

FR ALLO WRITES...

Life-giving Bread

(John 6:41-51)

A wealthy business man and his wife whom I know personally had a big dream for their only daughter's future. They had a dream that one day she would have a good husband who is interested in running the family business. To fulfill their dream, they sent their daughter to do her studies overseas in several countries like United States, Germany and Taiwan. The girl was remarkably intelligent. She got several degrees in different areas. However in Taiwan she came to know the Missionaries of Charity Congregation that was founded by Blessed Mother Teresa of Calcutta. After some long discernment, she then decided to join this congregation in Taipei. This community is focusing on serving poor and the sick, the dying, tramps, and orphans, in keeping the charism of Mother Teresa. Decision to join religious life was really a big shock for the parents who had a different dream. After a few years they came to realize their daughter's call. In his will, the man donated three thirds of his wealth for any kind of charity, not necessary to his daughter's congregation.



In today's gospel Jesus once again calls himself as the "True Bread" that gives life to the world. Whoever eats this bread and believe in him will have eternal life (John 6:47-48). It is an invitation to us to attach ourselves to him if we desire to have life. This is similar to the parable of the "Vine" when Jesus describes himself as the vine and we are the branches. He says: *"I am the vine and you are the branches. If you remain in me and I in you, you will bear much fruit, apart from me you can do nothing"* (John 15:5). Jesus has given himself to us as our food for eternal life. He gave assurance that attached to him we will have life. In commissioning his disciples he said: *"As the Father has sent me, now I am sending you"* (John 20:21). Earlier he said: *"As the Father has loved me, so have I loved you"* (John 15:9) and *"you may love one another as I have loved you"* (John 15:12).

Being a follower of Jesus means to live in his own sentiments and understanding. It was clear to us that he has given his life to us by loving us unconditionally, and now it is our turn to give our own life of own flesh to become food for others. The story above has shown that the daughter of the business man has become a bread of life for others. And not just herself but the parents as well have been involved in charity works for the poor and the needy ones. They have also become a bread of life for others. We may not have to become like them. We have our ordinary way of making ourselves "bread of life" for others. I may quote what Fr. Michael Fallon says in his homily of today: *"We give our 'flesh' to someone when we give ourselves in all that it means to be part of the human condition. We give our flesh when we give our time, our activity, our energy, our work. We give our flesh when we give our real self in all its weakness. We give our flesh when we keep loving even when it causes us pain"* (Michael Fallon MSC: Homily on 19th Sunday in Ordinary Time).



THIS WEEK

SATURDAY 8 AUGUST

6:00pm Mass

SUNDAY 9 AUGUST

9:30am Mass + Kids Church, Morning Tea
11:00am Baptism
3:30pm Indonesian Mass + Confirmation
6:00pm Mass

MONDAY 10 AUGUST

9:00am Mass

WEDNESDAY 12 AUGUST

9:00am Mass

FRIDAY 14 AUGUST

9:00am OLR School Mass - Assumption

SATURDAY 15 AUGUST

6:00pm Mass

SUNDAY 16 AUGUST

9:30am Mass + Kids Church, Morning Tea
11:00am French Mass
3:30pm Indonesian Mass
6:00pm Youth Mass

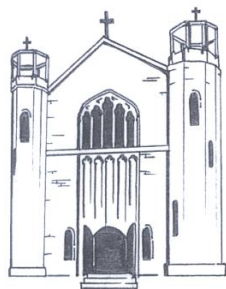
ARE YOU NEW TO THE PARISH?

Welcome! Let us know how we can support you in your faith journey. Please introduce yourself to the parish priest and/or one of the hospitality team at morning tea.

SIGN UP!

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 Maria Caetano (Mon-Fri, 9am-1pm)

MASS TIMES
 Sat - 6pm (Vigil)
 Sun - 9:30am (Family), 6pm
 Mon, Wed, Fri - 9am
 Indonesian Mass Sun - 3:30pm
 French Mass Third Sun - 11am

RECONCILIATION
 Mon 9:30am or by appointment

HOLY HOUR + RECONCILIATION
 Thursday before 1st Friday - 7:00pm

INDONESIAN COMMUNITY
 Fr Aloysius Tamnge msc – 0426 042 624

BAPTISMS
 First Sunday - 11am, bookings required

WEDDINGS
 By Appointment

SACRAMENTS
 Contact parish office

OLR PRIMARY SCHOOL PRINCIPAL
 Marie Nilon – 9663 3346

OLSH COLLEGE PRINCIPAL
 Jenny Fowler – 9662 4088

JUSTICE OF THE PEACE
 Roy Rigotti - 9313 8334, is a JP and is happy to sign documents as required.

RESPONSES

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON
 Look to your covenant, O Lord, and forget not the life of your poor ones for ever. Arise, O God, and defend your cause, and forget not the cries of those who seek you.

FIRST READING
 Kings 19: 4-8

RESPONSORIAL PSALM
 Taste and see the goodness of the Lord.

