



WORLD MISSION APPEAL

Today vast numbers of people still do not know Jesus Christ. For this reason, the mission **ad gentes** continues to be most urgent. All the members of the Church are called to



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participate in this mission, for the Church is missionary by her very nature: she was born "to go forth". World Mission Day is a privileged moment when the faithful of various continents engage in prayer and concrete gestures of solidarity in support of the young Churches in mission lands. It is a celebration of grace and joy. A celebration of grace, because the Holy Spirit, sent by the Father, offers wisdom and strength to those who are obedient to his action. A celebration of joy, because Jesus Christ, the Father's Son, sent to evangelise the world, supports and accompanies our missionary efforts. This joy of Jesus and missionary disciples leads me to propose a biblical icon, which we find in the Gospel of Lk10:21-23. (Pope Francis).

Pope Francis said his thoughts are with the West African nations battling the Ebola outbreak and he has appealed to the international community to redouble their efforts to aid the people who are suffering from this terrible disease. "My thoughts now go to those countries in Africa that are suffering because of the outbreak of Ebola. I am close to the many people affected by this terrible disease. I invite you to pray for them and for those who have so tragically lost their lives. I hope the international community may provide much needed help to alleviate the sufferings of our brothers and sisters"

EBOLA while it is still unknown how an outbreak begins, researchers believe the first patient becomes infected through contact with an infected animal. Once a human is infected it can be transmitted to others by means of: Direct contact with the blood or secretions of an infected person. Exposure to objects (such as needles) that have been contaminated with infected secretions. The CDC said during an outbreak, families and friends are most at risk because they come in contact with infectious secretions when caring for an ill loved one. (CDC = Centres for Disease Control).

November Memorial Masses: Envelopes are now available in the pews for your Mass intentions. Please place these envelopes in the special box near the altar.

May the Souls of the Faithful Departed Rest in Peace.



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Heavenly Banquet

12th Oct. 2014 (A)

28th Ordinary Sunday

1ST READING: Isaiah 25:6-10

RESPONSORIAL PSALM:

I shall live in the house of the Lord all the days of my life.

2ND READING: Philippians 4:12-14. 19-20

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

Alleluia, alleluia! May the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ enlighten the eyes of our heart that we might see how great is the hope to which we are called. Alleluia!

GOSPEL: St Matthew 22:1-14

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WEEKEND MASS TIMES:

Sat. Vigil: 5pm
Sunday: 8am, 9:30am & 5pm

WEEKDAY MASS TIMES:

Mon, Tues & Thurs: 7:30am
Wed: 6pm
Fri: 9:15am
Sat: 9:15am (Sthn Cross Hostel)

HOLY HOUR: Wed: 5pm

RECONCILIATION:

Wed: 5:15 – 5:45pm
Sat: 4:15 – 4:45pm

BAPTISMS:

Sundays 9:30am Mass

BAPTISMAL PROGRAMME & WEDDINGS:

By appointment

ANOINTING MASS:

Quarterly: 1st weekend

1ST SAT OF EACH MONTH:

11am Mass in honour of Our Lady.

PLANNED GIVING PROGRAMME:

100% tax deductible. Please join by contacting parish office.

FAITH FORMATION:

Sundays 3:30pm (in presbytery)

OFFICE HOURS:

Mon, Wed & Fri 9am to 2:30pm

MASS INTENTIONS:

Sat Vigil: †Yolanda & Giuseppe Pappalettera

Sun 8am: Pro Populo

Sun 5pm: †Lupengino & Liberio Batingana

Sun 9:30am: †Joy Williams

Mon: Muriel Eves (sick)

MASS INTENTIONS – ALL SOULS (NOVEMBER)

Please note that from 1st Nov. to 15th Nov., NO INDIVIDUAL MASS INTENTIONS will be offered. Instead Masses will be offered for the souls of all our dearly departed relatives and friends.

OUR SICK: Marie Busuttill, Pat Raby, Mollie Burgess, Patricia Flannery, Josephine Helback, Moira Butler and Alan Sargeant...

Foley Gardens Self-care Retirement Village – waiting list available. Please call Fr. Jerzy on 93491292 or 0411125357 for further details.

Happy Birthdays to: Anu Varghese (12th)

We welcome **Dominic Joseph Bardetta** and his family to his Baptism this Sunday at the 9:30am Mass.

