

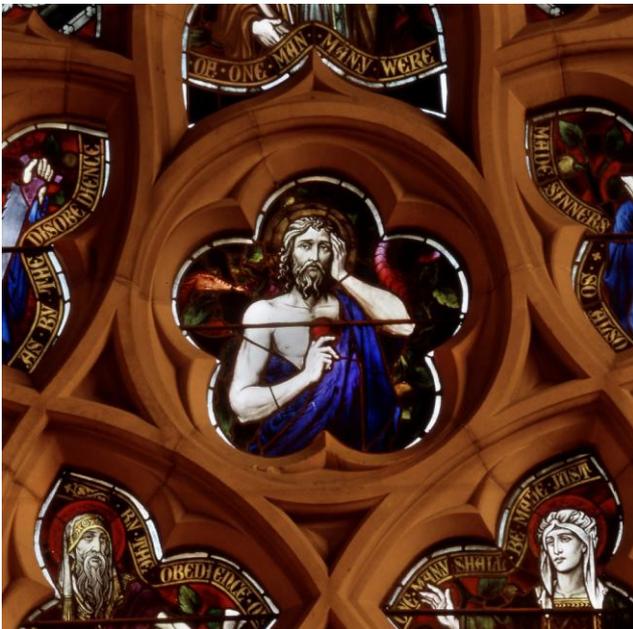


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Sunday, 24 February 2019
Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year C



Dear Parishioners and Visitors,

When we introduced the electronic collection plates last September, I temporarily discontinued the usual Second Collection at Masses, so that we could grow accustomed to the electronic system, both from a givers' and an administrator's point-of-view.

Sufficient time has passed for us to adapt, I think, and it is important that the Cathedral return to the

usual two-collection system mandated nationwide by the Australian Bishops.

From next weekend, then, we will return to having two collections at Mass, as we do in the other Parishes, one at the Offertory and another after Holy Communion.

There is no connection with today's Gospel passage about generous giving – I'm not that manipulative.

With prayerful best wishes for the week ahead,

Fr Don Richardson, Dean

Liturgy...

First Reading 1 Sm 26:2. 7-9. 12-13. 22-23

A reading from the prophet Samuel

The Lord has put you in my power, but I will not raise my hand against you.

Saul set off and went down to the wilderness of Ziph, accompanied by three thousand men chosen from Israel to search for David in the wilderness of Ziph. So in the dark David and Abishai made their way towards the force, where they found Saul asleep inside the camp, his spear stuck in the ground beside his head, with Abner and the troops lying round him.

Then Abishai said to David, ‘Today God has put your enemy in your power; so now let me pin him to the ground with his own spear. Just one stroke! I will not need to strike him twice. David answered Abishai, Do not kill him, for who can lift his hand against the Lord’s anointed and be without guilt?’ David took the spear and the pitcher of water from beside Saul’s head, and they made off. No one saw, no one knew, no one woke up; they were all asleep, for a deep sleep from the Lord had fallen on them.

David crossed to the other side and halted on the top of the mountain a long way off; there was a wide space between them. David then called out, ‘Here is the king’s spear. Let one of the soldiers come across and take it. The Lord repays everyone for his uprightness and loyalty. Today the Lord put you in my power, but I would not raise my hand against the Lord’s anointed.’

**The word of the Lord.
Response: Thanks be to God**



Liturgy...

Responsorial Psalm Ps 102:1-4. 8. 10. 12-13. R. v.8

(R) The Lord is kind and merciful.

1. My soul, give thanks to the Lord, all my being, bless his holy name. My soul, give thanks to the Lord and never forget all his blessings. ***(R)***

2. It is he who forgives all your guilt, who heals every one of your ills, who redeems your life from the grave, who crowns you with love and compassion. ***(R)***

3. The Lord is compassion and love, slow to anger and rich in mercy. He does not treat us according to our sins nor repay us according to our faults. ***(R)***

4. As far as the east is from the west so far does he remove our sins. As a father has compassion on his sons, the Lord has pity on those who fear him. ***(R)***



Second Reading 1 Cor 15:45-49

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Corinthians

Just as we have carried the earthly image, we must carry the heavenly image.

