



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

18th Sunday in Ordinary Time 5 August 2018

Parish Feast Day is coming up, on Wednesday August 22 - Feast of Our Lady Queen of Heaven (a.k.a. Regina Coeli). Not that doing something special is obligatory. But it so happens that I have been thinking it would be nice, even necessary, to show appreciation to all parish volunteers. A few weeks ago it dawned on me that the two things could easily coincide: Why not organise a dinner for our volunteers, free and fully catered, on the parish feast day? There might be a brief prayer, (probably light) meal, good company and hopefully some entertainment. So, please come if you are a volunteer (or a spouse), used to be one but are no longer able to or would like to become a volunteer. If you are unsure about whether or not you qualify as a volunteer, please come anyway. For catering purposes, however, please try to let Margaret our secretary know if you are attending: in person or (02) 9554 8155 or reginaparish@gmail.com

**Dinner for volunteers
at 6:30pm on August 22, 2018
@ the Parish Hall**

I have been mostly away this week doing a course at Australian Catholic University in North Sydney. This particular unit was named 'Governance in not-for-profit sector.' It took five days in total to complete. One down, three more units to go. Why am I doing this? It is being strongly recommended to priests, almost as an offer one cannot refuse at times. It is probably too early for me to make up my mind about the course, although a parishioner once told me that jumping to conclusions is a great way to exercise. If you ask me, it seems that almost everything is becoming 'incorporated' nowadays - turning into, as it were, a legally definable company. Apparently, the government prefers to deal with incorporated organisations than not; hence the pressure on churches to follow the trend. I do hope though that we will never have to become *Regina Coeli Limited* - not sure how Our Lady might feel about that! Hopefully there is a way of achieving impeccable accountability and transparency without needing to go the full corporate way. But this could not possibly happen without the support of faithful and wise volunteers. You are needed more than ever!

- Fr Peter -

Morning Tea will be available after 10:00am Mass in the Parish Centre at 5 Tarrilli Street. All welcome.

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The Week Ahead

Sun 5 Aug 18th Sun in Ordinary Time	8.30am 10.00am 4:00pm	Mass Mass Confirmation Lesson Group A
Mon 6 Aug Transfiguration of the Lord		OFFICE CLOSED
Tues 7 Aug St Sixtus II & St Cajetan	8:30am 9:15am 10:00am 7:00pm	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament Reconciliation Confirmation Lesson Group B
Wed 8 Aug St Mary of the Cross	7:00am 9:15am	Mass Mass Whole School
Thurs 9 Aug St Teresa Benedicta of the Cross	9:15am	Mass
Fri 10 Aug St Lawrence	8:30am 9:15am	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament Mass
Sat 11 Aug St Clare	9:00am 4:25pm 5:00pm	Mass Reconciliation Vigil Mass
Sun 12 Aug 19th Sun in Ordinary Time	8.30am 10.00am	Mass Mass

Celebrate the coming of the Holy Spirit Saturday 25 August 2018

New choir members required to help our parish children celebrate in song as they receive the Holy Spirit in the Sacrament of Confirmation on Saturday 25 August 2018.

Rehearsals for this celebration will take place in our Church on Wednesdays the 1st, 8th, 15th & 22nd of August from 7:00pm.

Also required are power point operators. If you can offer your help and expertise in this area, please contact:

Herman 9580 5002 or Office: 9544 8155



In the spirit of Mary MacKillop, we invite you to bring life to "the poorest and most neglected parts of God's vineyard."

**this weekend
4-5 August 2018**

Envelopes are available at each Church door if you wish to make a contribution.

Please pray for...

