



# HOLY NAME OF MARY PARISH RYDALMERE

The Baptism of the Lord / A  
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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>ANointing OF SICK WITHIN MASS</b>	1 <sup>st</sup> 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>	2 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday of month	11.30am

## Please Pray For

### RECENTLY DECEASED:

Ruth Rogan, Irene Reid, Pat McWhinnie, Maria Martin, Jacques Aristobil-Adele, Varini Massillamany, Victoria Cham, Semi Qoli, Lawrence Apap, Mili Scot, Raymonde Kaifa, Erroll White, Vilisiliva Langi, Erika Lucke, Anthony Padden, Harper Dowdall, Joyce Munro, Dante Vignado, Deacon Robert Carroll.

### ANNIVERSARIES:

Terry Withers, Mark Daley, Rafael Urbino, George Kheir, Hanna family, Maroun family, Simon Khoury, Massoud Ayoub, Anthony Vella, Carmen Vella, Charles Camilleri, Emilia Camilleri, Brian Oxlee, Annie (Nancy) Hancock, Edna Pyne, Nat O'Laughlin, Cecilia Hiutama-Purnama, John Zouki, Clive Constables, Valma O'Mara - George Sant, Frederick Herft.

## Rosters – 18/19 January

<b>Altar Servers:</b>	Vigil 5.30pm	Zechariah Acosta, Josephine & Sanderson Keyser
	Sun. 9.30am	Jacob & Mya Carr, Maria Wahbe
<b>Cleaning Ministry</b>		Caterina Cipri, Monica Jung
<b>Ministers of Communion:</b>	Vigil 5.30pm	Veronica Boulous, Rose Camilleri
	Sun. 9.30am	Lilian Garcia
<b>Computer Operators:</b>	Vigil 5.30pm	Sophie Russo
	Sun. 7.30am	Widya Jauw
	Sun. 9.30am	Alex Padden
<b>Counters:</b>	Joe Zammit, Ken Elias, David Boulous	
<b>Lectors:</b>	Vigil 5.30pm	Cathy Saad
	Sun. 7.30am	Glenys Oxlee, Ron Della Vedova
	Sun. 9.30am	Anne Marie Lyons, Anton Fernando



### ST VINCENT DE PAUL BUSHFIRE APPEAL

The national Vinnies Bushfire Appeal has been promoted by various media. So far we have raised \$4.7 million. Please visit <https://donate.vinnies.org.au/appeals-nsw/vinnies-nsw-bushfire-appeal-nsw> if you wish to contribute.

### CATHOLIC RELIGIOUS COURSE

The Catholic faith is a treasure given to us by God. This course is open to anyone who would like to become a Catholic. The next course will start on **4<sup>th</sup> February** and will run over a number of months.



### THANK YOU

A sincere and heartfelt thankyou to our parishioners for the many Christmas Cards, presents and kind words over the Christmas Season. Your affirmation and affection towards the parish clergy is deeply appreciated. May God bless you all.

*Fr Peter and Fr Pio*

### ST VINCENT DE PAUL CHRISTMAS APPEAL

A great thank you for your wonderful generosity to the St. Vincent de Paul Christmas Appeal held recently by the Rydalmere Conference.

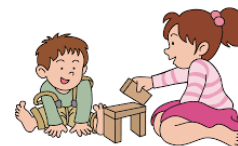
A total of \$ 5,518 was contributed by our generous Parishioners. Lee Malkoun his family, friends & supporters through Facebook donated \$2,400 of gift cards plus \$1,400 worth of groceries.

The pupils of St Patricks College Dundas along with St Mary's Primary School donated a veritable mountain of grocery items and personal care products. This fantastic outcome made it quite easy for our Conference to assemble 100 very generous hampers along with Store gift cards for those in need in the Parish. Some of the surplus grocery was given with to the Harris Park Hub and a quantity retained by Conference for future use.

On behalf of the grateful recipients (some of whom were tearful) a very warm thank you and well done to the Parishioners, the pupils and teachers of St Patrick and St Mary School who helped in making Christmas happier event to so many people in need.

