



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

27th Sunday in Ordinary Time 7 October 2018

Two priests walked into a cinema and asked to see about a nun. This is a true story. A friend and I went to the cinema last Tuesday and explained to the young lady at the counter that we felt professionally obliged to watch the movie which was titled 'The Nun'. She laughed and said it wasn't religious or anything. She had a point. It was a horror movie, and not a particularly good one at that. Whilst 'The Nun' was technically excellent - consistently scaring the viewers with special effects - it seemed to lack the depth of psychology and spiritual science which might be expected of a well-crafted exorcism movie. For example, the "nun" (or the devil who took on the form of a nun) was terrifyingly powerful, but more with brute force than with devilish cunning - more like a straightforward monster than an intensely spiritual monstrosity. So, it was no wonder that the priest/exorcist in the movie was at times less effective than a man with a gun; in fact, he showed no aptitude for spiritually discerning the traps set by the evil one, even when the audience could see them immediately. Could this have been a subtle commentary on the current state of the priesthood? The best part was seeing the nuns in militant prayer - Hail Mary in Latin - as though their life depended on it, because it really did, quite literally! One nun urged another, 'Whatever you do, don't stop praying!'

Even though 'The Nun' seemed like a missed opportunity for illuminating some of the finer details of spiritual science, it still served as a timely reminder that prayer is absolutely essential in our spiritual warfare. If we mistakenly thought that we were only battling against our own inadequacies, then, the need for prayer might not appear to be so desperately urgent; not so, when it is remembered that, 'Like a roaring lion, [the devil] prowls around, looking for someone to devour.' (1 Peter 5:8) As the French writer Leon Bloy once put it, 'He who does not pray to the Lord prays to the devil.' Just to clarify that we are not speaking metaphorically when we speak of the devil, Pope Francis said, 'We should not think of the devil as a myth, a representation, a symbol, a figure of speech or an idea. This mistake would lead us to let down our guard, to grow careless and end up more vulnerable. The devil does not need to possess us. He poisons us with the venom of hatred, desolation, envy and vice. When we let down our guard, he takes advantage of it to destroy our lives, our families and our communities.' Accordingly, the Holy Father has asked us to pray the rosary during the Marian month of October, with the following added to each rosary, so as to 'preserve [the Church] from the attacks of the evil one, the great accuser, and to make her all the more conscious of the faults, the mistakes, the abuses made in the present and in the past, and more committed to fighting without any hesitation for evil not to prevail' (Vatican statement):

- ***We fly to Thy protection, O Holy Mother of God. Do not despise our petitions in our necessities, but deliver us always from all dangers, O Glorious and Blessed Virgin. (Sub Tuum Praesidium)***
- ***Saint Michael Archangel, defend us in battle, be our protection against the wickedness and snares of the devil; may God rebuke him, we humbly pray; and do thou, O Prince of the heavenly host, by the power of God, cast into hell Satan and all the evil spirits who prowl through the world seeking the ruin of souls.***

- Fr Peter -



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The Week Ahead

Sun 7 Oct 27th Sun in Ordinary Time	8.30am 10.00am	Mass Mass
Mon 8 Oct		No Mass
Tues 9 Oct St Denis St John Leonardi	8:30am 9:15am	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament Mass
Wed 10 Oct	7.00am	Mass
Thurs 11 Oct St John XXIII	9.15am	Mass
Fri 12 Oct	8:30am 9:15am	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament Mass
Sat 13 Oct	9:00am 4:25pm 5.00pm	Mass Reconciliation Vigil Mass
Sun 14 Oct 28th Sun in OT	8.30am 10.00am	Mass Mass

Please pray for...

Recently Deceased

In Loving Memory

Irene Hall, Dan Hall, Pat Smith, Clarissa Susantio, Donato Tozzi, Maria Adolarata Tesoriero, Margherita Trimboli, Jonathan Porcu, May Mitchell, Vito Maida Carmelo Algozzino, Nancy Mitchell, Orazio Giannaula, Sr Mary Frances Murphy, Emile Succar, Holy Souls, Theresa & Edward Cantwell, Marie Patricia Doherty, Anthony Nguyen, Bartolo Tesoriero, Marc David Sollazzo, Roy Mitchell, Doreen Simmons, Ivan Matek, Fulvia Tonitto, Peter Repole, Alfio Stagnitta & family, Maria Giuseppa Mascolo, Maria Porcu, Connie Fedele, Anna & Joseph Pham, Elisabeth Dang, Mark Phillips, Giovanni Battiato, Francesca Spinella, Norm Coleman, Georgia & Philip Spiteri, Bernie Crawford, Santo Ilardo, Francesco & Salvatore Cocilovo, Mary Dovile, 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, 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, Joe Costa, Onofrio Tesoriero, Fintan Lawlor, Sam Xerri, Francis Son H Tran, Antonino Puglia, Adel Hakim, 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, Maria Mandich, Norm Farrell, Joyce Hansen, Rosario Bombaci, Stephen Xuereb, Edmund Banfield, Peter Repole, Pat Simpson, Elaine Brooksby, Mary Meaney, Darren Seymour, Frances Spinella, Chris Franchella, Neville Gittany, Theresa Nguyen, Terzino Ventresca, Sandra Cesarano, Jason Connolly, Paul & Vienna-Marie Agius, Gabriella Pittino, Thomas Tran, Carl John Sollazzo, Joseph Ovens, Thomas Mendes

