



11th January 2015 - Year B BAPTISM OF THE LORD

ALL HALLOWS' PARISH CHURCH 2 Halley Street FIVE DOCK 2046

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Sacramental Life

Eucharist:

Saturday - 9.00am & 5.30pm Vigil

Sunday - 8.30am

Sunday - 10am Children's Liturgy

Sunday - 6.00pm Youth Mass

Monday - 9.00am

Tues - Wed - 8.00am

Thurs - Fri - 9.00am

Lauds (morning prayer) is prayed 20

minutes before morning mass daily.

All Welcome.

Reconciliation: Saturday

9.30 - 10am & 4.45 - 5.15pm

Anointing: First Friday of the month at 9am mass. (except January).

Sick Calls: Any time - day/night.

Funeral Masses: In co-operation with Funeral Directors.

Exposition: Third Thursday of every month after Mass.

Dear Parishioners,

1. Here and Now

When the Lord was baptized, a voice came from heaven saying "This is my beloved Son; with you I am well pleased". There could hardly be a more important message than this identification of Jesus, could there?



But why did this important message come through a voice from heaven? A voice from heaven can be heard only by those who are there then. What about everybody else? Surely, it is important for all human beings to know that Jesus is God's beloved Son.

And the same sort of puzzle arises from the First Reading. It says that the Messiah will open the eyes of the blind, and the Gospels testify that Christ really did so. But he opened the eyes of only a few blind people, those blind people who were there then. What about all the other blind people, in other places, in other times? Why didn't Jesus just heal all blindness everywhere with one impersonal command: let all the blind people of the world be healed?

And so here is one thing we can learn from these Readings. In the voice from heaven, in the miracles of Christ, God shows that he is committed to the good of particularity. God does not send the news about the Messiah as an impersonal message directed impartially to all humankind. He identifies Jesus as his Son by a voice from heaven heard by particular people at a particular time. Similarly, Christ does not issue an impersonal decree about nameless blind people taken as a group. Christ heals some particular blind people who happened to be at a particular place at the particular time when Christ was also there.

So you might feel that you are just an unnoticed member of your company or an invisible one of the many ordinary people in your town. But you stand out as the particular person you are, where the Lord is concerned. God does not deal with people as faceless members of a collective. He calls, and he heals, one particular person at a time, as each individual comes to him.

But then you yourself—not your Church or your group, but you—need to come to the Lord, to face him, to know him, to love him, and to let him heal you. Come as yourself, as you are, here and now.

2. St Antonio da Padova

The Mass for St Antonio da Padova will be celebrated here at All Hallows on Sunday 18th January at 11.30am. All Welcome

God Bless

Fr. Greg



Start the New Year off with a bang!
Spend a weekend with your spouse at a
**Worldwide Marriage Encounter
Weekend.**



The peaceful setting of this weekend enrichment is a great way to rekindle the romance in your marriage.

Weekend date: 6-8 March at Mt Carmel Retreat Centre, Varroville, NSW
To apply contact Ardell & Bill Sharpe
tel. 02 4283 3435 or wsharpe@bigpond.net.au
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BAPTISMS

We welcome

STELLA ANN LA ROSSA

TYLER JAMES DE VINCENTIS

ARYA KIM-LY ROWE

TYSON GAN STEWART

DYLAN GAN STEWART



who were baptised into our parish family of All Hallows recently.

May God bless them and their parents



LOST

Small Italian Prayer Book with black cover, was left on the front pew at Sunday's 8.30am Mass (4th Jan)
If found please call Antonia 9713 5904 or return to parish office. Thank you

Room to Rent

23 year old female Australian/Singaporean lawyer looking for room to rent for approx. 9months
Please call Nancy 0414 311 883 or Rosary 0422 428 242 if you can help

WE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO HAVE DIED



In your love and concern, please pray for:-

Recently Deceased:

Stephen John McLaren, Maria Zol (Snr)

Anniversaries:

Kevin Hume, Sam Rodilosso, Natale Mascera, Peter Fiorini

Also for:

Donald McGhee, Domenico Truilcio, Giuseppa Fonti, Thomas & Ann Culkin, Pamela Godinho, Giacomo Caldareri

For the following ill members of our community:-

Crochetta Valenti, Brian Gallagher, Bernadette Lane, Vanessa Lane, Muriel Daly, Margaret Gleeson, Mary Johnson, Carmen Gallagher, Mary Longrell, Raffael Errichiello, Benilda Buenafe, Lorenzo Mioli, Frances Hennessy, Antonietta Ciaglia, Tomas Laming, Angela Colantonio, Ida Bova, Amelia Casarotto, Mirella Mercuri, Madelina Michael, Monica Moschella, Marcello Cheles, Brian Lees.

