

THANKS, THANKS, THANKS to the army of people who worked, prayed, sang, served, read, ushered, prepared tapers and flowers, cleaned and planned, more often behind the scenes, to present our **Holy Week Triduum Ceremonies**. A capacity crowd attended **Holy Thursday Mass of the Lord's Supper** (around 900+ people). How I pray we can really help people, especially young families, see the true beauty and relevance of the Mass, so that they will never neglect it, and it becomes again, a natural part of their weekend, part of the family culture. This is how Christ, especially, reaches out to us that we may reach out in his name to the world, so in need of his compassion, mercy, love and light. Thanks to all of you, especially the choir under **Tony Suryanthono's ever faithful and brilliant direction**, (hours of practice) for making this Mass, which I think is the most beautiful of the liturgical year, so meaningful by your presence.

The **10.30am Stations of the Cross** were presented to a full church – the largest attendance in nine years.. Thanks to the children and youth, those who prepared them, and the choir, so generous in their attendance, who presented this ever-moving para-liturgy. **I pray that a vibrant youth group will continue in our parish, helping our young keep and deepen their involvement in the life of our parish and their love and service of Jesus.**

Thanks to **Fr Doug**, who spent around 8 hours in the confessional over the **Triduum**. Fr Tru and I also assisted, but ceremonies meant we were often elsewhere than in the confessional.

The **Vigil** this year continued to grow on previous years with the beauty and solemnity of the occasion. (Truthfully, I did not want it to end...in every way such beauty and lifting up of the soul.) Again, **the largest congregation in nine years packed the Church (Ushers having to field complaints about not enough seats!).** May the RCIA community remember the Vigil and draw life from their baptisms, receptions and confirmation in our community of faith. **May they be ever-faithful to the Mass, for Christ has sought them out and led them to this day and continues to meet them in the Eucharist.** And may all of us keep an eye out to invite non-Catholics to become part of our community of faith.

SMM Masses for the Vigil and Sunday were particularly beautiful, I hear, and well-attended.

I know, as the Pope reminds us, it is not a matter of numbers, but this year, even in school holidays, around 3,300 we estimate for Easter Sunday - and for the Holy Thursday, and Good Friday ceremonies, around 2,400.

So we journey now through Easter to Pentecost and the Liturgy will move us along to absorb the meaning of Easter and open our lives to the Presence of the Holy Spirit, the life - breath of the Risen one and of the Church. Pentecost Masses are special for all of us, more so for the RCIA members as their program concludes on that Sunday. A special **THANKS** to the RCIA team for their fidelity to the work of presentation of the candidates. Through all of this, our community of faith grows brighter. **Peter Hearn MSC**

What follows is a famous **ANZAC Poem** composed by a New Zealand Doctor at his medical post in Belgium during the First World War – it refers to the red poppies which grow there.

“In Flanders’ Fields the poppies blow Between the crosses, row on row, That mark our place; and in the sky The larks, still bravely singing, fly, Scarce heard amid the guns below. We are the dead. Short days ago We lived, felt dawn, saw sunset glow, Loved, and were loved, and now we lie In Flanders’ Fields. Take up our quarrel with the foe: To you from failing hands we throw The torch; be yours to hold it high. If ye break faith with us who die We shall not sleep, though poppies grow In Flanders’ Fields. (ANZAC Mass midday 25th April)



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22/23rd April 2017

DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY - YEAR A



Accessible Seats - Rows
5,6,7 and cross aisles.
Front 6 seats either side
of centre aisle.

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1st Reading: Acts 2:42-47 2nd Reading: Peter 1:3-9 Gospel: John 20:19-31

Entrance Antiphon: Like newborn infants, you must long for the pure, spiritual milk, that in him you may grow to salvation, alleluia.

Responsorial Psalm: Give thanks to the Lord for he is good, his love is everlasting.

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia! You believe in me, Thomas, because you have seen me; happy those who have not seen me, but still believe!

Communion Antiphon: Bring your hand and feel the place of the nails, and do not be unbelieving but believing, alleluia.

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Our Lady of the Sacred Heart

Monday: Midday Mass

Tuesday: 6:30am Mass, 11am (Holy Hour), Midday Mass.

Wednesday: 6:30am Mass, Midday Mass

Thursday: 11:30am (Novena), Midday Mass, 5:40pm Mass.

Friday: Midday Mass (Anointing Mass 2nd Friday), 5:40pm Mass, 6pm (Holy Hour)

Saturday: 11am (Reconciliation), Midday Mass, 5pm (Reconciliation), 6pm Vigil Mass.

Sunday: 8am, 10am, Midday, 6pm. 10.30pm

St. Margaret Mary's

Saturday: 5:15 (Reconciliation), 5:30pm Vigil Mass. 9.30am

Baptisms

Held at OLSH, 1:15pm Sundays. Contact the Parish Office on 9399 6775.

