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*"Come to worship
Go to proclaim"*

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2nd February, 2020

The Presentation of the Lord - Year A

Wed 5th St Agatha

(Memorial)

Thur 6th St Paul Miki

(Memorial)

FIRST READING:

The Lord whom you seek will come to his temple.

Malachi 3:1-4

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Who is this King of glory? It is the Lord!

Ps 23:7-10, R.v.8

SECOND READING:

He had to be made like us in all things.

Hebrews 2:14-18

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Lk 2:32

Alleluia, alleluia!

*This is the light of revelation to the nations,
and the glory of your people, Israel.*

Alleluia

GOSPEL:

Luke 2:22-40

My eyes have seen your saving power.

St. Michael's Parish Notice

Sick: Mona Massoud, Amanda & Stephano Guidone , Joe, Steve Delgado– Reves.

Happy Birthday: (1st) Herywati Chandra, (2nd) Dylan Odisho,
(4th) Josanna Busuttil & Andre Goncalves, (5th) John Moore.

Mass Intentions: Sun 8am † Wilson Gavin & †Peter D'Arcy
Tue 7.30am †Tony De Bono

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.

Foley Gardens

Foley Gardens Retirement Village: An upstairs 2-bedroom unit is now available. Please contact R.J. O'Shea Management on 9540 4650 for more terms and conditions.

Catechist Sunday

Today, February 2nd, is "Catechist Sunday". Our current catechists will rededicate their commitment to this ministry at the 8am Mass. We thank God for the good and faithful service of all who are catechists of our Parish, gathering the children in Jesus' name. May God bless you as you are sent forth from Sunday Mass to our Parish children in public schools.

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: \$746.25, 2nd Collection: \$406.60, Planned Giving \$260.00

Thank You for your generous support.

UNDERSTANDING PARISH COLLECTIONS:

The First Collection supports the needs of priests of the parish and the Archdiocese of Sydney. It covers: 1) Priest(s) monthly stipends; 2) Priest(s) household costs eg. food, utilities, cleaner etc. 3) A small percentage to cover the expenses of the Archbishop especially in caring for elderly priests. Income from other sources includes Easter and Christmas offerings (via envelope contributions made at these times). Wedding and baptism donations are also added into the first collection. Any surplus from the first collection is placed into a Central Fund which are used to support various other priests, deacons and chaplaincies.

The Second Collection supports the maintenance of the parish buildings, administration and pastoral programs. Some of the expenses covered are: 1) parish running costs, eg. liturgical expenses, insurance, utilities, general maintenance and upkeep of the church, presbytery and parish property; 2) Parish staff salaries including superannuation; 3) Priests' car expenses. This Collection combines income from planned giving envelopes and cash on plates.

PLEASE GIVE EQUAL CONSIDERATION TO BOTH COLLECTIONS.

Devotions to Honour Our Lady of Lourdes

Mass and Blessing of the Sick will be held at Our Lady of Lourdes Grotto, Earlwood, on Sunday the 9 February 2020 (behind Our Lady of Lourdes Church, Earlwood), entrance via St. James Avenue, Earlwood, commencing with recitation of the Rosary at 2:30 p.m. followed by Mass and the Blessing of the Sick at 3:00 p.m. The Principal celebrant will be The Reverend Fr Brian Lucas. Some parking for disabled people is available in the school grounds and general parking in the nearby council car park.

St Agatha

Agatha was born at Palermo, Sicily, and was martyred in approximately 251. She is one of seven women, who, along with the Blessed Virgin Mary are commemorated by name in the Canon of the Mass. Agatha was put to death during the persecution of Decius (250–253) in Catania, Sicily, for her determined profession of faith. Agatha came from a rich and noble family. At 15, she made a vow of virginity and rejected the advances of the Roman prefect Quintianus, who thought he could force her to turn away from her vow and marry him. He expected her to give in to his demands when she was faced with torture and possible death. Agatha never lost her confidence in God, even though she suffered a month of rape, assault, and efforts to get her to abandon her vow to God. She was stretched on a rack to be torn with iron hooks, burned with torches, and whipped. Amongst the tortures she underwent was the cutting off of her breasts with pincers. Agatha was then sentenced to be burnt at the stake, but an earthquake saved her from that fate; instead, she was sent to prison where St. Peter the Apostle, appeared to her and healed her wounds. Agatha died in prison, in the year 251.

Mass Times: **Saturday Vigil:** 5:00pm
 Sunday: 8:00am, 10:00am, 5:00pm
 Weekday: **Monday:** 7:30am Holy Communion Service
 Tuesday: 7:30am
 Wednesday: 6:00pm
 Thursday: 7:30am
 Friday: 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 - 2nd February

Vigil: (A) J Haggar, A Yap (R) L Paquin, J Paquin (C) J Spora (M) Thomas W

8am: (A) G Diab, Andy H (R) T Trujillo, Joel Pinto (C) Sr Bern (M) P Low

10am: (A) N Jenner (R) K Wong, B Wong (C) C Findlay, H Edge (M) K Chandra

5pm: (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

Next weekend - 9th February

Vigil: (A) J Haggar, A Yap (R) F Hogan, J Busutil (C) G Hogan (M) Thomas W

8am: (A) G Diab, Andy H (R) A Burke, F De Andrade (C) M Wong (M) P Low

10am: (A) N Jenner (R) C Findlay, S Newman (C) L Jenner, S Newman (M) K Chandra

5pm: (A) Mark S (R) Dolby S, Jordan L (C) J Irawan (M) Myrna S

Piety Stall: (Vigil) C Lan Kam (Sun, 8am) J Busutil (Sun, 10am) S Wijaya

Counters: Jimmy & Hery Chandra

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