

Twelfth Sunday in ordinary Time—Year C **19th June 2016**

Entrance Antiphon: The Lord is the strength of his people, a saving refuge for the one he has anointed. Save your people, Lord, and bless your heritage, and govern them for ever.

First Reading from the prophet Zechariah 12: 10-11; 13:

Responsorial Psalm: My soul is thirsting for you, O Lord my God.

Second Reading from the letter of St Paul to the Galatians 3: 26-29

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia! My sheep listen to my voice, says the Lord; I know them, and they follow me. Alleluia!

GOSPEL: According to Luke 9: 18-24

Communion Antiphon: The eyes of all look to you, Lord, and you give them their food in due season.

Saints of the Week

St Aloysius Gonzaga (**Tues 21/6**)
Sts John Fisher, & Thomas More (**Wed 22/6**)
The Nativity of St John the Baptist (**Fri 24/6**)

WEEKEND MASS TIMES: Sat Vigil 5.30pm, Sunday 8.00am, 9.30am & 5.30pm

WEEKDAY MASS TIMES: Monday— Friday 9.15am

ADDITIONAL MASSES: 1st Friday 7.00pm/ Parish.
Hammondville Nursing Home 1st Tuesday of the Month at 11.00am

RECONCILIATION: Saturdays 4.30pm—5.15pm

MASS INTENTIONS: There are Mass Intention envelopes in the church foyer for people to write their respective Intentions. These need to be returned to the parish office no later than one week prior to the said date. Please do not place them in the 'suggestion box'.

ADORATION of the BLESSED SACRAMENT: Thursday 7.00pm -8.00pm except Thursday before 1st Friday of the Month.

BAPTISMS: Please contact the Parish office 9825 1679

WEDDINGS: 6 months notice is required

CONTACTS:

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EXTRA ORDINARY MINISTERS OF COMMUNION: Fr. Thanh 9825 1679

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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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This Sunday 51 candidates from our Parish will receive the **Sacrament of Confirmation.**

Bishop Terence Brady & Dr. Gerald Gleeson VG will officiate at these Masses. Please keep these candidates and their families in your prayers.

We thank our Sacramental coordinator Mrs Catherine Flavell, the REC Mrs Brianna Buggy and all the teaching staff at St Christopher's school, most importantly our Group Leaders who have given of their time and homes in preparing these children for this Sacrament.

Parish Collections 12/6/2016

First: \$729.50 **Second:** \$851.05

The **St Vincent de Paul Society** would like to thank parishioners for their generous support of our Winter Appeal. The amount received to date is **\$1,291**.

PLANNED GIVING ENVELOPES FOR THE NEW FINANCIAL YEAR 2016/2017 The envelopes will be available for collection in the Church foyer from the weekend 25th/26th June 2016. **We thank you for your continued support of the Parish, through the envelopes, there are currently 120 parishioners who contribute to the Planned Giving.** Should any parishioner wishing to contribute to the Planned Giving envelopes there are forms in the foyer to complete. Please call the parish office if you have any queries 9825 1679.

TAX INVOICE RECEIPTS F/YEAR ending 30/6/2016 there is a sheet in the church foyer to leave your details if you require a receipt. The receipt can only be collected from the Piety stall from the weekend of 9th/10th July 2016.

Understanding Parish Collections:

First Collection—Money collected from the collection support the needs of priests of the parish which includes, the priests' monthly salary, Upkeep of the presbytery, e.g. food, utilities, cleaner etc. A small percentage to cover the expenses of the Archbishop especially in caring for elderly priests.

Second Collection—Money from this collection supports the maintenance of the parish buildings and pastoral programs. The parish must work within its own budget and is unable to draw funds for expenses from any source other than its own parish income. Loans for church works are permitted as long as they can be serviced. Some of the expenses covered are: Parish running costs, e.g. administration, insurance, utilities, general maintenance and upkeep of the church, presbytery and parish property. Parish staff salary including superannuation. Priests' car expenses, Charitable Works fund shortfall. The collection combines income from planned giving envelopes & cash on plates. Further information is supplied in the brochure which is in the church foyer, please take one home.

PARISH NEWS:

The Parish and Pastoral Council encourages and welcomes you to be a volunteer in any of the Parish Ministries and Social groups.

*Currently the Parish is in need of **volunteers to help clean the church.** This involves dusting, vacuuming and some general cleaning and takes two people on average about 1 hour. If you can spare a little time, please contact Luz Maravillas on 9825 6281.*

Benefits of Volunteering: *To be a volunteer can bring meaning and purpose to your life. It increases self-esteem and wellbeing, relieves stress, help symptoms of depression, all whilst helping the community.*

Volunteering can: *1: enhance a sense of achievement and purpose,*

2: helps feeling a part of a community,

3: helps share your skills, learn new skills and create a better work-life balance,

4: helps combat loneliness, social isolation ,

5: helps to meet new people, helping you feel connected and valued.

Saturday 18th June 5.30pm..... Thomas Kolster (RIP)
Sunday 19th June 8.00amTerry Touzell (RIP)
Sunday 19th June 9.30am..... Parish Intentions
Sunday 19th June 5.30pm..... Mary Gilchrist (RIP)
Monday 20th June 9.15am..... Lucia & Peter
Tuesday 21st June 9.15am Maria & John
Wednesday 22nd June 9.15am.....,..... Maria & Joseph
Thursday 23rd June 9.15am Souls in Purgatory
Friday 24th June 9.15am.....Msgn Philip Thuong (RIP)
Saturday 25th June..... **No Morning Mass**

ENROLMENTS for FIRST HOLY COMMUNION *will close this Thursday 23rd June 2016*

CATECHISTS Parishioners would you consider sharing your Faith with children in our 3 State Schools. This is an urgent appeal for volunteers, as we are in need of **7 people to become Catechists— Hammondville PS** (Tuesday 9am need a Kindergarten teacher, **Holsworthy PS** (Tuesday) need a Year 5 teacher at 9.55am. **Wattle Grove PS** (Wednesday) need a Year 1 at 9.25am, & Year 6 at 10.30am. We have 3 Catechist's temporarily taking an extra class each week, so our children can hear the Good News. On going training and support is given. Please call the parish office for further details 9825 1679.



St Christopher's Parish Fundraising Committee warmly invites you to the "Inaugural Bingo day" and sausage sizzle **next Sunday, 26 June 11:30pm to 3:30pm.** Sausage sizzle to start after the 9:30am Mass. There are plenty of prizes to win at this family friendly event. Bingo cards are on sale for \$10 each or 3 for \$20 and are good for the all bingo games. Each card comes with a free raffle ticket. Contact Ray Villarica 0400 353 531 to purchase bingo cards or to volunteer to help with the event."

THE HOLY FATHER'S APPEAL. Our parish will be holding a special appeal the weekend 2/3 July for the **Holy Father.** The Holy Father's Appeal supports Pope Francis' charitable works around the world and is an important source of funding that allows the Church to extend its help to where it's most desperately needed. Your support with this appeal would be greatly appreciated.

UNIVERSITY OF NOTRE DAME INFORMATION EVENING. The University of Notre Dame will hold an information evening in the **Sutherland Shire** on **Wednesday, 22 June 2016** from **5pm-7pm** at St Aloysius Parish Hall, 18 Giddings Avenue, Cronulla. Current students and staff will be available to help prospective students make an informed decision about tertiary study. Applications will be accepted on the

We Pray For The Sick

Lilian Spicer, Frank Ilankovan & Erica Garcia Leon

Anniversaries: Thomas Kolster

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

