



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.

TWENTY SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME YEAR A 8 OCTOBER 2023

Entrance Antiphon: Within your will, O Lord, all things are established, and there is none that can resist your will. For you have made all things, the heaven and the earth, and all that is held within the circle of heaven; you are the Lord of all.

Communion Antiphon: The Lord is good to those who hope in him, to the soul that seeks him.

PARISH NEWS -

- **OFFICE HOURS: Mon 9 Oct & Wed 11 Oct 9.30AM - 2.30PM.** Bernadette is on annual leave until 16 Oct. Maria will be managing the office during her absence.
- **SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION 16 NOVEMBER:** For children in the state schools of our parish in Year 3. Preparation for this sacrament begins 29 October. For more information please email sacraments@olssmiranda.org.au
- **EPISCOPAL VISITATION 27 AND 29 OCTOBER:** Bishop Richard Umbers is coming to visit the parish in October. He will visit the school on Friday 27 October and celebrate the 10.30am Mass on 29 October and meet with parishioners after Mass.
- **RCIA PROGRAM 18 OCTOBER AT 7PM:** Even if you missed the information evening regarding the RCIA on 13 September it is still possible to join the program. The first session will be on 18 October. Email office@olssmiranda.org.au for more information.

There have been reports of SMS message scams targeting individuals and parishes in the Archdiocese. These scams impersonate the members of our parish, asking for urgent help and often requesting gift card purchases for those in need. Rest assured that neither I nor any member of our parish staff would ever ask for such assistance through SMS or any other unsolicited means. If you receive suspicious messages, contact us directly via phone or in person. Fr John

Please pray for our sick:

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:

Patrick O'Riordan, Margaret Owen, Fr John O'Keefe (PP of Our Lady Star of the Sea Miranda 1995 to 2001).

In Remembrance:

Nicola Katic, Len O'Keefe, Mollie Westblade, Andrea Maresca, Maria DiMaria, Joe Palisi.

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

14 October – Sylvania

5.00pm - Iris Nastasi

15 October - 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.

Catholic Mission

This week Catholic Mission will offer the opportunity to be part of a life-changing program which aims to address gaps in medical care, and provide families with essential health care and knowledge, equipping them with the confidence to act and autonomy over their health and well-being. The Maria Auxiliadora Clinic is a vital project for the Salesian Sisters and the Church in Venilale. Since its establishment, the clinic has provided life-saving treatment for families in need, like Petrolina's, whose daughter Vitoria was found to have tuberculosis. But, with an increase in the demand for treatment, the Sisters resources can only carry them so far. Please give generously today to help continue this life-giving program by using the appeal envelope or going online at catholicmission.org.au/timor.

Your gift will also help many other similar Church-run mission programs around the world. *Thank you in advance for your generosity.*

Life, Marriage and Family Sunday

All families are invited to come to 10:30 Mass at St Mary's Cathedral on Sunday 22 October, with an opportunity to renew marital promises and a special blessing for families. Join us after Mass at the Cathedral Hall to witness and celebrate couples celebrating significant wedding anniversaries. Registrations are essential to receive a certificate. RSVP by no later than 8 October at <http://www.trybooking.com/CJTNF>.



Caritas Australia's Emergency Appeals – Morocco / Libya

Caritas Australia needs your support to respond to the devastating earthquake in Morocco and floods in Libya. Thousands of people have died and others have been injured. Communities need shelter, food, water and medical assistance.

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