



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

15 Sunday in Ordinary Time 14 July 2019

So, what else will Archbishop Anthony Fisher be doing, apart from attending the parish dinner, when he comes to Regina Coeli for pastoral visitation? The final schedule is still to be confirmed but it might resemble something like the following: The archbishop will arrive around 10.30am on Wednesday 31 July. I will drive him around and give him a quick tour of the parish (as far as the parish boundary goes - something which I myself have not yet done!). Then he will be given a chance to "interrogate" me, if he likes, for a full hour (if he runs out of questions to ask, then, I guess we could change roles!). Lunch will follow, probably with the finance committee, thereby turning it into a "business lunch." In the afternoon the archbishop will spend a few hours visiting some of the sick and/or homebound in the parish. Then he will rest awhile in preparation for the evening event, namely, the parish dinner @ Club Rivers, at which he will try to answer some of the most interesting questions from parishioners. At the end of what will hopefully be a great night he will return to Regina Coeli and sleep over at the presbytery (which reminds me I have a major clean-up to do).

I presume that he has a morning routine, including a prayer routine. When he is ready for some physical nourishment he might find that a miracle has occurred - I got up early and prepared breakfast! The archbishop will celebrate the Thursday 9:15am mass on 1 August which will be joined by the entire school. After the mass he will be given a quick tour of the school. During recess he will have morning tea in the school staff room, after which he will engage in a more focused discussion with the school leadership team. The archbishop will probably not be hungry, especially after the "sumptuous" breakfast, but there will still be lunch, this time probably with...our catechists (whom I have not asked yet, sorry!). Last but not least, the archbishop will be able to experience our "renowned" *Thursday Afternoon Tea*, at which he will gently be mothered into consuming a little too much sugar. Then we will say goodbye and part ways, that is, until we see him again on Sunday 4 August for the 10am Mass - a truly fitting way for him to conclude the pastoral visitation here at Regina Coeli. A customary morning tea in the hall will follow the solemn and historic celebration of the Eucharist. Then, hopefully, he will drive off thinking to himself, 'That was a great parish, possibly the best in Sydney!'

At the end of each mass this weekend (and the next) there will be volunteers at the back of the church who will register you for the parish dinner on 31 July. Please bring the form with payment. Also, so far 8 questions for the archbishop and 1 short essay have been submitted; please keep them coming in - there is one more week for submission - thank you!

- Fr Peter -

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The Week Ahead

Sun 14 Jul 15th Sunday in Ordinary Time	8.30am Mass 10.00am Mass
Mon 15 Jul St Bonaventure	No Mass
Tues 16 Jul Our Lady of Mt Carmel	8:30am Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament 9.15am Mass
Wed 17 Jul	7.00am Mass
Thurs 18 Jul	9:15am Mass
Fri 19 Jul	8:30am Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament 9:15am Mass
Sat 20 Jul St Apollinaris bishop, martyr	9.00am Mass 4:25pm Reconciliation 5:00pm Vigil Mass
Sun 21 Jul 16th Sun in Ordinary Time	8.30am Mass 10.00am Mass

Please pray for...

Recently Deceased

Ron Daniels, Carmen Aquilina, Zach & Josh, Neil Kirkness, Fouad Attia, Jeanette Cardoz, Kerry El-hourani

In Loving Memory

Elizabeth Dang, Bernie Crawford, Anna Maria Cicuto, Patricia Gates, Viet Dinh, Pio Gonano, Donato Tozzi, Damia & Assia Dagher, Manuel & Gloria Vierira, Terzino Ventresca, Antonia Falzon, Sam Xerri, Edward Cantwell, Ugo Buracchi, Joseph Owens, Carl John Sollazzo, Irene Hall.

Please remember those who are in ill health especially:

Genevieve Shedden, Geraldina Civitarese, Pat Mortimer, Greg Weekes, Mrs Donald Burch, Mary Daniels, Geoff McDowell, Peter Campbell, Greg Daniels, Elena Mura, Mr TD (Terry) Wall, Kim Delaney, Mary Emery, Lauren Sotano, Sam Hy, Mary Sortwell, Georgia Brown, Luke Compton, Paul Camelotti, Anne Maree Michels, Slavica Markotic.

