



# HOLY NAME OF MARY PARISH RYDALMERE

Second Sunday of Lent / B  
25 February 2018

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## MASS TIMES

<b>SUNDAY EUCHARIST:</b>	Saturday Vigil	5.30pm
	Sunday	7.30am & 9.30am
<b>WEEKDAY EUCHARIST:</b>	Tuesday - Saturday	9.15am
<b>RECONCILIATION:</b>	Saturday	4.30pm - 5.15pm
<b>ANOIDING OF SICK WITHIN MASS</b>	1st Saturday bi monthly (Feb, Apr, Jun, Aug, Oct, Dec)	9.15am
<b>EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT &amp; BENEDICTION</b>	Exposition/Benediction: Friday	8.30am
	Exposition: Wednesday & Saturday	8.30am
<b>PRAYER OF THE CHURCH:</b>	Tuesday	9.00am
	Friday	8.30am
<b>BAPTISMS:</b>	1 <sup>st</sup> & 3 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday of month	11.30am

## Please Pray For

### RECENTLY DECEASED:

Alain Sircilles, Fr Peter Neville, Julie Egan, Elizabeth Nicholson, Fr Grove Johnson, Clive Constable, John Rizk, Fr Brian Rooney, Joseph Kutajczyk, Sunta Spinetti, Amada Enaje.

### ANNIVERSARIES:

Claude Murray, Colin Francis Wright, Josephine Khoury, Fr Lawrence Pedemont - Tom Donohoe, Joseph Wehbe, Wahid Frome, Phyllis Lamont, Phyllis Jennings George Sant, Frederick Herft.

## Rosters - 3/4 March

### Altar Servers:

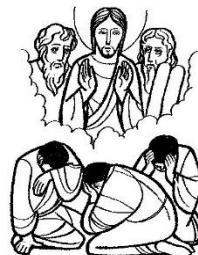
Vigil 5.30pm Jan & Trinity Tecala, Isobella Barakat  
Sun. 9.30am Stephanie Belford, Olivia Vassallo

### Ministers of Communion:

Vigil 5.30pm Barbara Rosario, Diane O'Shea  
Sun. 9.30am Evelyn Artiaga, Catherine Fitzpatrick  
Patrick Edouard-Betsy, Michael Otter, Ben Horne

### Counters:

Vigil 8.30pm Anne Betteridge, Anne-Marie Hewkins  
Sun. 7.30am Gail Dick, Glenys Oxlee  
Sun. 9.30am David Vassallo, Geoff Kirby



## CHOIR PRACTICE FOR EASTER

The adult choir will be practising for the Easter Masses every **Wednesday** evening in the Church starting at 7.30pm. Please bring your music from last year. Enquiries to Bernadette Flynn 9613 9296.

## ORGANISTS

We urgently need organists to accompany the adult choir for Easter and also for weekend Masses. If you can help please speak to Fr Peter or Bernadette Flynn.

## STEPPING BEYOND: SUPPORT FOR THOSE SEPARATED OR DIVORCED

This Support group is held on the last Tuesday of each month for those going through a separation or divorce. We will be speaking about "Identifying Challenging Emotions and strategies for dealing with them." Next Gathering: **27<sup>th</sup> February. Venue:** 13 Buller St, North Parramatta **Time:** 7pm - 9pm. Cost: \$5.00. **Registration Essential:** Rita Ph. 8843 2530 or email soloparentservices@ccss.org.au Flyer on Parish Notice Board.



## EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST

Any parishioner who would like to become an Extraordinary Minister of the Eucharist, please place your name and details on the clipboard at the back of the Church. Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist assist the priest with the distribution of Holy Communion at Mass. The ministers also take Holy Communion to the sick and housebound, those in Nursing homes, etc. A training course will be held in the Church on Wednesday, 21<sup>st</sup> March at 7.30pm.

## YOUTH NEWS

Youth Group - March 3<sup>rd</sup> - mark the date, put in your diary and be there! Following 5.30pm Mass we will have our first youth group for the year in the Church Hall. Ending with a meal. We would love to have those in year 5, 6, 7, 8 & 9 at school. Remember it's a free night run by volunteers leaders. Any questions, please ask Anne-Marie Hewkins - 0421 915 744 or ahewkins@yahoo.com

## CATHOLIC RELIGIOUS COURSE

The Catholic faith is a treasure given to us by God. The fortnightly course will continue on Tuesday, **13<sup>th</sup> March** in the **Presbytery** at 7.30pm. This course is open to anyone who would like to become a Catholic. The course is also geared towards Catholics who would like to enhance their faith. The course will run over a number of months. Please contact Fr Peter for details on 9684 1541.

