



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

15th Sunday in Ordinary Time 15 July 2018

Sydney will be deprived of, or liberated from, clergy, depending on how one looks at it. Over 160 priests, along with the Archbishop and auxiliary bishops, will gather for a live-in conference in Leura from Monday to Thursday. Every now and then a special conference is organised in this prolonged manner, so as to deepen the experience of formation and fraternity among clergy (well, at least that's the idea!). This year's theme is *Icons of Christ – Developing personally and professionally as leaders of local faith communities in the new evangelisation*. Please pray that the conference will defy the odds and help even a priest like myself to actually develop - any way will do. I am happy to announce that Regina Coeli will be one of the few parishes in Sydney where Mass will be celebrated as usual, for, we have a visiting priest. Please bother him as much as you want, without telling him I said so. As part of the official booklet for the conference, I was asked to write my vocation story under 400 words, presumably to fill in some blank space. I might as well share it with you too:

It seems like a paradox, but the journey of discovering my vocation really took off when I realised I had no idea what it was. I was born in South Korea, as one of three siblings, and my family immigrated into Australia when I was still in high school. After several years of stunted coming-of-age, I emerged as the awkward person who asked the right question at the wrong time, wondering what the purpose of my life was as I was preparing for the HSC (which did not help my study). But this "sociopolitical blunder" helped me realise two things: firstly, that it was important to have a good foundation in order to achieve long-term success in life; secondly, that I had no such foundation, apart from the shallow ambition to be superior to others. My arrogant view of life was starting to crack. My "clever" ideas turned out to be inconsistent, only good for drowning me in adolescent misery. Then, one memorable night, as I was getting some fresh air after yet another argument with my mum, Grace knocked on the door. It dawned on me that I had been preferring to hide behind ego-driven illusions than to allow Wisdom to speak to me about the truly precious things. It seemed that life was not worth living unless it was founded on Truth, for which I needed the merciful presence of Christ. It was as though I found a vocation - or it found me - of an unquantifiable and yet most meaningful kind. A few years later, life took quite an unexpected turn when it was suggested to me by a Korean chaplain from the Silverwater community to consider the priesthood. Until then I had never even entertained the possibility - it was hard enough just to try to be a decent person! 'If the Lord is indeed calling me to the priesthood', I thought to myself, 'His ways must be stranger than fiction!' Long story short, I was pleasantly surprised to find that there was a place for someone like me in the seminary. In 2011, I was ordained priest along with four others. Since then I have served in Berala, Beverly Hills, UNSW and Ryde-Gladesville. I am currently serving - or imagining that I am - once again at Regina Coeli Catholic Parish in Beverly Hills.

- Fr Peter -



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The Week Ahead

Sun 15 Jul 15th Sun in Ordinary Time	8.30am Mass 10.00am Mass
Mon 16 Jul	OFFICE CLOSED
Tues 17 Jul	8:30am Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament 9.15am Mass
Wed 18 Jul	7.00am Mass
Thurs 19 Jul	9.15am Mass
Fri 20 Jul	8:30am Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament 9:15a Mass
Sat 21 Jul	9:00am Mass 4:25pm Reconciliation 5.00pm Vigil Mass
Sun 22 Jul 16th Sun in Ordinary Time	8.30am Mass 10.00am Mass

The Sacrament of Confirmation is to be celebrated in our parish on Saturday 25 August. If you would like your child to receive the Sacrament, and haven't already enrolled them in our preparation program, please do so as soon as possible. Enrolment forms are available at the parish office.

Welcomers Roster available for collection from the Sacristy or please contact Katja on 0481 230 322 to receive your copy.

Donation Tax Receipts available for collection from the table at the back of the Church.

2018 Holy Father's Appeal

\$1,008.20 was collected. Once again we sincerely thank you for your unwavering generosity.

Please be assured that this money will go towards relieving some of the most urgent dilemmas the world is witnessing at the moment.

Please pray for...

Recently deceased

Lauren Emerton RIP

In Loving Memory

Vito Maida, Carmelo Algozzino, Donato Tozzi, Giovanni Battiato, Francesca Spinella, Norm Coleman, Georgia & Philip Spiteri, Bernie Crawford, Santo Ilardo, Francesco & Salvatore Cocilovo, Irene Hall, 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, Carmelo Algozzino, 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, 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 Fedele, 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, Slavica Markotic



In the spirit of Mary MacKillop, we invite you to bring life to "the poorest and most neglected parts of God's vineyard." Your donation to Mary MacKillop Today will support thousands of people in Timor-Leste, Peru, here in Australia with education, health, finance and livelihoods opportunities,

bringing hope to communities for generations to come.

