



HOLY NAME OF MARY PARISH RYDALMERE

Third Sunday in Ordinary Time / C
23 January 2022

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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
ANOIDING OF SICK WITHIN MASS	1 st Saturday bi monthly (Feb, Apr, Jun, Aug, Oct, Dec)	9.15am
EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT & BENEDICTION	Exposition/Benediction: Friday	7.30pm
	Exposition: Wednesday & Saturday	8.30am
BAPTISMS:	2 nd and 4 th Sunday of the month	11.30am

Please Pray For

RECENTLY DECEASED:

Fr Manoj Manuel, Alessandro Arcamone, Lionel Singh, Nick Sireilles, Les Harris, Brad Yates, Isaac Moses, Frank Malkoun, William (Bill) Wright, Elizabeth Paricka, Yvonne Vane, Ray Martin, Carmel Treholme, Deacon Owen Rogers, Fr Renato Paras, Issac Moses, Michael Spratt, Maureen Nicholls, Annette Herft, Renato Banaag.

ANNIVERSARIES:

Robyn Margaret Murray, Catherine Veronica Murray, Lorna Buckley, Fr Peter Neville, Rose Fernandes, Patricia Broderick, Barry Nicholls - Clarence Perera, Anthony Vella, Carmen Vella, Charles Camilleri, Emilia Camilleri, Helen Cameron (nee Dann), George Sant, Edna Mary Pyne, Vilma Roberts, Nat O'Laughlin, Cecilia Hiutama-Purnama, John Zouki, Clive Constables, Valma O'Mara, Rodolfo Agcaoili, Antonietta Russo, Pack Hee-Yea (Columba).

Rosters – 29/30 January

Cleaning Ministry

Computer Operators:

Vigil 5.30pm
Sun. 7.30am
Sun. 9.30am

Anton Massillamany, Vartguess Markarian
George Davidson
Mary Asic
Vartguess Markarian
Joe Zammit

Counters:

Lectors:

Vigil 5.30pm
Sun. 7.30am
Sun. 9.30am

Leah Garcia, Anne-Marie Hewkins
Anne Marie Lyons
Glenys Oxlee, Samuel Yu



ZUMBA

Please join our Zumba class at St. Mary's Hall (opposite the church). The session is every Thursday. Registration from 6.45pm, for 7pm sharp start. Cost: \$10 per class. Contact Ruth 0412 341 112 for information.

LIFE, MARRIAGE AND FAMILY OFFICE MARRIAGE PREPARATION COURSES

Dates for the Diocesan Life, Marriage and Family Office's in-person marriage preparation weekend courses in 2022 are now available, with the SmartLoving Engaged Online course another option to prepare for your marriage. For more information, or to book your course, visit www.parracatholic.org/pmp or call (02) 8838 3460.

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.

Wearing face mask is **mandatory**.

Please sanitise your hands.

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.

ST VINCENT DE PAUL MEETING

Our next meeting is on Tuesday 1st February at 7.30pm in the Meeting Room. New members welcome.

YOUTH MINISTRY LEADERSHIP COURSE

A new pathway for leadership in youth ministry is here! Duc In Altum is an initiative of Catholic Youth Parramatta designed to provide practical youth ministry training, build community between youth leaders across the Diocese, and offer intentional time for prayer and reflection. It is a year-long journey with the first Leaders' Summit to be held on Saturday, 29 January 2022 from 9:00am to 4:00pm at the Bishop Bede Heather Centre, Blacktown. For more information and details to sign up visit parracatholic.org/ducinaltum/ or email qwayne.guevara@parracatholic.org

LITURGICAL MINISTRY FORMATION COURSES 2022

The Liturgical Ministry Formation Courses will begin in February. This is formation for anyone interested in serving within the Liturgical Ministries either as Readers, Extraordinary Ministers of Communion, Communion to the Sick and Dying and Ministers at the Altar. If you are interested or would like more information please contact the Office for Worship on (02) 8838 3456 or anne.stanton@parracatholic.org or visit our website to download an enrolment form at <https://officeforworship.org.au/>

OUR ALTAR SOCIETY NEEDS YOUR HELP



The Altar Society needs volunteers to clean the sacred vessels, candle sticks and arrange flowers etc. once every six weeks for 1-1/2 hours, either Friday afternoon or Saturday morning. If you can help please phone the Parish Office or approach Fr Peter.

ANNUAL LEGAL RED MASS

The Annual Red Mass, which gives thanks for the work of those who serve the law, will be held on Thursday 3 February at St Patrick's Cathedral at 7pm, followed by a light supper. It is also an opportunity to reaffirm a commitment to justice and faith. For catering purposes, please confirm your attendance by emailing mili@stpatricscathedral.com.au or by phone to (02) 8839 8400.