Please remember those who are in ill health especially:

Greg Daniels, Elena Mura, Carmen Aquilina, 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, Slavica Markotic

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A new stained glass window is in the process of being donated by a parishioner who wishes to remain anonymous at this stage. It is for the large window of the foyer at the eastern church entrance. The basic design of the stained glass window will be confirmed after a few weeks of waiting period so as to allow for feedback from general parishioners, after which the project will be taken to the next stage to do with colouring, etc. Many thanks to our mystery parishioner!

2018 HSC Students' Mass & Blessing

All HSC students and their families are warmly invited to attend an HSC Students' Mass & Blessing to be celebrated by Fr Peter Kwak at Regina Coeli Church, 70 Ponyara Road, Beverly Hills at the 5.00pm Vigil Mass on Saturday, 13 October 2018.

The Statue of Our Lady is in need of being replenished. The ladies of St Vincent de Paul Society have volunteered to cover the cost by drawing from the Fr Malone Account. The cost will be approximately \$1000 and she will be "gone" from us for three to four weeks. If you have concerns or other suggestions please contact the parish office in the next 7 days. Thank you.

Rosary Statue

Mr & Mrs M Inacio

7 /207 Penshurst Street

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School Principal

Mr Chris Egan
Asst. Principal
Mr Peter Busch

REC

Mrs Elizabeth Webster

Last Weekend 30 Sept 2018

2nd Collection \$2,036.20

1st Collection \$1,150.65

You don't have to work out the home care system on your own.

Staying independent in your own home is a priority for many Australian Seniors. CatholicCare's Home Care Specialists can guide you through the complicated government systems.

Join us and find out how to access in-home support and caring services.

When: 11th October 10am

Where: Regina Coeli Parish Church

RSVP: Anne Kensey 9759 2357 or Office 9554 8155

Follow the presentation, all are invited to morning tea in our Community Centre at 5 Tarrilli Street.

For catering purposes, kindly put your name and number of people attending morning tea, on the recording sheets provided at all church doors.

Sacrament Dates 2019

Please be advised, the tentative Sacramental Dates for 2019 are as follows:

First Reconciliation- Tuesday 2 & Thursday 4 April 7.00pm

Confirmation- Sunday 9 June 2.30pm (To be confirmed by the Archdiocese)

First Holy Communion- Saturday 14 & Sunday 15 September

Enrolment information will be available prior to each Sacrament.

Elizabeth Gooley Sacramental Coordinator

First Reconciliation

After some consideration it has been decided that First Reconciliation will now be made in Year 3 at Regina Coeli, prior to First Holy Communion also in Year 3. In this way, children will not only be better placed to appreciate the Sacrament of Reconciliation but also be allowed to celebrate a real year of grace by having the marvellous sacraments of Reconciliation and Eucharist side by side. The new structure has been proven to work well in other parishes. Therefore there will be no First Reconciliation in Year 2 this year. Going forward, First Reconciliation and First Holy Communion are to be celebrated when children are in Year 3. Dates for these Sacraments will be published in due course. Thank you for your cooperation.

Life Ascending AGM

The annual general meeting of Life Ascending will be held on Wednesday 17th October at Peakhurst church hall commencing at 10:00am. Any member interested in attending please contact Sr Patricia on Friday 12th. Thank you.

Our Parish Life Ascending Meetings continue every second and fourth Friday after the 9.15am Mass eve-

Would you like to become Catholic, finally?

Regina Coeli Catholic Parish will start in late October the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults Program (a.k.a. the RCIA program). This is what allows non-Catholics to formally become Catholic. It consists of a series of group sessions in which Catholicism will be explored culturally, intellectually and spiritually. "Already Catholics" who wish to gain a deeper understanding of the faith they profess are most welcome to join the RCIA program too. The journey will culminate at the Easter Vigil next year when new baptisms and/or receptions into the Church will take place, hopefully with a lifetime of spiritual adventure to follow afterward. Please contact Fr Peter for inquiries: beverlyhillspriest@gmail.com / (02) 9554 8155

Our Lady of Fatima Parish Kingsgrove

Celebrates 70 Years!

All are invited to Country Fair, Sunday, 14 October 2018, 9 AM to 3 PM, 89 Shaw Street, Kingsgrove (close to Kingsgrove train station) Procession and Rosary followed by Mass at 10 AM with Bishop Terry Brady, then festivities with barbecue lunch, Petting Zoo, Obstacle Course, Face Painting, Bush Dancing, Trash & Treasure, Entertainment featuring DJ Glen Hunt, raffles and more! Prize for best costume! For more information, call Parish Office: 9150 9665 or send email: info@olfkingsgrove.org.