SECOND READING
 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 for ever.
 Alleluia.

GOSPEL
 John 6: 41-51

COMMUNION ANTIPHON
 O Jerusalem, glorify the Lord, who gives you your fill of finest wheat.

OREMUS

Let us Pray

SICK
 Joy Simon, Laura (Rose’s friend), Lianne Cross, Mark McKay, Mary Breen, Lil Siely, Kate Lingard, Marie Burke, Kath Neale, Karen Lamb, Will Coady, Ghassan Serhan, Leo O’Sullivan, Tonia Pastorelli, Manuel Mouco, Baby Alessio, Ashika Nandan, Vivien Christie, Lucienne Radzysinski, Neville Dunn, Derek Chick, Tony (Dulwich Hill), Br James Maher msc, Francesco Alessi, Lucia Simeone, Fr Peter Robinson msc, Assunta Ciaglia, Natalina Beghetto, Frank Zakrzewski, Llewellyn Samuel, Antonio Laquian, Joe Di Blasio, Rina Vecchief, Anton’s mum, Nella Custorella, Marie LaBrooy, Patty Ingram, Dee Piper, Rosaria Ciaglia, Frank George, Colleen Corcoran, Zanita Banzon, Angela Breen Ortega

BELOVED DECEASED
 Professor Brien Holden, Eileen Fitzpatrick

ANNIVERSARIES
 Maria Sidoti, Mary Mifsud, Charles Mifsud, Lupo Macolino

ROSTERS

AUGUST 8/9	SAT 6PM	SUN 9:30AM	SUN 6PM
Acolyte	Handojo Widjaja	Roel Castillo	John Allen
Readers	James Lynch Judith Lynch	Nani Widarto Jeff Kildea	Marissa Meyn Francine Pirola
E. Ministers	Dewi Suryani Vien Suhadi	James Dela Cruz Mary Martin Robyn Kildea Ana Corpuz Stephen Gatt Thomas Chia	Trish Veness Diana Woon
KidsChurch	Erin Beavis, Harriet Beavis		
Counting	John Moore, Ray Delohery, Selvi Ung		
Comm to Sick	Sheila McAndrew, Robyn Kildea, James Dela Cruz		
AUGUST 15/16	SAT 6PM	SUN 9:30AM	SUN 6PM
Acolyte	Handojo Widjaja	Fred Luca	Terry Gormley
Readers	Linda Irlhia John Dorahy	James Wong Stephen Chiew	Youth Mass Youth Mass
E. Ministers	John Ryan Jan Nicholas	Margaret Rigotti Roy Rigotti Sheila McAndrew Barbara Hitchcox Nani Widarto Henny Ramali	Lyn King Grace Pandiangan
KidsChurch	Charisse Low, Jackie Ma		
Counting	Johanes Tantohardjono, Bob Brenac, Giovanna Ziccardi		
Comm to Sick	Margaret Rigotti, Mary Martin, Roel Castillo		



Mary MacKillop Feast Day August 8th, 2015



Your donation to Mary MacKillop International gives expression to the Gospel imperative and the intentions of Australia's first saint for us to seek first those who suffer the most. The call for us to pursue justice and help those suffering from poverty and disadvantage. Mary MacKillop International supports a range of education, health and livelihood programs with communities in Timor-Leste and Peru.

With your help more can be done, so please donate to Mary MacKillop International today and bring hope to communities in need.

THE CONFESSIONS OF ST AUGUSTINE

Presented by Bishop David Walker at The Centre for Christian Spirituality, Randwick. Dates: Wednesdays 12, 19, 26 August and 2 September, 7.00-8.30pm. Course Cost: \$40 Limited Spaces- Bookings Essential. To register: <http://trybooking.com/HYDB> or Ph: 9398 2211.

VISITING ROME? STAY AT DOMUS AUSTRALIA

Domus Australia is a 32 room guest house established by the Australian Catholic Church, welcoming travellers to Rome seeking comfortable accommodation and an ideal base from which to explore historical and cultural sites of the Eternal City. Centrally located with a magnificently restored Chapel featuring daily Mass in English, Domus Australia is the perfect oasis in the heart of Rome for Aussie pilgrims. Enquiries: reservations@domusaustralia.org / www.domusaustralia.org.

ST BENEDICT'S MONASTERY CHRISTIAN MEDITATION 2015

You are invited to the four Christian Meditation Introduction and Renewal Days for 2015 at St Benedict's Monastery, 121 Arcadia Rd, Arcadia. Tel: **9653 1159**. **Sundays: 16 August and 15 November.** Arrival: 10am for 10:30am. Presentations, Introduction to Christian Meditation, two periods of meditation, Eucharistic Celebration and information exchange. Conclusion: around 3pm. Books and CDs are available for sale, BYO picnic lunch, tea and coffee provided. Self-catering overnight accommodation may be available in the monastery guest house. Contact Br Terry on **0438 282 318**. Enquires: Ann Bergman anniebergman@hotmail.com or **9498 2625**/Ann Lomas atlomas@bigpond.com or **9456 4775**.

