



Regina Coeli Parish

Beverly Hills - In the Archdiocese of Sydney



Weekly Newsletter

4th Sunday of Easter
30 April 2023

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

Here are a few emails/letters from parishioners:

My earliest memory of joining the parish of Regina Coeli was attending my first Mass here on Sunday 25th June 1950. I had been married the day before on the 24th June and we took up residence late that night after the celebrations of the wedding were over. I was 19 years old and my husband Allan was 29 years old. Our new home was in Warrawee Place just across the road and Mass in those days was celebrated in the parish hall on the corner of Ponyara Road and Warrawee Place. Regina Coeli Church was still a few years away.

There were two Masses on Sundays and you had to be early to get a seat. I remember people packed in, with lots of folk standing and spilling out the side door onto the street. The congregation was mainly young families with lots of children. After Mass on Sunday mornings a group of men had the mammoth task of turning the hall into school rooms for the next day. All the church furniture was stored beneath the hall and then on the following Saturday repositioned again for Mass on Sunday.

Fr William Evans was our wonderful, hardworking priest and money raising was always going on. House parties were everywhere...games nights in the hall were very popular and made a heap of money; a huge fete was held toward the end of the year with stalls full of fancy goods, cakes, plants and everything that made money. There was a great chocolate wheel featuring great household gifts and legs of ham for the coming Christmas. There was also a parish ball with debutants every year, as well as a couple of parish picnics. Everyone helped to raise money for our new church.

My children went to school in classrooms in the old dairy house which stood where our church stands today. The presbytery was also in this house. The parish was blessed to have had the Josephite Sisters in attendance teaching classes with up to 100 children in each one. The sisters lived in the convent in the parish of Penshurst for years and travelled across each day. We also have been so privileged to have had so many wonderful priests looking after us and I feel so blessed to have lived in the parish of Regina Coeli for just over 73 years!

Regards. Joy Vincent.

We were married on 15th May 1954 at Our Lady Of Fatima Kingsgrove and moved into our Home in Tallawalla St. on 27th May 1954. Our 69th Anniversary coming up shortly! We had 5 Children: Anthony, Michael, David, Anne- Maree and Paul (deceased at age 3mths in 1960). All attended the Primary School. The boys played Rugby League and Anne-Maree, Netball and Swimming (some of her records remained for many years). Michael...represented his country in the Disabled Olympics in America (having lost his leg to cancer at age 14).

We have many happy Memories and Experiences during this time, none more so than watching the building of our magnificent new Church and enjoying the completion of it. Anthony was a member of the first class to Celebrate their First Holy Communion in our beautiful new Church. All 3 boys served as altar boys. When Planned Giving started many years ago, money was counted by a group at the Presbytery and the envelopes were brought to us by Frank Mackinerny for us to enter into a journal. This we did, each Sunday night for some considerable time until a more sophisticated method was adopted.

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The Week Ahead

Sun 30 April 4th Sunday Easter	8.30am Mass 10.00am Mass
Mon 1 May	No Mass
Tue 2 May St Athanasius	9.15am Mass
Wed 3 May Sts Philip & James	7.00am Mass 9:15am Whole School Mass 1.30pm Funeral for Stefano Bila
Thu 4 May	9.15am Mass
Fri 5 May	9.15am Mass
Sat 6 May	9.00am Mass 9.30- Adoration 9.55am & Reconciliation 4.15- Reconciliation 4.45pm 5.00pm Mass
Sun 7 May 5th Sunday Easter	8.30am Mass 10.00am Mass & Celebration!

Recently Deceased

Stefano Bila, Ferdinando Screnci, Alida Clemente, Maria Basile, Grazia Campagna, Eddie Da Silva, Mary Navan, Gerardina Civitarese, Pauline Patti, Maria Bila, John McCoy, June Coyle, Veronica Kellert, Francis Law, Therese Foster.

