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"Come to worship Go to proclaim"

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26th January, 2020

3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year A

Tue 28th St Thomas Aquinas (Memorial) Fri 31st St John Bosco (Memorial)

FIRST READING:

Isaiah 8:23-9:3

In the Galilean country, the people have seen a great light.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps 26:1,4, 13-14. R. v.1

The Lord is my light and my salvation.

SECOND READING:

Corinthians 1:10-13, 17

I appeal to you, my brothers and sisters, make up the differences between you.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Mt 4:23

Alleluia, alleluia!

Jesus preached the Good News of the kingdom,

and healed all who were sick.

Alleluia

GOSPEL: Matthew 4:12-23

He went to Capernaum, that the prophecy of Isaiah be fulfilled.

St. Michael's Parish Notice

Sick: Mona Massoud, Amanda & Stephano Guidone, Joe, Steve Delgado– Reves. Happy Birthday: (25th) Jackie Yong, (26th) Ollie Sarmiento & Richard Smolenski,

(30th) Denny Chandra & Marlee Sarmiento & (31st) Evelina Cini

Mass Intentions: Sun 10am † Marilia Amaro (40 days)

Parish School News:

A very warm welcome to the new Parish School Principal: Mr Geoffrey Carey. We hope that your time at St Michael's Catholic Primary School will be enjoyable and rewarding. As the school holidays end this week, we welcome back all Staff, Catechists, Children and their Families. We hope you all had a good rest and are now ready for the New School Year.

Treasures of Italy

"Treasures of Italy" 12th May—23rd May 2020 with Fr Jerzy as Chaplain. See Poster in Church Foyer for details.

Visit Of The Relics Of St Therese Of Lisieux and Her Parents

The National Pilgrimage of the Relics of Saints Thérèse, and her parents, Louis and Zélie, will visit the Archdiocese of Sydney in February and March. A full itinerary is available on parish noticeboard so that you are aware of where and when you can take this opportunity to venerate the relics of one of the Catholic Church's most popular saints and her parents who helped nurture her faith. Bishop Anthony Fisher OP is inviting all to celebrate a special Mass to welcome the relics to Sydney at St Mary's Cathedral on 1 Feb at 6pm. The relics are scheduled to arrive at 4.30pm and the cathedral will remain open for an all-night vigil before their departure at 4pm on 2 Feb.

Catechist Sunday

Next Sunday, February 2nd, will be observed as "Catechist Sunday". Each of our current Catechists is invited to attend the 8am Mass, and to confirm that they will declare their intention to continue their ministry during this year.

The Catholic Archdiocese of Sydney Safeguarding Office

Option 1:

Abuse is a crime. The appropriate people to deal with a crime are the police. If you or anyone you know – have been abused, please contact the police. Alternatively, you can contact the Safeguarding and Ministerial Integrity Office at (02) 9390 5810 or by email on safeguardingenquiries@sydneycatholic.org

The Archdiocese has a legal obligation to report crimes to the police. We will listen to you respectfully, offer support & discuss the options you have available to you.

Option 2.

Contact the Parish via 9349-1292 and please speak to Myrna Sarmiento or Fr Phan who will provide support and guidance.

Please observe silence in God's house. Please turn your mobile off or put it on silent.



Collection

1st Collection: \$657.05, 2nd Collection: \$350.35, Planned Giving \$290.00 Thank You for your generous support.

Collection at all Masses this weekend (Australia Day) for the St Vincent De Paul bushfire appeal.

Alongside my brother bishops across the country, I encourage you to donate to a special parish collection at Masses this Australia Day weekend (25 and 26 January) through the St Vincent De Paul Society. Through this bushfire appeal, you can make a tangible difference in the lives of those affected, whether that be to cover basic clothing or the food bill for a family evacuated from their home. The support may also come through psychological counselling services for families left traumatised by the disaster or financial counselling as they struggle to pay unexpected bills. Together we can offer real comfort and long term support to families left struggling after the bushfires.

