

Asylum Seekers: latest changes to government policies.

The *Department of Home Affairs* has said: **“We have a target to reduce the number of people seeking asylum receiving Government support from 12,000 to 5,000.”**

- Pregnant women, families with young children, and survivors of torture who do not meet the heightened vulnerability criteria set by the Department will be left without any form of income to pay rent, pay for prescriptions, or even get enough food for each day.
- Support for people seeking asylum has been provided in recent years through the SRSS program. The program provides a basic living allowance (typically 89% of Newstart allowance, or approximately \$35 per day), casework support and access to torture and trauma counselling.
- It is counterproductive to force people into being homeless and hungry when most are likely to be in Australia for the long term. Past statistics demonstrate that at least 70% of people who arrived by boat were found to be in need of refugee protection and remained in Australia.
- States, local communities, and charities will bear the brunt of the consequences of these cruel changes: overstretched agencies will see an increase in people seeking emergency relief for food, clothing, blankets, and support to pay rent.
- Having often faced traumatic circumstances, they can have difficulty finding work because of their lack of permanent status and are not entitled to the social security payments available to others.
- The Government did not permit people to work for several years, but once work rights were granted, many people seeking asylum have worked to support themselves. Unfortunately, many of the jobs were short-term, and this temporary work has meant that people need basic financial assistance while they look for another job.
- This harsh policy is entirely within the discretion of the Minister, and does not require Cabinet approval or legislative change to reverse. In the context of the overall budget, the savings also appear to be relatively minor.

Most recently, the Government announced that it will remove funding from any person who is deemed mentally or physically fit to work. We are also concerned about the safety of children as access to childcare subsidies will not be made available. We have been told that anyone who is ‘deemed’ fit to work, will be issued a letter. **Once they receive the letter, they will have 7 – 10 days to find employment and a place to live.**

OLSH PPC will investigate an avenue to channel assistance. Meanwhile you may like to sign the petition from CAPSA (Catholic Alliance for People Seeking Asylum) <https://actionnetwork.org/petitions/reinstate-basic-support-for-people-seeking-asylum?source=email&> Sources: **Refugee Council of Australia Fact Sheet (See foyer notices)** ; St Brigid’s Social Justice Group, Coogee. Peter Hearn MSC



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15th Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year B
14/15th July, 2018



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

1st Reading: Amos 7:12-15

2nd Reading: Ephesians 1:3-14

Gospel: Mark: 6:7-13

Entrance Antiphon: As for me, in justice I shall behold your face; I shall be filled with the vision of your glory.

Responsorial Psalm: Lord, show us your mercy and love, and grant us your salvation.

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 love to which we are called. Alleluia!

Communion Antiphon: The sparrow finds a home, and the swallow a nest for her young: by your altars, O Lord of hosts, my King and my God. Blessed are they who dwell in your house for ever singing your praise.

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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.

Sunday: 9.30am

Baptisms

Held at OLSH, 1:15pm Sundays.

Contact the Parish Office on 9399 6775.

Into your loving care we commend :

Recently Deceased: Conor Egleston, P J Keating, Evelyn Laura Hoiles, Juniar Bernhard.

Anniversaries and Deceased: Rosanne Di Gori, Natalia Crisafi, Raymond Leon (Birthday Rem) Nick Hltchen, Ethel Turner, Angie Coyco, Henry Liu, Tjandra San, Nilda Coyco, Attencia Claude, Len Jarman, William Crothers.

Special Intentions: .Thanksgiving .

We welcome into our Catholic family:

Rosie Mullan, Margot Scully, Hugo Brown.

'TODDLER TALES' FOR

PARENTS WITH PRAMS

every Friday AT 9.30am Cloister Room

The Archdiocese of Sydney Safeguarding Office

If you or a person close to you has been abused by someone working or ministering within the Archdiocese of Sydney we invite you to contact us. We will listen to you respectfully, offer support and discuss the options you have available to you. Please contact the Safeguarding and Ministerial Integrity Office on ph 02 9390 5812.