In Loving Memory

Kevin Weeks, Margaret Staines, Thomas Ruju, Ugo Buracchi, Maria Debono, Gary Atkins, Giovanni De Francesco, Ronald Xuereb, Ariel Fiorini, Fatima De Gouveia, Carmelo Algozzino, Lucy Wong, Gennaro Sacco, Bob Henderson, Peter Peters, Frank Capra

Please remember those who are in ill

health especially: Peter Raju, Ryan Henderson, Dennis McInerney, Peter Phillips, Mary Patricia Hanrahan, Jane Abalos, Mitchell Morris, Brian Moore, Josephina Algozzino, Josh Venture, Carmen Bajada, Anne Kensey, Monica Costa, Quang Vo, Matt Nugent, Ann McDowell, Damiano Serravalle, George Dagher, Mrs Saba, Pat Mortimer, Mary Daniels, Geoff McDowell, Elena Mura, Mr TD (Terry) Wall.

Rosary Statue

Mrs. T. Pezzutti
208a Moorefields Road
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Regina Coeli Catholic Church Built 1963



Join us for a BBQ to celebrate
60 years of our beautiful Church
On Sunday 7th May after 10am mass

Lunch, drinks and good company provided.
There will be a jumping castle and music set up for the
kids so please bring the whole family along.
Bring a picnic rug.

There is a volunteer list at the back of the church. If you
are able to help please list your name and number on the
sheet provided. Thank you!

For any queries please contact Sally. 0411 288 243



Please secure a mug in commemoration of Regina Coeli's
60 year anniversary!

\$10 donation per mug

They are available from the back of the church and will
be available on event day.

Sacrament of Confirmation Program 2023

The Sacrament of Confirmation is to be celebrated in Regina Coeli Parish on Sunday 28 May at 2.30pm. Lessons commence on Thursday 4 May. Parents of baptised Roman Catholic children in Year Six or above are invited to enrol their child in the Parish based Confirmation Program. The Information and Enrolment letter is available on the parish website, or you may contact the parish office for more details.

Thank you.



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&
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Last Weekend 23 April 2023

2nd Collection \$1081.80

1st Collection \$1747.50

Cashless Giving \$510

Attendance

5PM	100
8.30AM	145
10AM	~155
Total	~400

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At ages 95 and 92 our memories and mobility are not as active as they used to be, I am sure there are many stories to be told, suffice to say that we are thankful to have been part of this Parish and Community for so long and Grateful for the support and Spiritual guidance given by the Clergy over this time and cherish the friendships made.

Congratulations on the upcoming 60th Anniversary.

Kind regards to you, Pam and Bevan Kelly

Please note the next Clothing Drive is on Saturday 6th May.

MAY	6
AUGUST	5
NOVEMBER	4



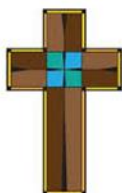
Please place bags outside by 8:00am on the Saturday of collection in a place where they can be seen from the street. This will help our collectors which will be most appreciated.

For those not on the collection list but have clothing to donate on a one-off basis it would be greatly appreciated if you could drop the donated items at the Parish School on collection day between 8:00am & 8:30am. If you wish to be added to the collection list please call Paul Morris (President) on 0438 225 120.

Thank you for your continuing support of our clothing drives it is greatly appreciated.

Youth Group Term 2 Dates!

29th April
13th May
27th May
10th June
24th June (Outing)



Don't forget to RSVP to
rcvg77@gmail.com for catering purposes!

“ Fatima Day is a sort of spiritual Anzac Day and a spiritual Armistice Day. The message on this day was straightforward: pray the Rosary every day for the peace of the world. ”

Archbishop Anthony Fisher OP

Feast of
OUR LADY of FATIMA

As we prepare for
WYD Lisbon, August 2023

Saturday 13 May
6pm Mass at St Mary's Cathedral
Followed by Procession to
Cathedral Forecourt

SYDNEY CATHOLIC YOUTH

Night of Prayer

Fatima

Friday 12 May from 6:30pm

- Eucharistic Adoration begins at 7pm with a short introduction on FATIMA and live music leading into personal prayer time •
- You are free to come and leave as it suits you during Holy Hour •
- The Sacrament of Reconciliation will also be available •
- Light refreshments are available in the Courtyard from 6:30 pm •
- RSVP is greatly appreciated - please use QR code above •
- Walk-ins welcome •

MAY 12th Friday

First Friday Monthly Rosary

The Holy Rosary will be recited in Our Lady's Chapel at Regina Coeli on Friday 5th May at 11am. All welcome.



