

GOSPEL: Mark 4:26-34

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark.

The mustard seed, the smallest of all the seeds, grows into the biggest shrub of all.

Jesus said to the crowd, 'This is what the kingdom of God is like. A man throws seed on the land. Night and day, while he sleeps, when he is awake, the seed is sprouting and growing; how, he does not know. Of its own accord the land produces first the shoot, then the ear, then the full grain in the ear. And when the crop is ready, he loses no time; he starts to reap because the harvest has come.'

He also said, 'What can we say the kingdom of God is like? What parable can we find for it? It is like a mustard seed which at the time of its sowing in the soil is the smallest of all the seeds on earth; yet once it is sown it grows into the biggest shrub of them all and puts out big branches so that the birds of the air can shelter in its shade.'

Using many parables like these, he spoke the word to them, so far as they were capable of understanding it. He would not speak to them except in parables, but he explained everything to his disciples when they were alone.

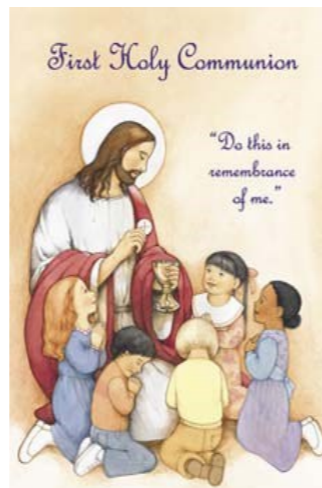
The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Congratulations to the following candidates who will be receiving the Sacrament of 1st Holy Communion this weekend. Please keep them in your prayers.



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| Daniel Ismail | Nichole Agatha Lasam |
| Thao Duyen Tong | George Francis |
| Gizelle Lana Pesamino | Danyl Axalan |
| Cayden Falaniko | Mikaela Baroud |
| Austin James Gorban | Anthony Tri Nguyen |
| Jonathan Tjhin | Andrea Najjar |
| Stephanie Le | Vincent Minh Khoi Le |
| Alex Khoury | Karla Therese Salazar |
| Allyssa Nicolas | Tahlia Nguyen |
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| | Charlie Hoang Ngoc Nguyen |



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PLANNED GIVING PROGRAM REQUEST FORM

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WEEKEND MASS TIMES

Saturday: 6pm (Vigil),
Sunday: 8am,
10am (Children's Liturgy),
6pm, 12noon (Polish).

THIS WEEK'S MASSES

Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday & Saturday - 8.00am.
Thursday - 9.00am.

Nursing Home Masses

Tuesday - 10.30am Bupa Yagoona

Vietnamese Mass

7 pm - 1st Thurs of each month.

DEVOTIONS

Benediction: Saturday 7.00am.

Rosary: Saturday 8.25am.

Divine Mercy Prayer:

6.30pm - 1st Wed of each month.

SACRAMENTS

Reconciliation:

Saturday 4.30 - 5.30 pm
Or by appointment.

Marriages: By arrangement with at least 6 months notice.

Care for the Sick: Any time. Please call the Presbytery.

Baptisms: By appointment. Preparation classes are held in the Presbytery on the 1st Sunday of each month after 10AM Mass .



"It is like a mustard seed, which is the smallest of all seeds on earth. Yet when planted, it grows and becomes the largest of all garden plants, with such big branches that the birds can perch in its shade."
Mark 3:31-32

Responsorial Psalm

R. Lord it is good to give thanks to you.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

The seed is the word of God, Christ is the sower; all who come to him will live for ever.

Alleluia!

Comm Antiphon: There is one thing I ask of the Lord, only this do I seek: to live in the house of the Lord all the days of my life.

This weeks readings - Ezekiel 17:22-24; 2Cor 5:6-10; Gospel - Mark 4:26-34.

Next Weekend: Nativity of St John the Baptist - Year B.
Readings Isaiah 49: 1-6; Acts 13:22-16; Gospel - Luke 1:57-66, 80.

11th Sunday in Ordinary Time - Yr B - 17 June 2018

Baptism: This week, we welcome into the Catholic faith:
Jewel Amaris Reyes
 May she always know the love of God and feel His guiding hand throughout her life.

Annual Marriage Mass & Renewal of Vows
 The Marriage Mass and Renewal of Vows will take place on Sunday, 8th July at St Mary's Cathedral, Sydney, at 10.30 am. All married couples are welcome. Mass will be celebrated by His Grace, Archbishop Anthony Fisher. Married couples wishing to attend to renew their vows should register with the Life, Marriage and Family Centre on 9307 8404 or LMFEvents@sydneycatholic.org. Registered couples celebrating 50th, 55th, 60th, or 65th wedding anniversaries will receive a special certificate from Archbishop Fisher. Special recognition will also be given to couples who were married at the Cathedral.

Bishop Vincent Long Talk
 You are invited to hear Bishop Vincent Long, an ardent supporter of Pope Francis, speaking about "the New Dawn of the Church" at 'Winbourne', the Edmund Rice Retreat and Conference Centre, 1315 Mulgoa Road, Mulgoa 11.00 am to 1.00 pm on Saturday 16th June 2018. Entry by donation. Registration 10.00 am. For further information contact Dennis Farrar 0425209840. Organised by the Passionist Family Group Movement.