HOLY HOUR

Thursday (First Friday Vigil) | 7-8pm
Reconciliation available.

YOUTH MASS

Sunday 16 August at 6pm

Followed by pizza and games night in the Parish Hall.

**We are not just the future of the church.
We are the present.**

CONFIRMATION

Congratulations to all the young people who received the sacrament of Confirmation on Wednesday night. May they continue on their faith journey as they experience the outpouring of the Holy Spirit in their lives.

TRANSPORT REQUIRED TO AND FROM MASS

A parishioner, who is no longer able to drive, requires transport to and from Sunday morning Mass. If you are prepared to be on a roster one Sunday each month please contact Maria at the Parish Office 9663 1070.

CHARITABLE WORKS FUND (CWF) PASTORAL APPEAL

We are grateful to our parishioners for generously supporting last weekend's appeal. Your donations make it possible for the Catholic Archdiocese of Sydney to contribute in positive ways to many lives every year. Thank you and may God bless you and your loved ones.

YOUTH BAND

Are you interested?
Contact Snez 0434 620 346.

WE'RE CELEBRATING...

9 August | Baptism
Reeve Tjan

NOTICES

ARCHDIOCESE OF SYDNEY APP NOW AVAILABLE

The Catholic Archdiocese of Sydney has released a Smartphone App for parishioners in the Archdiocese, featuring parish Mass times, the latest news from the Archdiocese of Sydney and the Catholic Church in Australia, information about upcoming Archdiocese events, as well as announcements from Most Rev Anthony Fisher OP, Archbishop of Sydney. Download the App for free – search for “Archdiocese of Sydney” in the Google Play and App stores.

WEEKEND RETREAT: ALL IS GRACE

Presenter: Fr Paul Maunder, OCD

Where: Mt Carmel Retreat Centre,
247 St Andrews Road, Varroville,

When: August 28 – 30

Cost: \$220 (concessions apply)

Phone: 02 8795 3400

Email: retreats@carmelite.com

www.carmeliteretreats.com.au

All is Grace: spiritual guidance in prayer, holiness and mission from the writings of St Therese of Lisieux.

JOKE CORNER

“How Eve was Created”

At Sunday School they were learning how God created everything, including human beings. Johnny was especially intent when the teacher told him how Eve was created out of one of Adam's ribs.

Later in the week his mother noticed him lying down as though he were ill, and said, "Johnny, what is the matter?" Johnny responded, "I have pain in my side. I think I'm going to have a wife."

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION IN YEAR 1B

This Term, Year One are presented with stories from both the Old and New Testaments. The parables of the Kingdom – Yeast, Hidden Treasure and Precious Pearl – are told. From listening to these parables, students learn what the Kingdom of God is like - special, precious, beautiful and that it grows.

Then stories of ‘Joseph’ and ‘Moses and the Burning Bush’ are told. The unit develops the concept of the Bible as sacred, about people’s experiences of God and how God is involved in the life of people. In both the stories of Moses and Joseph, God calls the unexpected person. Both Joseph and Moses experience danger and God’s saving help. Through the actions of both, God saves Israel. It is not by their skill or power that Israel is saved but by the power of God. Students learn that we are all called to be instruments of God in living the covenant - in living the gospel.

Caroline Simons - Year 1B Class Teacher

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION IN YEAR 2B

In 2B this term, we are learning about the topics: Reflecting God’s Goodness and preparing to make our Sacrament of Reconciliation. Currently we are concluding: Reflecting God’s Goodness. This unit explores the concept of living as a follower of Jesus. It introduces Jesus’ commandment to love others as Jesus loved us. It draws on the children’s knowledge of stories about Jesus and of their experience of people who reflect God’s love. The unit introduces saints as ordinary people who reflected God’s goodness to the world and brought God’s love to others.

Year 2 will be making their Reconciliation in September. As a Parish community, we ask that you pray for us as we prepare to make our second sacrament.

Sarah Clayton Wilson - Year 2B Teacher



From 10am - 3pm on Sunday 8 November the entire OLR school community invites you to spend the day at the OLR Christmas Fair. There will be • 7 Great Carnival Rides • Hot Food • Sweet Treats • Games • Face Painting • Entertainment • Devonshire Tea • Great Prizes • Christmas Crafts • Raffles. All funds raised will be used to update the reading resources used in the classrooms at OLR.

If you are interested in supporting the school in the lead-up to the Christmas Fair we would welcome your help. There are many ways you can get involved in The Christmas Fair. If you own a business, join other local businesses and supporters and become a sponsor. If you enjoy baking, join our group of Yr 3 parents and share your Christmas cake/pudding recipes. If you want a good day out, invite family/friends/local community members to join you at the Fair!