Parish Secretary

Mrs Margaret Doherty-Brady
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The St Vincent de Paul Society Beverly Hills Men's Conference would like to thank our very generous Parishioners for donating \$6525.40 to our recent Winter Appeal. Your generosity allows us to provide the assistance necessary to help families & individuals in our Parish area who find the cold winter months particularly challenging financially to provide the basic needs to survive. Thanks to you we are able to provide this assistance to make these peoples lives a little better & give them hope for the future knowing someone really cares.

First Holy Communion

'The Sacrament of First Holy Communion is to be celebrated on Saturday 14 September 5.00pm Mass & Sunday 15 September 10.00am Mass.



Enrolment forms have been sent to parents of children who recently made their First Reconciliation. Enrolment forms are also available on the parish website, the back of the church and from the Parish office.

Life Ascending Meeting times are:

Third Thursday at 7:30pm
Second and fourth Fridays after the 9.15 Mass.

Rosary Statue

Mr & Mrs Lau
33 Ponyara Road

Ph: 0433 474 172



Last Weekend 7 July 2019

2nd Collection \$2451.15

1st Collection \$1419.15

Attendance

5PM	?
8.30AM	103
10AM	364
Total	?

Flower shopping

A few parishioners took me to see some “artificial” (not fake, lol) flowers. *Who has an eye for these things?*
(This is not a rhetorical question!)



Parish Finance Committee: The parish priest is responsible for the administration of parish goods. He is to represent the best interest of the parish in all matters to do with parish finance. The parish finance committee assists the parish priest in this role, in particular by optimising transparency and accountability in these matters. Please welcome to the role: **Peter Crawford, Paul Coggiola, Margaret Mitchell (new) & Daniel Portelli (new).**

Building and Maintenance Committee: Likewise to assist the parish priest in the role of administration over parish goods, in particular by striving to improve the level of general maintenance, as well as by planning & overseeing special projects (such as our leaking roof!). Please welcome to the role: **Carmen Woodford, Anthony Matter & Deab Succar (all new)**



In a world that is divided, it is important to perhaps understand our similarities and differences with other faiths like Islam and how to interdialogue peacefully and respectfully.

Fr Patrick McInerney is a Columban missionary priest and has 20 years of experience as a missionary to Pakistan plus 15 years of involvement in interfaith in Australia. He lectures in Islam and Inter-religious Dialogue at the Catholic Institute of Sydney and is a member of the Australian Catholic Council for Ecumenism and Interfaith Relations.

What: A talk by Fr Patrick on Islam & interfaith
When: 20 July 2019 at 2pm
Where: Regina Coeli Parish Hall

All are welcome!

Ignatian Spirituality

Notre Dame University invites you to an evening seminar with Fr Christopher Collins SJ, from St Louis University, USA. Fr Christopher is a highly-regarded speaker on theology and spirituality. Topic: ‘The Life of St Ignatius - Insights for Spiritual Growth Today’.

22 July 2019 at St Benedict’s Broadway. Adoration and confessions from 5:30pm, talk from 6:30pm.

RSVP by 18 July to

sydney.chaplaincy@nd.edu.au.

Holy Father’s Charitable Appeal 2019

Thank you for your kind donation to this appeal which has been running for the past three weeks. The appeal will end next Sunday and the final amount be announced on the following Sunday.

- Fr Peter -

The Living Word

Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year C

14 July 2019

First Reading Dt 30:10-14

Let the instruction of the Lord God be near you.

Moses said to the people: 'Obey the voice of the Lord your God, keeping those commandments and laws of his that are written in the Book of this Law, and you shall return to the Lord your God with all your heart and soul.

'For this Law that I enjoin on you today is not beyond your strength or beyond your reach. It is not in heaven, so that you need to wonder, "Who will go up to heaven for us and bring it down to us, so that we may hear it and keep it?" Nor is it beyond the seas, so that you need to wonder, "Who will cross the seas for us and bring it back to us, so that we may hear it and keep it?" No, the Word is very near to you, it is in your mouth and in your heart for your observance.'

