

St Vincent's Parish, Ashfield

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Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time A

July 6, 2014

Today as we celebrate National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Sunday we acknowledge the traditional custodians of the land on which we stand

We pay our respects to them for their care of the land

“Come to me, all you who are weary and are carrying HEAVY burdens and I will give you rest.”

Ever had a problem or a worry that is so awful and so great that it overtakes your every action and thought. You can't share it because you can't just get your own head around it and somehow it's shameful. It is chaotic and that madness is rubbing off on you. It is full of 'if onlys' and the 'blame game'. You would like to disassociate from the mess, yet your heart will not allow this. This problem causes such a deep grief that it physically pains you. It is an insurmountable problem that YOU can't solve. It needs time to sink in and for a grief process to start. It is mourning without a body.

Yep! I think our life is built on these experiences of love and the vulnerability it brings. Human Jesus understands all the human frailties in this regard. He gave himself to a shameful and chaotic death surrounded with his friends desertion and confusion, you see, the answers weren't straight away imminent to all who loved him.

Jesus asks us to always remember the central part of God's law according to Him. His Yoke, the core of his teaching was called that, was to Love God and Love each other.

If we can shoulder that we are promised **'we will find rest for our souls.'**

So simple, in fact, that it required a child-like simplicity to accept this yoke. Can we become child like in our relationship with God and give our problems both great and small over to him, trusting in him? Can we keep loving both God and our neighbour until the answer arises from the confusion of the worry despite the answer? *Marguerite Martin*

Practical Theology of Disability—Parish

Website Last week in the homily at all Masses I mentioned that along with parishioners I attended a lecture on A Practical Theology of Disability. I have since written a reflection which can now be viewed on the Parish website.

Parish Planned Giving Campaign

The new envelopes are now ready for collection in the Church foyer.

BAPTISMS

Saturday, 5th July 11:00am

JAMES FENWICK TURNBULL
EMILY MAY TURNBULL

Baptism this Sunday 6th July at 10am Mass

The baptism celebrating the entrance of Samuel Jonah Udit into our parish family takes place today Sunday 6th July at 10am mass.

Congratulations to the parents
Jessica & Jonathan!!!

The Parish **MEN'S GROUP** will meet this coming **Tuesday 8th July at 7:30pm in the Parish House**, any new participants would be most welcome.

This meeting will consist of a short period of light reflection and then discussion on various topics.

Miraculous Medal Novena Mass

Saturday July 12th 9:00am Mass

Miraculous Medal Novena Prayers will be recited within the Mass.

Sydney Alliance Table Talks There are two dates this month for the next round of Table Talks. The first date is Thursday 10th July after the 9am Mass from 9:30am – 10:45am. Morning tea will be provided. The second date is Wednesday 16th July from 7:00pm to 8:15pm. Dinner will be provided on that occasion. Both meetings will take place in the Parish Meeting Rooms. Please contact Fr. Alan if you would like to attend.

DATES FOR DIARY

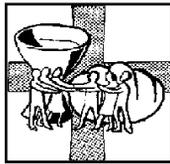
19th — 20th August First Reconciliation
16th — 23rd November First Communion at all Masses

Sydney Alliance 6 Day Training—Parish Website

Congratulations to parishioner Cyril Michael who recently completed the Six Day Training for the Sydney Alliance in May. His reflections on this training can now be viewed on our parish website. The next two day training session will be on two consecutive week days—Thursday 31 July and Friday 1 August. Venue: United Services Union office level 7, 321 Pitt Street, Sydney 2000. The next 6 Day National Training will be **Sunday 26 October 2014 (3pm) to Friday 31 October 2014 (2pm)**. The training is live-in residential and there are limited spaces. For the first time we will be collaborating with the QLD Community Alliance in conducting this course and it will be held in Brisbane. Both focus on how to effectively organize communities. Please see Fr. Alan if you would like further details.

Parish Masses this week:

Monday 12 noon
Tuesday 7:00am
Wednesday 12 noon
Thursday 9:00am



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 4:00pm Sunday 9:00am

Ashbury Parish Weekday Mass:

Monday to Saturday 8:00am

Summer Hill Parish Mass: Monday: No Mass

Tuesday 8:30am. Wednesday, Thursday, Friday 9:00am

HOLY FATHER’S APPEAL Our warm thanks go to everyone in the parish for supporting last weekend’s Appeal. Through your act of charity, those who benefit from Pope Francis’ benevolent causes can profess their heartfelt gratitude for the compassion you have shown them, unknown they may be to you.

Walking the Camino An audio-visual presentation by Peter Kearney. **Auburn, Sunday July 13th.** Two sessions—**11:15am and 2:00pm.** St. John of God Parish Centre, 2 Alice Street, Auburn. **Seats limited to 30 per session. Registration essential.**

To register: email Peter Kearney at caminopresentation@gmail.com with your name and the number of seat(s) required. Registration will be acknowledged by reply email from Peter. **\$10/\$8 concession** at the door.

ANNUAL MARRIAGE MASS & RENEWAL OF VOWS

The Marriage Mass and Renewal of Vows will take place on Sunday 13th July at St. Mary’s Cathedral, Sydney at 10:30am. Mass will be celebrated by the Most Reverend Peter Comensoli. Couples who are celebrating a significant wedding anniversary this year or who have been married in the last 12 months are invited to register with the Life, Marriage and Family Centre on **9390 5290** or Imfevents@sydney.catholic.org.au, so they may receive a special acknowledgment at the Mass. Registered couples celebrating 50th, 55th, 50th or 65th wedding anniversaries will also receive a special certificate from Bishop Comensoli.

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ENTRANCE ANTIPHON: 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: See how humbly your king comes to you (Zechariah 9:9-10)

PSALM: I will praise your name for ever, my king and my God (Ps 144:1-2, 8-11, 13-14)

SECOND READING: If by the Spirit you put an end to the misdeeds of the body, you will live (Romans 8:9, 11-13)

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: Alleluia, alleluia! Blessed are you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, you have revealed to little ones the mysteries of the kingdom. Alleluia!

GOSPEL: I am gentle and humble of heart (Matthew 11:25-30)

COMMUNION ANTIPHON: Taste and see that the Lord is good; blessed the man who seeks refuge in him.



Next Sunday’s Readings

Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time A

Isaiah 55:10-11
Ps 64:10-14

Romans 8:18-23
Matthew 13:1-23