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*"Come to worship
Go to proclaim"*

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15th January, 2023

2nd Ordinary Sunday - Year A

Saturday 21st January St Agnes (Memorial)

FIRST READING:

Isaiah 49:3, 5-6

I will make you the light of the nations so that my salvation will reach to the ends of the earth.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps 39:2, 4, 7-10. R. vv. 8,9

Here I am, Lord; I come to do your will.

SECOND READING:

Corinthians 1:1-3

The grace and peace of God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Jn 1:14, 12

Alleluia, alleluia!

The word of God became flesh and dwelt among us.

He enabled those who accepted him to become the children of God.

Alleluia!

GOSPEL:

John 1:29-34

This is the Lamb of God who takes away the sins of the world.

St. Michael's Parish Notice

Sick: Joseph Haggar, Vince Buchan, Nada Vucetic, Eloise Fraser,
David Low & Jimmy Chandra

Mass Intentions: Sat 5pm: †Juancho Del Castillo
Wed 7pm †Orazio Scandurra

Baptism

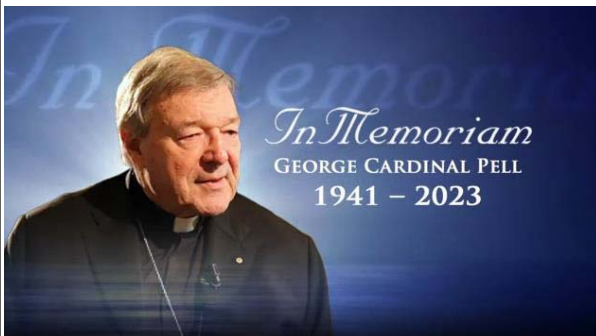
We welcome **Maia Grace Lam** and her parents to her Baptism this Sunday.

Collections for 1/1/23

1st coll: \$539.25, **2nd coll:**\$309.95, **Planned giving:** \$240.00

Collections for 8/1/23

1st coll: \$506.80, **2nd coll:**\$235.35, **Planned giving:** \$180.00



Vale George Cardinal Pell

Sincere condolences to Cardinal Pell's family on his sudden death. RIP Cardinal Pell.

Services will be held at St Mary's Cathedral when his body is returned and he will be buried in the crypt at St Mary's Cathedral.

Made for More

Join the Australian tour of Made for More, featuring best-selling author and speaker, Christopher West as he presents the vision of the Gospel through the lens of Saint John Paul II's Theology of the Body. This event will be hosted on Friday 20th January 2023 at St Mary's Cathedral College Hall and on Saturday 21st January at All Saints Liverpool Parish Hall. Made for More weaves dynamic presentations with live music, media and sacred art bringing an evening of beauty and reflection on the meaning of life, love, and human destiny. An event for all ages which should not be missed! For tickets and more information, go to www.sydneycatholic.org/TOB

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



Ordinary Time

Ordinary Time refers to all of those parts of the Catholic Church's liturgical year that aren't included in the major seasons of Advent, Christmas, Lent and Easter. The Church year begins with Advent, followed immediately by the Christmas season. Ordinary Time begins on the Monday after the first Sunday after January 6, the traditional date of the Feast of the Epiphany and the end of the liturgical season of Christmas. This first period of Ordinary Time runs until Ash Wednesday when the liturgical season of Lent begins. Both Lent and the Easter season fall outside of Ordinary Time, which resumes again on the Monday after Pentecost Sunday, the end of the Easter season. The last Sunday of Ordinary Time is the Solemnity of Christ the King. Baptism of the Lord and Epiphany replace a Sunday in Ordinary Time therefore the First Sunday in Ordinary Time is the Sunday that falls after the first week of Ordinary Time, which makes it the Second Sunday of Ordinary Time. In any given year, there are either 33 or 34 Sundays in Ordinary Time. Ordinary Time contain the rest of Jesus' earthly ministry and some of the major events of the Gospels. The liturgical colour for Ordinary Time is green, which represents the time of growth and expansion of the Church following the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus. Green is often a symbol for growth and new life. **Like all liturgical seasons, Ordinary Time is meant to be lived!**

Participating in Ordinary Time means participating in the everyday life of Jesus.

Giving the gift of 'you'

**This subject reminds me of a popular story that really pulled on my heart-strings.
Maybe you have heard this story too?**

It is about a boy who asks his father how much money he makes per hour at work. His father is tired, stressed out and is angry to see him up so late when he gets home. He snaps at his son saying it is none of his business what he makes per hour. But his son keeps pressing him for an answer. Grumpily, the father gives in and tells him he makes £50 per hour at work. His son then goes on to humbly ask if he can borrow £25 and in response, his father gets angry and gives a flat refusal. Thinking the boy wants to spend money on a plastic toy of some sort, he scolds his son and sends him to bed telling him to think about why he was being so selfish. Later on, when the father calms down he starts to regret his harsh words. Being as it was so close to Christmas, maybe his son wanted the money for something important, like a special Christmas gift? He goes to his son's room and asks if he is still awake. His son says yes, so his father takes out his wallet and hands the boy £25. The boy instantly jumps up, full of joy. Reaching under his pillow he pulls out a few banknotes and adds it to the money his father just gave him. Confused, his father sees the boy already has some money and asks why he wanted more. The boy simply said: "Because I didn't have enough, but now I do." He hands over the money which now totals £50 and asks his father, "Can I buy an hour of your time, please? I would love to eat dinner with you tomorrow night." The father starts to cry and hugs his son close to his chest.

Time is the most valuable gift you can give.

Mass Times: **Saturday Vigil:** 5:00pm
 Sunday: 8:00am, 10:00am
 Weekday: **Monday:**
 Tuesday: 7:30am
 Wednesday: 7:00pm
 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: 6:15pm – 6:45pm

Saturday: 4:15pm – 4:45pm



Contact The Presbytery

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

Holy Hour: Wednesday, 6:00pm

Baptisms & Weddings: by appointment.

Baptisms: Sundays after the 10am Mass

Volunteers Roster:

This weekend - 15th January

<u>Vigil:</u> (A) Hartanto, A Yap	(R) F Hogan, Volunteer	(M) Thomas W
<u>8am:</u> (A) Andy H	(R) Justine, A Burke	(M) Thomas W
<u>10am:</u> (A) N Jenner	(R) D Sarmiento, M Lam	(M) M Sarmiento

Piety Stall: (Vigil) F Wu (Sun, 8am) J Busutil (Sun, 10am) L Jenner

Next weekend - 22nd January

<u>Vigil:</u> (A) Hartanto, A Yap	(R) F Hogan, M Vassallo	(M) Thomas W
<u>8am:</u> (A) Andy H	(R) A Burke, G Guerrero	(M) Thomas W
<u>10am:</u> (A) N Jenner	(R) K Wong, A Suryadi	(M) M Sarmiento

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

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