



# Regina Coeli Parish

Beverly Hills - In the Archdiocese of Sydney



## Weekly Newsletter

### Liturgy Times

#### SUNDAY:

8:30am, 10:00am.

Children's Liturgy during school term

**TUESDAY:** 8:30am Adoration, 9.15am Mass

**WEDNESDAY:** 7:00am

**THURSDAY:** 9:15am

**FRIDAY:** 8:30am Adoration, 9.15am Mass

**SATURDAY:** 9:00am

(Adoration and Reconciliation after Mass)

5:00pm (Vigil Mass)

#### SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday: 9:30-10:00am; 4:25-4:50pm

### Ordinary Time 10 June 2018

Last Tuesday Chris Gordon from the Archdiocesan Life, Marriage and Family Office came to our parish to give a talk titled 'God's Design For Marriage - Celebrating 50 years of Humane Vitae.' It was probably the worst day of the week in terms of weather, with near-constant pouring down of solid rain all throughout. My worst fear was on the brink of being realised when, at first, there was just me and the speaker in the parish hall. Fortunately, some other people started to arrive, although not enough to require two hands for them to be counted. Not that I was overly surprised by such minute response, but I was sorry that the talk was not heard by more people because, honestly, it edified me with the beauty of church teaching which shone through the prophetic voice of Pope Paul VI.

As some of us might know, the pope's encyclical *Humane Vitae* was highly controversial when it came out in the unforgettable year of 1968, for the simple reason that it defied the expectation of an overwhelming majority who thought that contraception would now be declared 'permissible' by the Catholic Church. Given the sexual revolution of the 1960s, *Humane Vitae* probably seemed to many like an impossible teaching to accept. Even today, especially today, the idea of having 'as many children as physically possible' would seem horrifying to many couples who are under tremendous pressure on account of the fragile nature of existing in a world where nothing seems certain anymore. But, of course, that is not quite what Pope Paul VI actually taught. He merely re-articulated, perhaps with stunning clarity, the perennial principle that manipulations of the marital act could not be in accord with the Creator's design; there had to be another way - a far better way for the couples themselves - if only we could...trust! (Enter 'Natural Family Planning') He predicted four consequences of using artificial methods: increased marital infidelity, a general lowering of moral standards, objectification especially of women and, finally, civil authorities' imposition of unsound sexual ethics on the whole society (think of how dangerous it is now to publicly disagree with what is being "legalised"). Pretty indisputable, if you ask me.

We are not arbiters in the matters of truth; we are merely its humble guardians and interpreters. Therefore 'it could never be right for [the Church] to declare lawful what is in fact unlawful, since that, by its very nature, is always opposed to the true good of man.' (Pope Paul VI) Compromising on the matters of truth, for whatsoever reason, can only lead to the demise of all, no matter whom it might please for a short while. Nevertheless, that is not to say that Christians are to be harsh on those who are struggling to live by the light of truth, for, by doing so, they would compromise the integrity of the very truth they supposedly stand for. Jesus ate with sinners; and so the Church is called to mercifully reach out to the "weak" - those on whom the splendour of truth is yet to dawn - and to love them 'until it hurts.' (C.f. St Mother Teresa)

- Fr Peter -

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## The Week Ahead

<b>Sun 10 Jun</b> 10th Sunday Ordinary Time	8.30am Mass 10.00am Mass First Holy Communion
<b>Mon 11 Jun</b> St Barnabas	OFFICE CLOSED
<b>Tues 12 Jun</b>	8.30am Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament 9.15am Mass with Year 3 10.00am Reconciliation Year 5
<b>Wed 13 Jun</b> St Anthony of Padua	7.00am Mass
<b>Thurs 14 Jun</b>	9.15am Mass
<b>Fri 15 Jun</b>	8.30am Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament 9.15am Mass
<b>Sat 16 Jun</b>	9.00am Mass 4.25pm Reconciliation 5.00pm Vigil Mass
<b>Sun 17 Jun</b> 11th Sunday in Ordinary Time	8.30am Mass 10.00am Mass

