



St Josephs  
Catholic Church,  
Rosebery



Our Lady of  
Mount Carmel,  
Waterloo



St Vincent de Paul  
Church, Redfern

# THE CATHOLIC PARISHES OF CITY SOUTH

## WEEKEND MASS TIMES

### OUR LADY OF MOUNT CARMEL, WATERLOO

Saturday Vigil: 5.00pm

Sunday: 8.00am & 10.00am

### ST JOSEPH'S, ROSEBERY

Saturday Vigil: 6.00pm

Sunday: 7.30am &

9.30am (with Kid's Liturgy)

### ST VINCENT DE PAUL, REDFERN

Saturday Vigil: 6.00pm

Sunday: 10.00am

## WEEKDAY MASSES

### OUR LADY OF MOUNT CARMEL, WATERLOO

Tuesday 5.00pm

Wednesday 8.30am

Thursday 8.30am

Friday 9.00am

**Saturday 10.00am**

*First Saturday Mass followed by  
morning tea*

### ST JOSEPH'S, ROSEBERY

Monday 7.00am *Communion Service*

Tuesday - Friday 7.00am

### ST VINCENT DE PAUL, REDFERN

Tuesday 5.00pm

Wednesday - Friday 9.00am

## RECONCILIATION

Saturday: 4.30pm - 4.45pm

**BAPTISMS:** by appointment

**MARRIAGES:** by appointment with  
6 months notice

*Please contact the Parish Office.*

## 4TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

27TH/28TH JANUARY, 2018



## READINGS

Deuteronomy 18:15-20

1 Corinthians 7: 32-35

Mark 1: 21-28



The Parishes of City South and Our Lady of Mount Carmel Catholic Primary School acknowledge the Gadigal People as the traditional custodians of this land.

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## 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:** Jim Dubber, Renae Aslanis, Julius Soedarma, 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 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 Milller, 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 Douglas, Marlene Isabel Newton, Phil Newberry, Mary Hickson, 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, Zelie 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.



## FROM THE PASTOR Dear Friends,

The people who heard Jesus teach and saw him heal in today's Gospel were said to have been astonished and amazed by the authority of his teaching. So compelling were Jesus' words and actions that the news about him could not be contained; it spread quickly throughout all of Galilee.

Two thousand years later, the news about Jesus continues to spread. We are called to participate in sharing the Good News of Jesus with others in our words and in our deeds. May we continue to leave nothing undated in building up the Kingdom of God.

God Bless,

**Fr Paul Smithers**

## School Shorts

The quietness on Our Lady of Mount Carmel hill is about to disappear with school back next week. I am looking forward to another year where as a Christ centered community we support our students in developing their active and creative minds, their compassion and understanding for others and a positive vision for the future. This year, I welcome to the Leadership team Mrs Joanne Wong as the Assistant Principal. Mrs Wong comes with a great depth of experience and is very excited about sharing her knowledge and skills with the community at Waterloo. I also welcome Kate Miller as our new Diverse Learning Needs Teacher and Matthew Callega who will be teaching Year 5. This week please pray for the safe return of all our students.

**Kelly Bouris**

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

“Dialogue is essential for experiencing, expressing and fostering love in marriage and family life. Yet it can only be the fruit of a long and demanding apprenticeship. Men and women, young people and adults, communicate differently. They speak different languages and they act in different ways. Our way of asking and responding to questions, the tone we use, our timing and any number of other factors condition how well we communicate. We need to develop certain attitudes that express love and encourage authentic dialogue.” (Amoris Laetitia 137)

Be aware this week of communication within your family, being mindful of how family members speak to one another. Are there patterns of communication that can be affirmed and others that may need improvement?

### COUNTERS ROSTER

4th February  
18th February                      Pitt Street Push  
25th February                      Lachlan Street Push

### 2018 CALENDAR

**Tuesday,                      Students return to**  
**January 30                      school for Term 1.**

February 14                      Ash Wednesday Mass

### Lenten Programme

Lent is only three weeks away. The Lenten Programme will run after Tuesday evening Mass. Those who are interested, please place their names and details on the list at the back of the church.

### Last year's Palms

If you wish to return them, please bring them and place at the back of the Church over the next two (2) weekends only.

### Devotions to Honour Our Lady of Lourdes

Mass and Blessing of the Sick will be held at **Our Lady of Lourdes Grotto, Earlwood**, on Sunday the **11 February 2018** (behind Our Lady of Lourdes Church, Earlwood), entrance via St. James Avenue, Earlwood, commencing with recitation of the Rosary at 2:30 p.m. followed by Mass and the Blessing of the Sick at 3:00 p.m. The Principal Celebrant will be Bishop Anthony Randazzo. Some parking for disabled people is available in the school grounds and general parking in the nearby council car park.