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY PASTORAL FORMATION FACILITATOR

In this full-time role you will be supporting Catholic communities in the Diocese of Parramatta. Applications close 31 January 2022. For a job description go to catholicoutlook.org/were-hiring-pastoral-formation-facilitator/ or email Deeanne Martin at parracatholicjobs@parracatholic.org

AUSTRALIA DAY

We celebrate our National day on Wednesday, 26th January. The Mass of Australia Day will be celebrated at 10am. NO Mass at 9.15am.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

Holy Communion – for Children who have completed their Preparation session last year.

Saturday 12th February – 12 noon
Saturday 19th February – 12 noon.
Sunday 20th February – 12 noon



Dates for 2022 Sacramental Program is on the church website.

ACCOMMODATION WANTED

A quiet, peace-loving elderly gentleman, fervent Catholic and brilliant musician is seeking accommodation. Please call Colin on 0416 710 200 if you can help in any way.

FEAST OF THE WEEK

Sunday, 23 January – Saint Marianne Cope

On January 23, 1838, a daughter was born to Peter and Barbara Cope of Hessen-Darmstadt, Germany. The girl was named after her mother. Two years later the Cope family emigrated to the United States and settled in Utica, New York. Young Barbara worked in a factory until August 1862, when she went to the Sisters of the Third Order of Saint Francis in Syracuse, New York. After profession in November of the next year, she began teaching at Assumption parish school.

Marianne held the post of superior in several places and was twice the novice mistress of her congregation. A natural leader, three different times she was superior of St. Joseph's Hospital in Syracuse, where she learned much that would be useful during her years in Hawaii.

Elected provincial in 1877, Mother Marianne was unanimously re-elected in 1881. Two years later the Hawaiian government was searching for someone to run the Kakaako Receiving Station for people suspected of having leprosy. More than 50 religious communities in the United States and Canada were asked. When the request was put to the Syracuse sisters, 35 of them volunteered immediately. On October 22, 1883, Mother Marianne and six other sisters left for Hawaii where they took charge of the Kakaako Receiving Station outside Honolulu; on the island of Maui they also opened a hospital and a school for girls.

In 1888, Mother Marianne and two sisters went to Molokai to open a home for "unprotected women and girls" there. The Hawaiian government was quite hesitant to send women for this difficult assignment; they need not have worried about Mother Marianne! On Molokai she took charge of the home that Saint Damien de Veuster had established for men and boys. Mother Marianne changed life on Molokai by introducing cleanliness, pride, and fun to the colony. Bright scarves and pretty dresses for the women were part of her approach. Awarded the Royal Order of Kapiolani by the Hawaiian government and celebrated in a poem by Robert Louis Stevenson, Mother Marianne continued her work faithfully. Her sisters have attracted vocations among the Hawaiian people and still work on Molokai.

Mother Marianne died on August 9, 1918, was beatified in 2005, and canonized seven years later.

GOSPEL

Lk 1:1-4; 4:14-21

P. The Lord be with you.

R. And with your spirit.

P. A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke.

R. Glory to you, O Lord.

The scriptures were fulfilled on this day.

Seeing that many others have undertaken to draw up accounts of the events that have taken place among us, exactly as these were handed down to us by those who from the outset were eye-witnesses and ministers of the word, I in my turn, after carefully going over the whole story from the beginning, have decided to write an ordered account for you, Theophilus, so that your Excellency may learn how well founded the teaching is that you have received.

Jesus, with the power of the Spirit in him, returned to Galilee; and his reputation spread throughout the countryside. He taught in their synagogues and everyone praised him.

He came to Nazara, where he had been brought up, and went into the synagogue on the sabbath day as he usually did. He stood up to read, and they handed him the scroll of the prophet Isaiah. Unrolling the scroll he found the place where it is written:

The spirit of the Lord has been given to me, for he has anointed me.

He has sent me to bring the good news to the poor,

to proclaim liberty to captives

and to the blind new sight,

to set the downtrodden free,

to proclaim the Lord's year of favour.

He then rolled up the scroll, gave it back to the assistant and sat down. And all eyes in the synagogue were fixed on him. Then he began to speak to them, "This text is being fulfilled today even as you listen."

The Gospel of the Lord.

R. Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

HOMILY

PROFESSION OF FAITH APOSTLES' CREED

Or the Nicene Creed may be said.

