

# ***Saint Michael's War Memorial Catholic Church***

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*"Come to worship  
Go to proclaim"*

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**22nd January, 2023**

**3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year A**

**Wed 25th Conversion of St Paul (Memorial)**

**Sat 28th St Thomas Aquinas (Memorial)**

## **FIRST READING:**

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

**Isaiah 8:23-9:3**

## **RESPONSORIAL PSALM**

The Lord is my light and my salvation.

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

## **SECOND READING:**

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

**Corinthians 1:10-13, 17**

## **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

**Mt 4:23**

*Alleluia, alleluia!*

*Jesus preached the Good News of the kingdom,  
and healed all who were sick.*

*Alleluia*

## **GOSPEL:**

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

**Matthew 4:12-23**

# St. Michael's Parish Notice

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

**Mass Intentions: Sat 5pm:** †Vittorio Del Vecchio

**Sun 8am** †Albert Urbiztondo & †Robert Fazzari

## Collection w/e 15/1/23

1st Collection: \$451.55 , 2nd Collection: \$262.80 Planned Giving \$235.00

Thank You for your generous support.

## Pontifical Requiem Mass for the late George Cardinal Pell AC

### 2 February

The Funeral Mass for our late Archbishop will be held on Thursday 2 February at 11am at St Mary's Cathedral. Members of the public are invited to attend.

If you're unable to attend the Funeral Mass, there will also be other opportunities to pay our respects to our late Archbishop, George Cardinal Pell at St Mary's Cathedral:

### Wednesday 1 February

9:30am Reception of the Body and Commencement of Lying in State

1:10pm A Mass for the Dead

5:30pm Evening Prayer and Vigil

8:00pm A Mass for the Dead

### Thursday 2 February

6:45am Mass for the Feast of the Presentation of the Lord

11:00am Pontifical Requiem Mass (Cathedral Doors open from 9:00am)

Please continue to pray for the repose of the soul of our late Archbishop.

## 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](mailto:safeguardingenquiries@sydneycatholic.org)

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



### **Australia Day—26th January**

Australia Day is a day to reflect, respect and celebrate the Australian spirit and the best of this country – our mateship, our sense of community and our resilience. We find optimism and hope as we look to the future.

On 26 January, Sydney comes alive with locals celebrating the Aussie way of life right in the middle of summer. With events on the harbour, family festivities, boat races and a general vibrant, party atmosphere, there's something for everyone. First people are the traditional custodians of our beautiful lands and waterways and have an important role in the great Australian story. It is a day to respect their ongoing traditions and cultures and seek ways to come together as a nation.



### **Interesting Facts about Australia**

**Brisbane city in Australia hosts the cockroach racing world championship**

**The Alps mountain in Australia receives more snowfall than mountains in Switzerland.**

**Another interesting fact about Australia is that it has a larger population of camels than Egypt**

**For 26 years from 1901 to 1927, Melbourne was the capital city of Australia.**

**Approximately 17 of the world's poisonous snakes are found in Australia.**

**Australian mammals, Platypus and Echidnas are the only two mammals in the world that lay eggs to give birth.**

**The Dingo fence in Australia is surprisingly longer than the Great Wall of China.**

**Once a man in Australia tried to sell New Zealand on eBay.**

### **Lunar New Year - GONG XI FA CAI**

**“Gong xi fa cai” (恭喜发财) in Mandarin Chinese means “congratulations on the fortune.”**

**“Chúc mừng năm mới” in Vietnamese means Happy New Year.**

**Lunar New Year** (also known as Spring Festival) falls on January 22nd, 2023 and the festival will last about 15 days in total. The Lunar New Year starts on Sunday 22nd January, 2023 and ends on February 4, 2023. This year is the Year of the Rabbit and in Vietnam, the rabbit is replaced by the cat. The most popular origin story of Lunar New Year is that a mythical beast ate crops, livestock and people on the eve of Lunar New Year. Folklore says a wise old man realized the beast was afraid of loud noises and the colour red. People then put red scrolls on windows and red lanterns in front of their homes to stop the beast from coming inside. Now, fireworks and red are part of the Lunar New Year festivities. The Chinese zodiac calendar has 12 animals coinciding with the Lunar New Year. The most widely known mythology of the Chinese zodiac is of a great race that took place thousands of years ago. The jade emperor called for a race among animals. This race took place across a river. The first 12 to reach him would be proclaimed on the calendar, in order of how they finished. A common practice of Lunar New Year is to clean the house and decorate doors and windows with red paper cuttings and other expressions of good fortune. Many celebrate with a dinner on Lunar New Year's Eve with a gathering and reunion of family and friends. An entire fish often is served to represent abundance and good luck for the entire year. Fireworks also are part of the Lunar New Year celebration, and some families hand out red envelopes filled with money, which symbolizes good fortune and wishes for the year ahead.

**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**

**2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> 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 - 22nd January**

**Vigil:** (A) Hartanto, A Yap (R) F Hogan, M Vassallo (M) Thomas W

**8am:** (A) Andy H (R) A Burke, Justine (M) Thomas W

**10am:** (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

**Next weekend - 29th January**

**Vigil:** (A) Hartanto, A Yap (R) L Paquin, **Volunteer** (M) Thomas W

**8am:** (A) Andy H (R) Justine, G Guerrero (M) Thomas W

**10am:** (A) N Jenner (R) S Newman, **Volunteer** (M) M Sarmiento

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

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