(See Foyer for Cards to contact Safeguarding Office.)

Young Adults

1st and 3rd Tuesdays 7.00 Cloister Room:
Fr Tru: truducnguyen@gmail.com.
Bring a friend and enjoy the laughs, meals, companionship, prayer and reflections.

Coming Up:

- ⇒ **Mon 16th July: Our Lady of Mount Carmel.**
- ⇒ **Fri 20 July: St. Apollinaris martyr.**
- ⇒ **Sat 21 July: Mass of Our Lady Our Lady of Mount Carmel**

OLSH Parish Facebook Page

To stay up to date with the latest news, mass times and information about events in the Parish, LIKE our Facebook page www.facebook.com/olshparish.randwick

OLSH CHURCH REPAIRS: The final lot of repairs will involve a boom being used to finish the part of the wall and windows on the Shrine Wall overlooking Platinum Pre-School. This will be done on weekends and does not include the window over the Main Altar – that will be for a later period. Thank you for your patience. The work done has been of a uniformly high quality – especially the Last Supper and St Margaret Mary Windows which required extensive external replacement glass. Peter Hearn MSC

Spirituality of Jules Chevalier:

"The third aim of the MSC Society is to bring the love of the heart of Jesus to the whole world." Constitution 1877

CLEAN WATER LUNCHEON.

A lunch will be held in Ventnor following the midday Mass on Thursday 19th July to assist the MSC's in helping the many in need of clean water. Your attendance and donations would be greatly appreciated.

Two Kinds of People: those who wake up in the morning and say: "Good morning, God", and those who say: "Good God, its morning!" [from *Our Stories define Us* by Fr Noel Mansfield MSC, Adelaide]

First Holy Communion Dates (OLSH)

Information night
Tuesday 7th August- 7pm

Sacrament of First Communion:
Weekend 15/16th September, 2018

First Holy Communion Dates (STMM)

Information Night
Tuesday 24th July at 6pm.

Sacrament of First Communion
Sunday 26th August - 9.30am

Youth Group:

Contact youtholsh@gmail.com The youth group meets third Saturday at 4.00pm for fun and games followed by choir practice and singing at the 6.00pm Mass.
Fr Tru

Annals:

MSC Magazine available in foyer \$5: articles on suppression of monasteries under Henry VIII; Civil liberty and Christianity connected; Witchcraft and Exorcism...

Planned Giving: Tax receipts for 2017/2018 are available to pick up in the foyer of the Church from this weekend. Any queries please contact the office 9399 6775 and press 3 to speak to Anita.

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

Name: _____ Contact No: _____

Email: _____

Address: _____ Date Submitted: ___/___/___

Mass usually attended: _____

'A Quiet Place Within'

A book of contemplations from the heart by Br Khoi Doan Nguyen msc, soon to be ordained as an MSC priest. Available from the Piety Stall-\$20.

St Vincent de Paul – Total amount received

OLSH - \$20,000

SMM - \$5,500.

Thank you to all who donated to our Winter Appeal. It is greatly appreciated.

Senior Bookkeeper, Coogee.

The Missionaries of the Sacred Heart(MSC) are seeking a Senior Bookkeeper at the Provincial House, Coogee. It is part-time, 2-3 days a week. To obtain a full job description or to apply, please send an email to manager@msc.org.au or call Rene on 9665 8999 and press 3 . Application close 10th August.

Rachel's Vineyard

Rachel's Vineyard Retreat is a journey of spiritual healing to help women and men overcome the painful effects of an abortion experience. The retreat offers a sanctuary in which to renew, rebuild and redeem hearts broken by abortion in a safe, supportive, confidential and non-judgmental environment. The retreat we offer is a service for all who seek spiritual healing and wholeness in their lives. The next retreat will be held: **10 - 12 August** and **16 - 18 November.**