Anthony Fisher OP

Happy Australia Day

Australia Day is the official national day of Australia. Celebrated annually on 26 January, it marks the anniversary of the 1788 arrival of the First Fleet of British ships at Port Jackson, New South Wales, and the raising of the Flag of Great Britain at Sydney Cove by Governor Arthur Phillip. Plenty to see and do on Australia Day. There will be the Tall Ship Race, Vintage Buses, Fireworks and markets. Here are some Fun Facts: The Emu and the Kangaroo are on our coat of arms because neither animal can walk backwards. They always move forwards, symbolising Australia's desire to do the same. We are the only continent without an active volcano. The wine cask is an

Australian invention. A Brissie bloke tried to sell New Zealand on Ebay in 2006. The price rose to \$3,000 before eBay closed the auction. Our former Prime Minister Bob Hawke set a world record for sculling 2.5 pints of beer in 11 seconds. If all of the shells on the roof of the Sydney Opera House were combined, they would create a perfect sphere. The story goes that the architect was inspired while eating an orange. Damper is a traditional Australian soda bread, historically prepared by swagmen, and other travellers.



Lunar New Year - GONG XI FA CAI

Lunar New Year 2020 falls on January 25th (Saturday), and the festival will last to February 8th, about 15 days in total. 2020 is the Year of the Rat. according to Chinese zodiac. Celebration decorations are mostly in red. This is because red in Chinese culture is the symbol of happiness, wealth and prosperity, and can ward off evil spirits and bring good luck. These red decorations are to the festival what Christmas trees are to Christmas.

Chinese or Lunar New Year was always a great time of celebration with family.

Chinese New Year Food: Top 7 Lucky Foods and Symbolism. Fish — an Increase in Prosperity, Chinese *Dumplings* — Wealth, Spring Rolls — Wealth, Glutinous *Rice* Cake — a Higher Income or Position, *Sweet Rice Balls* — Family Togetherness & *Longevity Noodles* — Happiness and Longevity.

Mass Times: Saturday Vigil: 5:00pm

Sunday: 8:00am, 10:00am, 5:00pm

Weekday: Monday: 7:30am Holy Communion Service

Tuesday: 7:30amWednesday: 6:00pmThursday: 7:30amFriday: 9:15am

On Public Holiday Monday, Tuesday or Thursday: 9:15am

2nd & 4th Saturday: 9:30am (Southern Cross Hostel)

Reconciliation

Wednesday: 5:15pm – 5:45pm **Saturday:** 4:15pm – 4:45pm



Contact The Presbytery

Parish Office Hours: Thurs & Fri 9:00am to 2:30pm

Holy Hour: Wednesday, 5:00pm

Baptisms & Weddings: by appointment.

Baptisms: Sundays after the 10am Mass

Volunteers Roster:

This weekend - 26th January

Vigil:(A) J Haggar, A Yap(R) J Spora, M Vassallo(C) G Hage(M) Thomas W8am:(A) G Diab, Andy H (R) G Guerrera, C Yong(C) O Sarmiento(M) P Low10am:(A) N Jenner(R) H Edge, M Lam(C) M Lam, N Liman(M) K Chandra5pm:(A) Mark S(R) M Kenyon, Volunteer(C) J Irawan(M) Myrna S

Piety Stall: (Vigil) C Lan Kam (Sun, 8am) L Hart (Sun, 10am) L Jenner

Counters: Adrian Yap, John Moore

Next weekend - 2nd February

Vigil:(A) J Haggar, A Yap(R) L Paquin, J Paquin(C) J Spora(M) Thomas W8am:(A) G Diab, Andy H (R) T Trujillo, Joel Pinto(C) Sr Bern(M) P Low10am:(A) N Jenner(R) K Wong, B Wong(C) C Findlay, H Edge(M) K Chandra5pm:(A) Mark S(R) S Williams, S Doyle(C) J Irawan(M) Myrna S

Piety Stall: (Vigil) F Wu (Sun, 8am) I Koeswanto (Sun, 10am) C Gunawan

Counters: Emily Fong, Joseph Chan

Parishioners wishing to apply for any of the Ministries, please contact the Parish Office.

Thank you!