

Spring-tide Greetings (not that we can feel it just yet!)

The following is from the Archdiocese and heads the Petition available in the foyer on the proposed Legislation on Voluntary Assisted Dying. (Euthanasia)

This Petition of citizens of New South Wales states our strong opposition to the *Voluntary Assisted Dying Bill 2017* that is expected to be introduced into the New South Wales Parliament sometime during the second half of 2017. Assisted suicide involves helping an individual to take their own life. Euthanasia involves the conscious and deliberate killing of another human being. The law in this state has traditionally upheld respect for human life. The passing of a law which codifies and legalises assisted suicide and euthanasia would fundamentally undermine that respect and radically change the nature of the doctor-patient relationship.

We are particularly concerned that this bill or similar legislation poses a particular danger to the frail, aged, sick, mentally impaired, vulnerable and disabled in our state. We do not believe that such legislation can create and enforce safeguards. It is simply not possible to provide guarantees against potential abuse and exploitation of such laws as demonstrated in jurisdictions where assisted suicide and euthanasia have already been legalised. We are also concerned that such laws if they are passed will be amended over time to expand their access and availability beyond what was originally provided for. This opening up or liberalising the application of assisted suicide and euthanasia laws over time has been a feature of a number of overseas jurisdictions where such laws operate.

Every citizen of this state should have access to the best possible care at the end of their life. Palliative care is the primary means through which such care is delivered. Ongoing work must continue to ensure that high quality palliative care is available right across the state, no matter where a person lives.”

Let us imagine for a moment what this could mean for a **Home** like that of the **Little Sisters of the Poor** just down the street here in Randwick, for whom the very notion of euthanasia is against their consciences and practices over nearly 200 years of being with dying people. Further, 6 out of 10 palliative care beds in Australia are provided by the Catholic Church, surely a clear sign of how we value life until its natural end. One important question if legislation is passed, is what protection will there be for people and institutions who do not in conscience accept euthanasia?

Please make sure to sign the petition at the doors as you leave the Church.

Prayer for Fathers' Day:

**Heavenly Father, today we pray especially for our fathers,
and all who show a father's love for us.**

We ask you to shower your blessings upon them.

Grant them wisdom to guide their children along right paths.

Grant them strength in their daily work.

Bless and help them, as they provide for our needs.

May they experience our love and respect each day.

May they be examples to us of your kindness and forgiveness.

You, who are Father of us all, hold all fathers in your care. Amen



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2/3rd September, 2017

Twenty Second Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year A

1st Reading: Jeremiah 20:7-9 **2nd Reading:** Romans 12:1-2

Gospel: Matthew 16:21-27

Entrance Antiphon: Have mercy of me, O Lord, for I cry to you all the day long. O Lord you are good and forgiving full of mercy to all who call to you.

Responsorial Psalm: Ps 62 - My soul is thirsting for you, O Lord my God.

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia! May the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ enlighten the eyes of our heart, that we might see how great is the hope to which we are called. Alleluia!

Communion Antiphon: How great is the goodness, Lord, that you keep for those who fear you.

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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.



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

Into your loving care we commend :

Recently Deceased: Kathleen Maher, Dalfena Sanchez, Renee Lee, Mark Fallon, Anthony Adam, Leo O'Sullivan, Maria Lourdes Bayot, Willoughby Chester Goodwin,

Anniversaries and Deceased: Deceased Family Members, Dolores and Frank Corry, William Crothers, Lydia Batal, Ivan Curotta, Louis Fitzgerald, Romeo and Ronaldo Morelos, Lou Boshell, Phillip Merillo, Sebastino Squadrito, Rudy Du Pratt, Robert and Gertrude Trutuein, Tamoy Coyco, Joaquim Morais,.

Special Intentions: Pat Thorogood, Fr. Shallvey, MSC, Sister Zita Barron,CSB, Maria Morais

We welcome into our Catholic family:

Marley Joe Smith.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION - OLSH RANDWICK.

First Holy Communion: Saturday 16th Sept - Vigil Mass 6pm, Sunday 17th September 10am, 12.00noon.

Catholic Weekly: \$2 "gender fluidity" resources used in some USA schools; Study of the proposed Euthanasia Laws for NSW; FATHERS' DAY lift out by Robert Falzon (The *Father Factor* speaker and *Man Alive* founder); responding to criticism of the Leuven Project (a Belgian Catholic University-inspired evangelisation approach in some Catholic High Schools) new Melkite Church in Merrylands; brief news items of churches around the world: Iranian youth converting to Christianity in large numbers; worries in Hong Kong about Vatican attitude to status of Patriotic (government controlled) Church in China;

Thanks to the Brigidine choir and all who prepared the candidates for Confirmation last Sunday evening – a beautiful Mass. PHSMC

EMHCs NOT ON EMAIL: Copies of the new roster will be available in the Sacristy from lunch time next Tuesday, Sept. 5.

