

THE ROSARY RECORD

OUR LADY OF THE ROSARY PARISH
SEPTEMBER 15 2024 | TWENTY-
FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY

Continuing on with some fairly random information about the Churches Pope Francis is visiting: This week: The Church in Papua New Guinea (PNG)

PNG was the first overseas (from France) major Missionary area for the MSC-OLSH.

About 95% of the PNG are Christians, who are predominantly Protestants. Catholics make up almost 32%. In a country with over 800 different languages, rugged interiors, remote islands, tropical heat and humidity, diseases such as Malaria, and at times staunch resistance from local people, all posed enormous issues for early missionaries from Europe.

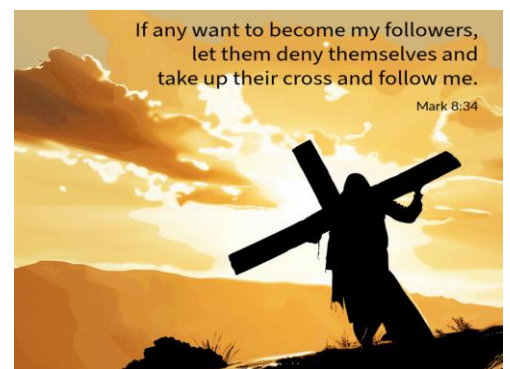
The first record of Catholic Mass in the PNG area, probably Sideia Island, was in 1606 by a chaplain to Torres' expedition. This was not a permanent mission. 240 years later an Italian missionary Fr Mazzuconi arrived and was martyred on Woodlark Island in 1845. That same year Marist Bishop Epalle, seven priests and seven brothers arrived from France in the South Solomons to begin the evangelization of Melanesia. The locals bashed them and Bishop Epalle died three days later of his wounds. The missionaries withdrew. In 1847 a new set of missionaries arrived on Woodlark and Rooke Islands. Many of them died of malaria so the Marists were forced to withdraw again. They were replaced by the Foreign Missionaries of Milan in 1852, also on Woodlark Island. They failed because of illness and resistance from the locals. In 1880, a French diocesan priest, Fr Lannuzel arrived in New Ireland as a chaplain to a lay French community. He baptized some children near Rabaul but left the Island with the failure of the French community.

The next to arrive were three MSC who started a mission in Matupit Island, near Rabaul, New Britain, in 1882, and in 1885 MSCs began on Yule Island off Papua. Bishop Couppé had success in New Britain and acted against the indigenous slave trade. Four German MSC and one Cistercian, together with five German MSC Sisters were killed in the Baining region of New Britain in 1904, leading to reprisals by the German colonial authorities. German Divine Word Missionaries (SVD) arrived in New Guinea in 1896 and established flourishing ministries. They opened a university in 1996. Marists resumed their interrupted mission in Melanesia in 1897 in what today are the Solomon Islands.

Each of these male religious orders had large numbers of associated missionary Sisters who accompanied their ministries and established education, health care, and social welfare. Without the Sisters the missions would not have flourished. MSC-OLSH missionaries experienced great difficulties with many dying from ill health not long after arrival. In time, and with persistence, however, the missions flourished and expanded. World War II saw many local Catholics and missionaries suffer imprisonment and death at the hands of the Japanese invaders. Forty-five SVD and Holy Spirit Sisters were massacred on the Japanese destroyer *Akikaze* in 1943. Over 300 mainly MSC and OLSH missionaries were confined to the Vunapope Mission near Rabaul, which was turned into a prison camp, and later at Ramale Valley. At both locations they lived in tunnels they dug into the hills to escape Allied bombing during the War. All told around 160 missionaries died during the war in the Pacific region. (Continued middle page)



