

WELCOME TO ST. ANNE'S STRATHFIELD SOUTH PARISH

Second Sunday of Easter (Year C)

23 & 24 April 2022

Weekday/Weekend Mass Timetable:

Saturday Vigil: 5:00 pm
Sunday: 8:00 am & 10:00 am
Monday - Friday 9:15 am
Saturday: 9:15 am

Reconciliation - Saturdays from 9:45 am
Baptisms, marriages and funerals, by appointment only.

ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF COUNTRY

We acknowledge and celebrate that this land is of the Wangal people of the Darug nation on which we are gathered. We commit ourselves to work together for reconciliation, justice and peace.



SUNDAY READINGS:

Acts 5:12 - 16
Apocalypse 1:9-13, 17-19
John 20:19-31

Responsorial Psalm: Give thanks to the Lord for he is good, his love is everlasting.
Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia! You believe in me, Thomas, because you have seen me happy those who have not seen me, but still believe me! Alleluia!

THE EASTER OFFERING ENVELOPES:

Are available on the seats. This offering goes towards the support of the active, retired and sick clergy in the Archdiocese. Please place your offering on either of the two collection plates. Thank you.

ANZAC DAY:

Anzac Day – Monday 25th April 2022. Mass will be celebrated at 9.15am

Please
Pray
for...



FOR OUR DEAD

St Anne's former parish priest,
Fr Ray Weaver

FOR OUR SICK

especially Bill Petrie, Fr P. Maher,
Peter Simon, Tony Grace, Frank
Zerafa, Mgr John Usher, Mgr
Brian Raynor, Frs M Kelly, Frank
Coorey, Paul Foley, David Coffey,
and Don Willoughby.

Freedom is what you do with what's
been done to you.
Jean-Paul Sartre (1905-1980)



Should you have any prayer
requests that you would like
our families of families to
pray for, please send them to
the Parish Office on below
email address.

A very warm welcome to all who are visiting our family of families of St Anne's. It is good to have you with us.

Currently we are providing a small number of hard copies of the bulletin; we will continue to offer the electronic bulletin. Please continue to provide your thoughts on the Bulletin, its content and what form you prefer. If you know of anyone who is not receiving the bulletin and would like to, encourage them to contact the Parish Office via the email address below.

If you have any questions or would like to know more about our family of families, please contact Fr Jacek on the email address above. We welcome all suggestions and enquires.

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Each of the writings we hear from through the Easter season – the Acts of the Apostles, the Apocalypse/Revelation, and the gospel of John – has its own take on time.



Luke, the author of Acts, allows forty days to elapse between Jesus' resurrection and ascension, with a further ten days before the gift of the Spirit at Pentecost. John, by contrast, has Jesus' resurrection, appearance to the disciples and imparting of the Spirit all occurring on Easter Day, with a supplementary appearance to Thomas a week later. The Apocalypse is different again. It is written with an eye on the end times when the power of evil will be finally overthrown.

This might all seem dizzily disconcerting, but in effect each work operates on the “now and not yet” principle. Despite their differing timeframes, they all declare that by his death and resurrection Jesus has definitively overcome the power of sin and death. The baptised share in this victory and are gifted with the Spirit to live accordingly. However, the work of embedding that victory in human hearts and extending it across the face of the earth will remain in progress until the end of time.

We have fifty days of grace to take the paschal mystery to heart and to proclaim it to the world.

Source: Liturgy Brisbane

WHAT IS THE LITURGICAL COLOR FOR THE SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER?

Black for centuries was the traditional color for funerals, but in the past fifty years many liturgical churches have preferred to use **White or Gold**—the colors of Easter and therefore of Resurrection hope.



SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM: HOLY COMMUNION

Holy communion will be held on Sunday 29th May at 12pm, with classes commencing Saturday 30 April, classes will be held on Saturdays at 4pm and Sundays at 9am. The classes will be held on the weekend of the 30 April/1 May, 14/15 May, 21/22 May, there will be no classes on the weekend of 7/8 May due to Mother's Day.



... be patient toward all that is unsolved in your heart and try to love *the questions themselves* like locked rooms and like books that are now written in a very foreign tongue. Do not now seek the answers, which cannot be given you because you would not be able to live them. And the point is, to live everything. *Live* the questions now. Perhaps you will then gradually, without noticing it, live along some distant day into the answer. Resolve to be always beginning - to be a beginner!

Rainer Maria Rilke ***Letters on Love***

INTERNATIONAL MOTHER EARTH DAY THEME: EARTH DAY 2022: INVEST IN OUR PLANET

This is the first Mother Earth Day celebrated within the [UN Decade on Ecosystem Restoration](#). Ecosystems support all life on Earth. The healthier our ecosystems are, the healthier the planet - and its people. Restoring our damaged ecosystems will help to end poverty, combat climate change and prevent mass extinction. But we will only succeed if everyone plays a part.

For this International Mother Earth Day, let's remind ourselves - more than ever - that we need a shift to a more sustainable economy that works for both people and the planet. [Let's promote harmony with nature and the Earth](#). Join the global movement to restore our world!

NEVER FORGET YOU

For reflection on ANZAC – remembering the dead and promoting unwar.

