

WELCOME TO ST. ANNE'S STRATHFIELD SOUTH PARISH

Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year C)

27 & 28 August 2022

Weekday/Weekend Mass Timetable:

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

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

SUNDAY READINGS:

Ecclesiasticus 3:17-20, 28-29
Hebrews 12:18-19, 22-24
Luke 14:1, 7-14

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.



Responsorial Psalm: God, in your goodness, you have made a home for the poor.
Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia! I give you a new commandment: love one another as I have loved you. Alleluia!

What do Pharisees, lawyers, tax collectors, the apostles, Martha and Mary, Zacchaeus, and the Galilean crowd and a few others have in common? At one time or another they are at a meal with Jesus. Luke makes a particular feature of Jesus' meal ministry. Each dining event is an epiphany of God's way with us.



Almost always Jesus attends as a guest, but there are three occasions when Jesus is host. The outstanding one is the last supper, when Jesus is both host and gift. The other two have associations with that eucharistic meal. When Jesus feeds the crowd in the wilderness, he takes the loaves and fish, offers a blessing, breaks and shares the food (9:16) – the very same actions as at the last supper. So too at Emmaus. When he takes the bread, says the blessing, breaks and shares it (24:30), the travellers' guest has become the host.

The eucharist is thus the epitome of Jesus' teaching today. It's a meal to which he the host invites us. It's a meal at which he gives himself to us freely and fully. We are all "the poor, the crippled, the lame, the blind" who can give him nothing comparable in return. Such is the grace of divine hospitality.

Source: Liturgy Brisbane

FOR OUR DEAD

Gladstone Jebanasum (Sevi's husband), Maria Fatarella, Sarkis Simon and Peter Sard

FOR OUR SICK

especially Joyce McDonald, Jeremy, Rosalia Chia, Michael and Treasa, Raymond Jabour

SPECIAL INTENTION

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WELCOME, BISHOP TERRY BRADY:

This weekend, we welcome to the faith community of St. Anne's the Auxiliary Bishop of Sydney Bishop Terry Brady who will celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation.



CONGRATULATIONS AND THANK YOU

Thank you, Bishop Terry Brady, for celebrating the sacrament of Confirmation here at St Anne's. Congratulations to the 20 candidates who were Confirmed by Bishop Terry Brady on Saturday night. As a parish family, we pray that the Holy Spirit will enlighten and strengthen the Confirmed as they continue their journey of faith.

NEW PIANO/ORGAN

The new piano/organ has arrived. This will help to enhance our church liturgies. If anyone would like donate to help cover some of the cost, envelopes are available in the pews this weekend. Please place these envelopes in the box provided at the main entrance to the church.

THANK YOU

I would like to take this opportunity to say thank you to all the various volunteers involved in the life of the parish.

FIRST SATURDAY 3RD SEPTEMBER

The first Saturday Mass with the Sacrament of Anointing will be celebrated on Saturday, 3rd September at 9.15 am. Reconciliation will follow.

FAMILY MASS



Our next Family Mass will be held on Sunday 11th September at 10.00 am. This Mass will be prepared by the teachers, parents, and students from St Anne's. Morning tea will follow. All are welcome to attend.

PRIESTS' RETIREMENT FUND APPEAL

Remember our Retired Priest this Father's Day. The Priests' Retirement Foundation Father's Day Appeal will be held next weekend on 3rd & 4th of September 2022. Your donation will help care for our sick and retired priests, so please consider a gift towards this appeal. Thank you.

FAREWELL MASS FOR PRINCIPAL MR. MARK MCKEOWN

Principal Mr. Mark McKeown will be leaving St Anne's Primary School at the end of Term 3. We wish him all the best in his future endeavours. A farewell Mass for Mark will be held on the 14th of September at 10.15 am. Please keep this date and time free. All are welcome.

PLANNED GIVING ENVELOPES

If you are not a member of planned giving and would like to contribute, please contact the parish office or Fr Jack. We encourage all Parishioners to join the giving system as this is the main income of the parish, by means of which we run everyday expenses and plan for the future. Thank you to all contributors for their financial support of the parish.

SOCIAL JUSTICE SUNDAY - 28 AUGUST 2022

This year's Social Justice Statement, Respect: Confronting Violence and Abuse, invites us to engage with a complex and confronting social reality. It explores the roots of violence and abuse, honours the voices of victims, offers a social and theological exploration of the reality of violence, especially against women and children, and invites us to develop relationships in all parts of our lives 'marked by equality and reciprocity rather than domination and violence, respect and freedom rather than coercion and control.' We welcome this urgent call from our Church to deepen our faith through full and frank discussion and dialogue, advocacy and action.

If the content of the Statement raises issues or concerns for you, please refer to the Getting Help page in the Statement for a list of support channels, or speak to a trusted friend, your GP, your parish priest or parish pastoral worker.

Access the Statement <https://bit.ly/SJS22-23>

More information: ACBC Office for Justice, Ecology and Peace,
www.socialjustice.catholic.org.au or Tel (02) 62019845.

