

FR ALO WRITES...

“No Fear, but Trust”

Mark 4:35-41

There are two MSC confreres of mine that I met recently. One of them is physically not well and the other is going to celebrate his 100 years of age in October 2015. Both of them are very devout religious who have a very good spiritual life. I remember these two confreres while I was praying for family friends who are looking for a property to buy. I and my two confreres are having similar spiritual journeys where in the stage of struggle question the presence of God. The one who is unwell saying: *“I don’t know what God is doing. I have been asking for healing but there is no sign of it”*. The older confrere said: *“You know I feel embarrassed every time I am about to celebrate my birthday especially in the last ten years. I questioned God whether my name is still in his list as one of the living creatures or not. Sometimes I think that God forgets that I am still alive. I am healthy but I am too old to keep going. I would like God to call me soon”*. When I prayed for my friends’ intention for buying property, I was frustrated as well because God seems “asleep” and doesn’t listen to my prayers. I and my two other confreres have been following God in religious life for many years and yet still complain for we think that God is asleep and doesn’t care. It is like the disciples who complained: *“Teacher, you do not care if we perish?”* (Mark 4:38).

The Gospel of today is also speaking about the disciples of Jesus who have been following Jesus closely and trained by Jesus (physically, spiritually and mentally) and yet complained when they thought that Jesus was asleep in the middle of their struggles (facing natural disaster) of life. In those times we tend to think that God is asleep. We think that he doesn’t care or doesn’t pay attention to what we are asking for. Is it true that God is asleep? Is it true that he is not listening or not paying attention to our prayers? Looking at the experience of the disciples in the Gospel today, it might be true that Jesus physically was asleep. However he was present in the midst of their struggle. And spiritually we can say that the disciples and we are asleep for we are not aware or do not acknowledge his presence. That’s why Jesus said to his disciples and to me and my confreres: *“Peace, be still.....Why are you afraid? Have you no faith?”* (Mark 4:39-41). Jesus firstly calms down our tension or anxiety by giving peace, and later when our hearts calm down he begins to chat with us in the hearts level. He began by questioning our faith which is about our understanding of his presence and his will. The disciples might realize later on that it wasn’t Jesus who was asleep but they were asleep for not recognizing his presence.

Do you recognize the Lord’s presence with you, especially when you are facing storms of adversity, sorrow, anxiety and temptation? Jesus gives us assurance of his presence by saying: *“It is I, do not be afraid”* There is a saying: *“There is nothing to be feared but fear itself”*.



THIS WEEK

SATURDAY 20 JUNE

6:00pm Mass

SUNDAY 21 JUNE

9:30am Year 5 Family Mass + Kids Church,
Morning Tea
11:00am French Mass
3:30pm Indonesian Mass
6:00pm Mass

MONDAY 22 JUNE

9:00am Mass

WEDNESDAY 24 JUNE

9:00am Mass

FRIDAY 26 JUNE

9:00am Mass

SATURDAY 27 JUNE

6:00pm

SUNDAY 28 JUNE

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

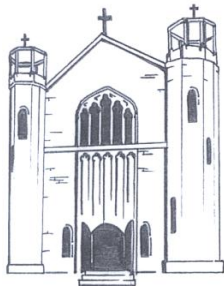
ARE YOU NEW TO THE PARISH?

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!

Get the OLR eNews in your inbox each Friday afternoon.

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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

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

Job 38: 1, 8-11

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Give thanks to the Lord, his love is everlasting.

SECOND READING

Corinthians 5: 14-17

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!

A great prophet has appeared among us; God has visited his people. Alleluia.

GOSPEL

Mark 4: 35-41

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

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

OREMUS

Let us Pray

SICK

Tate Lingard, Marie Burke, Kath Neale, Karen Lamb, Will Coady, Ghassan Serhan, Leo O’Sullivan, Min Keating, 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 Vecchie, Anton’s mum, Nella Custorella, Marie LaBrooy, Patty Ingram, Dee Piper, Rosaria Ciaglia, Frank George, Colleen Corcoran, Zanita Banzon, Angela Breen Ortega

BELOVED DECEASED

Christoforus Mulyadi

ANNIVERSARIES

Alma Eleanor Whittingham

ROSTERS

JUNE 20/21	SAT 6PM	SUN 9:30AM	SUN 6PM
Acolyte	Handojo Widjaja	Terry Gormley	Fred Luca
Readers	Cathy Shiner Thelma Slunsky	Year 5 Year 5	Tony King Liz Thorp
E. Ministers	John Dorahy Dewi Suryani	Margaret Rigotti Roy Rigotti Roel Castillo Nani Widarto Henny Ramali Ana Corpuz	Lyn King Francine Pirola
KidsChurch	Clarisse Lowe, Jackie Ma		
Counting	Johanes Tantohardjono, Bob Brenac, Giovanna Ziccardi		
Comm to Sick	Margaret Rigotti, Roel Castillo		
JUNE 27/28	SAT 6PM	SUN 9:30AM	SUN 6PM
Acolyte	John Allen	George Bedirian	Gus Alimhamzah
Readers	Agnes Irhia Sr Helen Hearne	Nani Widarto Tony Pellegrini	Virginia Black Nicholas Black
E. Ministers	Jan Nicholas John Ryan	Brian Koh Sheila McAndrew Trish Veness Barbara Hitchcox Stephen Gatt Amelia Iovanella	Marieann Duncan Diana Woon
KidsChurch	Christina Halim, Herlina Halim		
Counting	James Lynch, James De La Cruz, Helen Liew		
Comm to Sick	Trish Veness, Sheila McAndrew		

THE HOLY FATHER'S APPEAL

Our parish will be holding a special appeal next weekend 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.

