



# 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

## The Baptism Of The Lord 13 January 2019



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## The Week Ahead

<b>Sun 13 Jan</b> The Baptism of the Lord	8.30am Mass 10.00am Mass
<b>Mon 14 Jan</b> Beginning of Ordinary Time	No Mass
<b>Tues 15 Jan</b> in OT	9.15am Mass
<b>Wed 16 Jan</b> in OT	7.00am Mass
<b>Thurs 17 Jan</b> St Anthony	9.15am Mass
<b>Fri 18 Jan</b> in OT	8:30am Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament 9:15am Mass
<b>Sat 19 Jan</b> Blessed Virgin Mary	9.00am Mass 4:25pm Reconciliation 5.00pm Vigil Mass
<b>Sun 20 Jan</b> 2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time	8.30am Mass 10.00am Mass

## Pilgrimage to Rome with Fr Paul Smithers

Fr Paul wishes to let parishioners know that he will be leading a pilgrimage to Rome between 10-17 October 2019. This might be of interest, especially for those who were unable to join him last time. For more detail please contact: 1800 753 959 or [pilgrimage@sydneycatholic.org](mailto:pilgrimage@sydneycatholic.org)

## Piety Stall—Available Now

2019 Columban Art Calendars at a cost of \$7:00 per calendar.

Also available are 2019 Daily Mass Books costing \$24.50 each.

Our Piety Stall is open after every weekend Mass.

## Drawing and Giving Life – NSW Pastoral Ministry Conference 2019

How do we renew our pastoral structures to draw and give life in the post Royal Commission Church? In what ways are we called to move forward and strengthen our ministries to serve the mission of Jesus Christ?

The day includes networking with ministry leaders around NSW and two opportunities to engage with a variety of workshops with on the ground practitioners offering strategies for renewing and strengthening our pastoral mission.

Normal rate \$75 (bookings after 17 December 2018).

Dooleys Catholic Club Lidcombe. Tuesday 26th February 2019 / 9.30am to 4.30pm

## Please pray for...

### Recently Deceased

### In Loving Memory

Joe Costa, Bob Pettit, Donato Tozzi, Sam Xerri, Rosario Bombaci,

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

Mrs Donald Burch, Mary Daniels, Greg Weekes, Geoff McDowell, Peter Campbell, 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

## Rosary Statue

Mr & Mrs B Murray  
4 Leon Avenue

Ph: 9750 0776



### Parish Secretary

Mrs Margaret  
Doherty-Brady  
9554 8155  
Tues, Wed, 8.30-3.30  
Fri 8.30am-2.30pm  
**Business Manager**  
Mr Peter Crawford

### Sacramental Coordinator/ PSSO

Mrs Elizabeth Gooley  
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11.30am - 3.30pm

### School Principal

Mr Chris Egan  
Asst. Principal  
Mr Peter Busch  
**REC**  
Mrs Elizabeth Webster

## Last Weekend 6 January 2019

**2nd Collection \$2,201.40**

1st Collection \$1,010.90

### Attendance

**5PM no count**

8.30AM 143

**10AM o count**

**Total**

The Executive Director of Sydney Catholic Schools invites applications for the following position:

**Position Title:** Team Leader: Sydney ONCE Support

**Location:** Sydney Catholic Schools Central Regional Office, Leichhardt

**Commencement Date:** 29 January 2019

**Closing Date:** 14 January 2019

This is a unique opportunity to join our Schools Financial Shared Services team. You will **lead** a small yet high performing unit, the Sydney ONCE Support (SOS) Team with the provision of level 1 support in financial and administration packages and training (both face-to-face and remote) across our 152 Catholic systemic schools

For further details, please visit:

<https://sydcatholicsschools.nsw.edu.au/category/positions-vacant/>

### Vocation Discernment Weekend Run By The Capuchin Friars 15-17th February 2019

Come away for a few days of quiet to reflect upon the inspiring and uplifting vocations to the priesthood and religious life. This weekend retreat is for men aged 18-35. Begins 7:30pm Friday and concludes 4pm Sunday at the Marymount Mercy Centre, Castle Hill. There will be Mass on Saturday and Sunday, Adoration, quiet prayer, talks, confession available and quiet time. Come and reflect on God's will in your life, and these amazing ways of making a gift of self for the glory of God and in service of His Kingdom. The cost is only \$50. Registrations required by 7th February: contact Father Thomas [vocations@capuchinfriars.org.au](mailto:vocations@capuchinfriars.org.au) or 0432 362 052. <https://www.capuchin.org.au>

### Pew Kneelers—Return to down position please

At the conclusion of each Mass, for safety reasons, please ensure that all pew kneelers are left in the down position.

