

**Second Sunday in Ordinary Time — Year (B)  
Sunday 14th January 2018**

**Entrance Antiphon** : All the earth shall bow down before You, O God, and shall sing to You, shall sing to Your name, O Most High!

**First reading from the first book of Samuel. 3: 3 -10, 19.**

**Responsorial Psalm** : Here I am, Lord; I come to do Your will..

**Second Reading from the letter of St Paul to the Corinthians 6: 13 - 15, 17 - 20.**

**Gospel Acclamation** : Alleluia! Alleluia! We have found the Messiah: Jesus Christ, who brings us truth and grace. **Alleluia!**

**Gospel** : According to John 1: 35 - 42.

**Communion Antiphon** : You have prepared a table before me, and how precious is the chalice that quenches my thirst.

**Sydney Archdiocese News**

**CatholicCare's Parenting Hub**

With the school holidays in full swing, CatholicCare's parenting hub provides useful articles with tips to help you manage the ups and downs. Simply visit catholiccare.org and look for the Parenting Hub icon. Our parenting counsellors are also available 7 days a week by calling Parent Line NSW on 1300 1300 52.

For more information, contact our friendly CCareline team on 13 18 19.

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**St Christopher's Parish Holsworthy**

*We are a community striving for growth, unity, equality,  
love and commitment*

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**Parish Office Hours** : Mon. 10.00 am - 3.30 pm  
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Today we consider the call to discipleship. The readings outline the various stages of this call and provide a sketch of some of the characteristics of each stage: the invitation, the discerning process and the resulting transformation. The call is an invitation from God. It might come to us as inner sensitivity, a kind of a dream or inspiration. Our interest might be captured by a person or an event that first attracts us and then beckons us to investigate further. It can come in the innocence and naivete of childhood, in the vigour of young adulthood, or in the wisdom of years. It comes when God calls. The second stage involves discernment. Most of us need help recognising moments of religious importance and so we seek out women and men who are practiced in the ways of God, who can help us test the spirit. They might be recognised religious leaders or prophetic guides, or they could be friends or loved ones who know us well and who are also attuned to the workings of God in their own lives.

Finally, when we respond to the call, we discover that we no longer belong solely to ourselves; as disciples, we belong to the body of Christ. We belong to the reign of God; we are now part of the mission of Christ. As disciples, we are called to proclaim to the world the justice of God. What a glorious honour this is!

Dianne Bergant CSS

## **Parish Collections : 7th January 2018**

**First:** \$1037.75

**Second:** \$1148.30

## **Parish News:**

### **Syro Malabar Mass times**

Fr. Thomas will be on annual leave from 15th January to the 10th Feb. There will be **NO** weekday Syro Malabar Masses or Eucharistic adoration during his absence.

Sunday Mass at 11.30am will still be on as usual.

### **St Christopher's Parish Lenten Program**

The next Lenten Program, "Surrender" will commence in the Parish Hall on Friday, 16th February, 2018 from 10.00am for 10.30am.

This program on a Friday will continue until Palm Sunday.

Cost of the Lenten Program Booklet will be \$10.

For further information please contact either Helen

Carter on 0418 403 842 or the Parish Office on 9825 1679.



### **Become a Catechist**

A catechist is a person willing to teach children in our State Schools about God and His love for all.

Catechists do not need to have any previous teaching experience and can be from any walk of life.

If you can spare an hour or two each week during the school term to help spread the Word of God to the children of His Kingdom, you are invited to consider the Ministry of a Catechist.

The current team will be speaking at all Masses on the weekend of 20th / 21st Jan.

For further information please speak to Louise Hartin or the parish office on 9825 1679.

### **Childrens Liturgy**

As yet, there has been no response for calls of parental support for the Childrens Liturgy.

The children's Liturgy is held at the Saturday Vigil Mass at 5.30pm during the school term.

If you can help, please contact the parish office on 9825 1679 or speak with Fr. after Mass.



## **Mass Times / Intentions**

<b>Saturday</b>	<b>13th Jan 5.30 pm</b> .....David Brady (RIP)
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>14th Jan 8.00 am</b> .....Parish Intention
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>14th Jan 9.30 am</b> .....Thanksgiving Mass
Monday	15th Jan 9.15 am.....Mass Intentions
Tuesday	16th Jan 9.15 am.....Mass Intentions
Wednesday	17th Jan 9.15 am.....Mass Intentions
Thursday	18th Jan 9.15 am.....Special Intentions
Friday	19th Jan 9.15 am.....Souls in Purgatory
Saturday	20th Jan 11.00 am.....Latin Mass

**Reconciliation : Saturdays : 4:30 pm. // Vigil Mass : 5:30 pm.**

**Syro - Malabar Liturgies: (Change to regular schedule)**

Sunday Mass at 11.30am only.

(Third Sunday will be celebrated in the School Hall from Feb18)

**The Samoan Community celebrates Mass in the Church on the 3rd Sunday of the Month at 11.30am from Feb18.**

## **Saints of the Week / Feasts**

N/A this week

*We Pray For The Sick :* Anna Varghese,

Peter Wanchalerm Srirattana,  
Brian Cooney, Cyril Ferriere &  
Mrs Chris Hodgins

*Recently deceased:* Barbara Field (nee Parish)  
Molly Goldsworthy

*Anniversary:* David Brady



*Anointing of the sick.*

***Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord and let perpetual light shine upon them  
May they rest in peace. Amen.***