The first man, Adam, as scripture says, became a living soul; but the last Adam has become a life-giving spirit. That is, first the one with the soul, not the spirit, and after that, the one with the spirit. The first man, being from the earth, is earthly by nature; the second man is from heaven. As this earthly man was, so are we on earth; and as the heavenly man is, so are we in heaven. And we, who have been modelled on the earthly man, will be modelled on the heavenly man.

The word of the Lord.

Response: Thanks be to God



Liturgy...

Gospel Acclamation Jn 13:34

Alleluia, alleluia!

I give you a new commandment;
love one another as I have loved you.

Alleluia!



Gospel Lk 6:27-38

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke

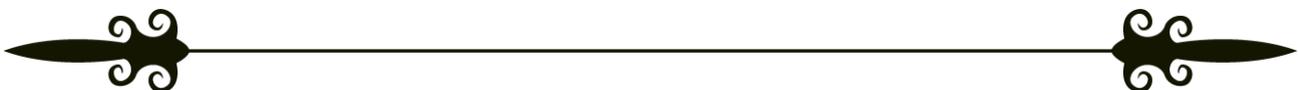
Be merciful as your Father is merciful.

Jesus said to his disciples: 'I say this to you who are listening: Love your enemies, do good to those who hate you, bless those who curse you, pray for those who treat you badly. To the man who slaps you on one cheek, present the other cheek too; to the man who takes your cloak from you, do not refuse your tunic. Give to everyone who asks you, and do not ask for your property back from the man who robs you. Treat others as you would like them to treat you. If you love those who love you, what thanks can you expect? Even sinners love those who love them. And if you do good to those who do good to you, what thanks can you expect? For even sinners do that much. And if you lend to those from whom you hope to receive, what thanks can you expect? Even sinners lend to sinners to get back the same amount. Instead, love your enemies and do good, and lend without any hope of return. You will have a great reward, and you will be sons of the Most High, for he himself is kind to the ungrateful and the wicked.

'Be compassionate as your Father is compassionate. Do not judge, and you will not be judged yourselves; do not condemn, and you will not be condemned yourselves; grant pardon, and you will be pardoned. Give, and there will be gifts for you: a full measure, pressed down, shaken together, and running over, will be poured into your lap; because the amount you measure out is the amount you will be given back.'

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)	Saturday: 5.30pm Sunday: 5.00pm (with Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament)
ASH WEDNESDAY	06 MARCH: PLEASE NOTE THAT THERE WILL BE AN EXTRA MASS CELEBRATED AT 12.00PM IN ADDITION TO THE REGULAR SCHEDULED DAILY MASSES.

****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 Gerard Woo Ling</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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**SUBSCRIBE TO THE NEW LOOK CATHOLIC WEEKLY
OR PURCHASE A COPY FOR \$2.**

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.

CATHEDRAL NOTICES

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.

PRAY FOR THE PLENARY COUNCIL

Across Australia, Catholics are gathering to pray, talk and listen to one another about our experiences of faith and the Church. Many parishes within the Archdiocese have commenced their journey towards the Plenary Council 2020, sharing and reflecting on the future of the Catholic church in Australia. Please continue to pray for the community of the Sydney Archdiocese that we will respond well to the call of the Holy Spirit, by engaging in the preparatory phase of the Plenary with open and humble hearts, listening to what the Spirit is saying to each one of us as we share our experiences of faith towards the preparation of the agenda of the Plenary Council. The Plenary Council Prayer:

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

Want to know more or on how to become involved? Please contact **9390 5147** or email plenarycouncil@sydneycatholic.org.

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.*

LENTEN RETREAT: " Cross Over to the

Other Side." Please join us as we prepare for our Lenten journey with a one-day silent-guided retreat. **Sunday, 03 March 2019 (9.30am-4pm)**. Cost \$50 inclusive of meals. Venue: The Centre 14 Francis St, Randwick. All ages welcome. Contact Verbum Dei Missionaries at verbumdeisydney@gmail.com or phone us on **9341 5848**.

PROJECT COMPASSION CAMPAIGN LAUNCH 2019. Tuesday, 5 March.

Please join us for the Caritas Project Compassion Launch for 2019 commencing with **Mass at 1.10pm celebrated by Most Reverend Anthony Fisher OP**. After Mass we will gather in the Crypt to listen to our International Speaker Super Dube from Caritas Zimbabwe. Super Dube will explain how your generous donations bring hope and empower people in great need to shape a better future for themselves, their families and their communities. Please join us for refreshments after the session.