THIS WEEK



SATURDAY 14 SEPTEMBER

5:00pm - 5.30pm Reconciliation

5:30pm MASS - NOTE: NEW TIME DURING WINTERTIME

SUNDAY 15 SEPTEMBER

9:30am First Holy Communion Mass + KidsChurch

3:30pm Indonesian Community Mass

5:30pm - 6:00pm Reconciliation

6:00pm Mass

MONDAY 16 SEPTEMBER – ST CORNELIUS CYPRIAN

9:00am Mass

6:00pm Adoration/Reconciliation

WEDNESDAY 18 SEPTEMBER

9:00am Mass

THURSDAY 19 SEPTEMBER – ST JANUARIUS

5:00pm Holy Hour/Adoration/Reconciliation

6:00pm Mass

FRIDAY 20 SEPTEMBER – ANDREW KIM

TAEGON, PAUL CHONG HASANG &

COMPANIONS

9:00am Mass

SATURDAY 21 SEPTEMBER – ST MATTHEW, APOSTLE

5:00pm – 5.30pm Reconciliation

5:30pm MASS - NOTE: NEW TIME DURING WINTERTIME

SUNDAY 22 SEPTEMBER

9:30am First Holy Communion Mass + KidsChurch

3:30pm Indonesian Community Mass

5:30pm - 6:00pm Reconciliation

6:00pm Mass

We acknowledge the traditional owners the Gadigal Clans of the Eora Nation, who cared for this land for thousands of years and their descendants who have maintained these Spiritual connections and traditions.

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MASS TIMES

Sat 5:30pm (Vigil), Sun 9:30am, 6pm

Mon, Wed, Fri - 9am, Thurs 6pm

Indonesian Mass Sun 3:30pm

ANOINTING OF THE SICK

9:00am Mass First Friday

RECONCILIATION

Saturday 5:00-5:30pm

Sunday 5.30-6.00pm

Thursday 5:00pm-6pm

ROSARY

First Saturday of each month

BAPTISMS | WEDDINGS | SACRAMENTS | RCIA

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RESPONSES

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

Give peace, O Lord,
to those who wait for you,
that your prophets be found true.
Hear the prayers of your servant,
and of your people Israel.

FIRST READING

Isaiah 50: 5-9

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

I will walk in the presence
of the Lord, in the land of
the living.

SECOND READING

James 2: 14-18

ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, Alleluia!

My only glory is the cross of our
Lord Jesus Christ, which crucifies
the world to me and me
to the world.

Alleluia!

GOSPEL

Mark 8: 27-35

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

How precious is your mercy,
O God! The children of men seek
shelter in the shadow of your
wings.

OREMUS

Let us Pray

SICK

Frank Mifsud, Sr Joan Pender, Selina Fung,
Faalele Jane Reekers, Wong Chung Hua, Rinda
Wijaja Suparto, Fr Terry Bowman, Eleonora
Mezzatesta, Anna Vigliante, John Stuart Park,
Kim Michelle Pastor, Nyauw Kim Tjin, Cendrati
Kurniawan (*mother of Henny Wong*), Shona
Kaiwai, Grace Provino, Hima, Margaret
McShane, Evelyn Marquez, Maria & Ivan Zic,
Grace Veronica, Amina Chahrouk, Salvatore
Messina, Elisabetta Nesci, Umberto Vaccarella,
A.L., Xavier Stratton, Rose Alessio, Joanna &
family, Gavin Robertson, Chris (*Cindy's
husband*), Manuel Mouco, Eva (*Nicole's mum*),
Paul Galea, Lynne Chaundhuri

PARISHIONERS IN RESIDENTIAL CARE/HOMEBOUND

Margaret Stocker, Terrence Hertford,
Brian Beaver, Rose Kelter, Sebastiano Gentile,
Robert Preece, Gai Tyne, Gina Vizacos,
John Dorahy, William Van Burke,
Brenda Longworth, Christine Moyle,
Olga Nasser, Fr Chris Murphy msc, Jill Rees,
Sayde Harb, Maria Pockaj, Lucienne
Radzysinski, Nicole Chiaradia

BELOVED DECEASED

Gwen Smith, Laurence Charles O'Neil,
Lorna Anderson

ANNIVERSARIES

Anthea & Roy Nicholas, Jack Papallo,
Maria Sidoti, Carlo & Alfredo Pengue,
Cristina Gonzalez

ROSTERS

14/15 SEPT	SAT 5.30PM	SUN 9:30AM	SUN 6PM
Acolyte	John Allen	Yosep Rizal	Briant Koh
Readers	Simona Wong Sr Helen Hearne	Kayla Thumwanich Jeff Kildea	Patricia Reyes Geraldine Marcellino
E. Ministers	Shilla Azalea	Robyn Kildea Andreas Johan	Marieann Duncan
KidsChurch	Sherly & Mary Ellen		
Counters	Helen Liew, Jan Nicholas		
Comm to Sick	Robyn Kildea		
21/22 SEPT	SAT 5.30PM	SUN 9:30AM	SUN 6PM
Acolyte	Danny Tjahjadi	Arthur Handjojo	John Allen
Readers	Shilla Azalea Bernadine Lavender	Abbey Yang Billy Siauwidjaja	Elsa Lim Ethan Lim
E. Ministers	John Ryan	Amelia Iovanella Ana Corpuz	Geraldine Marcellino
KidsChurch	Lily & Arty		
Counters	Selvi Ung & Chris Kurniadi		
Comm to Sick	Josue Castro		

