

Spring - time greetings.

This week past has seen graduating classes from Brigidine on Wednesday and Marcellin come to OLSH Church for their Graduation Masses. The liturgies were beautifully organised and presented. All seemed to be very happy and proud of their schools. We congratulate the staff and the students and wish them every blessing for their futures. It is timely to remember that many of them are graduates of our Primary Schools where they receive an excellent base for further studies.

Later in the year we will be farewelling **Ms Edmondson** who has lead Brigidine for the past 11 years and Mr Hickey who has been at the helm of Marcellin for the past 4 years, This term he is on a well-earned sabbatical but will return at the end of the term for a farewell and hand over to the new Principal once that person is appointed.

Report from last week's Parish Diocesan 2020 Plenary Council Discussion Group

A group of parishioners met last week to discuss the future of the Catholic Church in Australia. Our **topic** was the **Bishops and Congregational leaders' response to the recommendations of the Royal Commission into Institutional Responses to Child Sexual Abuse**. The bulk of the royal commission recommendations have been accepted by the Bishops but some have been sent to the Vatican for its consideration. The one recommendation which was clearly rejected was the recommendation that laws concerning mandatory reporting to child protection authorities should not exempt priests from being required to report knowledge of suspicions formed in connection with a religious confession. We discussed and generally supported the Bishops' move to protect the seal of confession.

We also considered the recommendation that the church allow voluntary celibacy for priests and discussed whether this would actually reduce the potential number of perpetrators of child sexual abuse in the light of recent evidence from a study of the Anglican Church of Australia which reported little difference between the proportion of perpetrators in that church who were married or celibate.

There was support for the Royal Commission's recommendations that (i) the Bishops and Leaders of Religious Orders should work with the Vatican in establishing a tribunal for trying canonical disciplinary cases and (ii) the church should establish a transparent process for appointing bishops which includes the direct participation of lay people. There was also widespread support by the group of the Australian Catholic Church's Truth, Justice and Healing Commission recommendation that the Australian Bishops look for ways to promote more women to leadership positions in the Church.

The discussion was intelligent, enthusiastic, well-meaning and hope seeking. Parishioners spoke of a local church they loved but a national church they thought in need of reform. The conversation is part of our parish's preparation for the Australian Church's Plenary Council where we are all asked: "What do you think God is asking of us in Australia at this time?"

Our next meeting will be on Monday evening, November 12. Please mark it on your diary as everyone is welcome to join the discussion,

Michael Blowes



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26th Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year B
30th September, 2018

*Accessible Seats -
Rows 5,6,7 and cross
aisles. Front 6 seats*

1st Reading: Numbers 11:25-29

2nd Reading: James 5:1-6

Gospel: Mark 9:38-43, 45, 47-48

Entrance Antiphon: All that you have done to us, O Lord, you have done with true judgment for we have sinned against you and not obeyed your commandments. But give glory to your name and deal with us according to the bounty of your mercy.

Responsorial Psalm: The precepts of the Lord give joy to the heart.,

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia! Your word, O Lord, is truth: make us holy in the truth. Alleluia!

Communion Antiphon: Remember your word to your servant, O Lord, by which you have given me hope. This is my comfort when I am brought low.

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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: Giulio Battista, Monty O'Mahony, Barbara Francis, Francis Meade, Tony Davis, Victoria Swan , Gerard Fogarty, Robert Tolliver, Harold Newcombe, Fr. George Connolly.

Anniversaries and Deceased: James Byrne, Lola Cramer, Pat de la Motte, Frank and Dolores Corry, Bill Capon, James Byrne, William Crothers, Robert Weekes, Peter Irwin , Marie Joseph, Kenneth Fong, Sean Doherty, Stephen Wilkinson, Doris Wakefield, Len Jarman .

Special Intentions: Sister Andre Lane CSB, Sister Elizabeth Hayes, CSB, Evelyn O'Keefe, Sarah Sharkey.

Baptisms:

We welcome into our Catholic Community: Lukas Petrik and George Mulvey.