## Please pray for...

### Recently deceased

### In Loving Memory

Ernest Phibbs, Donato Tozzi, Francesca & Salvatore Cocilovo, Catherine Lin Siew Ngik, Ita Phillips, Gail Moore, Cono Reale, James & Eileen Donlan, Dikran, Angela, Boudi, Nicola Repole, Angela Maria Pinto, Mary Croke, Pat Smith, Gertrude Smith, Margaret Roche, Mollie Lazzarini, Assia & Damia Dagher, Antonio Mattiussi, Irene Hall, Iris Smith, Theresa Sui Tiong, Ugo Buracchi, Steven Mortimer, Judith Partlin, Kate & Vicko Hrdalo, Joe Poolice, Mara & Ivan Puljic, Margherita Falsone, Matt Taglini, Josephine Agius, Lambert Glaudemans & Vicky Brown, Alfia Coco, Jimmy Simmons, Florence Mitchell, Nicola Kohen, John Souter, Gary Collins, Anna Motisi, Anna Puglia, Marie Therese Rierchy, John Trisley, Jim Campisi, Frederika Streiff & Buyung Elias, Christina Salim, Alexander Arifin, Agnes Arifin, Pauline Elias, Tony Tesoriero, Gino Morassut, Anna Maria Cicuto, Carmelo Algozzino, Joe Costa, Onofrio Tesoriero, Fintan Lawlor, Sam Xerri, Francis Son H Tran, Antonino Puglia, Adel Hakim, Giovanni Battiato, Alfia Laspina Giuseppa Leotta, Rosa Ferlito, Frank Meaney Snr., Frank Meaney Jnr, Lina Paolercio, Margaret Wilkie, Maria Dos Santos, Tereza Dos Santos, Manuel Vieira, Gloria Vieira, Bernard John Mortimer, Dan Hall, Maria Mandich, Anthony Nguyen, Norm Farrell, Joyce Hansen, Rosario Bombaci, Bartolo Tesoriero, Stephen Xuereb, Marc David Sollazzo, Edmund Banfield, Anna & Joseph Pham, Peter Repole, Pat Simpson, Elaine Brooksby, Mary Meaney, Connie Fede, Darren Seymour, Mark Phillips, Frances Spinella, Chris Franchella, Neville Gittany, Theresa Nguyen, Terzino Ventresca, Sandra Cesarano, Jason Connolly, Paul & Vienna-Marie Agius, Gabriella Pittino, Thomas Tran, Edward Cantwell, Carl John Sollazzo, Joseph Ovens, Thomas Mendes, Salvatore Licari,

### Please remember those who are in ill health especially:

Mr TD (Terry) Wall, Kim Delaney, Mary Emery, Lauren Sotano, Sam Hy, Mary Sortwell, Georgia Brown, Luke Compton, Paul Camelotti, Anne Thompson, Anne Maree Michels, Dr Slavica Markotic

### Parish Secretary

Mrs Margaret Doherty-Brady  
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Mrs Maria Awad

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Mr Peter Crawford

### School Principal

Mr Chris Egan  
Asst. Principal  
Mr Peter Busch

### REC

Mrs Elizabeth Webster

## Helpers Needed!

Parish Morning Tea on the first Sunday of each month has been a long tradition here at Regina Coeli. Currently we are in need of more volunteers. Each new volunteer will be placed into one of the four teams. Each team will facilitate Parish Morning Tea four times per year. Please contact Anne Kensey if you are willing to help out: 02 9759 2357

## Join Pope Francis in Panama for the 34th World Youth Day in January 2019

Sydney Catholic Youth are inviting you on the pilgrimage of a lifetime to Panama where you will celebrate Mass with Pope Francis and millions of young Catholics from around the world. Archbishop Anthony Fisher OP will lead the Sydney pilgrimage departing on 15 January 2019 which will travel from Sydney to Washington DC, then to WYD Panama with the optional extension to travel to Mexico City. Register your interest and find out more by visiting the website

[www.sydneycatholicyouth.org.wyd](http://www.sydneycatholicyouth.org.wyd)

## Relic of St Anthony

Parishioners and friends of St Anthony are invited to join the celebrations commencing with Mass and 9 days of Novena on St Anthony's Feast day, Wednesday 13 June 2018, culminating in the reception of the Holy Relic on Thursday 21 June and Masses and public veneration of the Relics on Friday 22 June. See parish website: [www.stanthonyschurch.org.au](http://www.stanthonyschurch.org.au)

Or phone 96313316 for full details of the Celebrations

## Life Ascending. JUNE 2018

Second and fourth Friday after the 9.15 Mass

Third Thursday at 7.30 pm

## Rosary Statue

Mrs T Pezzutti  
208A Moorefields Road

Ph: 9759 9790



## Last Weekend 3 June 2018

**2nd Collection 1,879.60**

1st Collection \$1,468.35

### Annual Marriage Mass & Renewal of Vows

The Marriage Mass and Renewal of Vows will take place on **Sunday, 8<sup>th</sup> July** at **St Mary's Cathedral, Sydney**, at **10.30 am**.