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I have written previously about Peter To Rot, a catechist from near Rabaul and his martyrdom in 1945 at the hands of the occupying forces. "The catechist is the middle person who understands the local culture and the people. **And the missionary always dialogues with the catechist. They were the first to go into the interior of present-day PNG which was full of difficult terrain.** In time the missionaries established churches, roads, bridges, schools, hospitals, and other infrastructure" stated Bishop Tatamai.

Bishop Alain de Boismenu, (1908 to 1945) established missionary and charitable activities based on the mission at Yule Island. **He was assisted by Filipino catechists. In 1918 he founded an indigenous order of nuns, the Handmaids of the Lord, which is still active.** The French mystic and visionary Marie-Thérèse Noblet accompanied him to Papua and assisted at the mission until her death in 1930. The Sisters grew rapidly under her charismatic leadership. **The first indigenous priest and bishop from Papua New Guinea was Louis Vangeke, MSC.** He did his seminary studies in Madagascar and was ordained a priest in 1937. **A Marist mission on Bougainville, flourished too, but the Japanese occupation caused major disruption, including the presumed execution of three Marist Brothers by the Japanese.**

In 1967 the **Australian ophthalmologist, Fr Frank Flynn MSC,** was appointed as Administrator of the Cathedral and Director of Catholic Health Services in PNG. His efforts led to **the foundation of a Medical Faculty at the University of Papua New Guinea.** The mission hospitals developed into Catholic Church Health Services, which in **2016 ran five rural hospitals and one city hospital together with 244 health facilities. 70% of Papuan schools are run by Christian Churches, and 3,000 of them are Catholic. OLSH Sisters, MSCs, De La Salle and others founded these schools and Teachers' Colleges. John Ribat MSC, the Archbishop of Port Moresby since 2008, was created the first cardinal from Papua New Guinea in 2016.**

Social issues of current concern to the Church include domestic violence, sorcery and climate change. PNG is one of the **states most affected by climate change** and the consequent rise in sea levels particularly in the Manam and Cartaret islands.

The Church organizes activities aimed at preventing **drug-addiction, youth crime and the phenomenon of street children linked to early pregnancies.** The Church is a voice for **refugees and asylum seekers,** and of local indigenous peoples threatened by the activities of **extractive industries.** Bishops have **opposed the death penalty,** which was reintroduced in 2013, and against the rampant scourge of **human trafficking.**

Christianity is not the state religion. In recent years, the Catholic Church **has opposed a proposal by some Evangelical groups to amend the Constitution to establish the Holy Trinity as the source of political authority, renaming the country as the "Independent and Christian State of Papua New Guinea".** According to the Catholic bishops, however, the amendments would change the nature of the state, **making PNG a confessional country in contrast with the cultural and religious diversity that has always characterized their society.**

100 PNG OLSH Sisters and 110 PNG MSC minister in the country.
Peter Hearn MSC (various sources).

HOLY HOURS

Join us for Adoration **Monday 16th September**
6pm-7pm (*call in for a few minutes*
or stay the whole hour)
and Thursdays before 6:00pm Mass.
Reconciliation is available.

MORNING TEA

As we will have **First Communion**s on
Sunday 8th, 15th and 22nd September, we will
not have morning tea on these Sundays.

WEEKDAY MASSES

First Friday Masses with anointing of the
Sick at 9am. PHMSC

FIVE FIRST SATURDAYS DEVOTION

Please join us at OLR Church on the **first Saturday of each month** for the "5 first Saturdays Devotion" associated with Our Lady of Fatima. **5.00pm Rosary with confessions available | 5.30pm Mass.**

CATHOLIC JOURNEY

Are you or someone you know interested in finding out more about the Catholic faith? Our parish offers RCIA for adults with the enquiry sessions commencing 13 August. Please contact us on 9663 1070 or at olrkensoevangelise@gmail.com for more information. All parishioners welcomed to attend any or all of the sessions.

