

**Twenty Sixth Sunday in Ordinary time
Year C. 29th Sept 2019**

Entrance Ant : All that You have done to us, O Lord, You have done with true judgement, for we have sinned against You and not obeyed Your commandments. But give glory to Your name and deal with us according to the bounty of Your mercy.

First reading : from the Book of Amos 6 : 1, 4 - 7

Responsorial Psalm : Praise the Lord my soul.

Second Reading : from 1 Timothy 2 : 1 - 8.

Gospel Acclamation : Alleluia, alleluia! Jesus Christ was rich but He became poor, to make you rich out of His poverty. Alleluia!

Gospel : according to Luke 16 : 19 - 31.

Communion Antiphon: Lord God, Your words were found and I consumed them; Your Word became the joy and the happiness of my heart.

Sydney Archdiocese News

Ignite Conference

Just ONE week to go until the first Ignite Conference in Sydney from October 3 to 6. The Ignite Conference is one of Australia's most powerful Catholic youth and family conferences, drawing together high schoolers, young adults, ministry leaders, families, teachers, priests and religious from around the country, sending them out with a passion for mission and authentic faith in Jesus. Students from all Sydney Catholic Schools are offered a heavy discount (\$50 for high school, free tickets for primary), special packages for families and weekend only tickets are available. For more information, visit or contact the team at **Sydney Catholic Youth** on (02) 9307 8152 or info@sydneycatholicyouth.org

Our Fourth Quarterly Catholic Breakfast Group

Guest Speaker: Dr. Rachel Carling, CEO Right To Life Association (NSW)
Venue: NSW Parliament House, Macquarie Street, Syd. Mon 30th Sept, 8am
Purpose: Camaraderie, Sharing of ideals, and reinforcing our Catholic Beliefs.
Rsvp: 23rd of September 2019.

Plenary Council Listening and Discernment

The Plenary Council invites people to continue to participate in the journey towards the Council sessions in 2020 and 2021. The "Listening and Discernment" phase recently opened and a guide has been developed to encourage groups to take part in communal discernment on the National Themes for Discernment. Learn more about the Christian practice of discernment and download the guide, "Let's Listen and Discern", at www.plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au

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

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Both the reading from the prophet Amos and the gospel narrative pointedly condemn the lifestyles of the rich. It is not wealth itself, but the complacency and the disregard for others that it too frequently generates, that is denounced. Biblical covenant is a communal concept. It emerges from a society that insists on mutual responsibility. Today's readings invite us to consider the covenant bond we have with others. How do we measure up? The fundamental image of God reveals mercy and compassion. However, we cannot disregard the fact of judgment. Amos pronounces a woe against his own people; Abraham declares that there is an unbridgeable chasm between the saved and the condemned. Paul speaks here of the appearance of the Lord Jesus Christ who will bring judgment when he comes. Judgment will be determined not primarily in terms of our obedience to law, but in view of our fidelity to covenant commitment. Righteousness is a covenant term. It is a quality of God that is shared with us by means of our covenant bond. Paul admonishes Timothy, and us, to pursue this righteousness, along with devotion, faith, love, patience and gentleness. Some of these virtues focus on our relationship with God, but most of them are directed toward our relationship with others. Those who are less fortunate are our sisters and brothers. If we take lightly our covenant obligations and allow them to languish at our gates, we will have only ourselves to blame when we find ourselves facing the harsh judgment of God.

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Parish News

Parish Pastoral Council fundraising news

Grateful thanks to all who participated in our recent fete whether through donations or participation on the day. Our final net figure for the Fete is \$13,727.20. As well as a financial success the day was also a great community day for our Parish. A quote has been accepted for the instalment of the overhead screens and a new microphone system which should be installed in the near future.

In regards to the hall, we don't have a date as yet for the demolition to start but the hall has been emptied in preparation.

Unfortunately some stereo speakers that were in a box in the kitchen of the hall have gone missing. These speakers belong to a parishioner who loaned them to the Committee for the day. Please contact Helen Carter on 0418 403 842 or the Parish Office on 9825 1679 if you are able to assist.

Confirmation Photographs

Parents and caregivers wishing to purchase photo's from the Sacrament of Confirmation are able to do so this weekend and next in the Parish Hall on Sat 5pm - 7pm and Sun 8.30am - 11.30am.

Weekend Mass

Father Charles will be celebrating Mass this weekend. Please make him feel welcome

Monthly Novena

The monthly Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Help will be held this Wednesday at 7:00pm.



November Mass Offering & The Book of Remembrance

The month of November is dedicated to the repose of the Souls of loved ones, and there are no individual Mass Intentions written in our parish bulletin during this month. For those who wish to include all their deceased loved ones in all the Masses we will be celebrating during this month, are asked to take a November Mass Offering Envelope. These are available in at the back of the Church. We ask you to bring these back by Wednesday 23rd October so that they can be included in the Book of Remembrance which will be brought down in the Offertory Procession and placed in front of the Altar at all the weekend Masses in November

Aid to the Church in Need

October is the month of the Holy Rosary. Aid to the Church in Need (ACN) is hosting a prayer campaign on 18 October titled: "One Million Children Praying the Rosary." The prayer initiative invites teachers, priests, parents and grandparents to pray the rosary together with children for peace and unity around the world. If you would like to participate, information and resources can be found online at: www.millionkidspraying.org

Mass Times

Weekends :

Saturday Vigil 5:30pm
Sunday 8.00am, 9.30am

Weekdays :

Tuesday - Friday 7:00am

Adoration : Friday 7:00pm

Reconciliation : Sat 4:30 pm.

Baptism, Marriage, Anointing of the Sick & Funerals

By appointment. (No Baptisms on 3rd Sunday)



Adoration / Holy hour
Friday evening - 7:00pm

Saints of the Week / Feasts

29th Sept - St. Jerome

1st Oct - St. Therese of the Child Jesus

2nd Oct - The Holy Guardian Angels

4th Oct - St. Francis of Assisi

We Pray For The Sick

Peter Wanchalerm Srirattana, Brian Cooney, Cyril Ferriere, Lise Ferriere, Anne Enriquez, Barbara Becroft, Frank Ilankovan, Sofia Abener, Johny Price, Jeffery Crouche, Steven Aboud, Baby Sierra, Kerry Stark, Patricia Crowley, Robert Williams



Anniversaries

Gabriel Do Pao, Valentine Vamadevan, Eliata Ramalinga, Georges Haddad (6 Oct)

Recently Deceased

Bonita Alphonso

Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord and let perpetual light shine upon them