### St Bakhita's Day – Friday 8 February Ethical Sourcing Seminar and Expo

Don't miss this important seminar (8 February) to ensure your business is prepared, informed and ready to take action to address forced labour, slavery and exploitation in supply chains.

Executives from across the corporate and public sector are invited to attend the seminar at St Mary's Cathedral on

Friday 8 February commencing at 9:00am

The Expo will bring together international best practice, modern slavery survivor testimony, local case studies and practical step-by-step guidance to support ethical sourcing practices as part of a robust procurement framework.

Program of speakers released later in January 2019.

**Event contact and to RSVP: Alison Rahill, Anti-Slavery Taskforce,**

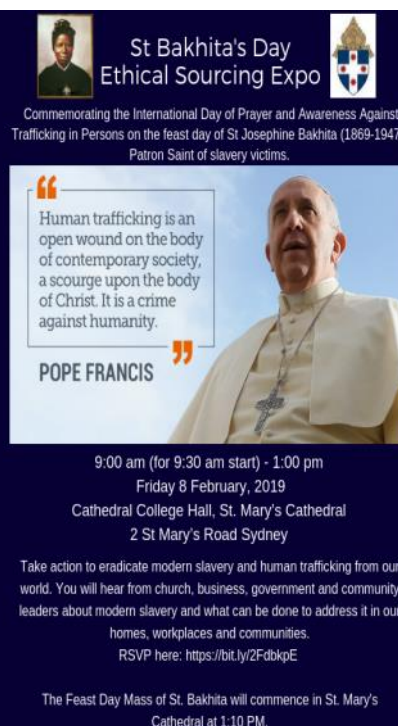
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Please find below link to the St Bakhita Day Ethical Sourcing Expo on 8 February at St Mary's Cathedral College Hall.

<https://bit.ly/2FdbkpE>



St Bakhita's Day  
Ethical Sourcing Expo

Commemorating the International Day of Prayer and Awareness Against Trafficking in Persons on the feast day of St Josephine Bakhita (1869-1947), Patron Saint of slavery victims.

“Human trafficking is an open wound on the body of contemporary society, a scourge upon the body of Christ. It is a crime against humanity.”

POPE FRANCIS

9:00 am (for 9:30 am start) - 1:00 pm  
Friday 8 February, 2019  
Cathedral College Hall, St. Mary's Cathedral  
2 St Mary's Road Sydney

Take action to eradicate modern slavery and human trafficking from our world. You will hear from church, business, government and community leaders about modern slavery and what can be done to address it in our homes, workplaces and communities.  
RSVP here: <https://bit.ly/2FdbkpE>

The Feast Day Mass of St. Bakhita will commence in St. Mary's Cathedral at 1:10 PM.

Do you know any seniors  
in your community  
who could use a little help at home?

Our home care services help seniors to enjoy living independently in their own home with comfort and confidence.

Call CCareline to find out more

**CCareline 131819**  
CatholicCare.org

✉ [connect@catholiccare.org](mailto:connect@catholiccare.org)

🕒 8am – 8pm Monday – Friday



## First Reading Is 40:1-5. 9-11

*The glory of the Lord shall be revealed, and all people shall see it.*

'Console my people, console them'  
says your God.  
'Speak to the heart of Jerusalem  
and call to her  
that her time of service is ended,  
that her sin is atoned for,  
that she has received from the hand of the Lord  
double punishment for all her crimes.'

A voice cries, 'Prepare in the wilderness  
a way for the Lord.

Make a straight highway for our God  
across the desert.

Let every valley be filled in,  
every mountain and hill be laid low,  
let every cliff become a plain,  
and the ridges a valley;  
then the glory of the Lord shall be revealed  
and all mankind shall see it;  
for the mouth of the Lord has spoken.'

Go up on a high mountain,  
joyful messenger to Zion.  
Shout with a loud voice,  
joyful messenger to Jerusalem.  
Shout without fear,  
say to the towns of Judah,  
'Here is your God.'