Please consider making a small monthly donation with our Regular Giving Program and help bring Mary MacKillop's charism to life. marymackilloptoday.org.au

Life Ascending Meetings

Second and fourth Friday after the 9.15 Mass
Third Thursday at 7.30 pm

Rosary Statue

Mr & Mrs P Peters
38 Weston Avenue

Ph: 9533 4547



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Asst. Principal
Mr Peter Busch

REC

Mrs Elizabeth Webster

Last Weekend 8 July 2018

2nd Collection	\$1949.25
1st Collection	\$1,199.95

PRAYER - ASPIRATION

Regarding prayer not so much as consisting of particular acts of devotion, but as the spirit of life, it seems to be the spirit of harmony with the will of God. It is the aspiration after all good, the wish, stronger than any earthly passion or desire, to live in His service only. It is the temper of mind which says in the evening, "Lord, into Your hands I commend my spirit"; which rises up in the morning "To do Your will, O God", and which all the day regards the actions of business and of daily life as done to the Lord and not to men, - "Whether you eat or drink, or whatever you do, do all to the glory of God." The trivial employments, the lowest occupations, may receive a kind of dignity when thus converted to the service of God.

Benjamin Jowett, Theologian (1817-1893)

Silent Retreat for Men

"Go out to all the world and tell the good news" (Mark 16:15)

~ How does a Diocesan Priest live this mission?

Find out more by attending this upcoming retreat on **3-5 August 2018**

This is a silent retreat weekend for men (18-35yrs) who might be considering a vocation to the Priesthood.

This silent retreat for men will be led by Fr Epeli Qimaqima—Director of Vocations, Archdiocese of Sydney. The cost of the retreat is \$75.

RSVP: **Wed 1 August 2018**

For online registration: [http://](http://www.vocationcentre.org.au/events/silentretreat-for-men-2018/)

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Registration/Enquiries:

vocationcentre@sydneycatholic.org Ph:02 9307 8424 or Email vocations@sydneycatholic.org

The sixth session of our "Challenges" Forum will be held at St Bernadette's Parish, Carlton on

Thursday 19th July 7:30pm-9:30pm.

The speaker will be **Phil Glendenning** who is the Director of the Christian Brothers' Edmund Rice Centre for Justice. He is a well known (and respected as a Member of the Order of Australia) advocate for refugees as well as a wide range of Justice Education issues.

His topic will be

"The Preferential Option for the Poor"

a topic often stressed by Pope Francis as integral to being a Catholic these days.

Please see parish notice boards for details.

Please note the following Saturdays for Youth Group gatherings.

28 July

11 August

25 August

08 September

22 September

27 October

10 November

24 November

8 December

Call for WYD08 Anniversary Choristers

Did you sing at the Final Mass for WYD08 Sydney? We are inviting all WYD08 singers to come back for a 10th anniversary Mass to be held at St Mary's Cathedral, Sydney on Friday 20 July at 5:30pm. For further details and to register go to <https://goo.gl/VKoL9t>

World Youth Day Panama 2019 Subsidise on Offer

The Catholic Archdiocese of Sydney invites young adults to pre-register for the WYD 2019 Panama via Washington DC pilgrimage, which will be led by His Grace, Archbishop Anthony Fisher OP.

How does the subsidy work?

Pilgrims wishing to accept the offer of a subsidy need to pre-register by depositing a minimum, non-refundable deposit of \$1,000. The deposit will confirm your place on the pilgrimage. The Archdiocese of Sydney will then add \$1,000 to your account.

The indicative cost of the pilgrimage, provided by, is \$8,686. For pilgrims considering the optional Mexico extension, the indicative total cost is \$9,786. Note that, should the pilgrimage not go ahead as planned, all deposits shall be returned in full.

How do I make a deposit?

Step 1: Reference your deposit using: WYD19 + FULL NAME (Ex.WYD19PETERHARRISON)

Step 2: Select and pay your deposit amount to:

BANK ACCOUNT: Catholic Archdiocese of Sydney

BSB: 062 000

ACCOUNT: 10289801

Step 3: Email abel.gaspi@sydneycatholic.org the details of the transaction.

Step 4: Wait for an email confirming your deposit. Once registration officially opens, your deposit and subsidy will be transferred into your COSMOS account.

We are all excited to journey with you and enjoy this experience of a lifetime.