SCHOLARSHIP AT THE CATHEDRAL.

The Archdiocese of Sydney, together with Notre Dame University's Institute for Ethics & Society have a number of engaging lectures featuring eminent international and Australian intellectuals coming up in 2019. Please join us as the Archbishop of Sydney, Most Reverend Anthony Fisher OP delivers his second instalment of *"The Godless Country? Part II, Christian Australia"*. *"Are we living in a Christian country? Certainly, Christianity is the largest religious group in Australia. But where is the Church situated in the mind of modern Australia?"* – Archbishop Anthony Fisher OP. **Thursday, 7 March 2019 6.30pm at Chapter Hall, St Mary's Cathedral.** Refreshments provided. **RSVP's Essential** <https://www.satcathedral.org/events/the-godless-country-part-ii/>. More information events@sydneycatholic.org, **9390 5100**.

THE FRIENDS OF ST MARY'S

CATHEDRAL are hosting a trivia night! The quiz will have something for everyone, including those who say they don't like trivia nights! (No, the questions aren't all religious). Supper will be served; BYO drinks. **Saturday, 02 March 2019, 6.30pm** in the **Br Hoffman Hall** at the **Cathedral**. Come with a team of up to eight people, or join a team on the night. Special membership offer for anyone 25 or under who comes to the trivia night! **Tickets \$25 members, \$30 non-members, including supper**. To purchase tickets and read more, please visit the Friends of the Cathedral's website: www.cathedralfriends.org.au.

ST CLARE'S COLLEGE WAVERLEY REUNION. All former students are invited to attend a reunion at the college on **Sunday, 03 March at 11:30am. Cost is \$30.** For more details please contact **Julia Lynch** on **9387 8954** or julia.lynch@travelcounsellors.com.au.

DRAWING AND GIVING LIFE – NSW PASTORAL MINISTRY CONFERENCE 2019 How do we renew our pastoral structures to draw and give life in the post Royal Commission Church? In what ways are we called to move forward and strengthen our ministries to serve the mission of Jesus Christ? The day includes networking with ministry leaders around NSW and two opportunities to engage with a variety of workshops with on the ground practitioners offering strategies for renewing and strengthening our pastoral mission. Normal rate \$75. **Dooleys Catholic Club Lidcombe. Tuesday 26th February 2019 / 9.30am to 4.30pm**

EMBRACE, YOUNG ADULTS GROUP. Embrace is St Mary's group for young adults aged 18-35 yrs from all cultures and backgrounds. We meet every Sunday after the 6.00pm Mass at St Mary's Cathedral House, adjacent to the Cathedral. Our activities and youth projects are designed to support spiritual development and encourage active practice of our faith. You are welcome to join. Please call/text Embrace Coordinator on **0404 008 870** or write to embrace@stmaryscathedral.org.au for enquiries.

THE BISHOP'S BLEND. Looking to network with other young Catholic professionals and learn how to live your faith in the workplace? Then join the Most Reverend Bishop Richard Umbers, Auxiliary Bishop of Sydney on **Monday, 11 March 2019 at 7.00am** at the **Radisson Blu Plaza Hotel Sydney** for The Bishop's Blend, a quarterly breakfast series for young professionals. Online booking is essential. For more information and to purchase tickets go to <https://thebishopsblendseventhedition.eventbrite.com.au> or contact us at bishopsblend@sydneycatholic.org.

DEANERY MEN'S BREAKFAST. Calling all Men! We all need the supportive brotherhood of other good 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 St. Christopher's Parish Panania, hear from Robert Haddad from Sydney Catholic Schools on his experience of Catholic brotherhood and what helped him connect with his faith as a young man. Mass and adoration of the Blessed Sacrament with Bishop Anthony Randazzo. **Saturday, 16 March, 8am Exposition and Adoration, 8.30am Mass celebrated by Bishop Randazzo, 9.30am BBQ breakfast.** St. Christopher's Parish, 233 Tower St. Panania. \$10 per person. **Register:** www.trybooking.com/BAACH **More Info:** christopher.gordon@sydneycatholic.org **Ph: 9307 8402**

'OF LIFE AND LOVE'- MARRIAGE PREPARATION COURSE. The Catholic Archdiocese of Sydney is offering marriage preparation courses for engaged couples preparing for the Sacrament of Marriage. Each course will be held over 3 consecutive Wednesdays. 2019 dates include: **13, 20, 27 March** (Venue: Dooleys Club, Lidcombe – Banksia Room) and **16, 23, 30 October** (The Assisi Centre, Lidcombe). To book online visit <https://www.trybooking.com/ZWSU> or contact LMFEvents@sydneycatholic.org.

