



SHRINE AND PARISH OF OUR LADY OF MOUNT CARMEL WATERLOO



SUNDAY MASSES

Saturday Vigil: 5:00pm
Sunday: 8:00am & 10:00am

WEEKDAY MASSES

Tuesday 9.00am

ANZAC DAY

No evening Mass.

Wednesday 8.30am
Thursday 8.30am
Friday 9.00am

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

Will be prayed 15 minutes
before weekday Masses.

RECONCILIATION:

Saturday: 4.30pm - 4.45pm

BAPTISMS: by appointment

MARRIAGES: with 6 months
notice & by appointment

2nd Sunday of Easter 22nd/23rd April, 2017



Earth Day 2017

READINGS

Acts 10: 2: 42—47

John 20: 19—31

St Peter 1: 3—9



Our Lady of Mount Carmel Shrine and Parish acknowledges and honours the Gadigal People as the traditional custodians of this land.

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**MOUNT CARMEL CHURCH IS FITTED WITH A HEARING LOOP.
PLEASE TURN YOUR HEARING AIDS TO THE "T" POSITION.**

INTENTIONS

We pray for:

- World and personal peace.
- Vocations to the Priesthood, Diaconate, and Religious life.
- Asylum seekers especially in Australian detention centres.
- For all sick and injured members of ADF and their families.

Those who are sick: Jennie Brooks, Patricia McBride, Elena Crooks, Archbishop Anthony Fisher, Bernard Gee, Bishop Geoffrey Robinson, Mgr Eugene Harley, Ian Heads, Eduardo S. Sevilla, Maria Sevilla, Fr Keith Teefey CSsR, Malia Manu, John Middlemass, Peter Aplin, Khoa Nam Tran, Louisa Cregan, Mary Wiseman, Mary Carroll, Corrine Faunce, Tony Geraslakis, Ellie Irwin, Joe Milson, Sandra Truong, Elizabeth Anderson, Pat Traynor, Peter Bedford, Janice Leis, Dawn Harkins, Carla Carestia, Brenda Evans, Frances Savage, Oscar Mancuso, Jennifer Judd, Tom O'Shea, Bill Farral, Judy Shepperd, Irene Brander, Danielle Miller, Jennifer Phan, Sean Hickey, Elizabeth Single, Charlie Hayden, Francis & Maria Pham, Patricia Riordan, Lyn Mulryan, Helen Henricks, Gerald O'Shea, Neville Cameron, Howard Hastings, Delfin Lucia Jose Julio Sabina Maria, and all the housebound.

We pray for the souls of: Peter Glass, James Carey, Marlene Isabel Newton, Lila O'Shea, Phil Newberry, Mary Hickson, Luchi Vergara-Arceo, John Lazaro, Shirley Hastings, Dorothy Blackman, Veronica McNamara, Elisabeth Carey, Bill Harkins, Anna Nguyen, Laura Skelton, Josephine Merriman, Susan Bryson, Jay Rosenstraus, Marie O'Donnell, Jan Lloyd, Maria Medrano-David, Joyce Bagnal, Gloria Lewis, Eliza Myrapich, Dunstan Wade, Richard Vincent, Marciano Gaddi, David Bandler, Daudsyah Sadeli, Anthony and Henrique Assuncao, Aluim Temporza, Ronald Thew, John Mears, Zelig Bergan, Menotti & Rosina Cavallaro, Carmela, Lucia, Stella and Maria Agazio, Joseph Cusack, the Cusack and McAuffe families, Fr Terrence Purcell, Fr Leslie Bogot, Joyce Reilly, Cath and Allan Farrelly, Raymond & Dorothy Blackman, William & Mary Ann Blackman, Leonard & Rita Taylor, Mirtis Buosi Manzano, Richard Vincent, and all the Holy Souls.

COUNTERS ROSTER

30th April:
7th May: Pitt Street Push
21st May: Lachlan Street Push

MINISTERS OF COMMUNION

NEXT WEEKEND:

Vigil: Yvonne Smith, Mark Blackman
8.00am:
10.00am: Tony Murillo

READERS ROSTER - NEXT WEEKEND

Vigil
Reader - Wendy
Commentator - Dave Douglas
8:00am
Reader - David Hayden
Commentator - Louise Zavone
10:00am
Reader - Lyn Lim
Commentator - Rose Murillo

CHURCH CLEANERS next week: 1

PAINTING OF THE CHURCH APPEAL:

Thank you for all your donations. The total amount so far is \$37,880.69

2017 Calendar

25th April ANZAC Day
26th April School resumes for Term 2
9—11 May NAPLAN Tests for Year 3 & 5 Students

School Resumes on Wednesday 26th April for Term 2.

School Stations of the Cross

We have been blessed as the custodians of these beautiful stations for the past two weeks. They will be removed from the church during the week to be permanently placed in the school grounds.

Extraordinary Meeting of the Curia

This meeting has been postponed again and will now take place on the afternoon of 1st May. Please keep this intention in your prayers.

The Celebration of Centenary of the Apparitions of Fatima

will take place on *Saturday 13th May* at St Mary's Cathedral at 11.30am commencing with the rosary and prayers followed at 12.10pm with Mass celebrated by Archbishop Anthony.



