

GOSPEL: Luke 15:1-10

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke

There will be joy in heaven over one sinner who does penance.

The tax collectors and the sinners were all seeking the company of Jesus to hear what he had to say, and the Pharisees and the scribes complained. 'This man' they said 'welcomes sinners and eats with them.' So he spoke this parable to them: 'What man among you with a hundred sheep, losing one, would not leave the ninety-nine in the wilderness and go after the missing one till he found it? And when he found it, would he not joyfully take it on his shoulders and then, when he got home, call together his friends and neighbours? "Rejoice with me," he would say, "I have found my sheep that was lost." In the same way, I tell you, there will be more rejoicing in heaven over one repentant sinner than over ninety-nine virtuous men who have no need of repentance.

'Or again, what woman with ten drachmas would not, if she lost one, light a lamp and sweep out the house and search thoroughly till she found it? And then, when she had found it, call together her friends and neighbours? "Rejoice with me," she would say "I have found the drachma I lost." In the same way, I tell you, there is rejoicing among the angels of God over one repentant sinner.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Discovering Global Mission

Your professional skills can create better opportunities for disadvantaged communities. Grass-roots organisations, clinics and schools in Timor Leste, PNG, Samoa, Kiribati and Kenya seek volunteers to assist their development. Qualified medics, teachers, tradies, business and admins are always required. Find out how sharing your skills can immerse you in a world of deep cultural discovery. **Palms Meet and Greet: Saturday September 21st @ 2pm, John Street Café Dooley's Catholic Club, 11-17 Church St, LIDCOMBE**



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.

Catechist & Friendship Group: Bev Lamaro 0409 710 703; **Choir:** Line Collet 0410 568 103;
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;
Sacramental co-ordinator: Gloria Booby 0413 294 224; **Safeguarding Officer:** Anthony Chadrawy 9790 1933;
Polish Priests: 8783 0533; **De La Salle Brothers:** 9708 2692;
St. Felix Primary School: 9796 7875 Frances Bonanno - Principal;
LaSalle Catholic College: 9793 5600 Mr Michael Egan - Principal;
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WEEKEND MASS TIMES

Saturday: 6pm (Vigil),

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

THIS WEEK'S MASSES

Tuesday - 8.00am
Wednesday - 8.00am
Thursday - 8.00am
Friday - 8.00am
Saturday - 8.00am

Nursing Home Masses

Tuesday - Bupa Yagoona 10.30am
Friday - Bupa Greenacre 11am

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



.... "Rejoice with me," he would say, "I have found my sheep that was lost."

Luke 15:6

Responsorial Psalm

R. I will rise and go to my father.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

God was in Christ, to reconcile the world to himself;
and the Good News of reconciliation he has entrusted to us.
Alleluia!

Comm Antiphon: How precious is your mercy, O God!
The children of men seek shelter in the shadow of your wings.

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

Next Weekend: 25th Sun in Ord Time - Year C.
Readings: Amos 8:4-7; 1Timothy 2:1-8; Luke 16:1-13

24th Sunday in Ordinary Time - Yr C - 15th September 2019

**Youth Catechesis Talk THIS WEDNESDAY 18th SEPT.
Faith vs Science: Can they go together? by Christian Stephens
7.30pm in the Parish meeting room followed by dinner.**

The St Felix Feast Day Celebrations

This year, our Parish will mark the Feast Day of St Felix de Valois with a special Mass to be held **on Sunday 17th November, 2019 at 10am.**

Following the Eucharist, you are invited to join in a celebration of our Multicultural community with an **International Food Fair** where you will be able to taste sweet and savoury delicacies from the various nationalities represented in our community. We will have a flag and signage on each stall to showcase those represented.

We are seeking donations of food items from different cultures to contribute to this initiative.

If you are willing to participate, please contact our Feast Day representative: Aurora on 0428755022.

Priests' Retirement Foundation Appeal Thank you

Your support of the Priests' Retirement Foundation will help to ensure all priests can receive the accommodation, health care and support they need in their retirement. *Please ensure all donations are returned by the end of the week.*

Mass Intentions:

Recently Deceased: Ambrogio De Bellis; Maria Portia Mariano; Raymundo Soliman Jr; Anastasia Dietrick; Carol Moses (*sister of Joe Michael*)

Anniversary: Magid Hobeiche; Antonietta Martino; Rev Fr. John Lander; Charlie Sultana; Gil Tonel; Benjamin Tonel

Deceased: deceased members of Lander & Vincent 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; Lillian Jaja.

Weekly Rosters

Altar Society: 22/9/19 Group 4: Denice Severi, Phyllis Vujkovic, Margaret Eastburn, Giovanna LaBarbera, Denise Ashe, Chris Kreltszheim, Eric Valencia, Bach Lam (*Florist*)

St Vincent de Paul: 22/9/19 D Rodrigues **29/9/19** Andrew Nguyen

Church Cleaners: 20/9/19: Vinh Nguyen **Children's Liturgy:** 22nd September - Maricel

Weekend Choirs 22/9/19: Vigil-Samoan Divine Mercy Group. Sunday 8am - Singing Servants of God
Sunday 10am - St Felix's Choir. **6pm** - St Mary Mackillop Choir

Readers & Ministers

	Sat 6pm	15 SEPTEMBER 8am	10am	6pm
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

22 SEPTEMBER

C	Gabrielle Nguyen	Imelda Dela Cruz	Henrietta Owusu	Anthony Eltarraf
R	Gloria Booby	Joseph Dang	Emanuela Viner	Elias Eltarraf
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

Welcome & forgive

Read or retell in your own words, the three stories from the Gospel. Ask your children to recall games they play that involve losing or hiding something and then finding it. (Hide and Go Seek, Ghost in the Graveyard, Button, Button, Who's Got the Button?) Talk about how exciting it is to find the person or thing being looked for.

Ask your children if they have any memories of losing something special or being lost themselves. Share the stories as well as the fears or feelings. Then tell them that just as you would go to any length to find and bring them home if they were lost, so too would God. That is what Jesus is telling us in the three stories. No matter what we do, no matter how wrong we are, God, our loving father, is always anxious to forgive us and welcome us back home.

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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.

Family Mass

This weekend we welcome year 5 children from the primary school and their families who are helping with the liturgy for the Sunday 10am Mass

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*)

Volunteer Overseas - The Cagliari Project, Salesians of Don Bosco

We are seeking volunteers for January 2020 departure, working with disadvantaged young people in Salesian communities throughout Cambodia, Samoa, East Timor & Solomon Islands. Applications close October 15th. Send us an inquiry - www.cagliari.org.au

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