Saint Michael's War Memorial Catholic Church

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"Come to worship Go to proclaim"

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23rd August, 2020

21st Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year A

Mon 24th AugSt Bartholomew(Memorial)Thur 27th AugSt Monica(Memorial)Fri 28th AugSt Augustine(Memorial)

Sat 29th Aug Passion St John the Baptist (Memorial)

FIRST READING:

Isaiah 22:19-23

I place the key of the House of David upon his shoulder.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps 137:1-3,6,8,R.v.8

Lord, your love is eternal; do not forsake the work of your hands.

SECOND READING:

Romans 11:33-36

From him, through him, and in him are all things.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

MT 16:18

Alleluia, alleluia

You are Peter, the rock on which I will build my Church the gates of hell will not hold out against it.
Alleluia!

GOSPEL: Matthew 16:13-20

You are Peter, to you I will give the keys of the kingdom of heaven.

St. Michael's Parish Notice

Sick: Amanda & Stephano Guidone, Joe, Steve Delgado-Reves, Anita Ruiz & Blanca Jose Vargas Family

Mass intentions: Sat 5pm (Vigil) †Fr Mark Spora, †Peter & †Michael D'Arcy

COVID-19 Safety Plan

Our Covid-19 Safety Plan (copy available in Church) states:

- 1. All must be aware of content of Safety Plan.
- 2. Those with Flu symptoms must not enter the Church.
- 3. Sanitizing hands and registration strict requirement in order to come inside the Church.
- 4. Congregational singing prohibited.
- 5. Required sanitization of the seats before and after mass.
- 6. Holy Communion on hand.
- 7. Social distancing 1.5 apart (only 100 seats)
- 8. Strict prohibition of gatherings after the mass, in the foyer or outside the door of the Church.

Sanitizing Church

Please could you take a wet wipe located at back of Church and wipe your seat and back of chair when you enter the Church. Bins located at back of Church. Thank You.

Face Masks

NSW Health is now strongly recommending everyone in our state to wear a face mask in crowded public areas and while on public transport.

The advice is that masks should be worn in supermarkets, shops, churches and other places of worship as well as on public transport.

The recommendations are not yet compulsory, but are "strongly recommended" for situations in an enclosed space where social distancing can't be guaranteed.

Foley Gardens

A two-bedroom unit has become available for rent at Foley Gardens, 5-7 Gwea Avenue Daceyville. The apartment has a new kitchen and carpets throughout.

Foley Gardens is an over 55's Retirement Village consisting of ten units in amongst a tightknit caring community within the St Michael's Daceyville Parish. This is a gated complex with undercover secure parking. The unit is on the upper level with chairlift access if required. For more information please call O'Shea Management on 9540 4650 or email us at andrew@osheamanagement.com.au.

The Catholic Archdiocese of Sydney Safeguarding Office

Child sexual abuse is a crime. If you, or anyone you know, have been abused, please contact the police. Or contact the Safeguarding and Ministerial integrity office at (02) 9390-5810 or safeguardingenquiries@sydneycatholic.org

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



Parish Ministry Rosters:

The new rosters are due to start at the beginning of October. Parishioners wishing to apply for any of the Ministries should contact the Parish Office by Friday 28/08/20. Anyone wanting to alter or resign from their current ministry should also inform the Parish Office. A Big Thank You to all ministers for your continued support and commitment.

Sacrament of Holy Communion

Please keep the children who will be making their First Holy Communion in your prayers. First Holy Communion will take place on Sunday 13th September, 2020.

St Monica

Even though Monica was a Christian, her parents gave her away to a man named Patritius. Both he and his mother were pagans and had violent tempers. St. Monica endured this with patience and kindness, and her example eventually led to their conversions to Christianity. St Monica prayed constantly for her son, St. Augustine of Hippo. Augustine was a very gifted man who lived a life of lust and impurity, before converting to Catholicism. Throughout these years, she endured a tremendous amount of suffering. Augustine rejected her many times, but she continued to love, pray and nurture her son throughout his wayward time. St. Monica wept, prayed and sacrificed for her son for seventeen years. Her greatest desire in life was to see her son's conversion to Catholicism, and once this happened, she believed her purpose in life had been fulfilled.

St Augustine

Augustine was born in Africa and spent many years of his life in wicked living . Through the prayers and tears of his mother, St Monica he became one of the greatest saints that ever lived. He was baptized, became a priest and a bishop. He was a famous Catholic writer and a founder of religious priests. He practiced great poverty and supported the poor. He preached very often and prayed up until his death. His feast day is August 28th.

Matyrdom of John the Baptist

John's parents were an elderly couple named Zacharias and Elizabeth. They were both descended from the priestly family of Aaron. Elizabeth had not been able to have children. While burning incense at the temple, Zacharias was startled by the appearance of an angel. The Angel, Gabriel told Zacharias that Elizabeth would bear a child in her old age. They would name him John, and he would be set apart for a special purpose. Because Zacharias had doubted the angel's words, Gabriel gave him a sign. He wouldn't be able to talk until the birth of his son. John the Baptist fulfilled the words of Isaiah, baptizing the people and prepared the way for our Lord. He even baptized his Lord and Saviour. He criticized King Herod for marrying his brother's wife and was thrown into jail. Herod threw a party, and his wife's daughter danced. Herod was pleased by the dancing and promised her whatever she wanted. She asked for John the Baptists' head on a platter. Herod was sorry, but he felt compelled to have John killed.

Mass Times: Saturday Vigil: 5:00pm

Sunday: 8:00am, 10:00am

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 - 23rd August

Vigil:(A) Hartanto, A Yap(R) J Spora, G Guerrera(C)(M) Thomas W8am:(A) G Diab, Andy H (R) J Pinto, J Pinto(C)(M) Thomas W10am:(A) N Jenner(R) Dolby S, Jordan L(C)(M) K Chandra

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

As there is no more Masses on Sunday 5pm, I will be alternating Readers from Sunday 5pm and Sunday 10am. Thank you for your support and co-operation.

Next weekend - 30th August

Vigil:(A) Hartanto, A Yap(R) F Hogan, M Vassallo(C)(M) Thomas W8am:(A) G Diab, Andy H(R) A Burke, T Trujillo(C)(M) Myrna S10am:(A) N Jenner(R) H Edge, M Lam(C)(M)K Chandra

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

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