Thank you to all who attended the Easter Ceremonies. Your presence proves once again that this family of families is the source of prayer and the proclamation of the Father's love. Numbers have slowly improved over several years. As I moved around the Church during the sprinkling rite after the renewal of baptismal promises during one of the Sunday morning Masses, I was struck by the sight of a mixture of prams and wheel chairs parked around the large crucifix and thinking a photo should have been taken of that because it is a true illustration of our life! However, we have to continue to grow particularly in the face of rebuilding of the public housing and its accompanying dislocation, if only for a short time. There continues to be an influx of new arrivals whom we must actively encourage and invite to become members of our family of families so that we will always remain a vital community of God's life. May the Father carry you gently through the week.

Monsignor Greg

There is to be a Fashion Parade for Our Lady's Nurses (Brown Sisters)

The Date: 4th May
Time: 11.30am for 12noon.
Price \$15 for a light lunch.
Raffle Tickets / Lucky Door Prizes.
Phone: 96656331 for bookings by 1st May.

Mother's Day Raffle

Tickets on sale for **\$2** or **3 for \$5**.
Prizes are:
1. 1L bottle of Baileys;
2. 1L bottle of Kahlua and/or
3. Set of 4 white coffee cups by Luigi Bormioli.
Drawn after the 10am Mass on **7th May**.

Nothing is so important to the church as human life, as the human person, above all, the person of the poor and the oppressed, who, besides being human beings, are also divine beings, since Jesus said that whatever is done to them he takes as done to him. That bloodshed, those deaths, are beyond all politics. They touch the very heart of God.

Archbishop Oscar Romero

Our dreams must be stronger than our memories. We must be pulled by our dreams, rather than pushed by our memories.

Jesse Jackson

One filled with joy preaches without preaching.

Mother Teresa

A people is never defeated until the hearts of the women are on the ground.

Cheyenne saying

Reflections on The Joy of Love (Amoris Laetitia) – Janette Davidson

"Love inspires a sincere esteem for every human being and the recognition of his or her own right to happiness. I love this person, and I see him or her with the eyes of God, who gives us everything 'for our enjoyment' (1 Tim 6:17). As a result, I feel a deep sense of happiness and peace" (Amoris Laetitia 96).

This week, compliment members of your family, and try to choose something meaningful/sincere that you may never have said to them before. Think about what it means to see someone with "the eyes of God."

Earth Day Saturday April 22, 2017

Theme is Environmental and Climate Literacy

2017 is a pivotal moment for the planet. This Earth Day marks the first anniversary of the signing of the Paris Agreement. Despite this remarkable achievement, we cannot afford to pull back our efforts. To build a world that values environmental protection and cultivates sustainable communities for all people, we must have educated citizens.

[Earth Day Network](#) is excited to help facilitate successful and meaningful Earth Day events throughout the world. The theme for Earth Day 2017 is Environmental and Climate Literacy. Read more about the theme and access the toolkit on [Earth Day Network website](#).

GOSPEL REFLECTION:

John 20: 19—31

- Are there times when we expect God to act as we wish rather than being open to the presence of the risen Christ in unexpected ways?
- What does the peace of Christ mean to believers today?

DID YOU KNOW?

- The period from Easter to Pentecost is known as 'the Great Fifty Days' and is an integral part of the Lent—Easter—Pentecost cycle.
- There is an ancient tradition that St Thomas preached the gospel as far east as India.



MAKING CONNECTIONS

- It is when Thomas is given the opportunity to touch Jesus that he professes his faith. Touch goes beyond verifying physical presence. It can provide healing and comfort; it can be an act of support or compassion.
- Look for ways in which a simple gesture of touch can convey friendship, compassion or support this week.
- 'The disciples were filled with joy when they saw the Lord.' What have been your feelings since the events of last week?
- 'Happy are those who have not seen and yet believe.' This is addressed to you! How will you nourish that belief in the future?
- How do you understand 'life in his name'?
- What does 'the peace of Christ' evoke for you now?
- Share experiences of doubt you have had in your life: times when you doubted the love of another or doubted your own abilities. What drove doubt away? How was doubt driven out for you by the events of the Easter Vigil?

The solidarity which binds all people together as members of a common family makes it impossible for wealthy nations to look with indifference upon the hunger, misery and poverty of other nations whose citizens are unable to enjoy even elementary human rights. The nations of the world are becoming more and more dependent on one another and it will not be possible to preserve a lasting peace so long as glaring economic and social imbalances persist.

Pope John XXIII, Mater et Magistra, #157

SAINT OF THE WEEK

Saint of the Week—Gianna Beretta Molla (1922—1962) - April 28

Born near Milan, Italy, Gianna was one of 13 children in a deeply Catholic family. She wed Pietro Molla in 1955; they had three children while she continued to work as a physician. When she was pregnant with their fourth child, doctors discovered a large uterine tumour. She insisted that surgeons not remove her entire uterus, which would have aborted the baby, but only what was necessary to allow the baby to reach term. She died seven days after giving birth in 1962. Her husband and three of her children were present in 2004 when the pope proclaimed her a saint.



<http://www.catholicnews.com/saint-of-the-week-feast.cfm>