THE 23RD CHANNEL

The TV is my shepherd, I shall not want. It makes me to lie down on the sofa. It leads me in the paths of sex and violence. Yea, though I walk in the shadow of Christian responsibilities, there will be no interruption, for the TV is with me. Its cable and its remote control, they comfort me. It prepares a commercial before me in the presence of my worldliness. It anoints my head with humanism and consumerism; my coveting runneth over. Surely laziness and superficiality shall follow me all the days of my life, and I shall dwell in the house watching TV forever.

- RH -

First Reading Gen 2:18-24

They were two in one flesh.

The Lord God said, 'It is not good that the man should be alone. I will make him a helpmate.' So from the soil the Lord God fashioned all the wild beasts and all the birds of heaven. These he brought to the man to see what he would call them, each one was to bear the name the man would give it. The man gave names to all the cattle, all the birds of heaven and all the wild beasts. But no helpmate suitable for man was found for him. So the Lord God made the man fall into a deep sleep. And while he slept, he took one of his ribs and enclosed it in flesh. The Lord God built the rib he had taken from the man into a woman, and brought her to the man. The man exclaimed:

'This at last is bone from my bones,
and flesh from my flesh!
This is to be called woman,
for this was taken from man.'

This is why a man leaves his father and mother and joins himself to his wife, and they become one body.

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 127. R. v.5

*(R.) May the Lord bless us
all the days of our lives.*

1. O blessed are those who fear the Lord
and walk in his ways!
By the labour of your hands you shall eat.
You will be happy and prosper. (R.)
2. Your wife will be like a fruitful vine
in the heart of your house;
your children like shoots of the olive,
around your table. (R.)
3. Indeed thus shall be blessed
the man who fears the Lord.
May the Lord bless you from Zion
in a happy Jerusalem
all the days of your life!
May you see your children's children.
On Israel, peace! (R.)

Second Reading Heb 2:9-11

*He who sanctifies, and those who are sanctified
have one origin.*

We see in Jesus one who was for a short while made lower than the angels and is now crowned with glory and splendour because he submitted to death; by God's grace he had to experience death for all mankind.

As it was his purpose to bring a great many of his sons into glory, it was appropriate that God, for whom everything exists and through whom everything exists, should make perfect, through suffering, the leader who would take them to their salvation. For the one who sanctifies, and the ones who are sanctified, are of the same stock; that is why he openly calls them brothers.

Gospel Acclamation 1 Jn 4:12

Alleluia, alleluia!

If we love one another,

God will live in us in perfect love.

Alleluia!

Gospel Mk 10:2-16

or (shorter form Mk 10:2-12)

What God has joined together, no one must divide.

Some Pharisees approached Jesus and asked, 'Is it against the law for a man to divorce his wife?' They were testing him. He answered them, 'What did Moses command you?' 'Moses allowed us' they said 'to draw up a writ of dismissal and so to divorce.' Then Jesus said to them, 'It was because you were so unteachable that he wrote this commandment for you. But from the beginning of creation God made them male and female. This is why a man must leave father and mother, and the two become one body. They are no longer two, therefore, but one body. So then, what God has united, man must not divide.' Back in the house the disciples questioned him again about this, and he said to them, 'The man who divorces his wife and marries another is guilty of adultery against her. And if a woman divorces her husband and marries another she is guilty of adultery too.'

People were bringing little children to him, for him to touch them. The disciples turned them away, but when Jesus saw this he was indignant and said to them, 'Let the little children come to me; do not stop them; for it is to such as these that the kingdom of God belongs. I tell you solemnly, anyone who does not welcome the kingdom of God like a little child will never enter it.' Then he put his arms round them, laid his hands on them and gave them his blessing.



Reflection by Dianne Bergant CSA

In marriage, the couple does not merely receive a sacrament, they become one. They become an outward sign of the love of God. They are able to open themselves to each other in love because God has first loved them. When they become one in marriage, they create something new, something that is a sign of the creative power of God. This in no way minimises the passionate love that they may have, or the unselfishness with which they give themselves to each other. Rather, it underscores the origin of that passion and the model of that unselfishness.

We are brothers and sisters of Christ in more than one way. First, through his incarnation, he became one of us, a little lower than the angels. He shared our human existence; he knew the highs and lows of human life. Then he redefined family relationships, claiming that blood bonds were no longer the determinant for establishing kinship. Instead, those who hear the word of God and keep it, those who commit themselves to God in faithful discipleship, are his brothers and sisters.

Marriage and other forms of discipleship make religious demands on us. Because we are taking a step into the unknown, they require a profound act of trust – trust in ourselves, trust in each other and, most importantly, trust in God. They also expect openness on our part – openness to give and openness to receive. Unfortunately we associate these characteristics with unpretentious children. While children may possess them because they are innocent, adults must repossess them because we have been recreated in Christ.