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SOCIAL JUSTICE STATEMENT 2022-2023 RESPECT: CONFRONTING VIOLENCE AND ABUSE

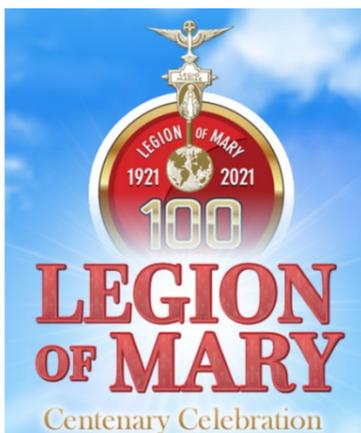
In their Social Justice Statement for 2022-2023, Respect: Confronting Violence and Abuse, the Australian Bishops add their voice to global campaigns to confront and call out destructive attitudes and behaviours that lead to life-limiting and long-lasting impacts on many vulnerable members of our families, churches, and society.

The bishops invite us to investigate the scope, drivers, and enablers of abuse. They invite us to familiarise ourselves with programmes that promote the transformation of individuals and structures and to 'take responsibility for changing the cultural factors in our Church and society that have allowed violence against women and children to flourish.' (p10)

The voices of victims and survivors of violence and abuse are woven together with scripture, social research, and our rich Catholic social justice teachings. This theological reflection also invites us to contemplate the ways in which themes within our Christian tradition can be misused to justify, legitimise, or normalise violence, such as forgiveness, submission, and leadership.

Catholic families, communities and organisations are encouraged to engage with the challenging material in the Social Justice Statement. The Statement needs to be read slowly and reflectively, individually, and collectively for its potential to be maximised. We pray that possibilities for response and action will become apparent when the Statement is considered in an open and supportive context. We invite you to practice self-compassion and awareness of the needs of those in our midst who are struggling as the implications of the Statement flow from your prayerful and purposeful deliberations.

LEGION OF MARY CENTENARY CELEBRATION



Legion of Mary members, past and present, along with their families and friends are invited to attend the Anniversary Mass at St Mary's Cathedral celebrated by Bishop Terry Brady.

Saturday 10 September 2022

10am - Opening Prayers

10:30am – Mass

12pm – Lunch

1pm - Program

IGNITE CONFERENCE 2022

Thursday 29 September 2022 - Sunday 2 October - Freeman College Bonnyrigg.

This popular conference was postponed in 2020 and 2021 due to COVID-lockdowns, but is back this year, featuring the Holy Sacraments of Mass, Reconciliation and Adoration, inspiring speakers, workshops and dynamic music.

The event is aimed at all ages with a program of interest to primary and high schoolers, young adults, ministry leaders, families, teachers, priests and religious from across the country.

Speakers will include Fr Rob Galea and Therese Mills MGL.

\$100 Discount available for the first 50 young adults who register or volunteer from the Archdiocese of Sydney. EMAIL: John.nguyen@sydneycatholic.org for the Discount Code

PALMS AUSTRALIA: EMBRACE THE CALL TO GLOBAL MISSION

American Samoa, Cambodia, Kiribati, Papua New Guinea, Philippines, Samoa, Solomon Islands, Tanzania, Thailand, Timor-Leste and Zambia are requesting Australian Catholics to live in and share their skills with parish communities. Embrace one of these **Mission opportunities abroad** and mentor those with little other opportunity. You you will be well prepared and supported by Palms Australia who have engaged Australian Catholics in this mission since 1961.

Enquire online or Ph: **0422 742 567** and **Register** for a Webinar on **Saturday September 24th at 11:30am** where you can talk directly with Veronica Lawson who is mentoring teachers in Pago Pago, American Samoa now. Or visit others already engaged in Mission with Palms on our **13-day Encounter Tour to Timor-Leste from October 16th to 28th**.

'As long as the world shall last there will be wrongs, and if no (man) objected and no (man) rebelled, those wrongs would last forever'

Clarence Darrow

28 August **Social Justice Sunday for 2022—2023**
Social Justice Statement is entitled: **'Respect: Confronting Violence and Abuse'** For links to the Statement and all resources please go to:
<https://socialjustice.catholic.org.au/2022/08/02/sjs2022-23/>

August 29 **The Passion of Saint John the Baptist** (The execution of John the Baptist is recorded in the gospels [Matthew 14; Mark 6] and is placed by the historian Josephus at the fortress of Machaerus near the Dead Sea. As early as the fifth century, a commemoration of John the Baptist was kept on this day at Jerusalem. It probably marks the anniversary of the dedication of the basilica in his honour at Sebaste [Palestine] where, according to tradition, he was buried).

Source: Liturgy Brisbane

3 Sept **Saint Gregory The Great** (Born about 540. Died in Rome in 604. While prefect of Rome, he founded monasteries there and in Sicily and himself became a monk. Called to be a deacon of Rome by Benedict I, and sent as papal legate to Constantinople. Elected pope in 590. Reorganised Church life and administration in a time of crisis, sponsored liturgical reform, and initiated the evangelisation of the English. REMEMBERED also for his extensive writings on pastoral care, spirituality, and morals, and for his self designation as "servant of the servants of God").

Source: Liturgy Brisbane