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 68:14. 17. 30-31. 33-34. 36-37. R. see v.33

**(R.) Turn to the Lord in your need,
and you will live.**

1. This is my prayer to you,
my prayer for your favour.
In your great love, answer me, O God,
with your help that never fails:
Lord, answer, for your love is kind;
in your compassion, turn towards me. (R.)
2. As for me in my poverty and pain
let your help, O God, lift me up.
I will praise God's name with a song;
I will glorify him with thanksgiving. (R.)
3. The poor when they see it will be glad
and God-seeking hearts will revive;
for the Lord listens to the needy
and does not spurn his servants in their
chains. (R.)
4. For God will bring help to Zion
and rebuild the cities of Judah.
The sons of his servants shall inherit it;
those who love his name shall dwell there. (R.)

or Ps 18:8-11. R. v.9

Second Reading Col 1:15-20

All things were created through him and for him.

Christ Jesus is the image of the unseen God and the first-born of all creation, for in him were created all things in heaven and on earth: everything visible and everything invisible, Thrones, Dominations, Sovereignities, Powers – all things were created through him and for him. Before anything was created, he existed, and he holds all things in unity.

Now the Church is his body,
he is its head.
As he is the Beginning,
he was first to be born from the dead,
so that he should be first in every way;
because God wanted all perfection
to be found in him
and all things to be reconciled through him
and for him,
everything in heaven and everything on earth,
when he made peace
by his death on the cross.

Gospel Acclamation See Jn 6:63. 68

Alleluia, alleluia!

**Your words, Lord, are spirit and life;
you have the words of everlasting life.**

Alleluia!

Gospel Lk 10:25-37

Who is my neighbour?

There was a lawyer who, to disconcert Jesus, stood up and said to him, 'Master, what must I do to inherit eternal life?' He said to him, 'What is written in the Law? What do you read there?' He replied, 'You must love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your strength, and with all your mind, and your neighbour as yourself.' 'You have answered right,' said Jesus, 'do this and life is yours.'

But the man was anxious to justify himself and said to Jesus, 'And who is my neighbour?' Jesus replied, 'A man was once on his way down from Jerusalem to Jericho and fell into the hands of brigands; they took all he had, beat him and then made off, leaving him half dead. Now a priest happened to be travelling down the same road, but when he saw the man, he passed by on the other side. In the same way a Levite who came to the place saw him, and passed by on the other side. But a Samaritan traveller who came upon him was moved with compassion when he saw him. He went up and bandaged his wounds, pouring oil and wine on them. He then lifted him on to his own mount, carried him to the inn and looked after him. Next day, he took out two denarii and handed them to the innkeeper. "Look after him," he said, "and on my way back I will make good any extra expense you have." Which of these three, do you think, proved himself a neighbour to the man who fell into the brigands' hands?' 'The one who took pity on him,' he replied. Jesus said to him, 'Go and do the same yourself.'



Reflection by Dianne Bergant CSA

It was not enough to want to follow Jesus and to be committed to him. Discipleship also demanded the ability to make shifts in understanding in order to recognise what following Jesus required. He did not merely repeat the religious tradition, he re-interpreted it. We too are called to understand the words and deeds of Jesus, but we must understand what they mean for us today. Today we need to make comparable shifts of understanding in order to bring the message of Jesus into conversation with the contemporary world.

Perhaps one of the most exciting and, at the same time, unnerving aspects of our religious tradition is its nonconforming nature. We think that we finally understand the way God is working in our lives and then something happens that seems to turn our understanding inside out. We are told to love our neighbour and when we ask who that might be we are told a story that turns the question around. 'Who is my neighbor?' or 'Whom should I love?' becomes 'Who acts as a neighbour?' or 'Who shows love?'

The same Sunday that we reflect on the paradoxical nature of the ways of God, we are told that the law of God, which appears to be so lofty, is really very close to us, in our mouths and in our hearts. This too is an unusual claim. Following the law results in a way of living that is inspired and informed by love, love of God and love of others, even, and perhaps especially, those whom we are not inclined to love.

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