Recently Deceased

Anthony Dao Quang My, Lorna Samuelson

In Loving Memory

Donato Carnevale, Donato Tozzie, Irene Hall, Anna & Joseph Pham, Elisabeth Dang, Mark Phillips, Vito Maida, Carmelo Algozzino, 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, Peter Repole, Pat Simpson, Elaine Brooksby, Mary Meaney, Connie Fedele, Darren Seymour, 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

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

CONFIRMATION

Being "Confirmed" is another stage in each child's faith journey and indicates a willingness to be a responsible member of the Catholic community. The concept that Confirmation makes us "Adult Christians" needs to be understood within the context of our whole life. Confirmation does not produce instant witness. In and through Confirmation the Holy Spirit calls, helps and cooperates with people in their efforts to become mature witnesses to Christ. The Sacrament, of course, is not magical. It is a sign of God's presence and activity and is most effective when it has the cooperation of an open, ready heart and mind. Confirmation is a sacrament of process, of change and growth; it is internalised and developed by the way a person, with the help of the Holy Spirit, tries to overcome the negative influences that enter daily into our lives.

We pray that the strengthening gift of the Holy Spirit will always be available in the lives of our newest parishioners. As the World Youth Day song proclaims, "May they receive the power from the Holy Spirit and be a light unto the world."

JANIS WHITE (Parish News Vol 239, October 2009)

Parish Secretary

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Mr Peter Crawford

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REC

Mrs Elizabeth Webster

Last Weekend 29 July 2018

2nd Collection \$1,868.15

1st Collection \$1,240.45

VOCATIONS AWARENESS WEEK 2018

5th August -12th August

From the **5th -12th August** our parish unites with the catholic community in Australia to celebrate **Vocations Awareness Week**. During this week we concentrate our prayers in praying for more vocations to marriage, the priesthood, religious and consecrated life. What else can you do to pray for Vocations that week?

Attend an extra Mass that week for the vocation of your children/grandchildren

Pray a decade of the Rosary or a full Rosary for vocations from your parish

Visit St Mary Mackillop's Tomb and pray there

Visit Eileen O'Connor's tomb and offer a prayer there

Make a pilgrimage to the Shrine of Mary Help of Christians in St Mary's Cathedral to pray for Vocations

Pray for Vocations as a family by praying 1 Our and 3 Hail Marys before dinner throughout the week

Say a Hail Mary for more vocations when you stop at the Red Traffic Light

Be patient with others and offer your emotions to God as an honest prayer

The next Youth Group Gathering will be on **Saturday 11 August 2018**

Life Ascending Meetings

Second and fourth Friday after the 9.15 Mass

Third Thursday at 7.30 pm

Rosary Statue

Mrs Maria Tesoriero
129 Morgan Street

Ph: 9150 5409



New Playgroup

A very warm welcome to parents, grandparents and carers of young children of Regina Coeli parish to join us Monday mornings for Playgroup!

All ages prior to starting school very welcome.

Where: Regina Coeli Parish hall, Ponyara Road

When: 9—10.45am Mondays in school term (unless during a special event eg. whole school Mass.

Entry: by the hall's main gate and via front door of the hall. No entry via the side doors.

Cost: \$2

Prayer reflection will be held from 9-9.15am.

Please bring morning tea snacks for children.

For safety reasons, no nuts please.

Stop in for a coffee/tea and join us in connecting with friends, family, and faith.

Contact: Family Educator at Regina Coeli School:- Abigail at abigail.claridge@syd.catholic.edu.au

Catechists Required

We are in need of catechists to teach the following classes-

Year 2 at Narwee Public School Thursday 9.30am-10.00am

Year 6 at Narwee Public School Thursday 10.05am-10.35am

Year 5 at Beverly Hills Nth Public School Wednesday 11.50am-12.20pm

All training and teaching material is supplied. If you are interested in sharing your faith with the children in these classes, please phone the Parish office on 95548155.

Elizabeth Gooley

Sacramental Coordinator

Regina Coeli Parish Beverly Hills
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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 Ex 16:2-4, 12-15

I will rain bread from heaven upon you.

The whole community of the sons of Israel began to complain against Moses and Aaron in the wilderness and said to them, 'Why did we not die at the Lord's hand in the land of Egypt, when we were able to sit down to pans of meat and could eat bread to our hearts content! As it is, you have brought us to this wilderness to starve this whole company to death!'

Then the Lord said to Moses, 'Now I will rain down bread for you from the heavens. Each day the people are to go out and gather the day's portion; I propose to test them this way to see whether they will follow my law or not.'