All married couples are welcome. Mass will be celebrated by His Grace, Archbishop Anthony Fisher. Married couples wishing to attend to renew their vows should register with the Life, Marriage and Family Centre on 9307 8404 or [LMFEvents@sydneycatholic.org](mailto:LMFEvents@sydneycatholic.org). Registered couples celebrating 50<sup>th</sup>, 55<sup>th</sup>, 60<sup>th</sup>, or 65<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversaries will receive a special certificate from Archbishop Fisher. Special recognition will also be given to couples who were married at the Cathedral.

### Rachel's Vineyard

Rachel's Vineyard Retreat is a journey of spiritual healing to help women and men overcome the painful effects of an abortion experience. The retreat offers a sanctuary in which to renew, rebuild and redeem hearts broken by abortion in a safe, supportive, confidential and non-judgmental environment. The weekend retreat is facilitated by professionally trained spiritual counselors and priests.

The retreat we offer is a service for all who seek spiritual healing and wholeness in their lives.

The next retreat will be held:  
**10 - 12 August** and **16 - 18 November**.

You could assist those who might benefit from Rachel Vineyard's Ministries support by asking the parishes to run the following bulletin notice over the coming weeks and months making available the details of the retreats and how to contact us.

### Healing After Abortion

Rachel's Vineyard Ministries, Sydney offers regular healing retreats for those who have experienced an abortion. The retreat offers a sanctuary in which to renew, rebuild and redeem hearts broken by abortion in a safe, supportive, confidential and non judgmental environment. Information and a brochure can found at: [www.rachelsvineyard.org.au](http://www.rachelsvineyard.org.au) or call us on our confidential voicemail number 0400 092 555 or email [info@rachelsvineyard.org.au](mailto:info@rachelsvineyard.org.au).

### Catholic Weekly Newspapers

We recently increased the number of papers by 10 as we were advised some Parishioners had been missing out as all papers had been sold.

To date we are averaging 12 unsold papers per week our St Vincent de Paul Conference have to cover the cost of the unsold papers.

We will continue with the additional papers until the end of June at which time we will have no option but to reduce the number of papers by 10 if sales do not increase to cover the extra cost. Papers are available from all 3 entrances to the Church.

### Carlton Parish—Fifth Talk on Forum Series

**The Church as a Community of Dialogue** is the topic of the next talk in the Carlton Parish Forum – “The Challenges of the Times”. The speaker will be Father Gerard Kelly, who was until recently President of the Catholic Institute, He continues to lecture at the Institute. He is the Editor of the “Australian Catholic Record”.

Fr Gerard summarises the talk as follows:

*At this time in our history many would argue that we have lost the art of dialogue. It has been replaced by an aggressive and polarising monologue, where people talk at each other rather than to each other. The Church has an important role to play in such a world, by offering a different approach. As a community of dialogue, the Church can be a model of what is possible when people learn once again the art of dialogue. In this way the Church will be an instrument in God's plan for one new humanity (Cf. Eph 2:15-16).*

**The talk will be at St. Bernadette's, Carlton, on Wednesday 13th June at 7.30pm. All welcome.**

### Retreat Day

conducted by Father Hugh Thomas (Redemptorist Priest) will be giving a talk on Pope Francis' latest Apostolic Exhortation 'Gaudete et Exsultate', the theme of which is: "The call to holiness in the world today"

**Date:** [Saturday 23rd June](#)

**Start:** [8.45am](#), **Mass:** [9am](#), **Finish:** [3pm](#).

**Location:** [Saint Raphael's Parish Hall, 84 George Street, South Hurstville.](#)

Coffee, Tea & Soft Drinks will be supplied on the day. Please bring along something to share for morning tea and a sandwich for lunch.

(For further info contact Gary and Ronie Cartmer [0418 781 777](tel:0418781777))

Please bring along a friend. God bless



# The Living Word

**Tenth Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year B**

**10 June 2018**

## **First Reading Gen 3:9-15**

*I will make you enemies of each other: your offspring and her offspring.*

The Lord God called to the man after he had eaten of the tree. 'Where are you?' he asked. 'I heard the sound of you in the garden,' he replied. 'I was afraid because I was naked, so I hid.' 'Who told you that you were naked?' he asked. 'Have you been eating of the tree I forbade you to eat?' The man replied, 'It was the woman you put with me; she gave me the fruit, and I ate it.' Then the Lord God asked the woman, 'What is this you have done?' The woman replied, 'The serpent tempted me and I ate.'

Then the Lord God said to the serpent, '

Because you have done this,  
'Be accursed beyond all cattle,  
all wild beasts.  
You shall crawl on your belly and eat dust  
every day of your life.  
I will make you enemies of each other:  
you and the woman,  
your offspring and her offspring.  
It will crush your head  
and you will strike its heel.'

