

FR ALO WRITES...

Great Respect for the ‘Temples of God’

(John 2:13-22)

While I am writing this reflection I am still in the middle of a retreat for the Daughters of Our Lady of the Sacred Heart in Indonesia. The first group of twenty eight sisters just ended their retreat yesterday and the other group of twenty five sisters started last night. The sisters are so enthusiastic in attending the retreat. One of the things that I noticed is the way the sisters prepare the retreat venue: they decorate the chapel as beautifully as possible. The chapel indeed looked nice, tidy, and could be sensed as a sacred place. I admired the sisters for giving such great attention to the ‘dwelling place of the Lord’. This experience brought me to another experience when I was doing some formation courses in the Philippines, in Manila. You may know that the Philippines is the only Asian country that has a predominantly Catholic population. Whenever I traveled by “jeepney” (a special form of public transport in the Philippines) almost every driver made the sign of the cross every time we passed a Catholic Church building. One day I approached one of the drivers and asked the purpose of making the sign of the cross. He said: *“you know God is inside the church. I make the sign of the cross to recognize his presence and at the same time to ask for his blessing and protection while I am driving”*. I nodded to show my respect and understanding.

These two experiences brought me back to the liturgy course I did when I was doing my priestly studies. The liturgy professor kept emphasizing the importance of having a “sense of symbolism”. Every person, place, action and word related to the liturgy in such a way should symbolize God’s presence; or lead people to experience God’s presence. I try to reflect on what we are doing now in our parish. Indeed, there are things that I consider to be ways of leading people to experience God, but there are also things that we might have to reshape and reform in order to meet the goal of the liturgy. I am happy that we already have the ‘liturgy committee’ that will plan for a better liturgy in worshiping our loving God.

While emphasizing the importance of taking care of the “sacred places” (temples and churches), Jesus also invites us to think out of the “liturgy box”. He indicates that his presence is a “liturgy” as well. He comes to do the will of his Father. It means that through him people should see the Father. Moreover, every person should be seen as a “liturgy”, a means of God’s presence. In the faces of the poor and the needy ones, Mother Teresa of Calcutta recognized the face of God. With great respect we may worship God in the church through the liturgy, but we may also have the same respect in worshiping God through the life of every person we encounter, especially the poor and little ones. It requires the “sense of symbolism”.



THIS WEEK

SATURDAY 8 NOV

6:00pm Mass

SUNDAY 9 NOV

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

MONDAY 10 NOV

9:00am Mass
9:30am Reconciliation

WEDNESDAY 12 NOV

9:00am Mass

FRIDAY 14 NOV

9:00am Mass

SATURDAY 15 NOV

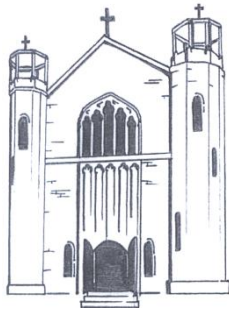
6:00pm Mass

SUNDAY 16 NOV

9:30am Mass + Kids Church, Morning Tea
11:00am French Mass
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.



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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
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BAPTISMS
 First Sunday - 11am, bookings required

WEDDINGS
 By Appointment

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 Contact parish office

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RESPONSES

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON
 I saw the holy city, a new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared like a bride adorned for her husband.

FIRST READING
 Ezekiel 47:1-2, 8-9, 12

RESPONSORIAL PSALM
 The waters of the river gladden the city of God.

SECOND READING
 Corinthians 3: 9-11, 16-17

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION
 Alleluia, alleluia!
 I have chosen and sanctified this house, says the Lord, that my name may remain in it for all time. Alleluia!

GOSPEL
 John 2: 13-22

COMMUNION ANTIPHON
 Be built up like living stones, into a spiritual house, a holy priesthood.

OREMUS

Let us Pray

SICK
 Vivien Christie, Margaret Carrick (Bowral), Lucienne Radzyminski, Miriam McKoy, Fr Roger Duggan msc, Neville Dunn, Mr MacKenzie, Fr Chris Murphy msc, Tom Regan, Pam (Rose’s friend), Derek Chick, Tony (Dulwich Hill), Br James Maher msc, Francesco Alessi, Fr Peter Robinson msc, Lucia Simeone, Assunta Ciaglia, Natalina Beghetto, Frank Zakrzewski, Llewellyn Samuel, Antonio Laquian, Joe Di Blasio, Rina Vecchief, Betty Mansfield, Anton’s mum, Nella Custorella, Marie LaBrooy, Patty Ingram, Dee Piper, Rosaria Ciaglia, Frank George, Colleen Corcoran, Zanita Banzon, Angela Breen Ortega

BELOVED DECEASED

ANNIVERSARIES

ROSTERS

NOV 8/9	SAT 6PM	SUN 9:30AM	SUN 6PM
Acolyte	Handojo Widjaja	George Bedirian	Fred Luca
Readers	James Lynch Judith Lynch	Ana Corpuz Ross Martin	Tony King Will Thorp
E. Ministers	John Dorahy Judith Lynch	Sheila McAndrew Stephen Gatt Brigid Siely Amelia Iovanella Margaret Rigotti Roy Rigotti	Lyn King Trish Veness
KidsChurch	9:30am - Michelle Nash 6:00pm - Francine Pirola, Marcus Pirola		
Counting	John Moore, Ray Delohery, Selvi Ung		
Comm to Sick	Sheila McAndrew, Mary Martin		
NOV 15/16	SAT 6PM	SUN 9:30AM	SUN 6PM
Acolyte	John Allen	George Bedirian	Fred Luca
Readers	Cathy Shiner Thelma Slunsky	Bernard Pacia Sandy Mak	Ben Keneally Marissa Meyn
E. Ministers	Alice Mouco John Ryan	Amelia Iovanella Brigid Siely Trish Veness Roel Castillo Hartono Ong Ana Corpuz	Kristina Keneally Diana Woon
KidsChurch	9:30am - Charisse Low, Jackie Ma 6:00pm - Erin & Harriet Beavis		
Counting	Johannes Tantohardjono, Bob Brenac, Giovanna Ziccardi		
Comm to Sick	Roel Castillo, Trish Veness		

YOUTH

Big KidsChurch

Join the team and lead the 9:30am Mass every fourth Sunday. Ages 10-15.
Contact: Ana Corpuz – 0416 166 149.