'I have heard the complaints of the sons of Israel. Say this to them, "Between the two evenings you shall eat meat, and in the morning you shall have bread to your hearts content. Then you will learn that I, the Lord, am your God."' And so it came about: quails flew up in the evening, and they covered the camp; in the morning there was a coating of dew all round the camp. When the coating of dew lifted, there on the surface of the desert was a thing delicate, powdery, as fine as hoarfrost on the ground. When they saw this, the sons of Israel said to one another, 'What is that?' not knowing what it was. 'That' said Moses to them 'is the bread the Lord gives you to eat.'

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 77:3-4. 23-25. 54. R. v.24

(R.) The Lord gave them bread from heaven.

1. The things we have heard and understood,
the things our fathers have told us,
we will tell to the next generation:
the glories of the Lord and his might. (R.)
2. He commanded the clouds above
and opened the gates of heaven.
He rained down manna for their food,
and gave them bread from heaven. (R.)
3. Mere men ate the bread of angels.
He sent them abundance of food.
He brought them to his holy land,
to the mountain which his right hand had won. (R.)

Second Reading Eph 4:17, 20-24

Put on the new person that has been created in God's image.

I want to urge you in the name of the Lord, not to go on living the aimless kind of life that pagans live. Now that is hardly the way you have learnt from Christ, unless you failed to hear him properly when you were

taught what the truth is in Jesus. You must give up your old way of life; you must put aside your old self, which gets corrupted by following illusory desires. Your mind must be renewed by a spiritual revolution so that you can put on the new self that has been created in God's way, in the goodness and holiness of the truth.

Gospel Acclamation Mt 4:4

Alleluia, alleluia!

*No one lives on bread alone,
but on every word that comes from
the mouth of God.*

Alleluia!

Gospel Jn 6:24-35

Whoever comes to me will never be hungry; whoever believes in me will never thirst.

When the people saw that neither Jesus nor his disciples were there, they got into boats and crossed to Capernaum to look for Jesus. When they found him on the other side, they said to him, 'Rabbi, when did you come here?' Jesus answered:

'I tell you most solemnly,
you are not looking for me
because you have seen the signs
but because you had all the bread you
wanted to eat.
Do not work for food that cannot last,
but work for food that endures to eternal
life,
the kind of food the Son of Man is offering
you,
for on him the Father, God himself, has set
his seal.'

Then they said to him, 'What must we do if we are to do the works that God wants?' Jesus gave them this answer, 'This is working for God: you must believe in the one he has sent.' So they said, 'What sign will you give to show us that we should believe in you? What work will you do? Our fathers had manna to eat in the desert; as scripture says: He gave them bread from heaven to eat.'

Jesus answered:

'I tell you most solemnly,
it was not Moses who gave you bread from
heaven,
it is my Father who gives you the bread
from heaven,
the true bread;
for the bread of God
is that which comes down from heaven
and gives life to the world.'

'Sir,' they said 'give us that bread always.'
Jesus answered:

'I am the bread of life.
He who comes to me will never be hungry;
he who believes in me will never thirst.'



Reflection by Dianne Bergant CSA

In many ways the Exodus story of the bread from heaven is very similar to last Sunday's accounts. However, the focus today is not divine prodigality shown through the overabundance of food, but total dependence on God. The bread comes from heaven, not merely because the food seems to come down from the sky, but because it comes from God. The restriction about collecting it was meant to emphasise this point. Our survival is in God's hands, not ours.

Jesus insists that he is the true bread from heaven; he is the real basis of our survival. The people followed him because they saw him as a source of bread; they did not realise that he is really the source of life. If we fill ourselves with all that the world provides as nourishment we will still hunger. Only faith in Jesus can satisfy our deepest hungers, and we will not be able to survive apart from him.

Acceptance of Jesus as the source of our life and the very nourishment of our spirits effects a total transformation in us. We will no longer be content to live with full bellies but empty minds. We will put aside our old selves steeped in ignorance and self-interest and put on a new self, created in his image. Having fed on the bread from heaven, we will be mysteriously transformed into it. The spirit of our minds will be renewed by his teaching. As a result, we will be able to launch out into a way of living that witnesses to our new understanding, our new life.

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