



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.

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Entrance Antiphon:

Behold, the Lord, the Mighty One, has come; and kingship is in his grasp, and power and dominion.

Communion Antiphon:

We have seen his star in the East, and have come with gifts to adore the Lord.

PARISH NEWS -

• **FUNERAL FOR THE REPOSE OF THE SOUL OF TONY KHOURY -WEDNESDAY 10 JANUARY AT 2PM AT MIRANDA** Please pray for the peaceful repose of Tony's soul and remember his wife, his children, his parents, and the families of his brothers and sister in your prayers at this very sad and difficult time.

• **ROSARY WILL BE OFFERED FOR TONY KHOURY AND HIS FAMILY TUESDAY 9 JANUARY AT 7PM AT MIRANDA** The rosary will be prayed prior to the regular Tuesday 7.30pm Mass.

• **CHEQUES CAN NO LONGER BE USED TO MAKE CONTRIBUTIONS TO PARISH FINANCES**

From 1 January 2024, we can no longer accept cheques as payment/donations. This is a decision that has been made by CommBank who have already implemented the policy. Please make arrangements for donations to be made with either direct transfer, credit card or cash. Many thanks for your continued support.

• **READER'S ROSTERS**

Readers at Miranda are asked to collect their rosters for 2024 from the back table.

• **NO CATHOLIC WEEKLY THIS WEEKEND**

Please pray for our sick:

Michael Egan, Maria Tuazon, 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:***

Tony Khoury, Audrey Sussex, Romeo Mallari, Nora Diaz, Christine McCarthy, Arcangelo De Martin, Elaine Massingham.

In Remembrance:

Florence Peters, Felix Veloso, Juanito Mallari Jr, Rose Palisi, Anthony Joseph, John Nieuwland, Marie Kelly, Barry Pulbrook, Colin Chandler, Rosario Franco, Merle Sponberg, Mark and John

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**13 JANUARY 2024-Sylvania**

5pm– Geraldine Mallon-Andrew

14 JANUARY 2024– Miranda

8.00am–Robert Lewis and Sandra Sear

10.30am– Paul Taylor and Carmela Then

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.

The journey of the Magi, Pope Francis suggests, should prompt us to ask ourselves: 'How is the journey of my faith going?'

As the Pope says, the Magi were infused with a spiritual restlessness born of their desire for something transcendent. It is a dynamic which is useful for reflecting on our own situation in this present age. Are we stuck in what the Pope characterises as a spiritual 'parking lot'? 'Do our words and our liturgies ignite in people's hearts a desire to move towards God' he asks, or does our worship look and sound like something that 'speaks only of itself and to itself'?

The Magi offer us, the Pope says, four useful ways of thinking about where we are and where we should go. Firstly, they 'set out,' making sure our faith is forward-looking and active. Secondly, they had the courage to 'defy Herod,' providing a model of courage that stands up to powers that would oppress and harm the poorest. Thirdly, they took 'another way,' forging new paths, trusting in God's creative power. And fourthly, they 'worshipped the Child', making sure that our focus was on the God towards whom we journey in hope. © Nick Brodie

ACCOMMODATION WANTED

A furnished apartment or rooms for 3 females coming to Sydney from Canada to complete a physiotherapy internship in Miranda from 18 February to 5 April. Please contact Bernadette at office@olssmiranda.org.au. for more details.