HOLY NAME OF MARY PARISH RYDALMERE

Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time / B
7 February 2021

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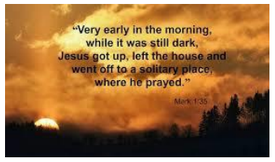

Parish Priest: Fr. Peter Lamont
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St Mary's School: Mr. Richard Blissenden
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MASS TIMES

SUNDAY EUCHARIST:	Saturday Vigil	5.30pm
	Sunday	7.30am & 9.30am
WEEKDAY EUCHARIST:	Tuesday - Saturday	9.15am
RECONCILIATION:	Saturday	4.30pm - 5.15pm
ANOINTING OF SICK WITHIN MASS	1st Saturday bi monthly (Feb, Apr, Jun, Aug, Oct, Dec)	9.15am
EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT & BENEDICTION	Exposition/Benediction: Friday	8.30am
	Exposition: Wednesday & Saturday	8.30am
PRAYER OF THE CHURCH:	Tuesday	9.00am
	Friday	8.30am
BAPTISMS:	2nd and 4th Sunday of the month	11.30am

Please Pray For

RECENTLY DECEASED:

Barry Nicholls, Philip Wilson (Archbishop Emeritus, Adelaide), Macia James, Camillo Saparamadu, Fr Timothy Cahill (Bathurst), Terry Lynch, Rodolfo Agcaioli, Pack Hee-Yea (Columba), Bernard Lourey, Geoff Kirby, Heidy David Robinson, Ligaya Praxedes MC, Louise Nicholas, Mary Ngoc-K Mai, Hazel Wallace.

ANNIVERSARIES:

Flor Bolotaolo, Lia Edouard-Betsy, Fr Tim Crowley - Joseph Paul Faust, Joseph Wehbe, William Woolley, Beryl Woolley, Tom & Reta Egan family, Ayres Family, Kevin Thomas, Doreen Clinch, Sr Christine Hesel, George Sant.

Rosters – 13/14 February

Cleaning Ministry

Counters: Patrick Edouard-Betsy, Michael Otter

Lectors:
Vigil 5.30pm Leah Garcia, Cathy Saad
Sun. 7.30am Sue Farrugia
Sun. 9.30am Helen Wong, Eli Ogrizek

CCJP - INVITATION

"Zoom" AGM, with Professor Lesley Hughes, Professor of Biology, Pro Vice-Chancellor of Macquarie University, Ecologist and member of the Climate Council, Wednesday **17 February** at 4pm. Please contact Cecily 02 9745 0820 (Wednesdays only) or ccjp@bigpond.com to register. Professor Hughes will speak on climate change after last disastrous summer and the situation of species in the wild.

ZUMBA

Please join our Zumba class at St. Mary's Hall on **Thursdays**. Registration from 6.45pm, for 7pm sharp start. Cost: $10/class. Contact Ruth 0412 341 112 for information.

ST VINCENT DE PAUL MEETING

Our next meeting is on Tuesday **16th February** at 7.30pm in the Meeting Room. New members welcome.

WEDNESDAY PRAYER GROUP

The group meet after 9.15am Mass and reflect on Sunday's Liturgy of the Word. All welcome. Contact Irene 0418 403 358 if you need transport.

LIVESTREAMED MASSES

Livestreamed Masses from across the Diocese of Parramatta are still available on the Diocesan website https://www.parracatholic.org/covid19/#online

COVID-19 UPDATE

Parishioners attending the church are required to complete their details on the **Mass Attendance Sheet** provided at the back of the church **or scan the QR code** with your smartphone camera before entering the church. Currently up to 100 people can attend a place of worship. First come first serve is applied in this church.
All worshippers at Masses in the diocese of Parramatta are **mandatory to wear a mask** to, during and from mass and other services.
Please sanitise your hands.
Social distancing (1.5m) must be observed at all times. Take a seat only on unmarked pews.
If you are experiencing cold or flu-like symptoms, having a temperature or have been in contact with anyone that is either a suspected or confirmed case of COVID-19, you should not enter the church.
During this pandemic you are dispensed from Sunday Mass obligations.

RYDALMEN

Our men's group is back for MMXXI and we start our new year with "Comfort", the Lenten Program from the Diocese of Wollongong. We will be meeting Thursday **18th February** and then each Wednesday for 5 weeks. We will enjoy Sunday Scripture reflections, readings, responsorial psalms, prayers and reflection questions as well as contemplating and meditating on some beautiful artwork from the Masters. Shane (shane.young@ozemail.com.au/0432 815 165) is our contact if you would like to come.