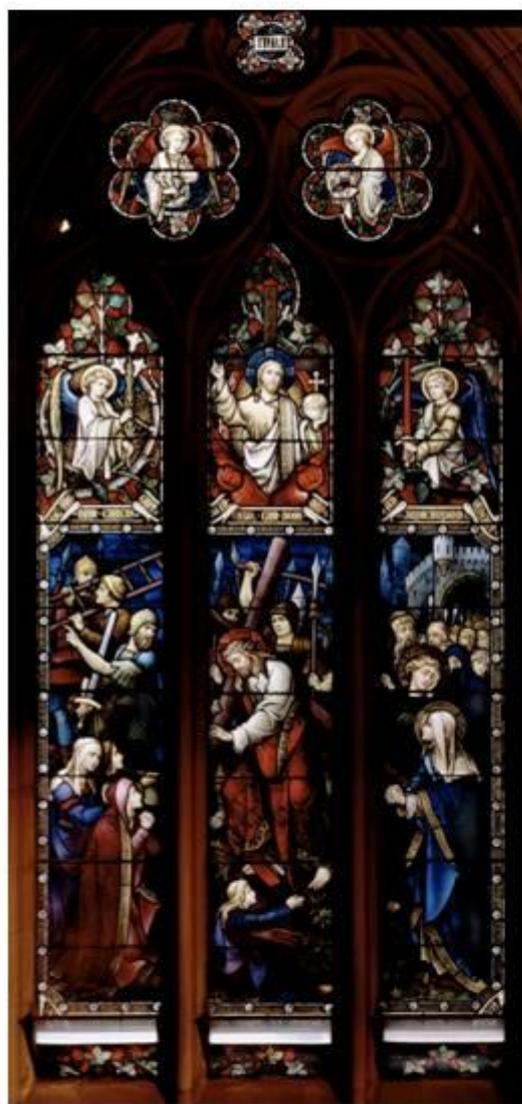
PALMS AUSTRALIA. Encounter Timor Leste **17 - 19 April 2019.** See the valuable work of parishes in Timor Leste on a guided group tour with Palms Australia. Book today at palms.org.au/encounters or call Robert on **02 9560 5333.**

DAY OF THE UNBORN CHILD: "I will not forget you, I have carved you on the palm of my hand." Isaiah 49. The Family and Life Institute are holding their annual Day of the Unborn Child rally on **Sunday, 24 March.** This is a day of celebration and remembrance of the dignity of the unborn. It is also a day to remember the millions of unborn children whose lives have been ended by abortion. Join us to witness to the sanctity of human life! **10.30am Mass** at St. Mary's Cathedral, **12pm Angelus**, followed by a peaceful procession through the streets of the CBD led by Bishop Anthony Randazzo. **1.30pm Benediction** at St. Mary's Cathedral.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

at

ST MARY'S CATHEDRAL



***INFORMATION ON IMAGE:**

*The Carrying of the Cross Window – 4th Sorrowful
Mystery of the Rosary.*

Positioned on the Eastern side of the Cathedral.

The image depicts Jesus being forced to carry his cross uphill to
the place of execution.

*“You are welcome to join us
for Stations of the Cross,
a special devotion that
commemorates Jesus Christ’s
suffering and death for
our sake”.*

Fr Don Richardson,
DEAN OF ST MARY'S CATHEDRAL

DATE: FRIDAYS
8 MARCH, 15 MARCH,
22 MARCH, 29 MARCH, 5 APRIL
& 12 APRIL
TIME: 4.30PM

ABOUT STATIONS OF THE CROSS:

The Stations of the Cross is a special devotion that
commemorates the journey of Christ to his
Crucifixion and burial.

St Mary's Cathedral has 14 stations arranged in
order in which we visit to commemorate and pray.
The stations are magnificent oil paintings painted
in France, which were acquired by Cardinal Moran
in 1885 during a visit to Europe.