

GOSPEL: Luke 14:25-33

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke

All who do not renounce their possessions cannot be my disciples.

Great crowds accompanied Jesus on his way and he turned and spoke to them. 'If any man comes to me without hating his father, mother, wife, children, brothers, sisters, yes, and his own life too, he cannot be my disciple. Anyone who does not carry his cross and come after me cannot be my disciple.

'And indeed, which of you here, intending to build a tower, would not first sit down and work out the cost to see if he had enough to complete it? Otherwise, if he laid the foundation and then found himself unable to finish the work, the onlookers would all start making fun of him and saying, "Here is a man who started to build and was unable to finish." Or again, what king marching to war against another king would not first sit down and consider whether with ten thousand men he could stand up to the other who advanced against him with twenty thousand? If not, then while the other king was still a long way off, he would send envoys to sue for peace. So in the same way, none of you can be my disciple unless he gives up all his possessions.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Child Protection Sunday 2019

This weekend, the Catholic Church in Australia marks Child Protection Sunday, on which we pray for those who have been abused, their families and support network. We recognise the harm done by priests, religious and lay people and recommit to practices that support survivors and make the Catholic Church and its ministries the safest possible place for children and vulnerable adults.

You can find out more about the Church's work in this area at: www.catholic.org.au/responseandprevention

New Child Protection Resources

The Safeguarding & Ministerial Integrity Office of the Sydney Archdiocese have developed two new Safeguarding resources for children. **The Caring Code Journey** is an interactive resource that mimics the snakes & ladders game aimed at children aged b/n 5-12yrs. It allows them to engage in discussions with others about positive & challenging behaviours. **The Behavioural Code for Young People** provides young people aged b/n 13-17yrs who participate in ministries, a list of expected behaviours. It also provides open & transparent steps & actions that a Youth Leader would follow if inappropriate behaviour is displayed in an effort to resolve the issue. Both these resources can be found in the Church foyer. We as a Parish continue to support the efforts of the Safeguarding Office to ensure that our Parish environment is safe for children and young people. For more information and to access these resources online visit <https://www.sydneycatholic.org/safeguarding-and-child-protection/>

A message from the Archdiocese of Sydney

Child sexual abuse is a crime. The appropriate people to deal with a crime are the police. If you – or anyone you know – have been abused, please contact the police. Alternatively, you can contact the Safeguarding and Ministerial Integrity Office at (02) 9390 5810 or safeguardingenquiries@sydneycatholic.org.

You may also want to speak to your Parish Priest who will be able to provide support and guidance. The Archdiocese has a legal obligation to report crimes to the police.

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Youth: Alison De Sousa 0421 660 187; **Pastoral Council:** Patrick Abou-rizk 0416 035 993 ;
St Vincent de Paul: Diago Rodrigues 0439643859; **Bankstown Josephite Associates:** Robyn Molloy 9707 1292;
Children's Liturgy: Marie El-Chaar 9709 3451; **Cemetery Committee:** Maureen Vincent 9790 4217;
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Polish Priests: 8783 0533; **De La Salle Brothers:** 9708 2692;
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Congratulations to our Confirmation Candidates.

Carl Aguilar
An Bui
James Bui
Clinton Chukwukwu
Thomas Dang
Jason Dinh
Jordan Eduardo
Oliver Efendi
Isabella Emmi
Lucia Hoang
Jason Lewani
Jonathan Le
Brooklyn Lee
Richelle Listianto



Duy Nguyen
James Nguyen
Patrick Nguyen
Anthony Phan
Daryl Rodrigues
Jay Salazar
Jake Severi
Isabella Stranger
Anna Thai
Martin Thai
Brandon Vo
Emma Vu
Isabella Vu
Veronica Vu

Confirmation Thank you

The Sacrament of Confirmation was celebrated with Bishop Tony Randazzo on Friday evening. A huge thank you to him and all the teachers and group leaders especially our Sacramental Co-ordinator Gloria Booby and REC, Courtney Cohen who were involved with preparing the children before and during the Mass.

Responsorial Psalm

R. In every age, O Lord, you have been our refuge.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

Let your face shine on your servant, and teach me your laws.

Alleluia!

Comm Antiphon: Like the deer that yearns for running streams, so my soul is yearning for you, my God; my soul is thirsting for God, the living God.

This weeks readings - Wisdom 9:13-18; Philemon 9-10, 12-17; Luke 14:25-33

Next Weekend: 24th Sun in Ord Time - Year C.

Readings: Exodus 32:7-11, 13-14; 1Timothy 1:12-17; Luke 15:1-32

23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time - Yr C - 8th September 2019

Cancelation of Adoration, Rosary & 8AM Mass on Saturday 14 September 2019

During the preparation for the installation of the demountables behind the presbytery, some pieces of building material suspected of containing asbestos were found. All work immediately ceased, the area was made safe and fenced off.

A sample of the building material was sent away for analysis and it has been confirmed that the sample contained asbestos. This type of building material if left intact, is bonded and poses a low risk to health.

The area will remain out of bounds until it has been cleared safe for use. The remainder of the school and parish is safe and remains open for normal use.

On **Saturday 14th September 2019**, the work to safely remediate the area will be conducted under licensed supervision. All guidelines and safety requirements will be followed as set out by the Work Health and Safety Regulation 2017. Air monitoring will also be implemented throughout the remediation process as an additional precaution.

For safety of our parishioners, therefore, there will be NO adoration or 8AM Mass or Rosary, on **Saturday 14th September**. The church and the presbytery will be closed until 5PM or when the workers finish their work. Reconciliation will be from 5pm - 5.30pm and evening Mass will be on as normal at 6.00pm.

We apologise for any inconvenience.

