

In a homily commenting on a confrontation between Jesus and the Pharisees, Pope Francis said that there are always people within the Church who live by rules rather than by love. “They are ethicists without goodness,” the Pope told the congregation at a June 19 Mass at the Domus Sanctae Marthae. “They have no sense of beauty. They achieve only the beauty of a museum.” In addition to the Pharisees who focus on rules and exterior behaviour, there is another category of hypocrites, the Pope said: the “holy rollers” who make a show of their piety. In their case, the Pope warned, hypocrisy is “coming very close to the sin against the Holy Spirit. The proper prayer for a Christian, the Pope said, should always be like the prayer of the publican: “Have mercy on me, O Lord, a sinner.” Pope Francis said that this “is the prayer we should say every day, knowing that we are sinners.”

NEWS FROM THE VATICAN CITY

Congregation for Divine Worship and the Discipline of the Sacraments issued a decree, dated 1 May, which provides that, after the Blessed Virgin Mary, the name of her husband St. Joseph (should) also be read in the Eucharistic Prayers II, III, and IV. “The faithful in the Catholic Church,” reads the decree, “have shown continuous devotion to Saint Joseph and have solemnly and constantly honoured his memory as the most chaste spouse of the Mother of God and as the heavenly Patron of the universal Church. For this reason Blessed Pope John XXIII, in the days of the Most Holy Second Ecumenical Council of the Vatican, decreed that Saint Joseph’s name be added to the ancient Roman Canon. In response to petitions received from places throughout the world, the Supreme Pontiff Benedict XVI deemed them worthy of implementation and graciously approved them. The Supreme Pontiff Francis likewise has recently confirmed them. In this the pontiffs had before their eyes the full communion of the Saints who, once pilgrims in this world, now lead us to Christ and unite us with him.

Other News: 1) Marriage Mass & Renewal of Vows will be held at St Mary’s Cathedral on Sun 14th July at 10:30am. All couples are welcome to attend and renew their vows. Couples who are celebrating a significant wedding anniversary this year or who have been married in the last 12 months are invited to register with the Life, Marriage & Family Centre on 93905283 so that they may receive a special acknowledgement at the Mass.

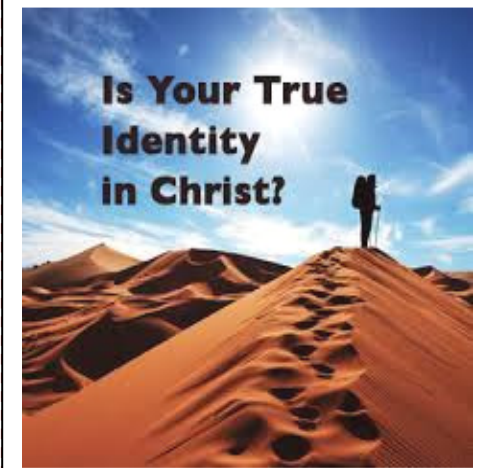
2) **News from the Vocation Centre: Exploring the Vocations of Women:** a) Retreat for Women (on all vocations): 23rd -25th

Aug. b) Retreat on Consecrated Life: 1st – 3rd Nov. For more details, visit www.vocationcentre.org.au or ring 9390 5287. 3) **Position Vacant: Rector of St John’s College** (located within the University of Sydney). For more details, visit www.catholicjobsonline.come.au. Applications close 8th July.



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23rd June 2013 (C)

12th Sunday in Ordinary Time

1ST READING: Zechariah 12:10-11;
13:1

RESPONSORIAL PSALM:

My soul is thirsting for you, O Lord my God.

2ND READING: Galatians 3:26-29

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

Alleluia, alleluia! My sheep listen to my voice, says the Lord; I know them, and they follow me. Alleluia!

GOSPEL: Luke 9:18-24

COMMUNION ANTIPHON:

The eyes of all look to you, O Lord, and you give them food in due season.

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 Apts)

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:

70% 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:

Sun 8am: Pro Populo

Sun 9:30am: †Johana Sri Janti Jahja (birthday)

OUR SICK: Marie Busuttill, Pat Raby, Maria De Andrade, Mollie Burgess, Patricia Flannery, Alan Sargeant. Josephine Helback, Carmella Cicciani and John Bevan...

Accommodation still available in Foley Gardens. Please call Fr. Jerzy on 93491292 or 0411125357 and you will be referred for further details to Mr. Robert O'Shea, the manager.