DONATIONS/PAYMENTS

For those wishing to donate electronically, or make payments for sacramental programs etc, please use our BPOINT facility at:

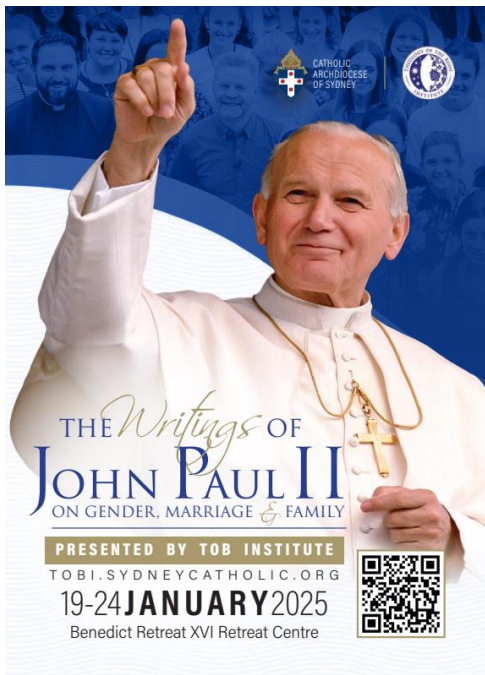


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PARISH COLLECTIONS 7/8 SEPT

First Collection	\$1,259
Second Collection	\$474
Envelope Collection	\$480

Priests' Retirement Foundation \$270

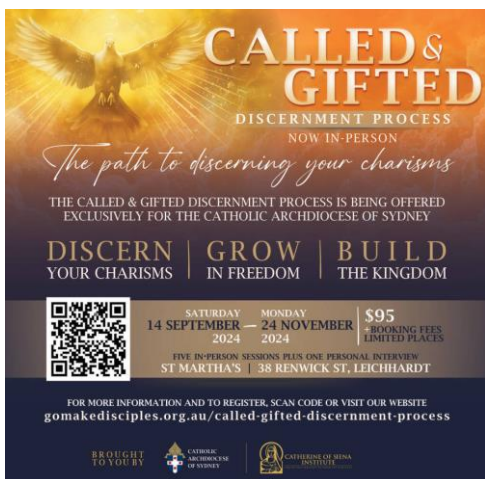


'WRITINGS OF ST JOHN PAUL II ON GENDER, MARRIAGE AND FAMILY' IMMERSION COURSE

Are you looking for a message of hope and healing in a time of confusion? In partnership with the Sydney Centre for Evangelisation and the Theology of the Body Institute, the Archdiocese of Sydney is proud to announce once again that we will be hosting another not-to-be-missed 5-day immersion course experience: **'The Writings of John Paul II on Gender, Marriage and Family'** is now **OPEN FOR REGISTRATIONS!**

At a time of great concern and confusion over the dignity of the creation of male and female, the sacred union of husband and wife, and the life-giving beauty of family, the Lord calls us to witness the Gospel now more than ever. If you are interested in learning more about TOB or feel you need to hear this transformative message, we strongly encourage you to register for this upcoming course in January 2025. The course will be held at the beautiful Benedict XVI Retreat Centre in Grose Vale, NSW. **DATES:** Sunday, 19 January to Friday, 24 January 2025. **VENUE:** Benedict XVI Retreat Centre in Grose Vale, NSW. To

register and learn more about the course, please visit: tobi.sydneycatholic.org. For further questions, contact Simon Yeak at simon.yeak@sydneycatholic.org or 0427 536 356



A MESSAGE FROM THE ARCHDIOCESE OF SYDNEY

Abuse is a crime. The appropriate people to deal with a crime are the police. If you or anyone you know have been abused, please contact the police. Alternatively, you can contact the Safeguarding and Ministerial Integrity Office at 9390 5810 Or safeguardingenquiries@sydneycatholic.org You may also want to speak to your Parish Priest who will be able to provide support and guidance. The Archdiocese has a legal obligation to report crimes to the police.



DIDASKŌ FAITH FORMATION

Join Dr. Angus Brook for a beginner's exploration of ancient philosophy's importance for the life, beliefs, and prayer of Christians of all times. This is the first course in the new Didaskō series, 2024-2025, especially for parish adult faith formation and individuals new to university-level philosophy and theology. **DATES:** Thursdays 10, 17, and 24 October 2024 | **TIME:** 7:30 pm – 8:45 pm **MODE:** Online via Zoom | The cost per course is \$35 for individuals or \$100 per Parish Group for an in-person gathering (+ booking fees). For more information and to register: www.gomakedisciples.org.au/didasko