



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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<https://www.olssmiranda.org.au>

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.

TWENTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME YEAR A 20TH AUGUST 2023

Entrance Antiphon:

Turn your eyes, O God, our shield; and look on the face of your anointed one; one day within your courts is better than a thousand elsewhere.

Communion Antiphon:

With the Lord there is mercy; in him is plentiful redemption.

PARISH NEWS

• **PLEASE PRAY FOR THE CHILDREN OF OUR PARISHES RECEIVING FIRST HOLY COMMUNION ON 20 AND 27 AUGUST.**

• **FATHER'S DAY NAMES.** Please include the names of your dads, your grandfathers and friends who are dads on the pages on the back tables. The pages will be made into a book which will be placed on our altars on Father's Day.

• **PRIESTS' RETIREMENT FOUNDATION APPEAL 2ND AND 3RD SEPTEMBER.**

Each year our Archdiocese hosts the annual Father's Day Appeal to support retired priests and thank our Fathers for their wonderful service to our community. Your gift is a 'thank you' to our priests who have contributed in many ways in your life.

• **MATTHEW LUKASZEWICZ ORDINATION.** Matthew will be ordained to the priesthood on Saturday 9 September in St Mary's Cathedral at 10.30am. Please continue to pray for Matthew at this most joyous time and you are most welcome to attend the ordination on 9 September.

• **RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION (R.C.I.A) INFORMATION EVENING 13**

SEPTEMBER AT 7PM. The R.C.I.A process is for those who would like to become a Catholic. The process is one of discernment and formation and is open to those who are only slightly curious about Catholicism through to those who are certain that they wish to fully embrace Catholic faith. Please email office@olssmiranda.org.au to register.

Please pray for our sick:

Charlie Farrugia, Helena Butler, 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, Joan Harris June Byrnes, Joaquim Severino, Joseph Yin Kwan Tsang, Giovanni Lopes, Frank Evans.

In Remembrance:

Bernardo Cargallo Sr., Angelita Buca, Ruth Pierce, Bill Wither, Peter Westblade, Thomas Verghis, Joyce Yeadon, Giuseppe Siciliano, John Murphy, Margaret Hawes, Vanessa Darwiche, Raffaele Spano, Antonio Bova, Concetta Pitarelli.

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

26 August 2023-Sylvania

5.00pm - Iris Nastasi

27 August 2023-Miranda

8.00am - Joshua Summers and Matilda Summers

10.30am - Ofelia Franco and Mary Wither

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.

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FOUNDATIONS IN PRAYER

Strengthen your faith in Christ.

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FOUNDATIONS OF PRAYER | WED 6 SEPT

PRAYING WITHIN THE
CATHOLIC TRADITION | WED 13 SEPT

PRAYING WITH OTHERS | WED 20 SEPT

LIVE ONLINE | 3 WED SESSIONS | 7:30PM
SEPTEMBER 8:45PM



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Historical Context ...

Who were the Canaanites?

When Moses led the Israelites out of Egypt, the 'Promised Land' they sought was the land of Canaan (approximately the area of modern Israel, TransJordan, Syria and Lebanon). Here they were commanded to utterly destroy the Canaanites and to subdue the land. (Exodus 23:23-24)

The Israelites never successfully removed all the Canaanites from the Palestine region. By the time of Jesus, the Israelites had established themselves in the region between Judea in the south and Galilee in the north, while the original inhabitants of the area had been 'squeezed out' – predominantly to the north. The Canaanites were dispossessed of their land by the Israelites and it is easy to see why there was tension between them. Greg Sunter