ANNUAL MARRIAGE MASS & RENEWAL OF VOWS

The Marriage Mass and Renewal of Vows will take place on **Sunday, 12 July** at **St Mary's Cathedral, Sydney**, at **10.30am**. All married couples are welcome. Mass will be celebrated by the Most Reverend Archbishop Anthony Fisher OP. Married couples wishing to attend to renew their vows should register with the Life, Marriage and Family Centre at LMFEvents@sydneycatholic.org or **93078404**. Registered couples celebrating 50th, 55th, 60th, or 65th wedding anniversaries will also receive a special certificate from Archbishop Fisher.

NOTRE DAME UNIVERSITY HSC STUDY WEEK

Book your place now. Places are still available for HSC students wanting to gain valuable study tips and intensive exam preparation at The University of Notre Dame HSC Study Week. Cost is \$345 for five days tuition **running from 6-10 July**. For more information visit http://www.nd.edu.au/academic_support/hsc-study-week or call **8204 4228**.

PREPARING FOR THE VOCATION OF MARRIAGE?

Of Life and Love Marriage Preparation Weekend at the Catholic Adult Education Centre. Places still available for **June 27 & 28**. \$230 per couple. For more information, call **9646 9010** or go to www.caec.com.au – **'A wedding is a day, but a marriage is a lifetime'**

ST TERESA OF AVILA: THE WAY OF PERFECTION

Presented by Bishop David Walker at The Centre for Christian Spirituality. Dates: **Wednesday's 1, 8, 15 July 2015**, 7.00-8.30pm. Course Cost: \$30 Limited Spaces. Bookings Essential. To register: <http://trybooking.com/HURG> or Ph: **9398 2211**.

SPIRITUALITY IN THE PUB (SIP) PADDINGTON

Wednesday 1st July 2015 at 7.30pm at the Paddington RSL, 220-232 Oxford Street Paddington – "Creating Life – choices and implications?"

Come, share a drink and engage in some stimulating conversation at SIP with JOHN PASCOE & JANE JEFFES as our speakers help us explore some of the issues associated with surrogacy, IVF and other related subjects where the spiritual, religious and bio-ethical issues are complex and often controversial.

REQUEST FOR USED FURNITURE

The following items of furniture are urgently needed by St Vincent de Paul:

- Wardrobes
- Chest of Drawers
- 2 Seater Lounges

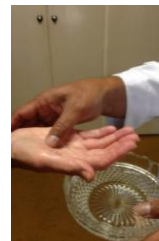
If these item/s are no longer needed, and are in good condition, please phone Vinnies Furniture Collection 9350 9600.

HOLY HOUR - JULY

There will be no Holy Hour in July. We look forward to seeing you on August 6th.

HEALING MASS AND MORNING TEA

A Healing Mass followed by Morning Tea, will be held at OLR Church on **THURSDAY 2 JULY at 10:30am**. Please pass on this information to neighbours, or people you know who are housebound or unwell.



The Mass and Morning Tea provide an opportunity, particularly for the elderly, to stay connected with our Parish Community. Transport, if required, is provided to and from the Church. Please contact Maria at the Parish Office.

SACRAMENTS

First Eucharist

First Eucharist Enrolments are being taken. Please refer to the Parish Website for details.

First Reconciliation

The Parish children made their First Reconciliation last Thursday evening. The Parish wishes to acknowledge these children and pray for them as they continue on their faith journey.

OLR KENSINGTON EX-STUDENTS REUNION

For all those who attended at any stage between 1965-1975, a reunion is to be held on **Saturday 4 July at 3pm** at the Doncaster Hotel Function Room Anzac Parade Kensington. No charge. For further info contact Michael Walsh - mikewalsh567@gmail.com.

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE

If you know anyone in need of support through domestic violence, the following organisations can help:

- NSW Domestic Violence Helpline
1800 656 463
- National Domestic Violence Service
1800 RESPECT (24 hours a day)
- Parent Line (Catholic Care)
1300 130 052

WE'RE CELEBRATING...

18 June | Received into the Catholic Church
Evie Bayot

18 June | Sacrament of First Reconciliation
Evie Bayot
Bert Cottell
Samara Cottell
Jack Smith
Clara Jean Walters

NOTICES

POSITION VACANT

Cleaner (Holiday Reliever), some experience and knowledge of colour coding, chemical hazards preferred. Hours of work, 2 days a week Monday and Tuesday 6.00am- 11.30am. Please contact Charlotte (Domestic Supervisor) St Joseph's Aged Care Facility Kensington (9663 4077).

MOVE TO THE EASTERN SUBURBS...

Daceyville (Kingsford) Parish of the Archdiocese of Sydney has available a 1-bedroom unit in their Foley Gardens Retirement Village. Close to Prince of Wales hospital and amenities. Please ring Parish Office on 02 9349 1292 for terms and conditions.

JOKE CORNER

There is a religious brother who was a teacher for many years. When he retired from teaching and doing nothing he said: *"Oh my God, I have finally discovered what was wrong with my brain: on the left side there is nothing right, and on the left side, there is nothing left..."*

Jesus said something else to the disciples. The alphabet has got mixed up with the verse. Cross out the letters A B C D ... X Y Z in order to leave the letters you need behind.

~~X~~W~~H~~~~B~~~~Y~~~~Z~~A~~D~~R~~E~~E~~F~~YOGUHFIRIJGHT~~E~~K~~N~~E~~D~~L?H
M~~A~~N~~V~~E~~O~~Y~~O~~P~~U~~Q~~S~~T~~R~~I~~L~~L~~S~~T~~N~~O~~U~~F~~V~~A~~W~~I~~T~~X~~H~~Y?Z