Young Adults

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

OLSH YOUTH GROUP:

Contact youtholsh@gmail.com The youth group meet on the Third Saturday at 4.00pm for fun and games followed by choir practice and singing at the 6.00pm Mass.

Australian Catholic Bishops' Response to the Report from the Royal Commission into Institutional Abuse of Children, Go to Archdiocesan web site for the full response: www.sydneycatholic.org

Knitting Group: We meet on the 2nd and 4th Mondays of the month at 10am at Ventnor.

Coming Up:

- ◆ **Sunday 30th Sept: 26th Sunday Year B. St Joseph's Nursing Home stall**
- ◆ **Mon 1st Oct: St Therese of Lisieux**
- ◆ **Tues 2nd Oct : Guardian Angels**
- ◆ **Thurs 4th Oct: St Francis of Assisi**
- ◆ **Sat 6th Oct: Mass of Our Lady**
- ◆ **Sat/Sun 20/21st Oct: Sunday Masses PARISH FEAST of Our Lady of the Sacred Heart.**

STMM Parish will celebrate Jay's special birthday after the Saturday Vigil on 13th October. Everyone is welcome to join Jay and her family for drinks and finger food.

SENIORS: Do you know seniors in your community who could use a little help at home? CATHOLIC CARE SERVICES help seniors to enjoy living independently in their own home with comfort and confidence. Call [Careline on 13 18 19](tel:131819) to find out more.

The Catholic 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.)

Senior Ladies Group. Because of the Public Holiday the Group will meet at 10 am on Monday, 8th October in the Cloister Room. A very interesting topic will be presented so you are encouraged to attend. Thank you .

First Reconciliation Dates for OLSH:

Information Night: 30 October—7pm
Sacrament of Reconciliation: 29th November

First Reconciliation Dates for St. MM:

Information Night: 16th October –6pm in Church.
Sacrament of Reconciliation: 15th November at 6pm

Spirituality of Jules Chevalier: *"Jesus places humility first among all the virtues because it is the root of all others and it was through humility that he taught the world." Ecole du Sacré-Coeur, 1892.*

PARISH FEAST DAY OF OUR LADY OF THE SACRED HEART:

20/21 October Saturday Vigil and all Masses on Sunday. Choirs/Musicians please note – special readings for the Day. We will be looking for people to provide the suppers, breakfast and barbeques for the different Masses as in the past 10 years. The 10.00am Mass is a Family Mass and the morning tea is provided by the parents of the Year Group. The MSC Community buy the cakes as our gift to parishioners.

St Jospeh's Nursing Home Fundraising

Stall: Held this weekend in foyer of Church after Masses. Money raised will be used for much needed equipment for the home . Your support is greatly appreciated. essen-

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

Name: _____ Contact No: _____

Email: _____

Address: _____ Date Submitted: ___/___/___

Mass usually attended: _____

Grandmothers Against Detention of Refugee Children:

Mission: "to achieve freedom for all refugee children held by or on behalf of the Australian Government...on the mainland or on Off-shore Processing Centres on Nauru. We will also continue to advocate for a better future for the children released from the Nauruan Processing Centre into the Nauruan community." Contact: Facebook www.facebook.com/GADRC/ Twitter: @gadrcnsw Instagram: grandmothersrefsyd <http://gadrc.org/> To Join the group: grandmothersrefsyd@gmail.com PHMSC

MSC Lay Associates. Fr. Jim Littleton, MSC, National Director of the Lay Associates will be visiting us on Sunday, 7th October at 1.15 pm. We will have Lunch together followed by Mass.

CATHOLIC MISSIONS SUNDAY APPEAL.

Thanks to all who have contributed so far. We will be able to send the Catholic Mission Office (not to be confused with the MSC Mission Office at Kensington Monastery) around \$10,000. Some parishioners send money directly to the office and so later on we will have a better idea of the total. Peter Hearn MSC

Fr. Greg McEnally has just had his third book released called "A traveller in Fujau province, China. A display copy is in the Presbytery. Copies are available through Booktopia or email : gregmcennally@yahoo.com.