I believe in God, / the Father almighty, / Creator of heaven and earth, / and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, / who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, / born of the Virgin Mary, / suffered under Pontius Pilate, / was crucified, died and was buried; / he descended into hell; / on the third day he rose again from the dead; / he ascended into heaven, / and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty; / from there he will come to judge the living and the dead. / I believe in the Holy Spirit, / the holy catholic Church, / the communion of saints, / the forgiveness of sins, / the resurrection of the body, / and life everlasting. Amen.

PRAYER OF THE FAITHFUL

LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

After the priest raises the paten with the bread and prays, and then the chalice, we respond to each prayer:

R. Blessed be God for ever.

P. Pray, brethren (brothers and sisters), that my sacrifice and yours may be acceptable to God, the almighty Father.

R. May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands for the praise and glory of his name, for our good and the good of all his holy Church.

PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

P. Accept our offerings, O Lord, we pray, and in sanctifying them grant that they may profit us for salvation. Through Christ our Lord.

R. Amen.

THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

P. The Lord be with you.

R. And with your spirit.

P. Lift up your hearts.

R. We lift them up to the Lord.

P. Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

R. It is right and just.

PREFACE I-VIII OF THE SUNDAYS IN ORDINARY TIME

After the Preface, we sing or say:

All: Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of hosts. Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

THE MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION

P. The mystery of faith.

All: Save us, Saviour of the world, for by your Cross and Resurrection you have set us free.

COMMUNION RITE

P. At the Saviour's command and formed by divine teaching, we dare to say:

All: Our Father, who art in heaven . . .

P. Deliver us, Lord, we pray . . .

All: For the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours now and for ever.

P. Lord Jesus Christ, who said . . .

R. Amen.

P. The peace of the Lord be with you always.

R. And with your spirit.

P. Let us offer each other the sign of peace.

All exchange a sign of peace

LAMB OF GOD

All: Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, grant us peace.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

P. Behold the Lamb of God, behold him who takes away the sins of the world. Blessed are those called to the supper of the Lamb.

R. Lord, I am not worthy that you should enter under my roof, but only say the word and my soul shall be healed.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON cf. Ps 33:6

Look toward the Lord and be radiant; let your faces not be abashed.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

P. Grant, we pray, almighty God, that, receiving the grace by which you bring us to new life, we may always glory in your gift. Through Christ our Lord.

R. Amen.

THE CONCLUDING RITES

P. The Lord be with you.

R. And with your spirit.

P. May almighty God bless you, the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit.

R. Amen.

P. Go in peace, glorifying the Lord by your life.

R. Thanks be to God.

BREAKING OPEN THE WORD

JESUS OUR GUIDE

Often it can be difficult to know how to read the signs of the times. In our search, we naturally turn to the scriptures but often we find that we need a guide in order to fully understand them. The first reading from Nehemiah comes from a time when the people of Israel shared some of the same difficulties. The Hebrew scriptures needed to be interpreted for the people in their own language of Aramaic. One of Paul's strengths as a pastor was that he was tireless in searching for ways to explain the nature of Christian life in language that his Christian converts could understand. How was he going to show the divided community of Corinth that they needed each other? How could he bring them to see that the variety of gifts within the community was a blessing rather than a source of division? To answer this vexing problem, he drew upon the image of the community as a body where every member of the body depends on every other member. He knew all too well that separated from Christ our head, and divided from one another, we are nothing.

For Luke, Jesus is the one who can best explain the meaning of the scriptures and the signs of the times. As Jesus begins his ministry the new age promised by Isaiah is dawning. Jesus comes among us bringing new sight to the blind, freedom to captives, and good news to the poor.

CHRISTOPHER MONAGHAN CP

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OUR SUNDAY CELEBRATION

THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME / C

23 JANUARY 2022

THIS TEXT IS BEING FULFILLED TODAY. The Sacred Scriptures that are proclaimed at Mass recall incidents from the past and point to the future but most especially they affirm the presence of God among us now. This day we are called to bring Good News to the poor and freedom to all who are bound up in any way. Today we are called to be the Body of Christ in our world. The Sacred Scriptures have meaning when we can say with Jesus: 'This text is being fulfilled today even as you listen.'

INTRODUCTORY RITES

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON cf. Ps 95:1, 6

O sing a new song to the Lord; sing to the Lord, all the earth. In his presence are majesty and splendour, strength and honour in his holy place.

GREETING

P. In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

R. Amen.

P. The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

R. And with your spirit.

PENITENTIAL ACT

P. Brethren (brothers and sisters), let us acknowledge our sins, and so prepare ourselves to celebrate the sacred mysteries. All: I confess to almighty God and to you, my brothers and sisters, that I have greatly sinned, in my thoughts and in my words, in what I have done and in what I have failed to do, (striking the breast) through my fault, through my fault, through my most grievous fault; therefore I ask blessed Mary ever-Virgin, all the Angels and Saints, and you, my brothers and sisters, to pray for me to the Lord our God.