Happy Birthdays to: Michael Low (25th).

SVdP Winter Appeal: Thank you for your very kind donations. Final donation figure will be announced soon.

Parish School News: 1) Family Mass: Sat 22nd June: Years 3, 4 & 5. 3) Last day of Term: Fri 28th June.

REMINDER: Thanksgiving Mass and Farewell Get-together for Constanze and Daniel will be held on Sun 30th June from 5pm. Please bring a plate to share in the presbytery.

1st Sat. Mass in honour of Our Lady will be held on Sat 6th July at 11am.

Holy Father's Appeal will be held on Sun. 30th June. Please use the specially printed envelopes for your donations, which will be available soon.

IMPORTANT NEWS FOR PLANNED GIVING PARTICIPANTS: 1) From the next FYR 2013/2014, tax deductibility will be 100% (from 75%); 2) Due to change in procedures to our Parish Reporting to the Archdiocese, our Planned Giving for the weekend of 30th June 2013 will now be included in the next FYR reporting at 100% tax deductibility.

Ignite Conference 2013 (Youth Conference) will be held from 26th -29th Sept at the Mueller Performing Arts Centre, Brisbane. For more details, visit www.igniteconference.com.au.

Catholicism, The Journey with Fr. Robert E. Barron. 4th Sun. at 3:30 pm presbytery. Next session: **Sun 23rd June.**

The Great Adventure: Bible Study, 3rd Sundays of the month, 3:30pm presbytery. Next session: **Sun 21st July.**

This weekend: Vigil: Volunteer (A)	Yrs 3-5 Parents(R)	F & G Hogan (C)	G Guerrero (M)
8:00am: J Heaney (A)	V Meyer, R Wijaya (R)	P Chen, R Houghton (C)	P Low (M)
9:30am: A Varghese (A)	E Widjaja, H Widjaja (R)	I Tjahjadi (C)	A Burton (M)
5:00pm: R Yang (A), Volunteers		Counters: V Hage, G Hage	

Next weekend: Vigil: Volunteer (A)	F & G Hogan (R)	M Wong, G Chin (C)	G Guerrero (M)
8:00am: J Heaney (A)	S Budavari, F De Andrade (R)	A Burke, Sr Betty (C)	P Low (M)
9:30am: Volunteer	I Lie, J Lie (R)	G Pullela (C)	A Burton (M)
5:00pm: R Yang (A), Volunteers please		Counter: J De Andrade	

One of the tragedies

facing our generation is that of identity crisis. This affects Christians and non Christians alike. When everything else is stripped away from you, who are you? What remains? When all your titles and labels are taken away, what's left of you? Will you be able to remain standing, secure, unshakeable and solid? How you answer these questions determines how you live your life. There are people whose identity is based entirely on what went wrong in their past, on their circumstances, and on names and labels they got stuck with that cripple and limit them from living fulfilling lives as God intended them to live. The devil is a thief, one of the things he aggressively steals is your God given identity and destiny.



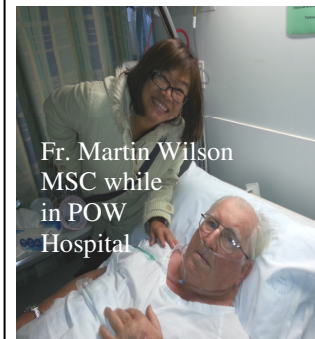
When not enough places to sit

'Who I Am in Christ'

It reminds us what God has done for us through his son, Jesus Christ. As Christians, our identities are in Jesus, so we are forgiven, loved, chosen, victorious, free, etc.



The first question in life is: "Who is Jesus?" The second is: "Who am I?" All the questions of life are based on these first two. Jesus asks each one of us, "Who do you say that I am?" (Mt 16:15) When we recognize Jesus as Lord and Messiah, we reverse the situation and ask Him, "Who do You (Jesus) that say I am?" We tell Jesus who He is, then He tells us who we are.



Fr. Martin Wilson MSC while in POW Hospital

Our true identity is in Christ Jesus. He is the only one who completes us; he helps us make sense of why we are here, and also gives meaning to our lives as a whole. You have got to believe it. Paul sums it up in **Acts 17 V. 28** "Certainly, we live, move and exist because of him". **'We are God's children.'** Before everything else, you are a child of the living God!

