

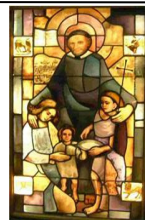
St Vincent's Parish, Ashfield

A parish under the pastoral care of The Congregation of the Mission known as Vincentian priests and brothers.

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Presentation of the Lord

February 2, 2014

The Feast of the Presentation and Candlemass, the Feast of Candles, celebrating Jesus as the Light of the World

In today's gospel passage, it is the devout Simeon and the prophetess, Anna, who declare the greatness and far-reaching influence of the child that has been brought to the Temple. These two are ordinary folk, not part of the Temple hierarchy, but open to the revelation of God in their ordinary but prayerful lives. To witness the Messiah and to announce him has been their lifelong mission. They recognised the revelation of God's presence amongst the people. It is a role that continues today. Those of us who believe and recognise the presence and influence of God in the world are challenged to proclaim it in both our actions and our words.

Greg Sunter

KUNG HEI FAT CHOY !!!!



Happy Lunar New Year to all Parishioners who are celebrating...May good luck and good fortune always be with you !!!!

Next Sunday we will be celebrating our Catechists! This vital ministry of our Parish goes out to the Catholic children both at Ashfield Public School (on Wednesday afternoons) and Ashfield Boys High (on every second Thursday at midday) and creates a Catholic Community where we firstly pray and then share our faith together. We are always in need of new vitality. The CCD offer training courses for anyone that is interested and of course we work from a thorough curriculum that is provided. However more importantly it is that the person of the catechist is there as a living, breathing and often laughing witness to the Joy of our God. To find out more Ring Marguerite at the Parish.

Mass on Thursday 6th February

will take place at **10:00am.**

The Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick will take place during this Mass.

This will be followed by morning tea in the Parish Meeting Rooms

Parish Pastoral Council Meeting will take place on Monday 10th February at 6:30pm in the Parish Meeting Rooms

Liturgy Meeting will take place on Tuesday 11th February at 7pm in the Parish Meeting Rooms. This will be in preparation for Lent and the Holy Week Liturgies. All are welcome to attend.

Parish Dinner will take place on Saturday 29th March. More details to follow.

Sydney Alliance

The Sydney Alliance will be holding a city Assembly on Wednesday March 26th at Sydney Town Hall from 7pm –8:30pm. The purpose of the assembly will be to make public three issues that wish our elected state Government to take positive action on. They are:

- (i) TRANSPORT— Working on 10 transport projects to improve our transport in Sydney
- (ii) HOUSING—Developing and campaigning for creative solutions to Sydney's housing crisis.
- (iii) WORKINGSTART— Expanding our innovative job creation program to migrant and disengaged young people across the city

In preparation for this Assembly there will be a meeting in the Parish Meeting Rooms on Sunday 9th February from 7.30pm-8.30pm. Anyone from the parish is most welcome to attend. Please see Fr. Alan for further details.

Ashfield Charismatic Prayer Group will resume on Monday 3rd February 2014. They meet in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel each Monday night from 7:30 to 9:30pm. A warm welcome invitation is extended to all parishioners to join us for prayer for your needs and for healing. For more information please contact 0402 718 949.



'Come Holy Spirit'

"Healing Mass", Friday 7th February 2014. St. Therese's Church, 15 Garrong Road, Lakemba. Rosary: 7pm, Reconciliation: 7-8pm, Prayer and Praise: 7:30pm, Mass: 8pm. The celebrant will be Fr. Hugh Thomas Csr

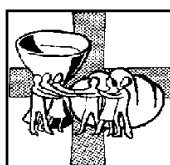
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Ashbury Parish Weekday Mass:
Monday to Saturday 8:00am
Summer Hill Parish Mass: Monday: No Mass
Tuesday 8:30am. Wednesday, Thursday, Friday
9:00am

Parish Masses this week:

Monday 12 noon
Tuesday 7 am
Wednesday 12 noon
Thursday 10:00 am
Reconciliation: Saturday 8:10am to 8:40am
Morning Prayer: Saturday 8:40am
Saturday 9:00am - Rosary after mass
Sunday: 8am, 10:00am 6:00pm
Polish Mass 12 noon
Cardinal Freeman Village Chapel
Tuesday 9:00am Sunday 9:00am



Holy Communion In Australia standing is the most common posture for receiving Holy Communion. The customary manner of reception is recommended to be followed by all, so that Communion may truly be a sign of unity among those who share in the same table of the Lord. When approaching to receive Holy Communion, the faithful bow in reverence of the Mystery that they are to receive.

(General Instruction of the Roman Missal No 160)

Counting of the Sunday Collections

People willing to help count our Sunday collections are desperately needed for the second, third and fourth Sundays of each month. Please contact the parish office on 9798 2501 or email Fr. Alan at alan@vinash.org.au. The time commitment on a Monday morning would be from 9am to 11:30am.

LEARN TO DANCE....

We teach a range of Jazz, Tap, Ballet, Hip Hop & Modern Dance to suit all ages from 3 years to adults & all levels of dance.

BEGINNERS MOST WELCOME!

Term Commencing: 11th Tuesday & 12th Wednesday
February 2014

Time: Classes Tues + Wednesday from 3.45pm

Where: Club Ashfield Auditorium:

2nd Floor Charlotte St. Ashfield
& St. Vincent's Parish Hall: Bland St., Ashfield



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Presentation of the Lord

ENTRANCE PROCESSION: Your merciful love, O God, we have received in the midst of your temple. Your praise, O God, like your name, reaches the ends of the earth; your right hand is filled with saving justice.

FIRST READING: The Lord whom you seek will come to his temple (Malachi 3:1-4)

PSALM: Who is this king of glory? It is the Lord (Ps 23:7-10)

SECOND READING: He had to be made like us in all things (Hebrews 2:14-18)

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: Alleluia, alleluia! This is the light of relation to the nations, and the glory of your people, Israel. Alleluia!

GOSPEL: My eyes have seen your saving power (Luke 2:32)

COMMUNION ANTIPHON: My eyes seen your salvation, which you prepared in the sight of all the peoples.



Next Sunday's Readings

Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Isaiah 58:7-10

Ps 111:4-9

1 Corinthians 2;1-5

Matthew 5:13-16