

28th Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year A) 11 October 2020



Come To The Banquet. Our God invites all people to the banquet of the kingdom, a banquet characterised by joy, integrity, and true peace. Sometimes, however, we decline this invitation preferring the lesser banquets that we know. May God enlighten the eyes of our heart that we might see how great is the hope to which we are called.

Responsorial Psalm:

I shall live in the house of the Lord all the days of my life.

Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, alleluia! May the Father our Lord Jesus Christ enlighten the eyes of our heart, that we might see how great is the hope to which we are called. Alleluia!

2020 Sacraments Program

We are very pleased to announce that our Sacraments of Confirmation and First Holy Communion will go ahead. There will be restrictions to ensure the health of our children and their families.

First Holy Communion - Sunday 1, 8 and 15 & 22 November at 11am

First Holy Communion Sessions begin

Monday 14 & 21 September

Monday 12 & 19 October

Please note that during Monday First Holy Communion sessions,

Private prayer time is not available.

Please contact the Sacramental Coordinator for further information

sacraments@stambrose.org.au

Our First Holy Communion Candidates are in preparation to receive the Sacrament of the Eucharist. Please pray for all our Sacramental Program candidates and their families.



All Masses on the weekend of 31 October and 1 November will be celebrating Fr Brian's retirement.



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Sunday Masses: Sat Vigil 5pm, Sunday 9.30am & 5pm
Live-streamed Mass: Sat Vigil 5pm. You can participate from your home online & receive the Spiritual Communion.

Weekday Masses: 9am Mon, Wed, Thurs, Fri (or Fri 9.15am school Masses)
Tuesday evening 7.30pm

Saturday 8.00am Devotions to Our Lady of Lourdes

Saturday 9am Mass

Reconciliation: Sat 3.30 – 4.30pm

Adoration: Mon & Fri 6-9pm, Tues 5.45pm – 7.15pm,

Sat 3.30 - 4.30pm, Italian Cenacle: Mon 9.30am

Holy Hour & Cenacle: Wed after 9am Mass, Fri 9.30am

Baptisms: 2nd & 4th Sundays of the month at 11am by appointment.

Weddings: by appointment. Contact Parish Office.

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**Our 5pm Mass this Sunday will be our HSC Mass
Prayer for HSC Students**

Loving God,

Be with all HSC students as they prepare for their exams.
Thank you for the many talents and gifts you have given them and for the wonderful opportunities of education.

Calm their nerves and anxiety, help them to remember all that they have studied, to express it clearly in their writing and to answer the questions the very best way that they can.

Holy Spirit, stay close to them during their exams and always.

In Jesus' name. Amen



Please remember in your prayers the following for whom Masses will be offered.



Recently Deceased: Kevin McGrath, Raymond Dickerson, Eugenio Libro, A.J. Singh, Santosh

Anniversaries: Aileen Morris, Asuncion Dimaculangan, Jack Leckie, Phillip Mouawad, Dulcie & Tony Tumminello, Mary & Jim Waters, Carmel Nolan, Giovanna Caldaroni

Others: Fr Kevin McGovern, Patrick & Margaret Egan, Veronica & Anne Gough, Mario Iannacito, Angelo Iannacito, Mabel & Kevin Rice, Peter Waters, Helen Timpanaro, Paul Broderick, Harry O'Hara, Eugene Morris, Ted & Laura Merlino, Harriet David, Terry Tully, Michael Culligan, Angelina Camuglia, Dr Leonado Dimaculangan, Jennifer Bast, Doug Kemp, Carmel Cullinan, Francesca Vizzari, Anthony Zovaro, Eric Pewal, Chris Elliott, Paola Pilosio, John Ferranda, Olivero Vendramin, Thomas Murickananickal & Kochappan, Joseph, Anna Nguyen, Gordon Bridges, John Baptist Nguyen, Anna Nguyen, Giuseppe Rubbo, Teofilo Zamora, Paul, Filomena Agostino, Marie Madeleine Danev, Nicola Betto, Margaret Sharpe, Tamam Koloi, Helen Timpanaro, Mario Gemin, John Ryan, John & Gwen Kennedy, Antoinette Constable, Ludivina Green, Agata Rodi, John Baptista Zammit, Catherine and John Manning, Joe and Mary Mangion, Rema Flannery, Margaret Jean Sharpe, John Pomroy, Mary & Ernest Vanzella, Gaetano Patamia, Filomena Agostino, Desmond Lim, Herdy Riduan, Gina Querin, Ruby Madera, Fr Chidiac & Family, Toufic Chidiac & Family, Caoile Families, Iannacito, Funaro & Di Iorio Families, Guiseppe & Maria Idiotta, Whiteford Family, Culligan Family, Cootes Family, Zammit Family, DeBono Family, Moses Family, Nancy's Family, Dahdah Family, Wheeler & Higgins Families, Morson Family, Abraham, George & Cherote Families, Kennedy and McGovern Families, John White, June Bates, Dorothy Vantwest, Thelma & Stephen Muller & Family, Soloman Family, Merrell, Bourke, Gielis & Shields Families, deceased members of St Vincent de Paul Society, dearly departed souls and all souls in Purgatory.