## **Responsorial Psalm Ps 129. R. v.7**

**(R.) With the Lord there is mercy  
and fullness of redemption.**

1. Out of the depths I cry to you, O Lord,  
Lord, hear my voice!  
O let your ears be attentive  
to the voice of my pleading. (R.)
2. If you, O Lord, should mark our guilt,  
Lord, who would survive?  
But with you is found forgiveness:  
for this we revere you. (R.)
3. My soul is waiting for the Lord,  
I count on his word.  
My soul is longing for the Lord  
more than watchman for daybreak. (R.)
4. Because with the Lord there is mercy,  
and fullness of redemption,  
Israel indeed he will redeem  
from all its iniquity. (R.)

## **Second Reading 2 Cor 4:13-5:1**

*We believe, and therefore we speak.*

As we have the same spirit of faith that is mentioned in scripture – I believed, therefore I spoke – we too believe and therefore we too speak, knowing that he who raised the Lord Jesus to life will raise us with Jesus in our turn, and put us by his side and you with us. You see, all this is for your benefit, so that the more grace is multiplied among people, the more thanksgiving there will be, to the glory of God.

That is why there is no weakening on our part, and instead, though this outer man of ours may

be falling into decay, the inner man is renewed day by day. Yes, the troubles which are soon over, though they weigh little, train us for the carrying of a weight of eternal glory which is out of all proportion to them. And so we have no eyes for things that are visible, but only for things that are invisible; for visible things last only for a time, and the invisible things are eternal.

For we know that when the tent that we live in on earth is folded up, there is a house built by God for us, an everlasting home not made by human hands, in the heavens.

## **Gospel Acclamation Jn 12:31. 32**

**Alleluia, alleluia!**

**The prince of this world will now be cast out,  
and when I am lifted up from the earth  
I will draw all to myself, says the Lord.  
Alleluia!**

## **Gospel Mk 3:20-35**

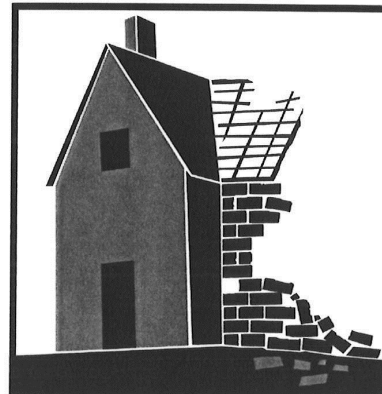
*It is the end of Satan.*

Jesus went home with his disciples, and such a crowd collected that they could not even have a meal. When his relatives heard of this, they set out to take charge of him, convinced he was out of his mind.

The scribes who had come down from Jerusalem were saying, 'Beelzebul is in him,' and, 'It is through the prince of devils that he casts devils out.' So he called them to him and spoke to them in parables, 'How can Satan cast out Satan? If a kingdom is divided against itself, that kingdom cannot last. And if a household is divided against itself, that household can never stand. Now if Satan has rebelled against himself and is divided, he cannot stand either – it is the end of him. But no one can make his way into a strong man's house and burgle his property unless he has tied up the strong man first. Only then can he burgle his house.

'I tell you solemnly, all men's sins will be forgiven, and all their blasphemies; but let anyone blaspheme against the Holy Spirit and he will never have forgiveness: he is guilty of an eternal sin.' This was because they were saying, 'An unclean spirit is in him.'

His mother and brothers now arrived and, standing outside, sent in a message asking for him. A crowd was sitting round him at the time the message was passed to him, 'Your mother and brothers and sisters are outside asking for you.' He replied, 'Who are my mother and my brothers?' And looking round at those sitting in a circle about him, he said, 'Here are my mother and my brothers. Anyone who does the will of God, that person is my brother and sister and mother.'



## **Reflection by Fr Michael Tate**

The first way to reject the real Jesus is to domesticate him, and that is what members of his blood family were trying to do. They thought he was 'out of his mind', madly putting himself [and them] in harm's way and he had to be restrained.

Have you or I tried to domesticate Jesus Christ, to reduce him to a non-threatening Jesus-meek-and-mild? If so, we are closer to the family of Nazareth standing just outside his circle, ready to run for cover, than to the new family seated around him, really listening to him and therefore vulnerable.

The second way is to misconstrue all the evidence of Jesus' mission on earth and to claim that he must be in league with the devil, 'He has an unclean spirit'.

If you do this publicly, as did these religious leaders, then you have deliberately put God's plan for the salvation of others at risk, and it is this which is unforgivable. This is real blasphemy.

We might pause for a moment, implore the grace of God, determine to really hear the Gospels, discern the will of God for our lives, and so come back within the ultimate family allegiance of those who dare to call God 'our Father'.

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