KidsChurch Catechists

We are delighted to see some parent/teenager teams join our KidsChurch catechists. Welcome to all our newcomers. We still have a few places available for the KidsChurch team, especially for Sunday evenings. For information, contact Francine 0433 451 433 or francine@marriagerc.org.

MARRIAGE & FAMILY

Our Lady of the Rosary School News – Year 3

Year Three have been exploring 'Relationships' and the close relationship we encounter with our God.

Made in the likeness and image of God, human beings are called to live in relationship with God, with self, with others, and with the whole of creation. The students are focusing on our response to and sharing of God's love through the ways we live in right relationship with God and other people. The unit explores the Second and Eighth Commandments as guides to building relationships based on respect, dignity and honesty through which God's love is shared. The unit concludes by examining the importance of prayer in developing our relationship with God and others.

Year 3 are approaching the end of the school year at Our Lady of the Rosary primary school. It has been a pleasure to witness their growth and maturity as they face their next challenge, Year Four, with much enthusiasm and a little apprehension. Please pray for them!



Because Every Marriage Matters

Residential Retreat | Varroville | Nov 28-30

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PARISH CHAT.....

Holy Hour**First Thursday Vigil (7pm)**

This Hour of Grace and Mercy is a time to encounter the healing presence of Jesus and refresh your soul. Reconciliation is also available during Adoration.

November Month of the Holy Souls

The November Remembrance Book and Mass Offering envelopes are available in the church foyer. Parishioners are asked to write the names of their deceased family and friends in the Remembrance Book and Mass Offerings can be dropped off at the parish office, left on the collection plate or given to Father. The November Mass Book will be available in the church for the month of November.

**Advent Retreat Saturday 6th Dec**

Come and begin preparing your heart to receive Jesus in this one day Semi Silent ADVENT Retreat. The day will be guided with talks and will have plenty of time for personal reflection. Cost \$40 (includes lunch). Please contact Verbum Dei Missionaries 9313 7099 or email verbumdeisydney@gmail.com if you are interested.

CHARITABLE WORKS FUND (CWF) PASTORAL APPEAL

Our warmest thanks go to each and every one of you for your generous contributions to the appeal last weekend. The charitable and pastoral works we need to carry out ask for our Sydney parishes' unwavering commitment, but we know that our burdens are lightened and we are able to accomplish many things because of your support. Thank you and God bless you.

WE'RE CELEBRATING...

NOTICES

Kenvale College

A Hospitality and Event Management school in Randwick with a Christian Ethos inspired by the teachings of the Founder of Opus Dei, St Josemaria.

Kenvale College is holding their **Annual Restaurant** and would like to invite Kensington Parishioners to attend.

Enjoy a good meal as their students showcase their cooking and service expertise.

When: Nov 20 & 27

Time: Service begins punctually at 12.30pm and costs \$35 p/p (\$25 Concession).

Where: Kenvale Restaurant - 36 High St Randwick (opposite gate 9 of UNSW)

For bookings and enquiries phone contact: 9314 6213 or helbano@kenvale.edu.au.

JOKE CORNER

Who is really In Charge At Home?

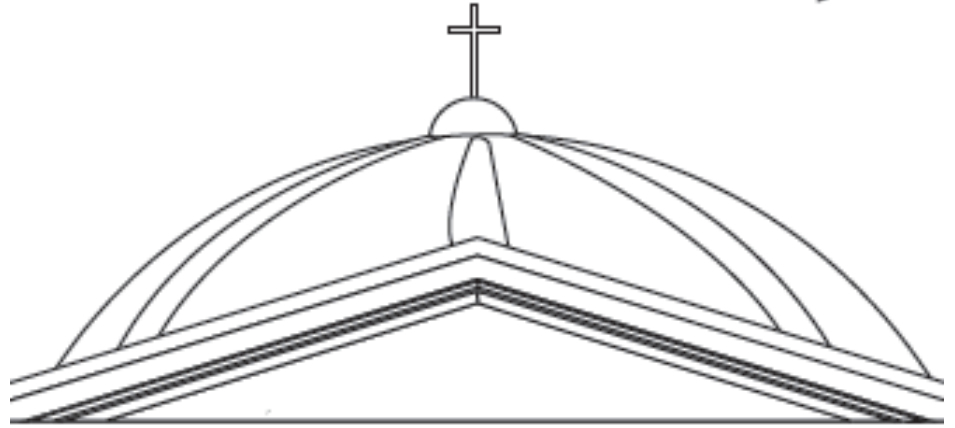
One evening a little girl and her parents were sitting around the table eating supper.

The little girl said: "Daddy, you're the boss, aren't you?"

Her Daddy smiled, pleased, and said: "Yes!"

The little girl continued: "That's because Mummy put you in charge, right?"

Sacred Temple Sacred People



Unscramble the words

E W R E A O D G ' S P T L E E M