First Reading Acts 2:14, 36-41

God has made Jesus both Lord and Christ.

On the day of Pentecost Peter stood up with the Eleven and addressed the crowd with a loud voice: 'The whole House of Israel can be certain that God has made this Jesus whom you crucified both Lord and Christ.'

Hearing this, they were cut to the heart and said to Peter and the apostles, 'What must we do, brothers?' 'You must repent,' Peter answered 'and every one of you must be baptised in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins, and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. The promise that was made is for you and your children, and for all those who are far away, for all those whom the Lord our God will call to himself.' He spoke to them for a long time using many arguments, and he urged them, 'Save yourselves from this perverse generation.' They were convinced by his arguments, and they accepted what he said and were baptised. That very day about three thousand were added to their number.

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 22:1-6. R. v.1

*(R.) The Lord is my shepherd;
there is nothing I shall want.
or*

(R.) Alleluia.

1. The Lord is my shepherd;
there is nothing I shall want.
Fresh and green are the pastures
where he gives me repose.
Near restful waters he leads me,
to revive my drooping spirit. (R.)
2. He guides me along the right path;
he is true to his name.
If I should walk in the valley of
darkness
no evil would I fear.
You are there with your crook and your
staff;
with these you give me comfort. (R.)
3. You have prepared a banquet for me
in the sight of my foes.
My head you have anointed with oil;
my cup is overflowing. (R.)
4. Surely goodness and kindness shall
follow me
all the days of my life.
In the Lord's own house shall I dwell
for ever and ever. (R.)

Second Reading 1 Pt 2:20-25

You had gone astray but now you have come back to the shepherd and guardian of your souls.

The merit, in the sight of God, is in bearing punishment patiently when you are punished after doing your duty.

This, in fact, is what you were called to do, because Christ suffered for you and left an example for you to follow the way he took. He had not done anything wrong, and there had been no perjury in his mouth. He was insulted and did not retaliate with insults; when he was tortured he made no threats but he put his trust in the righteous judge. He was bearing our faults in his own body on the cross, so that we might die to our faults and live for holiness; through his wounds you have been healed. You had gone astray like sheep but now you have come back to the shepherd and guardian of your souls.

Gospel Acclamation Jn 10:14

Alleluia, alleluia!

*I am the good shepherd, says the Lord;
I know my sheep, and mine know me.
Alleluia!*

Gospel Jn 10:1-10

I am the gate of the sheepfold.

Jesus told them this parable but they failed to understand what he meant by telling it to them.

So Jesus spoke to them again:

'I tell you most solemnly,
I am the gate of the sheepfold.
All others who have come
are thieves and brigands;
but the sheep took no notice of them.
I am the gate.
Anyone who enters through me will be
safe:
he will go freely in and out
and be sure of finding pasture.
The thief comes
only to steal and kill and destroy.
I have come
so that they may have life
and have it to the full.'

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**Reflection by Dianne Bergant CSA**

This is 'Good Shepherd Sunday' and a particular focus taken today is leadership. Which voices do we follow? Why do we follow these voices and not others? Authentic leadership is rooted in authority, and authentic authority is the ability to author or bring life to birth. Genuine authority cherishes, guards and encourages the best in life; it provides rest and refreshment; it guides our steps; it nourishes us; it leads us to God. Peter is an example of authentic authority: he proclaims the truth, even if others find it hard to hear; he denounces error, even when this places him in jeopardy; he calls for a change of heart, even when it makes great demands.

Authentic leadership is patterned after the leadership of Jesus. It is gentle and familiar, like the true shepherd; it has won the confidence of those who follow, as did the true shepherd; it is committed to the enhancement of the lives of others, as was Jesus. Authentic leadership is willing to forgo its own needs and to deny its own interests in favour of the needs and interests of others.

Heavy demands are placed on those who follow authentic leadership. Those who follow the Good Shepherd must follow him in the dark valleys as well as to the refreshing streams. They must be willing to relinquish some of their own plans and self-determination and entrust themselves to his leadership. They must never forget that they are following a shepherd who has paid the ultimate price on their behalf.