*Ron Della Vedova  
(President of Rydalmere Conference)*

### CALLING ALL PARENTS, GRANDPARENTS AND PARISHIONERS!



Would you like to be part of something fun, rewarding and community building?

We are looking for volunteers to help and be a part of St Mary's playgroup in 2020. Playgroup will run each Tuesday morning from early February. We are looking for parishioners who can help set up and pack away our resources each week, prepare food and drink and simply chat, interact with and get to know our local families. If you are interested or would like further information please contact Pauline on 0412 159 763.

### C.E.D.P. HIGH SUPPORT LEARNING CENTRES

Kirinari, located in Llandilo and Wiyanga, located in Dundas, are purpose built centres for learning that provide an inclusive education for students with a moderate intellectual disability and high support needs. If you have a child or know someone who would benefit from an alternate platform for learning in Catholic Education Diocese of Parramatta, please phone 02 9840 5689 for further information.

### SAINTS OF ITALY

Explore the famous shrines and sites of Italy during this 14 Day pilgrimage led by Fr. Chris Obiekwe that features Milan, Padua, Venice, Florence, Siena, Assisi, Loretto, San Giovanni Rotondo, Sorrento, Montecassino and Rome for an all-inclusive price of \$6490 + tips. The fare includes International Airfares + Local Transfers in Deluxe coaches + Stay in Premium Hotels + All Breakfast & Dinners + English speaking professional guides. Depart on 7<sup>th</sup> June 2020. 5 seats left. For inquiries & bookings call 03 8839 6615 or 1300 721 561 or email [pilgrimage@magiholidays.com.au](mailto:pilgrimage@magiholidays.com.au)

### PRAYER FOR THOSE AFFECTED BY BUSHFIRE AND DROUGHT

Eternal God,  
In wisdom and love you created our earth to sustain us and give us life.  
We turn to you now in faith, hope and love, asking you to look with favour on our fire-ravaged and drought-stricken land, our starving and displaced animals, on our failing crops and burning farms, towns and forests. Strengthen, sustain and give new heart to our farmers and to all who are affected by drought; be with those who support them. Strengthen and comfort the victims of the fires, those who have lost family, friends, property and stock. Protect our volunteer fire fighters and all members of essential services.

In your loving providence,  
send abundant rain to quench the fires and to restore our parched earth.  
Father of all compassion,  
hear our prayer through Jesus Christ your Son, in whom the promise of new life has dawned, and through the power of the Holy Spirit, the Lord the giver of life:  
Renew your faithful people;  
Renew the face of the earth.  
Our Lady of the Southern Cross,  
Mary, help of Christians – Pray for us.  
St Mary of the Cross MacKillop – Pray for us.



### CATHOLIC HEALTHCARE

Government-funded Home Care Packages. Catholic Healthcare's local Care Advisors can work with you to create a customised support plan. Their in-home services include gardening, shopping, meal preparation, transport and nursing. Get a quote on 1300 734 350.

### FEAST OF THE WEEK

**Friday, 17 January – St. Anthony the Abbot**

Anthony's whole life was not one of observing, but of becoming. When his parents died when he was eighteen or twenty he inherited their three hundred acres of land and the responsibility for a young sister. One day in church, he heard read Matthew 19:21: "If you wish to be perfect, go, sell your possessions, and give the money to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; then come, follow me." Not content to sit still and meditate and reflect on Jesus' words he walked out the door of the church right away and gave away all his property except what he and his sister needed to live on. On hearing Matthew 6:34, "So do not worry about tomorrow, for tomorrow will bring worries of its own. Today's trouble is enough for today," he gave away everything else, entrusted his sister to a convent, and went outside the village to live a life of praying, fasting, and manual labour. It wasn't enough to listen to words, he had to become what Jesus said. Every time he heard of a holy person he would travel to see that person. But he wasn't looking for words of wisdom, he was looking to become. So if he admired a person's constancy in prayer or courtesy or patience, he would imitate it. Then he would return home. Anthony always told those who came to visit him that the key to the ascetic life was perseverance, not to think proudly, "We've lived an ascetic life for a long time" but treat each day as if it were the beginning. Anthony died when he was one hundred and five years old.