### FINAL FEW SPACES LEFT DON'T MISS OUT!

This is a reminder that the City of Sydney in Partnership with Sydney Local Health District are offering **FREE Mental Health First Aid training for Redfern residents and volunteers** (usual cost of \$250). The Mental Health First Aid training course to improve understanding of mental health in our community will run over two full consecutive days in community rooms on the public housing estates. *For full details of the course please visit <https://mhfa.com.au>. We are currently registering interest in this program as per below, the dates have been picked to avoid any clashes with regular meetings and the trainers availability:*

#### Redfern

Monday 5th & Tuesday, 6th February  
McKell Community Room, 55 Walker Street  
Time: 9am – 4pm. If you would like to attend, please email [lkelly@counterpointcs.org.au](mailto:lkelly@counterpointcs.org.au) or call 9698 9569 to register.

### Feast Day of St Bakhita



Sydney Catholics are warmly invited to join the Archbishop of Sydney, Most Rev Anthony Fisher OP, at **St Mary's Cathedral at 5.30pm on 8 February** to celebrate the *Feast Day of St Bakhita*. St Bakhita is the patron saint of South Sudan and Human Trafficking.

The Archbishop will also launch the Archdiocese's Anti-Slavery Task force, its strategy and initiatives in respect to supply chains, education and wider community engagement, all directed toward the eradication of modern-slavery and human trafficking. The announcement of the task force and its initiatives follows the Archbishop's evidence before the NSW Legislative Council inquiry into human trafficking last year and calls from Pope Francis for increased efforts to end human trafficking and slavery-proof supply chains. The Archbishop is encouraging every parish to mark the feast day of St Bakhita with a Mass on the day for those who cannot attend the cathedral.

### MINISTERS OF COMMUNION

**NEXT WEEKEND**

Vigil:                      Yvonne Smith, Mark Blackman  
8.00am:  
10.00am                      Sabby Gonzaga, Salome Li

### READERS ROSTER - NEXT WEEKEND

**Vigil**  
**Commentator**                      Dave Douglas  
**Reader**                                      Wendy  
**8.00am**  
**Commentator**                      Marilyn Munday  
**Reader**                                      Julie Keyes  
**10.00am**  
**Commentator**                      Linda Clinch  
**Reader**                                      Dennis Timmins

### CHURCH CLEANERS next week:    2

### PAINTING OF THE CHURCH APPEAL:

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

# GOSPEL REFLECTION **Mark 1: 21 - 28**

- In what ways today do we see evidence of the ‘power of evil’? How are people held captive by this power in our world?
- In what ways can we speak and act with the spirit of Jesus against the evil we encounter?



## DID YOU KNOW?

- In the ancient world many forms of mental illness were attributed to being possessed by ‘evil spirits’.
- In Mark’s Gospel, Jesus is often presented in confrontational situations with evil spirits, with the Jewish authorities and even with his own disciples when they fail to understand who he is and what his mission entails.
- This text shows that where absolute good is, evil cannot remain.

## MAKING CONNECTIONS

- ‘What do you want with us, Jesus of Nazareth?’ What does Jesus want of you at this point in your life?
- ‘I know who you are: the Holy One of God.’ Is it difficult for you to make this claim?
- Who do you think Jesus is?
- Recall someone who made a deep impression on you. What were the qualities of that person which so impressed and drew you to them? Was there a quiet authority? Was it a charismatic presence?
- Illness is frequently used in the gospels as a symbol of the state in which all human beings find themselves. Spiritually, all of us are somehow afflicted. The healing of the sick and afflicted is a sign of how Jesus can liberate people from all that burdens them. This is not to suggest that suffering will magically disappear, but that Christ is the Way, the Truth and the Life.

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What we focus on, we empower and enlarge. Good multiplies when focused upon. Negativity multiplies when focused upon. The choice is ours: Which do we want more of?

*Julia Cameron, American Teacher, Author, Artist and Poet*

But there is suffering in life, and there are defeats. No one can avoid them. But it’s better to lose some of the battles in the struggles for your dreams than to be defeated without ever knowing what you’re fighting for.

*Paulo Coelho*

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## SAINT OF THE WEEK

**Saint of the Week - John Bosco (1815-1888) - January 31**

Born to a poor family in Italy, this patron saint of editors and laborers is considered one of the great social saints. Ordained a priest in 1841, he was sent to study theology in Turin, where he became a magnet for neglected youths during a turbulent period of rapid industrialization and revolutionary politics. Don Bosco, who once hoped to become a foreign missionary, founded the Salesians in 1854. The order sheltered more than 800 orphan boys, then opened workshops for shoemakers, tailors, bookbinders and other trades. Don Bosco was also a prolific writer, and co-founded a women’s congregation to work among girls. When he died, more than 40,000 people in Turin filed past his coffin to show their love and respect.

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

