



Our Lady Star of the Sea Parish, Miranda Our Lady of the Way, Sylvania



In Christ we Believe | With Christ we Belong | Through Christ we Become

Our Lady Star of the Sea and Our Lady of the Way parishes acknowledge the Gweagal people of the Dharawal Nation as the traditional owners who have walked upon and cared for this land for thousands of years.

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Mass Times

Miranda:

Tuesday - 7.30pm

Wednesday & Thursday - 9.15am

Sunday - 8.00 & 10.30am

Sylvania:

Friday - 9:15am

Saturday - 5.00pm

Reconciliation:

Tuesday - 7.00pm at Miranda

Saturday - 4.00pm at Sylvania

Baptisms:

By appointment - please call the Parish Office to arrange a Baptism.

NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME YEAR A 13TH AUGUST 2023

Entrance Antiphon:

Look to your covenant, O Lord, and forget not the life of your poor ones for ever. Arise, O God, and defend your cause, and forget not the cries of those who seek you.

Communion Antiphon:

O Jerusalem, glorify the Lord, who gives you your fill of finest wheat.

PARISH NEWS

- **FEAST OF THE ASSUMPTION- 15 AUGUST** masses on this Holy Day of Obligation will be celebrated at Miranda at 9.15am and 7.30pm.
- **THANK YOU TO FRS MICHAEL DE STOOP, KERRY BAYADA AND TERRY BELL** for celebrating the Masses for us in Fr John's absence.
- **CHARITABLE WORKS FUND APPEAL (CWF)** please keep alive the vital ministries of the Church in service to those who need it most. In hospitals, churches, schools, communities and families, your donation is making our world a loving, caring and compassionate place. Your tax-deductible gift changes lives and contributes to our parish Target. Either scan the QR code or use the envelopes that are in the pews.
- **PLEASE PRAY FOR THE CHILDREN OF OUR PARISHES RECEIVING FIRST HOLY COMMUNION ON 20 AND 27 AUGUST.**
- **RELICS OF ST JOHN BOSCO TOUR** There are flyers on the back tables about the visit of the Relics of St John Bosco to Sydney which begins next week. Information can also be found at: www.bosco.org.au



Please pray for our sick:

Christine Scanlon, Linda Faulkner, Robert Lamerton, Fr Carl Ashton, Thomas and Clare Mayers, Steve Porter, Ana Escanlar, Nani Caton, Teresa Veza, Jozef Gasior, Alana O'Neill, Peter Gorman, Jeff Ramos, Peter O'Dea, Elvira Enriques, David Thus, Tony Dib, Phyllis Austin, Cheryl Nobbs, Maria Esposito, Rose Fish, Sue Sheedy, Stevie Rofe, Gail Lambert, Gloria Scott, Georgina Rastergorac, Amparo Alvarez, Daniel Lagos, Lagos family, Lorraine Price, Mark Houghton, William Thoms, Pasquale Ghostin, Manfred Meier, Nick Christie, Nicola Christie, Samantha Christie, Wendy Fell, Gaye Chiswick, Blarsha Walmsley, Dorothy Miglionico, Julianne Stuart, Dot Touzell, Mary Harrison, John Nagy Jr., Louise Alexander, Margaret O'Neill, the residents of: Hammondcare, Moran Health Care, Julianna Village, St Basils, Alkira Gardens, and Frank Vickery Village.

Please pray for the repose of these souls

Recently Deceased:

Norma Benito de Simoes, Ron Brannley, June Byrnes, Joaquim Severino, Joseph Yin Kwan Tsang, Giovanni Lopes, Frank Evans.

In Remembrance:

Bernardo Cargallo Sr., Angelita Buca, Giuseppe Siciliano, John Murphy, Margaret Hawes, Vanessa Darwiche, Raffaele Spano, Antonio Bova, Concetta Pitarelli, Paul Then, Mary Tnay, Antonio Lopes, Eric Pierce, Elizabeth Graves, Laurie Holland.

A message from the Archbishop

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 (02) 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.

Parish Safeguarding Support Officer (PSSO) for the parishes of Miranda and Sylvania is Bernadette Fabris – 0414 442 047.

Resources and information can be found at <https://www.sydneycatholic.org/safeguarding-and-child-protection/>

READING ROSTER

19 August 2023-Sylvania

5.00pm - Gwen Wood

20 August 2023-Miranda

8.00am - Jacqui Attard and Sue Clay

10.30am - Leonie Burfield and Margaret Fowler

Commitment Statement

The emotional, physical and spiritual safety, well-being and dignity of children and Adults is an integral part of the teachings and values of the Catholic Church.

The Archdiocese is wholly committed to ensuring safety, well-being and dignity of all Children and Adults at Risk, and acknowledges its important legal, moral and spiritual responsibility to create a safe and nurturing environment for those Children and Adults.

Although divine power is manifested in dramatic ways, it is also present in what is unassuming. Traces of God can be seen in the delicacy of a violet, in a cool summer breeze, in the blush of innocence, in the fiery eyes of justice. Every one of us lives in the midst of God, breathes the breath of God's life, and is constantly touched by the exquisite artistry of God's creativity. Life itself is a mountain experience of God. As wonderful as life may be, it can also be very frightening at times. There are misunderstandings and rancour, jealousy and vindictiveness, greed and a hunger for power. Our personal lives can come unravelling and we can feel that we are genuinely 'at sea'. Every human being is tossed about by the exigencies of life. It is at times like these that we need faith in Jesus. Even though we do not recognise him, he is there in the midst of our chaos. Having the power of God, he is the definitive champion of all chaos, and so he is able to allay our fears and calm the sea.

A true experience of God, whether it be within the ordinariness of life or one of life's tribulations, is both transformative and effusive. It is a reality that cannot be contained; it must be proclaimed. Disciples must be ready to do what they can in order that the good news of God's revelation be made known to others.

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Prayer for Vocations

"Lord of the Harvest, Bless young people with the gift of courage to respond to your call. Open their hearts to great ideals, to great things. Inspire all of your disciples to mutual love and giving-for vocations blossom in the good soil of faithful people.

Instill those in religious life, parish ministries, and families with the confidence and grace to invite others to embrace the bold and noble path of a life consecrated to you. Unite us to Jesus through prayer and sacrament, so that we may cooperate with you in building your reign of mercy and truth, of justice and peace. Amen" (Pope Francis)