

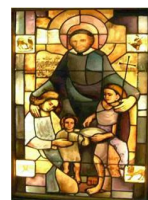
St Vincent's Parish, Ashfield

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

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Twenty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time B

August 30, 2015

Rules.

One question we ask the children, through the reconciliation program is Can you think of a game that has no rules? They really want to think of just one... but never can. It is the rules that provides the framework for the game, although seeing if you can break the rules and get away with it is also part of the game. That's why there is a judiciary system attached to life... and to Rugby! There is a security in our lives by recognising all types of rules, however a rule is there to serve not the other way around. Jesus, the boundary rider, defends the breaking of rules that do not serve and that give the Judiciary, the Pharisees great power. We talk of the Golden Rule, that is the basis of all world religions, from a Christian perspective, *Do unto others as you would have done unto you*, from a Islamic perspective *Not one of you believes until you wish for others what you wish for yourself* (see the poster in the foyer) From this rule all others should flow. This Sunday is Migrant and Refugee Sunday. What rules do we have flowing from the very basic Golden Rule, foundational particularly in our own Christian tradition, that fail abysmally to recognise suffering, fear, and desperation from those seeking or begging asylum and help? I would say the rule that makes these people somehow lesser, by giving them another name, like boat people or queue jumpers certainly not like us, that can somehow excuse the rule of No Hospitality. Jesus went to the boundaries, and questions the rules with the judiciary always to demonstrate Everybody matters, absolutely!

Marguerite Martin

Fathers Day...Next Sunday September 6 at 10am

Next week we celebrate Fatherhood in a Family Mass at 10am. Let us salute those great men in our lives! Dads, Grandpa's, Uncles, Brothers who care and nurture us.

If your family would like to be involved in this Mass please let Marguerite 0414566961 or Sinead 0420653637

Today is both Migrant and Refugee Sunday and Mission Sunday: Propagation of Faith Appeal

This particular Sunday is a celebration of the dignity of people who are refugees and migrants and the contribution they have made to life in Australia.

Welcome to Praneeti Cyril from our Parish who will speak at all Masses.

Parish Pastoral Council will meet on Monday 31st August in the Parish Meeting Rooms at 6:30pm

Mass on Thursday 3rd September at 9am

will be a Father's Day Mass. The liturgy is being organized by De La Salle School. Mass will go for a duration of approximately 50 minutes on this day.

We warmly congratulate the 37 children and their families who celebrated First Reconciliation through the week.

Reconciliation is God's sacrament of encouragement where He can reassure you of his endless love for you. You are invited to come again!

Sienna Petracca, Melissa Cunanan, Alavina Tu'ifua, Severyn Jarysz, Ivan Diaz Romano, Karla Almeida-Longo, Ralph Villegas, Liam Cruz, Tiffany Chui, Lorenzo Lepre, Uyen Nhi Mai, Isabella DiFrancesco, Zanthia Travanti-Jones, Isabel Fernandes, Emily Pierce, Annette and Alvita Fernandes, Rachael Misquitta, Sydney Byard, Celeste Kovac, Laukau Semi, Daniel Ruiz, Stella Riberio, Sienna Budiono, April Moar, John Matthew Austria, Lloyd Mussap, Alexia Carisio, Stephanie Bruzzese, Nimnath Ganegodage, Eliana Jin, Jan Donglal, Genevieve Hannah, Seamus Giveen, Appollo and Pierre Succar and Alyza Restauero.

BAPTISMS

Saturday, 5th September 2015

ANDERSON EDWARD BOND
LUCY JACLYN DELCARTE
CHARLES MAXWELL DELPECH
LUCAS DOURADO
FINN PETER & LACHLAN JOHN NORRIS



FIRST COMMUNION Nov 8 or Nov 15

If your child is in Yr 3 or over and has celebrated First Reconciliation they are eligible to be part of the First Holy Communion preparation. The Parent only meeting will be on the 15 or 16 September that outlines the program, meeting date options and First Communion dates. Please take a registration Form and return ASAP to Marguerite@vinash.org.au or the parish offices.

Is there anyone you could invite?

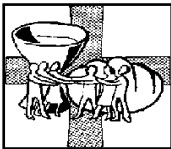
We are holding two inquiry sessions for those who are interested in the Catholic Faith. Maybe you have never been baptised, or were baptised Catholic but never brought up in the faith or baptised into another Christian tradition. Maybe you have a catholic partner and/or catholic children and would like to make that step. You would be most welcome to our inquiry nights in the Parish Offices (12 Bland St) on either Wednesday 9 September or Thursday 17 September at 7pm.

Parish Masses this week:

Monday 12 noon
Tuesday 7:00am
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



Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

The next training session will take place at St. Kevin's Parish, Eastwood on 9th and 16th September 2015. Time: 7.00pm - 9.00pm. This course is a pre-requisite for those wishing to do the training for the Ministry of Acolyte later on. Registration is essential: forms and further details are available on the Liturgy Office website www.liturgy.sydneycatholic.org

Most Reverend Terry Brady DD warmly invites the whole community to attend the **Mention My Name Remembrance Service** 7pm Wed 2 Sept St Mary's Cathedral.

The service will honour and remember the names of those who lost their lives through suicide or misadventure. RSVP Wed 26 August Patricia Thomas 96496423 patriciat@catholiccemeteries.com.au

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER FOR THE CARE OF CREATION

"Pope Francis has announced a "World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation," which, he writes, gives us "a precious opportunity to renew our personal participation in this vocation as custodians of creation, raising to God our thanks for the marvellous works that he has entrusted to our care, invoking his help for the protection of creation and his mercy for the sins committed against the world in which we live." The day will be celebrated on **1 September annually**. So, as we head toward spring next Tuesday (1 September), please take a moment to give thanks for new life and the many ways we have been blessed the gift of our natural environment." Justice & Peace, Sydney Archdiocese.

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ENTRANCE ANTIPHON: Have mercy on me, O Lord, for I cry to you all day long.
O Lord, you are good and forgiving, full of mercy to all who call to you.

FIRST READING: You may add nothing to the word which I speak to you—keep the commands of the Lord (Deuteronomy 4:1-2, 6-8)

PSALM: The just will live in the presence of the Lord (Ps 14:2-5)

SECOND READING: Be doers of the word (James 1:17-18, 21-27, 27)
(Ephesians 5:21-32)

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: Alleluia, alleluia! Your words, The Father gave us birth by his message of truth, that we might be as the first fruits of his creation. Alleluia!

GOSPEL: You forgot the commandments of God and hold on to human tradition (Mark 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23)

COMMUNION ANTIPHON: How great is the goodness, Lord, that you keep for those who fear you.



Next Sunday's Readings Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time B

Isaiah 35:4-7
Ps 145:7-10
James 3:1-5
Mark 7:31-37