

**The following is an extract from Archbishop Fisher's letter concerning the ministry of the Sacrament of Reconciliation, especially with children.**

"The Sacrament of Penance is a gift from the Lord, in which the baptized "obtain pardon from the mercy of God for the offence committed against Him and are at the same time reconciled with the Church, which they have wounded by their sins, and which by charity, examples and prayer seeks their conversion." (Second Vatican Council, *Lumen Gentium* no.11)

By this sacrament, "those who by grave sin have withdrawn from the communion of love with God are called back in the Sacrament of Penance to the life they have lost. And those who through daily weakness fall into venial sins draw strength from a repeated celebration of Penance to gain full freedom of the children of God." (*Rite of Penance*, Intro, no.7)

Therefore an important part of the pastoral mission of the Church, especially in the life of the Parish, is to make the Sacrament of Penance readily available to both adults and children who have reached the use of reason (usually 7 years of age) and have reasonably requested confession (*Code of Canon Law* can.986) and to help them appreciate the sacrament and approach it willingly and with confidence.

Whether the sacrament is celebrated according to the *Rite for Reconciliation of Individual Penitents*, or according to the *Rite for Reconciliation of Several Penitents with Individual Confession and Absolution*, it is always necessary for the penitent to make an individual confession of their sins to the priest. For various reasons some people will find it easier to approach the sacrament if they are confident that they can confess with anonymity. The pastoral experience of many priests suggests that it is helpful that adults are aware of the ready availability of anonymity and that children and young adults come to know of it also.

Children and young adults in Catholic schools across the Archdiocese of Sydney will usually experience the Sacrament of Penance in the context of a class group celebration in the Parish Church. Adults in the Parish will generally experience this sacrament in the context of a regularly scheduled time for individual confession. While respecting the different characteristics of each form of celebration of the sacrament, it is also pastorally helpful to celebrate the sacrament with minors in such a way as to help ready them for a future in which they will approach the sacrament outside the context of a school group. It is also important to help adults, who may have been away from the sacrament for some time and who wish return to Confession, to do so as easily and comfortably as possible.

The purpose of these new norms is therefore to respond to contemporary expectations with respect to child protection while also helping to see that the places where confessions are heard are pastorally appropriate for their important sacramental purpose."

*Dated this tenth day of July 2018.*

Most Rev Anthony Fisher OP  
Archbishop of Sydney



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Rows 5,6,7 and cross  
aisles. Front 6 seats

**3/4th November, 2018**

**31st Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year B.**

**1st Reading:** Deuteronomy 6:2-6

**2nd Reading:** Hebrews 7:23-28

**Gospel:** Mark 12:28-34

**Entrance Antiphon:** Forsake me not, O Lord, my God; be not far from me! Make haste and come to my help, O Lord, my strong salvation!

**Responsorial Psalm:** I love you, Lord, my strength.

**Gospel Acclamation:** Alleluia, alleluia! All who love me will keep my words, and my Father will love them, and we will come to them. Alleluia!

**Communion Antiphon:** You will show me the path of life, the fullness of joy in your presence, O Lord.

#### **Parish Office**

Monday- Friday 9am-5pm (Closed 1pm-2pm)

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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:**

Yvonne Beattie, David Lee, Josefa Abad, Purification Lee.

**Anniversaries and Deceased:** Lyn McDonagh, Anelka & Janko Bravar, Josip, Šime and Anotelo Pedišić, Len Jarman, Blance Olsen, Fausto Del Vecchio, Kenneth Fong, Alfred Cauchi, Maria and Miko Vucetic, Renato and Canidad Queyquep, Mick Hackett, Norah Gilmore, Ronaldo and Romeo Morelos, Maud O'Brien, Thomas Booth, Henri de Polignac, Luigi De Martin, Margaret Dennehy, Dr. Brian Digges, Lance Horan, Giuseppe Zagari, Bill Sawyer, Karl de Waal, Fia and Castiglia Families, Joseph and Jane Fuzia, Vucetic Families.

**Special Intentions:** Gloria Dunn, Margaret McHugh, Gloria Dunn.

**We welcome into our Catholic Community:**

Owen Doyle, Sebastian Scahill.

**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 to find out more.

**Parish Safeguarding Officer:**

Please be aware that we have a Parish Safeguarding Officer: Mary Croke. Mary has experience in Community Services for Children and Families. Any concerns or worries you have can be confidentially discussed with her: 0400 620 335 I am very grateful to Mary for taking on this role for us. Peter Hearn MSC

**EMHC's NOT ON EMAIL:** Copies of the new roster will be available in the Sacristy from this Tuesday, 6th November.

**Coming Up:**

- ◆ **Sat 3 Nov: St Martin de Porres**
- ◆ **Sat/Sun 3-4 Nov: CWF Collection Tax Deductible**
- ◆ **Sat 10 Nov: St Leo the Great**
- ◆ **Sun 11 Nov: 32nd Sun. Yr B: Armistice Day Centenary –11.00am**
- ◆ **Mon 12: Plenary Council Group meet 7.15pm Cloister Room**
- ◆ **Thurs 15: St MM First Reconciliation—Church—6.30pm**
- ◆ **Tues 29 Nov: OLSH First Reconciliation -Church 7pm**

**Saturday Vigil Choir —Wkend of 2nd Sunday**

All welcome to join us. We meet before the Mass for rehearsal. No experience necessary just a love of singing. Contact Parish Office.

**Young Adults**

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

**OLSH YOUTH GROUP:**

Contact [youtholsh@gmail.com](mailto: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, this time for the Olsh Feast Day next Saturday night 20th October.

**MSC Lay Associates**— our next meeting will be held on this Sunday 4th November at 1.15pm. Please bring lunch to share.

**Plenary Council Group Meeting:** We are having another conversation to discuss the future direction of the Australian church. 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 at 7.00pm in the Cloister Room. The topic will be 'future models of church'. Everyone is welcome to join in and discuss our shared future. **Michael Blowes, Convenor.**

**Spirituality of Jules Chevalier:** *"Jules Chevalier wanted companions who were more than just people of action, who would let themselves be drawn to Christ to share in His concern for others; then their own desire and their human concern could be assumed by God and converted into mission."* Cuskelly, *Man With a Mission, p.125f*

**A Choral Christmas Celebration Concert**

On Friday 14 December, St Mary's Cathedral will celebrate this special time of year with carols and an overwhelming feeling of Christmas joy for the annual, and much anticipated *A Choral Christmas Celebration* concert. There will be two performances at 11am & 7pm with tickets starting at \$20. Visit [www.cathedralchoir.sydney/acc](http://www.cathedralchoir.sydney/acc) for more information.

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

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Contact No: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Date Submitted: \_\_\_/\_\_\_/\_\_\_

Mass usually attended: \_\_\_\_\_

**Senior Mens and Womens Group:** Women meet the first Monday of the Month and the next meeting will be in the Cloister Room at 10am this Monday at 10am. Men meet this Tuesday 6th November. New members very welcome.

**Combined Choirs—Midnight: Mass for Christmas:**

Practice begins Wednesday night 7pm. New singers welcome. PH MSC

**First Reconciliation Dates for OLSH:**

Sacrament of Reconciliation: 29th November

**First Reconciliation Date for St. MM:**

Sacrament of Reconciliation: 15th November at 6pm

**Spirituality of Jules Chevalier:**

*"Jules Chevalier never stirred up trouble. Violence was not his way, but he quietly moved towards his goal; nobody could divert him from it. He was gently stubborn."* Abbe Belleville, Testimony 1907