Mass Intentions:
Recently Deceased: Jessie Kovacevic.
Anniversary: Phero Phan The Cuong; Robert Page; Teresita Calugay; Daminh Dinh Van Duong.
Deceased: Irene Page; Alexander Page; Alex Page; Mariano Leray Sr; Leoncio Leray.
Sick: Jason Timbs & Bart Hennely, Dau (Xuan); Gerard Go; Fatima; Catherine & Lourdes Raspanti; Tim Logue; baby Alan Dien Quan Nguyen; Monina Rodriguez Pineda; Tenshi Asriel Magdaleno Arcenas; Rose Nuner; Maria Carta; Dinh Thi An; Teresita Martinez; Georgina Omeros; Maria Kovatsun; Frannie; Debbie Randall (nee Goodwin); Teresita Tenorio; Zenaida Elizondo; Maria Portia Mariano.
(Please advise the office when the names of the sick can be removed)

Weekly Rosters

Altar Society: 24/6/18 Group 4: Phyllis Vujkovic, Margaret Eastburn, Giovanna LaBarbera, Denise Ashe, Chris Kreltszheim, Eric Valencia, Denice Severi, Bach Lam (*Florist*)

St Vincent de Paul: 24/6/18 D Rodrigues **1/7/18** Thom Pham

Church Cleaners: 22/6/18: Mai Hai **Children's Liturgy:** 24th June – Donna

Weekend Choirs: 24/6 Saturday 6pm - Samoan Divine Mercy Group.
Sunday 8am - Singing Servants of God. **10am** - Children's Choir. **6pm** - St Mary Mackillop Choir

Readers & Ministers

	Sat 6pm	17 JUNE	8am	10am	6pm
C	Gabrielle Nguyen	Kiara Asuzu	Jessica Vujevic	Kathleen Mezentsef	
R	Patrick Abourizk	Maxwell Asuzu	Thu Ha Kim	Lucia Mezentsef	
A	Joseph Bui (A)	An Dang (A)	Anthony Joseph (A)	Thanh Vu (A)	
M	Gloria Booby	Mesake Mar	Tu Nguyen	Paul Ngoc	
M	Emmanuel Icard	Robyn Molloy	Helen Vujevic	Phu Nguyen	

24 JUNE

C	Gabrielle Nguyen	Imelda Dela Cruz	Jennifer Nguyen	Anthony Eltarraf
R	Gloria Booby	Joseph Dang	Emmanuela Viner	Kenneth Gan
A	Tuyen Tran (A)	An Dang (A)	Thong Tran (A)	Thanh Vu (A)
M	Cindy Hoang	Thao Nguyen	Bev Lamaro	Jacinta Eltarraf
M	Emmanuel Icard	Melanie Campisi	Ala Pesamino	Loreto Eduardo

Reflection **The Seed**
 Church documents call the Christian family the "domestic church."
 This is both a compliment and a call to commitment. Because the family is a community formed in love and dedicated to the physical and spiritual growth of its members, it is a miniature version of the Kingdom of God on earth. This Sunday's Gospel Reading, Mark 4:26–34, consists of two parables that Jesus used to help us discern the mystery of the Kingdom of God. The beginning of the kingdom is compared to a tiny seed that over time matures and ripens. Many of the things we do within the family seem insignificant. They are part of our daily activity and attract little attention. Yet they show our love and concern for one another. According to the Gospel, it's these small things that yield big results, acting as significant contributions to the growth of God's kingdom on earth. The growth of the seed illustrates the nature and the results of a strong faith.
 Read aloud together the Gospel of Mark 4:26–34. Consider how your family's concerns reflect the Church's concerns for those members who are poor, forgotten, hungry, ill, shunned, or lonely. Together think of a specific action that you can do to assist a person in your extended family, neighbourhood, or parish. Now pray together the Lord's Prayer, pausing briefly to consider the import of the words "thy kingdom come." Each evening this week as you gather for supper, share with one another the simple acts of love you witnessed within the family that day.
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Feasts of the Week

21 June - St Aloysius Gonzaga, religious. Memorial.
 Born in Lombardy (Italy) in 1568. Died in Rome on this day in 1591 of the plague, contracted while caring for its victims. Devout and ascetical from the time of his childhood in a family of Italian nobility. Pursued a religious vocation as a Jesuit against enormous family opposition. Remembered for his youthful ideal of perfection and his determination to achieve it.

22 June - Sts John Fisher, bishop and Thomas More, martyrs. Memorial.
John Fisher: Born at Beverley (England) in 1469. Died at London on this day in 1535. Chancellor at Cambridge and bishop at Rochester, combining diligent pastoral ministry with the defence of Catholic doctrine.

Thomas More: Born in London in 1478. Died there for the faith on 6 July 1535. An Oxford scholar, a noted humanist and apologist, an incorruptible judge and Lord Chancellor, a devoted husband and loving father. Drawn into conflict with Henry VIII, both were imprisoned and beheaded for treason. Remembered for their wide learning, for their devotion to the Church, and for their uncompromising integrity and courage. An opportunity to celebrate all the English martyrs, Catholic and Protestant, of the Reformation era. Coming from every walk of life, people rich and poor, married and single, women and men died on the scaffold, perished in prison, or suffered harsh persecution for their faith.

Planned Giving Envelopes 2018/19

The new sets of Planned Giving envelopes are now available for collection. **Please ensure you check your name with corresponding address and you pick up the correct one.** If you are not a member of Planned Giving you may contact the parish office to join the Planned Giving Program. We can offer a 25% tax deduction. Instead of Envelopes you could opt for periodic deduction using your credit card which is more economical and efficient for the Parish. Receipts for your contributions for the end of this financial year will be issued at the beginning of July. I would like to thank all contributors for your financial support of the parish. In addition to the financial benefits, your offering enhances the fellowship of the parish as well.

Parish Safeguarding and Support Officer

We are pleased to introduce Mr Anthony Chadrawy as our volunteer for the newly created position of Parish Safeguarding and Support Officer (PSSO). Anthony has completed the necessary training and is now ready to take on this volunteer role. The PSSO is a recent initiative of the Archdiocese of Sydney. It aims to ensure we implement and maintain a safe Parish environment in-line with the policies of the Archdiocese.