



# SHRINE AND PARISH OF OUR LADY OF MOUNT CARMEL WATERLOO



## SUNDAY MASSES

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

## WEEKDAY MASSES

Tuesday 5.00pm  
**Ash Wednesday 8.30am**  
6.00pm  
Thursday 8.30am  
Friday 9.00am  
**Saturday 10.00am**

## 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

## 8th Sunday in Ordinary Time 25th/26th February 2017



## READINGS

Isaiah 49: 14—15                      1 Corinthians 4: 1—5  
Matthew 6: 24—34



*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, Peter Glass, Patricia McBride, Elena Crooks, Archbishop Anthony Fisher, Bernard Gee, Bishop Geoffrey Robinson, Mgr Eugene Harley, Ian Heads, Eduardo S. Sevilla, Maria Sevilla, Fr Keith Teehey CSsR, Malia Manu, John Middlemass, Peter Aplin, Khoa Nam Tran, Louisa Cregan, Mary Wiseman, Mary Carroll, Corrine Faunce, Tony Gerasakis, 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 Muiryan, 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:** Marlene Isabel Newton, Fr Chris Raey, 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 Rosenstrauss, Marie O'Donnell, Jan Lloyd, Maria Medrano-David, Joyce Bagnal, Gloria Lewis, Eliza Myrapich, Dunstan Wade, Richard Vincent, Marciano Gaddi, David Bendler, Daudsyah Sadeli, Anthony and Henrique Assuncao, Alim Temporza, Ronald Thew, John Mears, Zelle 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

5th Mar: Pitt Street Push  
19th Mar: Lachlan Street Push  
26th Mar:

### 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 - Marilyn Munday  
Commentator - Virginia Peloe  
10:00am  
Reader - Rose Murillo  
Commentator - Sandra Truong

### CHURCH CLEANERS next week: 2

### PAINTING OF THE CHURCH APPEAL:

Thank you for all your donations. The total amount so far is \$47,880.69

## 2017 Calendar

**Mar 1** Ash Wednesday, Lent commences  
**Mar 30** First Reconciliation

**Ash Wednesday** is next **Wednesday (1<sup>st</sup> March)** and it is a day of fast and abstinence. Masses will be at 8.30am and 6.00pm including the distribution of ashes.



**This Saturday (4<sup>th</sup> March)** will be the first Saturday of March. Mass in honour of Our Lady will commence at 10.00am followed by morning tea. All are welcome.



*Hugh Marc Gregor Gibson,*  
son of Marc and Melissa, will join our family of families this weekend. Please pray for them.

**Lenten Programme** will commence next Tuesday (28th March) evening after the 5.00pm Mass in the Presbytery. All are invited.



## FROM THE PASTOR

Archbishop Anthony cancelled his visit here last Wednesday at short notice. He had to appear before the Royal Commission. It will be rescheduled as soon as practical. It is disappointing.

Our School was prepared for the visit as the staff and children were warned that there were to be some important visitors. As the meeting was to take place partly during the school's first break, the school leaders were prepared to meet and greet our guests and only sounds of good learning were to be heard. It is wonderful how the school staff try to model saying to all hullo and good bye each day. It is a simple way of showing the children how they are valued and respected. This may say something to us.

May the Father carry you gently through the week.

**Monsignor Greg**

## School Shorts



This week all the teachers and myself have been working on a PLP for every student. PLP stand for Personal Learning Plan. A PLP is where we sets two smart goals for an individual child and outline how we will support the child in reaching these goals. The students play a part in the PLP as their teacher also asks them what they would like to improve with. We also asks the parents and carers for their opinion on areas they feel their child needs support. It is a task I really enjoy as it gives the teacher and me an opportunity to really look at each student's individual strengths and challenges.

Have a lovely week and keep us in your prayers as we devise individual programs that support each child in becoming the best person they can.

**Principal: Mrs Kelly Bouris**

### **X13 LENT CALENDAR WEBSITE AND FREE APP**

What will you give up or take up during Lent? Xt3 can help you journey through the season with the Xt3 Lent Calendar. The calendar is both a website and a FREE App with fresh content daily, including Catholic videos, audio reflections, interviews and blogs. The Lent calendar also includes the Gospel readings of the day and daily challenges focussed on prayer, fasting and almsgiving.



*Give God a moment this Lent visit [www.xt3.com/len](http://www.xt3.com/len).*

### **Message from Archbishop Anthony**

Dear Friends in Christ,

On Wednesday we will receive the mark of ashes on our foreheads, a sign of penance and humility as we begin the season of Lent. We do so with a heightened awareness of the pain and suffering of all victims of sexual abuse, especially those who were abused by clergy and others representing the Church. May our Lenten penance this year be an act of intercession in solidarity with all who suffer, praying that they may find healing and a renewed trust in God and in other people.

**OPEN DAY ST MARY'S CATHEDRAL COLLEGE** will occur on Friday 10<sup>th</sup> March from 9.00am to 12.30pm.



### **Reflections on The Joy of Love (Amoris Laetitia) – Janelle Davidson**

*"... God's 'patience', shown in his mercy towards sinners, is a sign of his real power" (Amoris Laetitia 91).*

This week, be aware of when you are tempted to be angry at your spouse, children, parents, or other relatives. Take a deep breath and remember that your first reaction is not always the most helpful or truest to the love that you have for that person. Also try to consider how your words will be taken before you say them, and whether the time is right to bring something up.

## GOSPEL REFLECTION: Matthew 6: 24—34

- How challenged do you feel by this text?
- What is your primary focus? Does your energy go into assuring material comfort or into pursuing your relationship with God?



### DID YOU KNOW?

- Solomon was the son of King David and ruled after him in around 1000BC. Solomon had the reputation for great wisdom. He reigned over Israel for forty years, expanding its boundaries and consolidating its power. His empire included trade routes linking Africa, Asia, Arabia and Asia Minor, thus generating great wealth. It was Solomon who built the first great Temple in Jerusalem.
- A cubit is the first recorded unity of length and was one of many different standards of measurement used throughout history. It was originally based on a measurement of one's forearm length.

### SYMBOLS AND IMAGES

In this era of consumerism and materialism, this is challenging text. Matthew is emphasizing the need to put our energies into what is really important rather than being caught up in things which ultimately do not matter as much as eternal life in the kingdom.



'You must live in the present, launch yourself on every wave, find your eternity in each moment. Fools stand on their island of opportunities and look toward another land. There is no other land; there is no other life but this.'

*Henry David Thoreau*

'The most powerful tool in the hand of the oppressor is the mind of the oppressed.'

*Stephen Biko*

### SAINT OF THE WEEK

**Saint of the Week— Anne Line (c. 1565—1601) - February 27**

Anne is one of three laywomen among the Forty Martyrs of England and Wales canonized in 1970 by Pope Paul VI. Anne Heigham and her brother were disowned by their Protestant father for converting to Catholicism. She married another disinherited convert, Roger Line, who died in exile in Flanders in 1594. Left penniless and always in poor health, Anne began working with Jesuits in London, where she organized and operated safe houses for priests and embroidered vestments. She took voluntary vows of poverty, chastity and obedience. Within one month, February 1601, she was arrested, tried at the Old Bailey, convicted of hiding a priest, and hanged at Tyburn. Anne is a patron of the childless, widows and converts.