## ANNUAL LEAVE



I will be away on Annual Leave from Tuesday, 27<sup>th</sup> February until Friday, 9<sup>th</sup> March. The Friars of Saint Francis will celebrate the parish Masses during my absence.

## WALK THE LENTEN JOURNEY ON YOUR MOBILE PHONE

The Xt3 Lent Calendar App 2018 is available for download on Apple and Android devices (search for Xt3 Lent) and can be viewed from the website: www.xt3.com/lent The Lent calendar will run from Ash Wednesday to Divine Mercy Sunday. Each day will unlock a new video, meditation or podcast, to help you prayerfully journey through Lent. The theme for the Xt3 Lent Calendar 2018 is "Let us keep our eyes fixed on Jesus."

## C.W.L. NEWS

CWL is back for 2018 and already organising activities for our members and all our parishioners. Monday 5<sup>th</sup> March is the date for our first unique **Bingo/Luncheon** which is held in the meeting room commencing at 11.30 am. Entry fee is \$3.00 and \$2.00 for raffle tickets. Included is lunch, a lucky door prize and great company. All welcome.

## HIGH/LOW TEA

This is high tea served on plates and not tiered servers, hence the name. This function will take place at Baulkham Hills TAFE on Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> March at a cost of \$20 per head. **high tea** All those attending will enjoy a glass of sparkling wine on arrival followed by sandwiches and a selection of sweet and savoury delicacies with unlimited tea and coffee. Those wishing to attend or needing transport to the TAFE please contact Vonnie Boulous on 96836350.



## STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Stations of the Cross will be held during the Fridays of Lent at 7pm. This is a traditional Catholic devotion especially during Lent.



## MOTHERS GROUP

A number of mothers in our parish have pre-school children and would like to begin a Mothers Group. If you are interested please contact Fr Peter.

## ST VINCENT DE PAUL MEETING

Our next meeting is on Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> February at 7.30pm in the Meeting Room. New members welcome.

## CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to Archer Newey who received the Sacrament of Baptism last Sunday.

## menALIVE MINISTRY

As part of our planning to form a Parish men's group, we would like invite all men to a menALIVE Men's Weekend from **8.00am 17 March to 1.30pm 18 March 2018** at St Pius' Catholic Primary School Enmore. This event will be a great way to kick-start our men's group with online registration/tickets available at www.eventbrite.com.au (search for "Menalive Enmore"). Our longer term goal is to hold a Rydalmere Parish menALIVE Men's Weekend to help renew and grow the faith of our men. Robert Falzon, a co-founder of menALIVE, will be presenting an information evening at St Kevin's Eastwood, (Parish Hall) on Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> of March 7pm. Although Robert will be speaking about the St Kevin's Eastwood menALIVE weekend (30<sup>th</sup> June/1<sup>st</sup> July), this talk will also be relevant for the Enmore weekend. For more details, please contact Shane at shane.young@ozemail.com.au or 0432 685 036. I will also be at our Lenten Seminar each Saturday morning if you would like more information on the menALIVE ministry or just to register your interest in being part of our men's group.



## NATURAL FERTILITY SERVICES

Natural Fertility Services specialises in helping couples identify the best time to achieve or postpone pregnancies. Natural Family Planning is based on the observation of the naturally occurring signs and symptoms of the fertile and infertile phases of a woman's menstrual cycle. No drugs, devices, or side effects! For more information please contact Natural Fertility Services on 02 8838 3442, 0400 427 605 or nfs@parracatholic.org

## CARITAS

I encourage parishioners to support the annual Project Compassion appeal during Lent. Boxes and Envelopes are available at the back of the church. All donations over \$2 are Tax Deductible. Please return the boxes by Easter Sunday.

## LIFE IN CHRIST LENTEN SEMINAR

I would encourage all parishioners to attend the seminar. The seminar will take the place of the Lenten discussion groups **this year only**. We need to be renewed in our faith and to be evangelisers. The seminar will be held in the parish hall, 10am to midday on the following dates:  
3<sup>rd</sup> Session, **3<sup>rd</sup> March: REPENTANCE AND FAITH**  
4<sup>th</sup> Session, 10<sup>th</sup> March: THE GIFT OF THE HOLY SPIRIT  
5<sup>th</sup> Session, 17<sup>th</sup> March: GROWING IN THE SPIRIT