For more information, you can contact me on abel.gaspi@sydneycatholic.org

First Reading Am 7:12-15

Go, prophesy to my people.

Amaziah, the priest of Bethel, said to Amos, 'Go away, seer; get back to the land of Judah; earn your bread there, do your prophesying there. We want no more prophesying in Bethel; this is the royal sanctuary, the national temple.' 'I was no prophet, neither did I belong to any of the brotherhoods of prophets,' Amos replied to Amaziah, 'I was a shepherd, and looked after sycamores: but it was the Lord who took me from herding the flock, and the Lord who said, "Go, prophesy to my people Israel."

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 84:9-14. R. v.8

(R.) Lord, show us your mercy and love, and grant us your salvation.

1. I will hear what the Lord God has to say,
a voice that speaks of peace,
peace for his people.
His help is near for those who fear him
and his glory will dwell in our land. (R.)
2. Mercy and faithfulness have met;
justice and peace have embraced.
Faithfulness shall spring from the earth
and justice look down from heaven. (R.)
3. The Lord will make us prosper
and our earth shall yield its fruit.
Justice shall march before him
and peace shall follow his steps. (R.)

Second Reading Eph 1:3-14

or shorter form Eph 1:3-10

Before the world was made, he chose us in Christ.

Blessed be God the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,
who has blessed us with all the spiritual blessings of heaven in Christ.
Before the world was made, he chose us,
chose us in Christ,
to be holy and spotless, and to live through love in his presence,
determined that we should become his adopted sons, through Jesus Christ for his own kind purposes,
to make us praise the glory of his grace, his free gift to us in the Beloved in whom, through his blood, we gain our freedom, the forgiveness of our sins.
Such is the richness of the grace which he has showered on us in all wisdom and insight.
He has let us know the mystery of his purpose,
the hidden plan he so kindly made in Christ from the beginning
to act upon when the times had run their

course to the end:
that he would bring everything together under Christ, as head,
everything in the heavens and everything on earth.
And it is in him that we were claimed as God's own,
chosen from the beginning,
under the predetermined plan of the one who guides all things
as he decides by his own will;
chosen to be,
for his greater glory,
the people who would put their hopes in Christ before he came.
Now you too, in him,
have heard the message of the truth and the good news of your salvation,
and have believed it:
and you have been stamped with the seal of the Holy Spirit of the Promise,
the pledge of our inheritance
which brings freedom for those whom God has taken for his own,
to make his glory praised.

Gospel Acclamation See Eph 1:17-18

Alleluia, alleluia!

May the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ enlighten the eyes of our hearts that we might see how great is the hope to which we are called.

Alleluia!

Gospel Mk 6:7-13

He called the Twelve, and began to send them out.

Jesus summoned the Twelve and began to send them out in pairs giving them authority over the unclean spirits. And he instructed them to take nothing for the journey except a staff – no bread, no haversack, no coppers for their purses. They were to wear sandals, but, he added, 'Do not take a spare tunic.' And he said to them, 'If you enter a house anywhere, stay there until you leave the district. And if any place does not welcome you and people refuse to listen to you, as you walk away shake off the dust from under your feet as a sign to them.' So they set off to preach repentance; and they cast out many devils, and anointed many sick people with oil and cured them.



Reflection by Dianne Bergant CSA

God chooses ordinary people and confers on them an extraordinary responsibility. Amos was a shepherd and a dresser of sycamores. Most of the apostles were fishermen. Paul was a tentmaker. Christians today are mechanics and clerks, teachers and engineers, doctors and housekeepers. These are all people following ordinary trades or professions, but what they do in them is truly remarkable. They touch minds and hearts and souls, and they heal them. They instruct and comfort people, and they help to drive out the demons that possess them. They participate in very ordinary ways in the extraordinary establishment of the reign of God.

Jesus inaugurated the reign of God on earth. He chose disciples and sent them out to continue the work that he had begun, to preach his gospel and, through healings and exorcisms, to conquer the forces of evil that threatened that reign. And now we have been called; in him we have been chosen, in all of our brokenness and vulnerability. The task to which we have been called is awe-inspiring; and every spiritual blessing in the heavens has been bestowed upon us so that we will be able to accomplish it. If we allow Christ's saving power to take possession of us, we too will further his prophetic ministry. We will bring the saving grace of God to the world that is terrified and that writhes in pain; we will bring it to those places where healing is needed and where demons still hold sway. We will bring all things under the headship of Christ.

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