

## Tenth Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year B

10th June 2018

**Entrance Antiphon** : O Lord, hear my voice, for I have called to You, be my help. Do not abandon or forsake me, O God, my saviour.

**First reading** : from the prophet Ezekiel 17:22 - 24.

**Responsorial Psalm** : Lord, it is good to give thanks to You.

**Second Reading** : from the 2nd letter of St. Paul to the Corinthians 5:6 - 10.

**Gospel Acclamation**: Alleluia, alleluia! The seed is the word of God, Christ is the sower; all who come to Him will live forever. Alleluia!

**Gospel** : according to Mark 4: 26 - 34.

**Communion 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.

### Sydney Archdiocese News

#### **CatholicCare Sydney**

Join the Sydney Catholic Youth Team to raise funds for CatholicCare Syd. HOPE program in this year's City2Surf. We're aiming to raise \$75,000 to help vulnerable young mothers and their babies. Challenge yourself and run for HOPE! Register at <https://fundraise.catholiccare.org/city2surf> & join the Sydney Catholic Youth Team today! For further info contact Ashleigh Green 0419 954 839 or [communty@catholiccare.org.au](mailto:communty@catholiccare.org.au)

#### **Holy Father's Appeal**

The Holy Father's Appeal for 2018 will be held next weekend for which we'll ask your support. Through your gift you can help Pope Francis bring hope, opportunity and the spirit of Jesus Christ to our less fortunate brothers and sisters around the world. To give, please use the appeal envelopes provided or phone during office hours on 1800 753 959.

#### **World Youth Day in January 2019**

Syd Catholic Youth invite you on the pilgrimage of a lifetime to Panama where you will celebrate Mass with Pope Francis and millions of young Catholics from around the world. Archbishop Anthony Fisher will lead the Sydney pilgrimage departing on 15th Jan 2019 which will travel from Syd to Washington DC, then to Panama with optional extension to Mexico City. Register your interest and find out more [www.sydneycatholicyouth.org.wyd](http://www.sydneycatholicyouth.org.wyd)

#### **Relic of St Anthony**

Friends of St Anthony are invited to join the celebrations culminating in the reception of the Holy Relic on Thurs 21st June and Masses/Veneration of the Relics on Fri 22nd June. See website: [www.stanthonyschurch.org.au](http://www.stanthonyschurch.org.au) or phone 9631 3316 for full details of the Celebrations.

## St Christopher's Parish Holsworthy

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

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## Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year B

17th June 2018

The readings today remind us that poetic imagery is an apt way of describing the mysterious presence of God in our midst. The cedar began as a seedling that takes years to grow into a magnificent tree. The same is true of the mustard tree. It too requires time to develop its trunk & branches. The development of moral integrity in a human being is just as gradual. Rooted in God, it flourishes in God's presence and it produces fruit even into old age. Although God is present in all things, sustaining them & allowing them to follow their natural courses, God really transcends all things. Metaphorical language may be the best means for speaking about God & the things of God. It enables us to live in the tension that both reveals something about God and conceals God's real nature. The reign of God also begins in very ordinary circumstances, & it matures gradually until it has spread itself far and wide. Although the mystery of the reign of God unfolds within human history, we need eyes of faith to recognise it. Like the cedar & mustard seed, it grows within the concreteness of human experience. Just as the life force that thrusts the branches of the trees further & further out cannot itself be seen, so the reign of God is mysterious, even incomprehensible. Still, it is there, inviting us, urging us to move forward, transforming our world. © Dianne Bergant CSS



## Parish Collections : 10th June 2018

**First:** \$1,356.25      **Second:** \$1,067.30

## Parish News :

### **Weekday Masses**

This Monday 18th June, morning Mass will be celebrated at the special time of 9:00am rather than the usual 9:15am.

Until further notice, there will be no morning Mass on the first Tuesday of each Month. Traditional Latin Mass, Tuesday nights 7pm continue every 2nd, 3rd, 4th (&5th) Tuesday of the Month.

### **St Vincent de Paul Society Winter Appeal today**

For the Parish work of home visits we rely on the support of our community. You will find appeal envelopes on the pews. Should you wish to give by Credit Card or claim a Tax deduction, there are pens on the table near the Piety shop.



Anything you can give will be appreciated.

Vinnies members will be at the doors to collect contributions.

### **The Sacrament of Confirmation**

Registration forms for Confirmation need to be returned to the Parish office by next Friday 22nd June. Please contact the office directly if you have any questions or issues.

### **Parish Planned Giving Envelopes 2018/2019**

It is nearly time to distribute the New Financial Year Envelopes. These will be available for collection in the church foyer from 23rd / 24th June.

The Planned Giving Program is an important undertaking to ensure the parish is able to budget for ongoing expenses and provide for the future of our community.

### **Offering Envelopes**

Your continued support is required and very much appreciated.

If you are a new parishioner, or would like to begin contributing to the weekly planned giving program, forms are available in the foyer.

### **The Sacrament of Baptism**

Baptisms are held on the 2nd & 3rd Sunday of the Month by appointment only following 9.30am Mass. Parents/caregivers must attend a pre-baptismal instruction session prior to the ceremony. These are held (again by appointment) on the 1st & 3rd Saturdays of each month at 11.00am. Godparents are examples of faith to the child. According to Canon Law, there must be at least one Catholic Godparent who has been confirmed and is at least sixteen years of age. Non-Catholics may act as a witness if they have been Baptised into a Christian faith.



Please contact the parish office on 9825 1679 or stchris@tpg.com.au for further details.

## Mass Times / Intentions

<b>Saturday</b>	<b>16th Jun</b>	<b>5. 30 pm</b>	.....Mass Intentions
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>17th Jun</b>	<b>8. 00 am</b>	.....Parish Intentions
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>17th Jun</b>	<b>9. 30 am</b>	.....Special Intentions
<b>Monday</b>	<b>18th Jun</b>	<b>9. 00 am</b>	.....The Sick
Tuesday	19th Jun	9. 15 am	.....Thanksgiving Mass
Wednesday	20th Jun	9. 15 am	.....Vocations
Thursday	21st Jun	9. 15 am	.....Souls in Purgatory
Friday	22nd Jun	9. 15 am	.....Australian Troops serving overseas
Saturday	23rd Jun	11.00 am	.....Latin Mass

**Reconciliation : Saturdays : 4:30 pm.**

**Baptisms :** Second & Third Sunday of the month after 9:30am Mass.  
By appointment only.

### **Syro - Malabar Liturgies:**

Wednesday	Mass	:	
Thursday	Mass	:	
Friday	Mass	:	7.30pm (except on the First Friday of Month)
Saturday	Mass	:	
Sunday	Mass	:	11.30am (Third Sunday in the School Hall)

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

**Adoration / Holy Hour** - Thursday evening 7:30pm (in English) except Thursday before first Friday of Month.

**Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Help** - 1st Tues of the month 7:00pm

**No Morning Mass** on 1st Tuesday of Month

**Traditional Latin Mass** - every Sat 11:00am and each 2nd, 3rd, 4th (&5th)Tuesday of the Month.

## Saints of the Week / Feasts

**Thursday 21st June - St. Aloysius Gonzaga**

**Friday 22nd June - St. John Fisher, St. Thomas More**

*We Pray For The Sick :* Peter Wanchalerm Srirattana,  
Brian Cooney, Cyril Ferriere,  
Anne Enriquez

*Recently deceased:* Edward Francis Rodrigues

*Anniversary:* Thomas Kolster, Antonio Rodrigues



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