Into your loving care we commend :

Recently Deceased: Hugh Doyle, Sr. M Constance Daley, OLSH, Rudolf Sossinka, Joan Wallin.

Anniversaries and Deceased:

Edith Follows, Raymond Leon, Frank Corry, Br. Frank Fields, Deborah Caporello, Antonio Dos Santos, Andjelka and Janko Bravar, Jospip Andelo and Sine Pedisic, Doug Paton, Romeo Morelos, Giusippina Treimarchi, Anthony Chong, Rudolf Sossinka.

Special Intentions: Sr. Teresa Coleman, Janet Hansen, George Manis, Matt Holohan, Sally and Jenny Hanna, Sister Eugenie McGrath CSB.

Australian Catholic Youth Festival

Music Masterclass An initiative of the Australian Catholic Youth Festival, the Masterclass is a fantastic opportunity for young people aged between Year 9 and 30 years to develop creative skills in music and performance. Catholic industry professionals will lead workshops in liturgy, praise and worship, song writing, vocal training, band dynamics, music technologies, recording and performance. 6-7 May 2017 at Southern Cross Catholic Vocational College, Burwood. Cost \$100. Includes morning tea and lunch each day. Registrations close 5pm 28 April 2017. For more information, www.acyf.org.au.

ANZAC DAY TUESDAY 25 APRIL: The poppy makers have been at work preparing the sanctuary for the hill of red poppies for this Mass; the choir have prepared, and I hope there will be an AV presentation briefly before the Mass on some aspect of our history in wartime. Peter Hearn MSC

Spirituality of Jules Chevalier: *"Let us be ready to undertake any apostolic ministry, but let us be most willing to remain unknown and, as it were, hidden from the world.."* MSC Constitutions 1877

Coming Up

- **Tuesday 25 April ANZAC DAY Midday Mass only celebration. (There is no 5.40pm Mass on Anzac Day)**
- **Wednesday 26th April: St. Mark.**
- **Friday 28th April : St Peter Chanel 1st martyr of Pacific**
- **Saturday 29 April: St Catherine of Sienna (Italy)**

BIBLE STUDY

Matthew's Gospel, for people in hard times.

Tuesday Sessions: 7:30 pm to 8:30 pm followed by refreshments.

10 sessions from 2 May to 4 July 2017

Friday Sessions: 10:00 am to 11:30 am refreshments served mid session.

10 sessions from 5 May to 7 July 2017

Venue: Ventnor heritage building OLSH Randwick

Cost: \$20 for the book set and refreshments Payment received and books handed out at the first session.

Church transept refurbishment: on Monday the last remaining windows – two small ones in the sacristy will be replaced. PHMSC

Brigidine College Ex-Students: 95th Annual Reunion. Sunday May 7, 1.30pm Afternoon Tea in Synan Hall, \$35 RSVP: Brigidine17@gmail.com (Janet (Russell) Morrissey).

YOUNG ADULTS: The group meets first and third Thursdays of the month, If you are new to the Parish you will be welcomed – an easy-going group and a great place to make friends and to live the faith in a supportive environment. Contact Fr Tru: truducnguyen@gmail.com

SPIRITUALITY IN THE PUB:

Wednesday 3rd May, 2017.

TOPIC : "Room at the Table"

Come, share a drink and engage in some stimulating conversation with Fr. Peter Maher and Sr. Anne Jordan.

VENUE: The Paddington RSL from 7.30pm -9pm

Liturgy Group and Choir: we will need to rebound rather quickly after Easter to prepare for ANZAC Day. PHMSC

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New Parishioners (Hand to a Priest or Acolyte after Mass)

Name: _____

Contact No: _____

Email: _____

Address: _____ Date Submitted: ____/____/____

OLSH Chinese Community:

聖母聖心堂华语组:

我们每月一次在本堂相聚，分享友情及信仰，聆听主耶稣 指导的人生旅程和真谛，认识新朋友。欢迎大家参加每月第二周 **星期日 下午 2:30pm** 的聚会，每三个月一次下午 1:30pm 的聚餐。聚会地点: VENTNOR HOUSE

联系电话: 9399 6775

EASTER CRAFT STALL in aid of St. Joseph's Nursing Home. Lots of lovely gifts, blankets rugs, towels all hand made. It will be held on Sunday 23rd April after all Masses. Looking forward to seeing you there.

OLSH KENSINGTON EX-STUDENTS'

ANNUAL MASS AND LUNCH

21st May, 2017 at 11 am

in OLSH Convent Chapel.

RSVP 14th May olshexstudents@gmail.com

Catholic Weekly: \$2 Feature articles on the centenary of the apparitions at Fatima, May 13; articles on the bombing of the Coptic Churches in Egypt and the Pope is to visit Cairo on 29-29 April; review of movie on Armenian Genocide; article on ANZAC Day'; article on Martin Luther;