SCAM ALERT

Someone claiming to be Fr. Paul Roberts is messaging people on WhatsApp asking them to text back and requesting they send funds and gift vouchers to them. Subsequently, Fr. John McSweeney and Fr. John Paul Escarlan also reported similar incidents occurring using their name.
One of the numbers used for the false WhatsApp account is 0488 875 092. THIS IS A FALSE ACCOUNT**.**
Priests did not ask for any funding assistance by sending such messages. Please let the Diocese of Parramatta know via comms@parracatholic.org if you have received similar messages and please refrain from responding to the text message.

JOIN US FOR A PUBLIC ROSARY

Please join us in a public Rosary which is being held on Saturday the **20th of February**. Champion of the Rosary, St Maximilian Kolbe said this about the Rosary "May the Miraculous Medal be the bullet in the hand of the Knights of the Immaculata and the holy rosary the sword". Let us take up this sword on the third Saturday of this month and pray.
We will be asking Our Lady of Fatima to obtain God's merciful blessing for Australia.
The Rosary will commence at 3pm sharp next to the Betty Cuthbert monument at Ermington shops (opposite the post office) on Saturday the 20th February. Booking is essential due to COVID-19 restrictions using https://www.trybooking.com/BOMNO
Bring your Rosary, a smile and a mask. If you need a lift or have a question please call Eddy Borovnjak on 0450 523 440. See you there.

LENT

Lent begins on Wednesday, 17th February (Ash Wednesday). Lent is a penitential season of prayer, self-denial and helping others. In this way, the whole Church prepares for Easter with those who are to be baptised. Other celebrations in Lent (e.g. marriage) must take account of the spirit of penance. Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are days of fast and abstinence. The law of fasting binds those who have completed their eighteenth year, until the beginning of their sixtieth year; the law of abstinence binds those who have completed their fourteenth year.

ASH WEDNESDAY

There will be two Masses on Ash Wednesday, 9.15am and 7pm. Ashes will be distributed at both Masses.

PENANCE

I encourage all parishioners to come to the Sacrament of Penance (Confession) during Lent as part of our preparation to celebrate Easter.

RECEPTION OF HOLY COMMUNION

Communicants must consume the Sacred Host in front of the priest or Minister. Do not walk away with the Host. This is grossly irreverent. Also, please remove your masks before you receive Holy Communion.

ST MARY'S MOTHERS GROUP & PLAYGROUP

Calling all mums of children 0-5 years old! Come and join us for our playgroup session starts on **Tuesday, 9 February at 9.30am** in the Parish Hall (access from Myrtle Street). Playgroup will run weekly during the school term. Pop in for a chat, a coffee and make new friends. We hope to see you there! For further information contact Natalie at nhochbaum@hotmail.com or 0418 600 358 who will ensure to adhere to COVID protocols.

CONSECRATION TO SAINT JOSEPH

The Holy Name of Mary parish is inviting you to join us in a personal consecration to Saint Joseph. This year marks the 150th anniversary of Blessed Pope Pius IX's declaration of St Joseph as Patron of the Universal Church. Pope Francis has declared this year to be the "Year of Saint Joseph". Why consecrate? Fr Donald Calloway explains it simply by saying that "...entrusting yourself entirely to St. Joseph helps you become a faithful, loving, and trusting companion of Jesus and Mary!" Consecration involves a thirty-three day preparation period including daily readings, meditations and prayers using the book written by Fr Donald Calloway titled "Consecration to St. Joseph". This book is available at the Mustard Seed Bookshop and Cardinal Newman Faith Resources. What do you need to do? Buy a copy of Fr. Calloway's book, and join us at 7pm in Church on Monday, **15th February** for day 1 of preparation. Days 2 till 33 will be completed in your own time, and we will meet again on the Solemnity of St. Joseph, the 19th of March, to make our personal consecration to St. Joseph. "When God wishes to raise a soul to greater heights, he unites it to St. Joseph by giving it a strong love for the good Saint." - St. Peter Julian Eymard. If you have any questions, please call Eddy Borovnjak on 0450 523 440. See you there.

OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP NOVENA

Our Lady of Perpetual Help Novena will be held in the Church **every Wednesday** evening at **6.30pm**.