Mass Intentions: Recently Deceased: Rachela Fantacuzzi; Sylwester Szatan; Jenny Sztuka
Anniversary: Joseph Chu Van Huong; Le Thi Truoc; Maria Ngo Thi Tuyen; Nelly Ackad; Therese Tawa; Maria Teresa Mac Thi Kim Ha; Joseph Tran Thuong.
Deceased: Ruby & Fred Roderick; Charles Nuner; Jes Nuner; Steve Nuner; Mary Nuner; Carmen Nuner; Brad Fenech; John Field; George Sultana; Emmanuel Leo Icard; Paul Phan Hop Trong; Mathew Chu Van Tuynh; Anita Calbay; Paolo Nguyen Manh Hung; Vincente Nguyen Buu Quoc; Jose Moyano; Anavictoria Perez; deceased members of Fernandes & Krishna Families.
Sick: Christopher Amodeo, Marie Abi-Saab, Tom Quilty, Jason Timbs & Bart Hennely, Dau (Xuan); Gerard Go; Fatima Fernandes; Catherine & Lourdes Raspanti; baby Alan Dien Quan Nguyen; Monina Rodriguez Pineda; Tenshi Asriel Magdaleno Arcenas; Rose Nuner; Maria Carta; Dinh Thi An; Teresita Martinez; Maria Kovatsun; Frannie; Madelyn Nicole; Andrew Nguyen; Jun Ibarra; Abida Gill; Vo Van Kiet; Maria Bui Thi Don; Josette Ackad; Linda Yusnanda; Nivea Wani; Diana Emilie Perez (*daughter of Rosa House*); Peter Boughton; David Ngaue

Weekly Rosters

Altar Society: 15/9/19 Group 2: Youth Group, Samoan Divine Mercy Group, Tram Vu (*Florist*)

St Vincent de Paul: 15/9/19 A Nguyen **22/9/19** D Rodrigues

Church Cleaners: 13/9/19: Charbel Karam **Children's Liturgy:** 15th September – Belinda

Weekend Choirs 15/9/19: Vigil - St Anne's Choir **Sunday 8am - Singing Servants of God**
Sunday 10am - Samoan Divine Mercy Group **6pm - Youth Choir**

Readers & Ministers

	Sat 6pm	8 SEPTEMBER	8am	10am	6pm
C	Kalisiana Mar	Philip Castillo	Helen Vujevic	Elias Eltarraf	
R	Emmanuel Icard	Ligaya Castillo	Jessica Vujevic	Charbel Eltarraf	
A	Tuyen Tran (A)	An Dang (A)	Thong Tran (A)	Thanh Vu (A)	
M	Cindy Hoang	Thao Nguyen	Jeannette Chong	Amelia Mezentsef	
M	Gloria Booby	Melanie Campisi	Ala Pesamino	Jacinta Eltarraf	
15 SEPTEMBER					
C	Gabrielle Nguyen	Kiara Asuzu	Mary O'Hea		
R	Patrick Abourizk	Maxwell Asuzu	Thu Ha Kim		
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	

Reflection

Put Jesus first

Provide your children with a list of things that they are responsible for interspersed with things that they like to do—for example, make their beds, take out the garbage, go to the park, do homework, watch television, have a snack, feed the cat. The list should reflect their responsibilities and favourite recreations. Tell them to pretend that company is coming and ask which of the things listed should be done first. Explain that this is called setting priorities.

Paraphrase the Gospel story for the children. Ask them what Jesus says is the most important thing for them to do. Jesus tells us that the number-one priority is to follow him. But just as it is not always easy to do the things we are supposed to do before doing the fun things, it is not always easy to be a follower of Jesus. Yet when we put Jesus first, we will be truly happy.

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Stand For Life Rally

WHERE: Hyde Park (meet at the Archibald Fountain)

WHEN: Sunday 15th September, 2019

TIME: 2:30pm

The NSW Parliament is about to legislate for abortion on demand till birth, one of the most extreme abortion laws in the world.

The Bill was pushed through the Legislative Assembly and will be debated again in the Legislative Council from Tuesday 17th September.

Join us in peaceful protest against this radical proposed legislation.

Under this Bill:

- Children can be aborted for any reason right up till the final moments of a pregnancy;
- Amendments to protect children who survive botched abortions attempts were defeated;
- There are no safeguards to prevent targeted abortion based on gender or disability;
- Doctors and medical staff are compelled to participate (by referral) in the taking of an innocent life;
- The devastating impact of abortion on women and the real needs of women facing an unplanned pregnancy have been ignored.

This Bill was ambushed on Parliament, with no consultation, in an attempt to curb community backlash.

This is our last opportunity to fight against this extremist Bill. We need you there. All welcome, including families.

A Parish Novena

On Tuesday, 17th September 2019, the NSW Legislative Council Upper House will be commencing debate on the Abortion Bill. Parishioners are invited to join in praying a 9 day Novena Prayer with St. Mary MacKillop for the Protection and Preservation of Life from Conception to Birth and Beyond. The Novena will commence on Sunday 8 September. Jesus says, where two or three are gathered in his name He is there. (*A copy of the novena is in the Church foyer*)

Ignite Conference

The Ignite Conference is one of Australia's most powerful Catholic youth and family conferences. For the first time ever this October 3-6, Ignite Conference will be held in Sydney. For more information, visit www.sydneycatholicyouth.org/ignite19/ or contact the team at Sydney Catholic Youth on (02) 9307 8152 or info@sydneycatholicyouth.org

Wedding Congratulations

Colin Zhu & Allison Do

are married at St Felix this weekend. Please keep them in your prayers.

Family Mass

This weekend we welcome year 3 children from the primary school and their families who are helping with the liturgy for the Sunday 10am Mass