

Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary time - YB

12th August 2018

Entrance Antiphon: Look to Your covenant O Lord, and forget not the life of Your poor ones forever. Arise, O God, and defend Your cause, and forget not the cries of those who seek you.

First reading : from the First book of Kings 19: 4 - 8.

Responsorial Psalm : Taste and see the goodness of the Lord.

Second Reading : from letter of St. Paul to the Ephesians 4: 30 - 5 - 2.

Gospel Acclamation : Alleluia, alleluia! I am the living Bread from heaven says the Lord; whoever eats this bread will live forever . Alleluia!

Gospel : according to John 6: 41 - 51.

Communion Antiphon : Oh Jerusalem, glorify the Lord, who gives you your fill of finest wheat.

Sydney Archdiocese News



'How beautiful upon the mountains are the feet of the messenger who announces peace, who brings good news...!' In Hakha, a remote town in the mountainous north of Myanmar, St John's School is educating local children with a child-centred methodology. Three of the teachers at St John's have been trained through the Pyinya Sanyae Institute of Education (PSIE) in Yangon, and have been posted to this school to help children learn in a modern way that maximises their potential. Your support through Catholic Mission can enable PSIE to continue training teachers and help improve education across the country. You can also help St John's School add grades to ensure continuity of education, and become economically sustainable. You will have an opportunity to become an integral part of this inspiring work by joining as a monthly giving partner. This regular contribution will directly support education in Myanmar. Freecall: 1800 257 296 catholicmission.org.au/Myanmar

Plenary Council

Did you know that the 2020 Plenary Council is different to Parish 2020? Parish 2020 is an Archdiocese of Sydney project looking at how parishes can continue to operate and collaborate together. The 2020 Plenary Council is a national project providing a platform for a broad scale discussion among parishes and Catholics across the country concerning the future of the Church in Aust and what you think God is asking of us at this time. If you are interested in getting actively involved to discuss the 2020 Plenary Council, speak with your parish priest or contact us directly at plenarycouncil@sydneycatholic.org

Memorial Mass for the Unborn

Please see flyers at the back of the Church regarding this special Mass on 29th Aug.

St Christopher's Parish Holsworthy

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

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There are times God seems to ask too much of us. We labour for others, but do not see the fruits of our labour. Our families take us for granted, and we are exploited at work. This is particularly trying when we only wanted to be of service to others, to help them wherever we could. What's the point of giving of oneself when it only seems to be futile? In this we are like Elijah. There are other times when we are challenged to change our way of thinking and to accept what seems to make extraordinary demands on us. A new way of understanding church may call us to be open to the cultural diversity within the community. Or it might claim that we have a responsibility toward the poor and homeless in our midst. New biblical insights make us question our familiar understanding of God or of Jesus or of ourselves. In this we might be like the Jews who murmured against Jesus. We want evidence to substantiate these radical new claims. But the evidence that Jesus offered could only be accepted in faith. And so it is with us. When we ask God for some kind of sign that will assure us that this new challenge is really what God wants, the answers received must themselves be accepted and understood in faith. The only assurance we have is rooted in faith, and those who are not open in faith will not understand. God does indeed ask a great deal from us.



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Parish Collections : 12/8/2018 - First: \$1,161.55 **Second:** \$1,334.05

Parish News

Hammondcare Mass

The monthly celebration to residents and their families in Hammondcare will be held this Tuesday at 11:00am

Holy Day of Obligation - The Assumption

The Aust Catholic Bishops' Conference has decreed that, in addition to all the Sundays in the year, the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Wednesday 15th of August, is an annual Holy Day of Obligation - Catholics are obliged to attend Mass on this day as they are on all Sundays in the year. To fulfil your obligation the following Masses shall be offered at St C:

Tuesday 14th August 7:00pm Vigil of the Assumption

Wednesday 15th August 9:15am Ordinary Form Mass.

Wednesday 15th August 7:00pm Extraordinary Form Missa Solemnis with Candlelight Rosary Procession.



Fete / Fundraising

The Committee would like to thank the very generous support of all parishioners who have contributed to this weekends BBQ at Bunnings. The results will be posted in due course. Parishioners are encouraged to start thinking about donations for next years fete. Collection start date and further information will be available shortly. For further information contact Helen Carter on 0418 403 842.

Catholic Mission Appeal

Next weekend 18th & 19th August has been dedicated to the Catholic Mission Appeal. Envelopes will be provided in the pews for this very worthy cause. Please leave your donations with the CM representative in the foyer after Mass, or send directly to the address on the form. There is more information in the Sydney Archdiocese section of this bulletin.

Sacramental Programs

Reconciliation: Enrolment forms for the Sacrament of Reconciliation are now available on the website www.stchristophers.org.au/. Please refer all enquiries to the Parish Office on 9825 1679 or stchris@tpg.com.au.

Confirmation: Our Confirmation candidates have just begun their lessons in preparation for receiving the Holy Spirit on 9th September. To help these young Catholics experience all of the Graces that await them, our prayers will be of great benefit. At the back of the church you will find a basket with the names of our candidates. Please take one (or more) of these home and encourage your family to keep them in your prayers.

Mary McKillop gift of education.

To coincide with the feast of Mother Mary Mackillop, the Mary Mackillop foundation has been established to help transform the lives of underprivileged with the gift of education.

Envelopes and flyers are available at the back of the church with more information.

Mass Times / Intentions

Saturday	11th Aug	5 : 30 pm	.....Florencio Siton, Jr. (RIP)
Sunday	12th Aug	8 : 30 am	.....Special Intentions
Sunday	12th Aug	9 : 30 am	.....Irene O'Neill (RIP)
Monday	13th Aug	9 : 15 am	.....Chloe Delmo
Tuesday	14th Aug	9 : 15 am	.....Margaret Gainsford (RIP)
Tuesday	14th Aug	9 : 15 am (7pm Vigil)	....Feast of The Assumption
Wednesday	15th Aug	9 : 15 am (7pm TLM)	....Feast of The Assumption
Thursday	16th Aug	9 : 15 am	.....George Parackal
Friday	17th Aug	9 : 15 am	.....The Souls in Purgatory
Saturday	19th Aug	11 : 00 am	.....Latin Mass

Reconciliation : Saturdays : 4:30 pm.

Baptisms : Second & Third Sunday of the month after 9:30am Mass.

Baptism & Preparation meetings by appointment only. stchris@tpg.com.au

Syro - Malabar Liturgies:

Friday Mass 7 : 00 pm (Except on the First Friday of Month)

Sunday Mass 11. 30 am (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 / Benediction - 7: 00 pm first Friday of the month (Samoan)

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

Novena - Our Lady of Perpetual Help -1st Wed of month 7:00pm. No Mass.

No Morning Mass on 1st Tuesday of Month

Traditional Latin Mass - Sat 11:00am and each 2nd, 3rd, 4th (&5th) Wednesday of the Month 7pm.

Saints of the Week / Feasts

Monday 13th - St's. Pontian and Hippolytus

Tuesday 14th - St. Maximilian

Wednesday 15th - The ASSUMPTION of the BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

Thursday 16th - St. Stephen

Saturday 4th St. Clare

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

Recently deceased: Irene O'Neill, Cezar Ibasco, Florencio Siton Jr

Anniversary: Gabriel Do Pao, Flaczynski Chloe Delmo
Varghese Parackal, C. Peter, Margaret Gainsford



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