on **Wednesday, 21 November 2018 at 12pm** - Mary, Mother of Mercy Chapel, Rookwood Catholic Cemetery and followed by refreshments. Please **RSVP by 15 November** to Nancy Murdocca on **(02) 9646 6908** or nancym@catholiccemeteries.com.au.

EMBRACE, YOUNG ADULTS GROUP. Embrace is St Mary's group for young people of 18-35 yrs old from all cultures and backgrounds. We meet **every Sunday at St Mary's Cathedral House, adjacent to the Cathedral, after the 6.00pm Mass.** Our

activities and youth projects are designed to support spiritual development and encourage active practice of our faith. For **11 Nov** Embrace will celebrate their fellowship in the Church with a group dinner. All are welcome please call/text Embrace Coordinator on **0404 008 870** or write to

embrace@stmaryscathedral.org.au

A CHORAL CHRISTMAS

CELEBRATION. On **Friday, 14 December** St Mary's Cathedral will celebrate this special time of year with carols and an overwhelming feeling of Christmas joy for the annual, and much anticipated *A Choral Christmas Celebration concert*. There will be two performances at **11am & 7pm** with tickets starting at \$20. Visit www.cathedralchoir.sydney/accc for more information.

PLENARY COUNCIL. Why not be involved? The 2020 Plenary Council is a gathering of the Church in Australia to make decisions for the future. Your voice is important. You are invited to contribute to the Plenary Council agenda, by sharing your experience of faith and of the Church. To be involved, visit

<http://plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au/>

Become an Ambassador, facilitating listening and dialogue groups in your parish. If you want to know more, please speak with your Parish Priest, contact **9390 5100** or email: plenarycouncil@sydneycatholic.org.

FRIENDS OF THE CATHEDRAL'S

TRIVIA NIGHT! Supper will be served during the wide-ranging quiz on Saturday, **24 November** at **6.00pm**, in the Br Hoffman Hall. Come with a team of up to eight people, or join a team on the night. BYO drinks and knowledge! Tickets **\$25 members, \$30 non-members, including supper.**

Please visit www.cathedralfriends.org.au to purchase tickets.

CATECHIST CO-ORDINATOR.

Chatswood Catholic parish are seeking to employ a Catechist Coordinator to start before the end of the year to allow time for handover from the outgoing Catechist Coordinator. A part time position with flexible hours (around school), hours per week. The role of Catechist Co-ordinator requires an

understanding of the ministry of the catechist in the classroom and also strong administrative and organisational skills. Experience in coordinating and supporting volunteers is essential, and a Working with Children Check is required. For a full position description contact **Nicole** on **9410 9000**

nicole.gorman@bbcatholic.org.au. Closing Date: **13 November 2018.**

FAMILY SPIRIT (by CatholicCare Sydney and Marist180). Could you provide short-term help for long-term memories? As a new agency combining the strengths of Marist180 and CatholicCare Sydney, Family Spirit urgently need compassionate people to provide short-term foster care. To learn more, come to our information night: **Tuesday, 13 November 2018** from 5.30-8pm, CatholicCare 2C West St (cnr Thomas St) Lewisham NSW 2049. Call **CCareline** on **13 18 19** to secure your place.

MASS FOR PREGNANT MOTHERS. Are you expecting a baby or know someone who is? You are warmly invited to attend the annual Mass for Pregnant Mothers to be celebrated by Most Rev Richard Umbers, Auxiliary Bishop of Sydney, at St Mary's Cathedral on Sunday, **18 November** at **10:30am.** **RSVP** and enquiries can be directed to LMFevents@sydneycatholic.org or call **9307 8401.**

ROME PILGRIMAGE - 16 to 23 May

2019. To celebrate our Cathedral's 150 years it would be a great opportunity to join Fr Don Richardson, Dean of St Mary's Cathedral on a unique tour of Rome. Get your free pilgrimage kit today by ringing Rome Pilgrimages on **1800 753 959** or Email:

pilgrimages@sydneycatholic.org.

SYDNEY CATHOLIC MEN'S MINISTRY NETWORKING MEETING.

Calling all Men! Come and find out more about men's ministry in Sydney archdiocese. Find out how you can start or join a local men's group in your area with support from us. Hosted by Bishop Richard Umbers, hear from Tristan Ross, former lieutenant in the army and Ben Galea from Young Men of God will facilitate a discussion group. Friday night **November 23**, 6.30pm Mass, 7.30pm Dinner, 8.30pm Presentations. Register:

www.trybooking.com/431767.