Here is the Lord coming with power,  
his arm subduing all things to him.  
The prize of his victory is with him,  
his trophies all go before him.  
He is like a shepherd feeding his flock,  
gathering lambs in his arms,  
holding them against his breast  
and leading to their rest the mother ewes.

## Responsorial Psalm

**Ps 103:1-2. 3-4. 24-25. 27-30. R. v.1**

*(R.) Oh, bless the Lord, my soul!*

1. Lord God, how great you are,  
clothed in majesty and glory,  
wrapped in light as in a robe!  
You stretch out the heavens like a tent. (R.)
2. Above the rains you build your dwelling.  
You make the clouds your chariot,  
you walk on the wings of the wind,  
you make the winds your messengers  
and flashing fire your servants. (R.)
3. How many are your works, O Lord!  
In wisdom you have made them all.  
The earth is full of your riches.  
There is the sea, vast and wide,  
with its moving swarms past counting,  
living things great and small. (R.)
4. All of these look to you  
to give them their food in due season.  
You give it, they gather it up:  
you open your hand, they have their fill (R.)

5. You take back your spirit, they die,  
returning to the dust from which they came.  
You send forth your spirit,  
and you renew the face of the earth. (R.)

## Second Reading Ti 2:11-14; 3:4-7

*He saved us through the water of rebirth and renewal in the Holy Spirit.*

God's grace has been revealed, and it has made salvation possible for the whole human race and taught us that what we have to do is to give up everything that does not lead to God, and all our worldly ambitions; we must be self-restrained and live good and religious lives here in this present world, while we are waiting in hope for the blessing which will come with the Appearing of the glory of our great God and saviour Christ Jesus. He sacrificed himself for us in order to set us free from all wickedness and to purify a people so that it could be his very own and would have no ambition except to do good.

When the kindness and love of God our saviour for mankind were revealed, it was not because he was concerned with any righteous actions we might have done ourselves; it was for no reason except his own compassion that he saved us, by means of the cleansing water of rebirth and by renewing us with the Holy Spirit which he has so generously poured over us through Jesus Christ our saviour. He did this so that we should be justified by his grace, to become heirs looking forward to inheriting eternal life.

## Gospel Acclamation See Lk 3:16

*Alleluia, alleluia!*

*John said: He who is to come is mightier than I;*

*he will baptise you with the Holy Spirit and with fire.*

*Alleluia!*

## Gospel Lk 3:15-16, 21-22

*When Jesus had been baptised and had been praying, the heavens were opened and the Holy Spirit came upon him.*

A feeling of expectancy had grown among the people, who were beginning to think that John might be the Christ, so John declared before them all, 'I baptise you with water, but someone is coming, someone who is more powerful than I am, and I am not fit to undo the strap of his sandals; he will baptise you with the Holy Spirit and fire.'

Now when all the people had been baptised and while Jesus after his own baptism was at prayer, heaven opened and the Holy Spirit descended on him in bodily shape, like a dove. And a voice came from heaven, 'You are my Son, the Beloved; my favour rests on you.'



## Reflection by Dianne Bergant CSA

The optional readings for this feast recapitulate the themes of the entire Advent-Christmas season. Within the Christian tradition the voice that announces the future events is associated with John the Baptist. However, the reading itself proclaims the coming and manifestation of the 'Lord', clearly an Advent theme. The gospel reading from Luke moves us from anticipation of the coming of the messiah to fulfilment of God's promise. This theme of fulfilment is at the heart of the Christmas message. In the baptism narrative we see that Jesus has come into our midst, not only as a helpless infant, but as our anointed messiah. There is a dimension to this same gospel reading that opens us to a future yet to be fully realised in our lives. The one upon whom the Spirit descends has come to baptise us in that same Spirit.

The reading from Titus is similar to the gospel. Both herald the appearance of Jesus and promise a future fulfilment for us. Renewed by the Spirit, we will be justified and become heirs in hope of eternal life. The readings clearly announce that: the is coming; the has come; the will continue to come to and through us into the whole world. Under all of this rings the melody of God's creative power as seen in the Psalm response. In view of the Isaian passage, God promises to create something new in the wilderness of chaos. There the glory of the will be revealed.

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