

LAUDATO SI'. The Australian Catholic University's Faculty of Theology and Philosophy is hosting a panel discussion on **6th August 2015** at the North Sydney campus. Bishop Peter Comensoli, Fr. Denis Edwards, Jacqui Remond and Paul O'Callaghan will discuss the encyclical and the Holy Father's call to action and integral ecology. Please refer to the attached flyer for more information or to register visit www.acu.edu.au/integralecology.

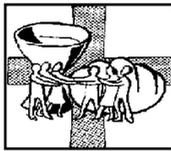
Mass for Pregnant Mothers: *Are you expecting a baby or know someone who is? You are warmly invited to attend Mass for Pregnant Mothers to be celebrated by Archbishop Anthony Fisher OP at St. Mary's Cathedral on Sunday 23rd of August at 10:30am. Morning tea will follow in St. Mary's Cathedral Chapter Hall. **RSVP and enquiries** can be directed to LMFevents@sydneycatholic.org or call 9307 8404.*

Marriage Preparation Weekend

Preparing for the vocation of marriage? Of Life and Love Marriage Preparation Weekend at the Catholic Adult Education Centre. Places still available for **7 & 8 November**. \$230 per couple. For more information, call **9646 9010** or go to www.caec.com.au. *A wedding is a day, but a marriage is a lifetime*.

Parish Masses this week:

Monday 12 noon
 Tuesday 7:00 am
 Wednesday 12 noon
 Thursday 9:00 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 4:00pm Sunday 9:00am
 Friday 9:00am — Communion Service

Slowly the plans for the **Blessed Sacrament Chapel** are being put into place. This smaller space is ideal for small community worship i.e early morning mass, adoration etc So far the chapel has been painted, cushions have been made to seat children and the kneelers on the prie-dieu are to be recovered and a small table /altar for Mass and some comfortable chairs sourced.

Since the return of the Stations of the Cross last year a thought had been to make a wall hanging/painting depicting "Resurrection" that would hang behind the tabernacle. It would be very special if this design, in what ever medium, came from our own community. To this end we are asking for submissions re: design from the very talented Ashfield Parish Community, including the Zimbabwean and Polish community, St Vincent's Primary, Bethlehem College or De La Salle College.

You are invited to view the space.

The ministry of the assembly

We often talk about those who minister at Mass, as servers, readers, those who serve communion. But did you know that the principle ministry at Mass belongs to the assembly? That means you and me—more correctly, 'us'. Through baptism we were anointed into sharing the ministry of Christ as priests doing the work of worship; prophets, proclaiming the gospel, and charged with kingly service of the poor and needy. At Mass we are gathered by Christ, nourished by the Word; we offer prayers on behalf of the world; give thanks in Christ by offering the sacrifice. Finally we are made one through communion in Christ's Body and Blood. The Mass is a celebration of the Body of Christ—it is one body that celebrate and that body is us. This is what we mean by participation.

Sr. Carmel Pilcher RSJ

Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time B

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON: God is in his holy place, God who unites those who dwell
 In his house; he himself gives might and strength to his people.

FIRST READING: They will eat and have some left over (2 Kings 4:42-44)

PSALM: **The hand of the Lord feeds us; he answers all our needs**
 (Ps 144:10-11, 15-18)

SECOND READING: There is one body, one Lord, one faith, one baptism
 (Ephesians 4:1-6)

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: Alleluia, alleluia! **A great prophet has appeared among us; God has visited his people. Alleluia!**

GOSPEL: He distributed to those who were seated as much as they wanted
 (John 6:1-15)

COMMUNION ANTIPHON: Bless the Lord, O my soul, and never forget all his benefits.



Next Sunday's Readings

Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time B
Exodus 16:2-4, 12-15
Ps 77:3-4, 23-25, 54
Ephesians 4:17, 20-24
John 6:24-35