Parish School: 1) Class Mass: Fri 20th Oct: Yr 1; 27th Oct: Yr 2. **2) Family Mass:** Sat 18th Oct: Kindy, 1 & 2. Sat 8th Nov: Stage 2 classes. **3) Centenary Carnival:** Sat 25th Oct from 10am-2pm.

SVdp Festival Mass will be held in our Parish on **Tues 14th Oct at 7pm** followed by supper in the Hall. All are welcome.

Artes Christi presents “The Jeweler’s Shop”, a play written by St John Paul before he was elected pope. Sat 25th Oct at 7:30pm at Seymour Centre. More details, ring 93517940 or www.theword.org.au.

The next Quarterly Cemetery Mass will be held on Sat 8th Nov at 11am at the Crematorium South Chapel.

Social Justice Expo: 3rd & 4th Nov at the Courtyard of the Univ. of Notre Dame, Broadway. For more info, ring 93078461 or email qwayne.guevara@sydneycatholic.org.

Congratulations to South Sydney Rabbitohs on winning the 21st NRL Premiership

This weekend: Vigil: J Haggar (A) B Purdon, T Bell (R) F & G Hogan (C) Thomas W (M)
8:00am: G Diab (A) V Meyer, R Wijaya (R) P Chen, L Hart (C) P Low (M)
9:30am: A Varghese (A) I Lie, J Lie (R) S Pedisich, K Wong (C) A Burton (M)
5:00pm: R Yang (A) J Chandra, D Sarmiento (R), Volunteers (C) **Counter:** J De Andrade

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8:00am: G Diab (A) A Brinck, F De Andrade (R) A Burke, M Wells (C) P Low (M)
9:30am: A Varghese (A) I Tjahjadi, Darlene T (R) C Findlay, C Goncalves (C) A Burton (M)
5:00pm: R Yang (A), F Francis, K Kalapura (R), Volunteers (C) **Counters:** G Hage, V Hage

Pope Francis realises that a number of the Church's strict teachings are at odds with the lives lived by many of the faithful in the developed world. 'There's a strong sense in which on this whole question of sexuality, marriage and family, the Church stands out against contemporary mores – and some people don't like to live in that tension,' Austen Ivereigh, a Catholic journalist and author of an upcoming book on Pope Francis, called *The Great Reformer* tells the *Financial Times*. 'But what conservative cardinals are saying is that if you concede ground on this, you are conceding to the culture, and that it is a slippery slope.' Cardinal Walter Kasper of Germany, a close ally of the Pope, has proposed allowing the divorced and remarried to take Holy Communion, something presently banned in the Church. The Church does not recognise divorces dispensed by civil courts...



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Many believe that when a decision is taken Francis will side with the reformers. 'What Francis wants to see is a church that comes alongside those who have been wounded by marital breakdowns. He wants to see it as a place of healing – not of rigidity and judgment,'



In recent interviews, German Cardinal Walter Kasper suggested that while Church doctrine cannot change, it can be adapted and interpreted in different ways, and language can be softened when it is deemed offensive. If an individual divorces their spouse and enters a new civil marriage without an annulment, the second union is “not a sacramental one”. “That’s clear. It’s not of the same level as the first one,” he said. However, it is still “a new situation of marriage” in which a couple is living together and “There is love, there is commitment, there is exclusivity, it is forever.” He urged against using the language of adultery, generally drawn from the words of Jesus that one who divorces his wife and marries another commits adultery. Kasper said that “to tell them that’s adultery, permanent adultery, I think they would feel insulted and offended.” “Such a sexual relationship within a couple has also its positive values, it’s not only its negative values,” he said, rejecting the idea “that every sexual act is sinful” in such situations. The most important thing, he said, is to accompany individuals where they are at, realizing that we are fallen beings and none of us loves God and neighbour fully as we are called to. “I can encourage them to do according to their conscience when it is a very mature conscience,” he added.

(On Monday) Pope Francis opened discussions at his worldwide meeting of Catholic bishop by telling the prelates they should speak openly, without fear of upsetting him or limiting discussions to things he would want to hear. Using the Greek term *parrhesia* -- meaning to speak candidly or boldly, and without fear -- the pontiff told the some 190 prelates gathered in the Vatican's Paul VI Hall they should "speak with *parrhesia* and listen with humility. "Working in a synod, the pontiff continued, does not mean prelates should say only what Francis wants to hear. "This is not good!" said the pope." A general condition is this," said the Pope. "Speak clearly. Let no one say: 'This you cannot say. "You need to say all that you feel with *parrhesia*," he continued. "And, at the same time, you should listen with humility and accept with an open heart what your brothers say."