*'Your friends will never forget you',
the fluttering leaflet said,
'Your friends will never forget you',
and then o'er the valley spread,
The wide sky cowed in sorrow,
and the eyes of the angels wept,
For a promise made by the soldiers
that their leaders never kept.*

*For the soldiers are there when you need 'em,
they're there to suffer and die,
And to make the eyes of the angels weep
in the depths of the tropical sky,
And the soldiers are there laugh it off,
and shoulder their blistering gun,
And fight anew, in the mud light glue,
and the sweat of the tropical sun.*

*And solders were there, and their mates were there,
their mates, the East Timorese,
Who fought and died beside them
in the night of the jungle trees,
Who fought and bled and suffered
so Australia might still be free,
And the Aussies cried, when their leaders lied,
and poisoned the Timor Sea.*

*'Your friends will never forget you',
the fluttering leaflet said,
Dropped from the biscuit bomber,
and then o'er the valley spread,
'Your friends will never forget you',
and the eyes of the angels wept,
For a promise made by the soldiers
that their leaders never kept.*

Denis Kevans©

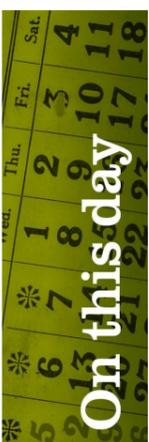


25 April **Anzac Day** This day marks the landing of Australian and New Zealand soldiers at Gallipoli during the Great War of 1914-1918. It has become a national day of remembrance in which we honour the courage and self-sacrifice of those who have served in all wars, conflicts, and peacekeeping operations. The liturgy recognizes the sacrifice of the fallen, commends them to eternal life, and prays that the justice and peace which they sought to defend may dwell in our lands.

Source: Liturgy Brisbane

26 April **St Mark** Died about the year 74. Usually identified with the John Mark whose mother's house in Jerusalem was a meeting place for the apostles, and with the young man who followed Chris after his arrest (Mark 14:51). A cousin of Saint Barnabas (11 June). Accompanied Saint Paul (29 June) on his first missionary journey and later followed him to Rome. A companion of Saint Peter (29 June) and traditionally credited with the gospel which reflect Peter's teaching and memoirs. Honoured as the founder of the Church in Alexandria.

Source: Liturgy Brisbane



REGISTRATIONS OPEN FOR RCIA CERTIFICATION COURSE

Would you like to help those interested in becoming Catholic in their journey towards the Church? Would you like to help those interested in becoming Catholic come to know Jesus Christ and His Church? The Catholic Archdiocese of Sydney warmly welcomes and invites you to participate in this year's first Archdiocesan RCIA Certification Course.

Please register via the QR code on [this tile](#).

THE SIENA EVENT: CONFIDENCE SUPPORT SERVICES

Personal development opportunity in a Catholic context! The Siena Event, inspired by the teaching and philosophy of St Pope John Paul II, will take place at St Fiacre's Leichhardt 30 April 2022 from 10am-3:30pm. For tickets and info contact Bridget Spinks 0408 496 610 or visit www.confidencesupportservices.com.au

Prayers for the Plenary Council

Your prayers are asked for the ongoing support of the members of the Plenary Council. A program of prayer 'Walking in the Spirit' will commence on Easter Sunday and conclude with the opening of the Assembly on July 3. Prayers may be found at [Walking in the Spirit – Plenary Council \(catholic.org.au\)](http://Walking in the Spirit – Plenary Council (catholic.org.au)).

LIFE AFTER DEATH? WHAT CAN WE KNOW? A FASCINATING EVENING WITH FR JOHN FLADER, AUTHOR OF "DYING TO LIVE: REFLECTIONS ON LIFE AFTER DEATH"

Friday 6 May
Level 5, Polding Centre, 133 Liverpool St, Sydney
6pm arrival for 6:30pm

Register online: <https://sydneycatholic.eventsair.com/msb/flader>

Cost: \$5 redeemable on the purchase of the book during the evening.

WORLD MEETING OF FAMILIES

The 2022 World Meeting of Families will be marked in the Archdiocese of Sydney with a local diocesan celebration. This local gathering will take place from Friday 24 June to Sunday 26 June. Initiatives will include a local parish celebration, an opportunity for families to make pilgrimages to sacred locations within the Archdiocese, and will culminate with a Mass celebrated by Archbishop Anthony Fisher OP with an associated Sunday afternoon 'Festival of Families'.

For more detailed information:

Download the introductory brochure [here](#)

Download the WMofF prayer [here](#)

Go to the CAS WMofF page [here](#)

Contact Simon Yeak from the Life, Marriage and Family team
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POSITIONS VACANT

Parish Secretary: The Parishes of St Patrick's Summer Hill and St Thomas Lewisham are seeking a part time Parish Secretary. Hours are 9.30am to 1.30pm every Wednesday and Friday. Responsibilities include general administration, phone enquiries and sacramental registers. Experience preferred. Please send your application including a one-page cover letter and CV to priest@thomaspatrick.org.au.

If you have any questions regarding the role, please contact Jane Marmotta on 02 9798 6016.