Coming Up

- **W/e2/3 - Fathers Day.**
- **Mon 4 Sept: Senior Women's Group-10am Cloister Room**
- **Tues 5 Sept: Senior Mens Group-10am Cloister Room**
- **Fri 8 Sept: Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary**
- **Sat 9 Sept: St Peter Claver**
- **Sept 9/10 W/end: Catholic Missions Appeal-Child protection Sunday.**
- **W/e 16-17Sept: OLSH 1st Holy Communion Masses.**

OLSH YOUTH GROUP: Contact youtholsh@gmail.com Next meeting third Saturday of the month – followed by Mass at 6.00pm where the youth sing. This is a beautiful occasion for young people (First Holy Communion – Year 4- upwards – Year 10 or so). They have an opportunity to participate more meaningfully in the life of the parish, together with simple fun time together. Peter Hearn MSC

Australian Youth Festival December 7 – 9 at Olympic Park. Eastern Deanery

There are little over 130 days until Sydney welcomes the young people of Australia to the Australian Catholic Youth Festival. Today our Parish launches our call to invite young people of the area to join our **Eastern Deanery Group**. If you or your children or grandchildren are aged between Year 9 (High School) and 30 years of age, please consider calling Janice on 0414 188 682 or contact easterndeanery-sydney@gmail.com to find out all the details and how to become part of our group.

Registration: Full \$280. We do not know yet what a one day or sessional costs will be, given that many can't get time off work to go. PHSMC

READERS NOT ON EMAIL: The new roster will be available in the Sacristy from this Tuesday, 29 August.

Family and Faith Liturgy last Wednesday evening at OLSH Church: the Church was packed for this engaging childrens' liturgy under the direction of John Burland and his band. While OLSH School provided the main choirs, also in attendance were groups from St. Margaret Mary's, St Charles, St Anthony, St Brigid and Holy Family schools. Congratulations to all involved, especially the Family Educator for OLSH, Mrs Jacinta Attard. There is so much talent in our communities. Peter Hearn MSC

Bible Studies at OLSH Randwick: St Paul's first letter to the Corinthians.

Begins: **Tuesdays:** 8 sessions 5 September to 24 October 7:30pm to 8:45pm OR

Fridays: 8 sessions 8 September to 26 October 10:00am to 11:30 am

Venue: Ventnor heritage house OLSH

No registration just turn up at the first session. Cost \$20 for the book.

Congratulations to the SMM Community for a beautiful First Holy Communion Mass for 29 children last Sunday morning. Let us pray that the memories will remain with the children all their life. Peter Hearn MSC

Archbishop Fishers Addresses on Three Challenges: Euthanasia Legislation; Same Sex Marriage and Seal of Confessional: <https://youtu.be/Glu7rYaHgdg> (8 mins)

Euthanasia (2 mins): youtu.be/V9ZmXqf7Yes Seal of Confessional: (2 mins): <https://youtu.be/Q7XVZ7hVEss>

YOUNG ADULTS: The group meets first and third Thursdays of the month in Ventnor. We return to *Sycamore Program* next meeting. Contact Fr Tru: truducnguyen@gmail.com

Spirituality of Jules Chevalier Founder MSC and OLSH: "*Jules Chevalier knew that if his missionaries wanted Christ to work through them then, through prayer and contemplation they must have Christ before their eyes and in their hearts.*" EJ Cuskelly MSC *Man With A Mission*

"Next meeting for the MSC Lay apostolate will be this Sunday, 3rd September at 1.15pm Please bring a sandwich for lunch"

Catholic Care: Supporting the people of Sydney for 75 years. Our Family Support Services help families in the Sydney Archdiocese who may be struggling with managing daily life. To find out more call **13 18 19**

Congratulations: to Alana Thorne of SMM Parish who has received the Archbishop's award for Student Excellence. Alana is an accomplished musician who generously gives of her talents at the 5.30pm Mass. She attends St. Vincent's College. Peter Hearn, MSC

Knitting Group: Please join us in knitting rugs for people in need to keep them warm on cold nights., Meet at Ventnor on the 2nd and 4th Mondays 10--11.30am. All welcome.

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

Name: _____ Contact No: _____

Email: _____

Address: _____ Date Submitted: ___/___/___