P. May almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us our sins, and bring us to everlasting life.

R. Amen.

V. Lord, have mercy.

R. Lord, have mercy.

V. Christ, have mercy.

R. Christ, have mercy.

V. Lord, have mercy.

R. Lord, have mercy.

GLORIA

Glory to God in the highest, / and on earth peace to people of good will. / We praise you, / we bless you, / we adore you, / we glorify you, / we give you thanks for your great glory, / Lord God, heavenly King, / O God, almighty Father. / Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son, / Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, / you take away the sins of the world, / have mercy on us; / you take away the sins of the world, /

receive our prayer; / you are seated at the right hand of the Father, / have mercy on us. / For you alone are the Holy One, / you alone are the Lord, / you alone are the Most High, / Jesus Christ, / with the Holy Spirit, / in the glory of God the Father. / Amen.

COLLECT

P. Almighty ever-living God, direct our actions according to your good pleasure, that in the name of your beloved Son we may abound in good works. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever.

R. Amen.

LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING

Neh 8:2-6, 8-10

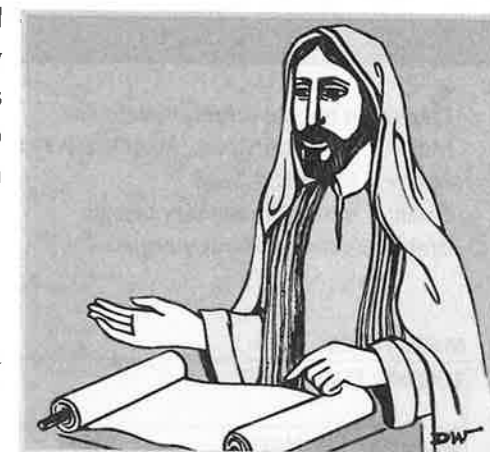
A reading from the book of Nehemiah
They read from the book of the Law and they understood what was read.

Ezra the priest brought the Law before the assembly, consisting of men, women, and children old enough to understand. This was the first day of the seventh month. On the square before the Water Gate, in the presence of the men and women, and children old enough to understand, he read from the book from early morning till noon; all the people listened attentively to the Book of the Law.

Ezra the scribe stood on a wooden dais erected for the purpose. In full view of all the people – since he stood higher than all the people – Ezra opened the book; and when he opened it all the people stood up. Then Ezra blessed the Lord, the great God, and all the people raised their hands and answered, 'Amen! Amen!'; then they bowed down and, face to the ground, prostrated themselves before the Lord. And Ezra read from the Law of God, translating and giving the sense, so that the people understood what was read.

Then Nehemiah – His Excellency – and Ezra, priest and scribe (and the Levites who were instructing the people) said to all the people, 'This day is sacred to the Lord your God. Do not be mournful, do not weep.' For the people were all in tears as they listened to the words of the Law.

He then said, 'Go, eat the fat, drink the sweet wine, and send a portion to the man who has nothing prepared ready. For this day



is sacred to our Lord. Do not be sad: the joy of the Lord is your stronghold.'

The word of the Lord.

R. Thanks be to God.

RESP PSALM

Ps 18:8-10, 15. R. Jn 6:63

R. Your words, Lord, are spirit and life.

1. The law of the Lord is perfect, / it revives the soul. / The rule of the Lord is to be trusted, / it gives wisdom to the simple. R.

2. The precepts of the Lord are right, / they gladden the heart. / The command of the Lord is clear, / it gives light to the eyes. R.

3. The fear of the Lord is holy, / abiding for ever. / The decrees of the Lord are truth / and all of them just. R.

4. May the spoken words of my mouth, / the thoughts of my heart, / win favour in your sight, O Lord, / my rescuer, my rock! R.

SECOND READING 1 Cor 12:12-14, 27

A reading from the first letter of St Paul to the Corinthians

Together you are Christ's body; but each of you is a different part of it.

Just as a human body, though it is made up of many parts, is a single unit because all these parts, though many, make one body, so it is with Christ. In the one Spirit we were all baptised, Jews as well as Greeks, slaves as well as citizens, and one Spirit was given to us all to drink.

Nor is the body to be identified with any one of its many parts.

Now you together are Christ's body; but each of you is a different part of it.

The word of the Lord.

R. Thanks be to God.

Longer form, 1 Cor 12:12-30.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

cf. Lk 4:18

Alleluia, alleluia!

The Lord sent me to bring Good News to the poor and freedom to prisoners.

Alleluia!