Please pray for the sick especially:

Joe Abbate, Terry Murphy, Patricia Christosi, Dalton James Bonnici, Maria Manno, Joseph Borg, Yuan Sheng Ye, Veronica Rutherford, Paul Dovico, David Bagnato, Angela, Rosaria Natalina Patamia, Felice Minutillo, Charlie Rossini, Kelly & Ursula, Giuseppina Algozzino, Viru, John and Betty Gattenhof, Esther Tully, Rosa Mastro, Tanya Greenaway, Gianna, Matthew, Luisa, Zia Pina, Grace Comare, Sean Peters, Elizabeth Esguerra, Juliet Walsh, Barbara Wayne, Marilyn Deguara, Elijah, Adrian Vanzella, Matthew Chan, John Rodrigues, Belinda Nicholls, Nan Peters, Carmela Smigliani, Shinta Widzaza, Alan Borg, Rosa Maria Santos, Bhupinder Tamber, Rebecca Sinclair, Marina Arasaratnam, Teresa Domalewski, Adel Abraham, Anne Vassily, Gloria Clark, Kim Long, Bob & Marion Merrell, Stacey Spencer, Joanne Ford, David, Celia and Gomes Family, Warwick Cook, Louise, James Anthony Manassa, June Corcoran, Rosina Morson, Celina Shaw, Laurence O'Connell, Sam Carroll, Dr Bede Muller, Robert Carey, Mario Bianco, Rochelle Rodrigues, Kevin Desouza, Pat Toohey, Charmaine Yu, Anne Collins, Anna Vitezchnik, Adrian Walker, Lauren Wedd, Peter Weinfeoe, Ivy Ross, Dr Siri Kannangara, Maria Rosa de Angelis, Frank Zappia, Cecily Culligan

Special Intention: Anita Picone, Anton Felix

SACRAMENT OF THE ANOINTING OF THE SICK - Friday 16th October

During the 10:30am Mass on Friday 16 October, our Parish will have the opportunity to celebrate God's healing through the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick and Elderly. Fr Brian will move through the Church anointing each person in their seat making it easier for those who are less mobile.



Anointing the sick

Please invite any friends, neighbours and relatives as they may not know about it if you don't tell them. VASA may be able to assist with transport.

All parishioners are welcome to come to this Mass and pray with and for those seeking physical, mental, emotional or spiritual healing in this Sacrament.

Please ring Trish 87651295 or Kerry 97363686 if you have any questions.

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD:



Our faith community here at St. Ambrose' is to be commended for the love and charity that you have shown as the BOXES disappeared one by one, to be filled with some 'surprise' for some needy child somewhere far away in south east Asia.

I noticed some on Sunday that were filled to 'overflowing'.

May the Lord bless you for your kindness and generosity and may you be blessed in a special way in the way you have been "a Good Samaritan".

A truly Christian "neighbour" to someone far far away.

**PLEASE LEAVE YOU BOX UNDER THE ALTAR...
AS A SIGN that it is being offered during the Mass
with the bread and wine, with Jesus to the Father.**

CWL Silver Circle Week 4 Results

1st prize	24	Trish Ambrose	\$20.00
2nd prize	14	Linda Hager	\$10.00

COVID-19 Update

The NSW Government has recommended parishioners wear face masks when attending religious services as an additional safeguard to help combat the spread of COVID-19.

A message from the Archdiocese of Sydney

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 safeguardingenquiries@sydneycatholic.org or call (02) 9390 5810 or 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.

Holy Fathers Appeal – Continues this weekend

The Holy Father's Appeal is typically held on the Feast Day of St Peter and Paul on 29 June. However, due to COVID-19, Rome has rescheduled the appeal to 3-4 October. This appeal highlights the global charitable causes of Pope Francis and is aimed at alleviating the suffering of those affected by natural disasters, wars, the refugee crisis and poverty, to name a few. This is still a very trialling period for parishes, so any support you might provide is greatly appreciated.

To give, please use the appeal envelopes provided or phone the Fundraising Office on during office hours on **1800 753 959**.

SACRAMENT OF THE SICK

During these times of uncertainty, many are experiencing anxiousness for the first time and this Sacrament gives us strength, courage and awareness of God's loving presence in our lives.

Mark your calendar for the date of the next Mass with Sacrament of the Sick on **Friday 16th October** at 10:30. VASA can provide transport if needed.



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PARISH SAFEGUARDING POLICY

Is the name given to the process which is **compulsory for each Catholic Parish in Australia in response to the directive of the Royal Commission?**

In detail, this means that each and every volunteer who is in any way connected with the celebration of Mass in our Parish is covered. This policy was introduced and followed through as an outcome of the Royal Commission into Sexual Abuse. **The office of the Catholic Profession Standards Office in Polding Centre requires the following of each and every volunteer**

1. A signed and dated Volunteer Form
2. A Code of Conduct signed after being viewed
3. A Working with Children coverage obtained from Service NSW
4. Online training enabling the volunteer to be certified by the Salt Certificate....quite easy to accomplish on line...

The plan is when a volunteer has completed Steps 1, 2 & 3, they contact Sr. Judith to obtain the online training website through which each can be certified as a volunteer by the issue of a Salt Certificate.

This process has been followed through here in our Parish since early in the year. Our Parish is blessed in having 72 volunteers who are connected in some way with the celebration of the Eucharist in our Parish each weekend.

72 PERSONALLY NAMED K I T S were provided in March, one for each volunteer. Sadly only 30 volunteers have returned the above F O U R requirements and completed their acceptance as VOLUNTEER in the Parish. 30 of those who were issued with K I T S have not responded in any way at all.

PLEASE LEAVE ANY COMPLETED PAPERWORK CONNECTED WITH THIS PROCESS IN THE LARGE PLASTIC BOX IN THE PRIESTS' SACRISTY.

Contact me if you have a problem Sr Judith
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