



SHRINE AND PARISH OF OUR LADY OF MOUNT CARMEL WATERLOO



SUNDAY MASSES

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

WEEKDAY MASSES

No Weekday Masses

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

17th Sunday in Ordinary Time 29th/30th July 2017



READINGS

1 King 3: 5—12 Romans 8: 28—30
Matthew 13: 44—52



*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: Renae Aslanis, Julius Soedama, Jennie Brooks, Patricia McBride, Elena Crooks, Archbishop Anthony Fisher, Bernard Gee, Bishop Geoffrey Robinson, 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 Gerasikis, 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: Ariel Abrogar, Marlene Isabel Newton, 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, Aluim 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

13th August: Pitt Street Push
 20th August: Lachlan Street Push
 3rd Sept:

MINISTERS OF COMMUNION

NEXT WEEKEND:

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

READERS ROSTER - NEXT WEEKEND

Vigil
Reader - Steven Belcastro
Commentator - Melissa
8:00am
Reader - Joe Zavone
Commentator - Julie Keyes
10:00am
Reader - Paul Clinch
Commentator - Samuel Harianto

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

3 Sept Father's Day
22 Sept First Holy Communion

CWF: The 2nd CWF collection will be taken up next weekend. Thank you for your generosity.



The most basic and powerful way to connect to another person is to listen. Just listen. Perhaps the most important thing we ever give each other is our attention.... A loving silence often has far more power to heal and to connect than the most well-intentioned words.

Rachel Naomi Remen

Jesus sowed his seed in our hearts, then off he went.... He knew things would not be ideal. There were the birds and the droughts, the weeds and the insects, the parasites and the blights. But there was also the power of the seed itself.

Joseph G. Donders, teacher and chaplain at the University of Nairobi, Kenya

FROM THE PASTOR

Next weekend we will have the second collection of the year for the Charitable Works Fund (CWF). I am always confident of your generosity so I know we will reach our quota. Because the CWF has been around for so long we might have forgotten what is meant to do. CWF meets the expenses of chaplaincies to prisons, hospitals, the deaf etc.; it finances the seminaries among many other good causes. It is really a convenient vehicle for us to share in these causes by assisting the Archdiocese to meet its responsibilities. Your generosity is a sign of your faith, compassion and care for others. It is a gift to our family of families and the wider community because it makes our world a better place.

May the always generous Father carry you gently through the week.

Monsignor Greg

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

"We encounter problems whenever we think that relationships or people ought to be perfect, or when we put ourselves at the centre and expect things to turn out our way. Then everything makes us impatient, everything makes us react aggressively. Unless we cultivate patience, we will always find excuses for responding angrily. We will end up incapable of living together, antisocial, unable to control our impulses, and our families will become battlegrounds" (Amoris Laetitia 92).

How many times do you find yourself frustrated at the imperfections of others in your family? This week, when something doesn't go your way (and there will always be something!) tell yourself to be patient and put it in perspective. Will it matter tomorrow?

My only sense of 'mission' now was to show others that they, too, could feed and touch and heal and love, without fear. To catch them up in the desire to see more, taste more, without caring if they got doctrine right or became a regular at my church.

Sara Miles, Take This Bread: A Radical Conversion

The life I touch for good or ill will touch another life, and that in turn another, until who knows where the trembling stops or in what far place my touch will be felt.

Fyodor Dostoyevsky

Nobody made a greater mistake than he who did nothing because he could only do a little.

Edmund Burke

School Shorts



We have hit the ground running with this term at OLMC with every class already thoroughly immersed in their learning programs for the next semester. It has been great to see everyone return refreshed and ready to learn after the two week break.

Wednesday night last week Ms Frost, Mrs DePater and myself attended an Education Meeting at Redfern Town held by Tanya Plibersek. The discussion was about funding changes to Education and there were representatives there from all the different education sectors. It was discussed at the meeting how Catholic parish schools are part of a system and as a whole the system supports the various schools. It is important that as a community we continue to follow the government's agenda with funding for education.

Have a really good week everyone,

Kelly Bouris



Love the animals, love the plants, love everything. If you love everything, you will perceive the divine mystery in things. Once you perceive it, you will begin to comprehend it better every day. And you will come at last to love the whole world with an all-embracing love.

Frederick Buechner

GOSPEL REFLECTION: Matthew 13: 44—52

- What are the new understandings you have gained on your journey so far?
- Recall a moment of delight or discovery in your life: falling in love, mastering a skill, coming to understanding. Are these experiences pointers to the kingdom?



DID YOU KNOW?



- In ancient times people often buried their treasures as they fled from enemies or invaders. Sometimes their owners may return to recover the treasure but often it remained buried for many years. Among priceless discoveries of treasure buried as the owners fled invaders are the Dead Sea Scrolls, hidden from the Roman Army in the late first century.
- A scribe in the ancient world was someone who could read and write and often held government positions. At the time of Jesus, the scribes were influential teachers of the Jewish faith, well versed in Scripture and the Law.
- The householder who brings out things both old and new may be a reference to people like Matthew himself, who, as well as receiving the teachings of Jesus and believing in him, also retain a profound respect for the Law and traditions of Judaism.
- The blazing furnace referred to here is the place of eternal punishment for the wicked known by the Hebrew terms *Sheol* or *Gehenna*. Hell is the English word used to translate these terms.

MAKING CONNECTIONS

- What have you given up in order to follow Christ? What are you prepared to give up? How do you understand being a disciple of the kingdom of heaven?
- The image of treasure dominates this text. Jesus sees the search for God as part of the journey of people in all walks of life, because everyone is searching for 'treasure' in their lives. We need to have discerning hearts so that we can recognise what is real treasure and then give our whole lives to it.
- What are the things which are most precious to you? Does this gospel challenge your attitude to them? This week, treasure those things and people who are precious to you in special ways.
- Jesus asks the disciples: 'Have you understood all these things?' Ponder your own understanding of the mystery of faith and how you are coming closer to it.

SAINT OF THE WEEK

Saint of the Week—Ignatius of Loyola (1491—1556) - July 31

Born in his family's ancestral Basque castle, Inigo Lopez de Loyola was a page in Castile and a soldier wounded in battle before he experienced a personal conversion that has had profound consequences for the church ever since. While convalescing, he read about Christ and the saints, made a long retreat at Manresa and journeyed to Jerusalem. He studied for 10 years in Barcelona and Paris, where he became Ignatius and was the centre of a group of like-minded men. They founded the Society of Jesus, or Jesuits, to be active missionaries and meet the challenges of the Reformation. Ignatius, superior general of the new order, also wrote "Spiritual Exercises," which is still a popular guide. He is the patron saint of retreats and soldiers.