(Names will remain on list for 1 month unless notified.)



GET YOUR COPY OF THE CATHOLIC WEEKLY

- A pope so great that Canada has given him his own special day
- To the moon and back – in the hands of God
- 2015 Synod survey now ready online
- Use 'holy cunning' to safeguard your faith: pope's Epiphany homily
- Runs on the board for Notre Dame University
- New cardinals include one each from Tonga, New Zealand
- Cardinal condemns forced 'reconversion' of Christians, Muslims in India
- All that you were to us: touching tributes to people who mattered
- Editorial, letters
- Vista: what's on in your parish and diocese

ONLY \$2.00 AVAILABLE FROM THE STAND

Kid's Corner

Q. What do Italian ghosts have for dinner??

A. Spookhetti!!



POPE FRANCIS' COLUMN

Pope's Angelus Address on Solemnity of the Epiphany

"It is the Word of God, which constantly renews our hearts ... Therefore, we must not forget to read it and meditate it every day, so that it becomes for each one of us a flame that we carry within us to guide our steps"



At the end of the Holy Mass, celebrated in the Vatican Basilica, on the Solemnity of the Lord's Epiphany, Pope Francis appeared at the window of his study in the Apostolic Vatican Palace to recite the Angelus with the faithful and pilgrims gathered in Saint Peter's Square.

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

On Christmas Eve, we meditated on the hastening of some shepherds, belonging to the Jewish people, to the cave in Bethlehem. Today, the Solemnity of the Epiphany, we recall the arrival of the Magi, who came from the East to adore the newborn King of the Jews and universal Savior and to offer him symbolic gifts. With their gesture of adoration, the Magi witnessed that Jesus came on earth to save not only his people but all peoples. Therefore, in today's feast our gaze widens to the horizon of the entire world to celebrate the Lord's "manifestation" to all peoples, namely, the manifestation of God's love and of universal salvation. He does not keep His love for some privileged persons, but offers it to all. As He is the Creator and Father of all, so He wills to be the Savior of all. Therefore, we are called to nourish great confidence and hope in our dealings with every person and his salvation, including those who seem far from the Lord, who are followed -- or better "chased" -- by His passionate and faithful love.

The Gospel account of the Magi describes their journey from the East as a journey of the soul, as a journey to an encounter with Christ. They were attentive to the signs that indicated His presence; they were tireless in facing the difficulties of their search; they were courageous in drawing the consequences of life derived from the encounter with the Lord. The Magi's experience evokes the journey of every man to Christ. As it was for the Magi, so for us to seek God means to walk, fixing our gaze on heaven and seeing in the visible sign of the star the invisible God who speaks to our heart. The star that is able to guide every man to Jesus is the Word of God: it is the light that directs our path, nourishes our faith and regenerates it. It is the Word of God, which constantly renews our hearts and our communities. Therefore, we must not forget to read it and meditate it every day, so that it becomes for each one of us a flame that we carry within us to guide our steps and also those of one who walks beside us, who perhaps finds it hard to find the way to Christ.

On this day of the Epiphany, our thought goes also to brothers and sisters of the Christian East, Catholics and Orthodox, many of whom tomorrow will celebrate the Lord's Birth. To them we send our affectionate good wishes.

Then it pleases me to recall that the World Day of Missionary Childhood is observed today. It is the feast of children who live the gift of faith with joy and pray that the light of Jesus reaches all children of the world. I encourage educators to cultivate in little ones the missionary spirit, so that among them are born witnesses of God's tenderness and heralds of His love.

We now turn to the Virgin Mary and invoke her protection on the universal Church, so that the Gospel of Christ, *Lumen gentium*, light of all peoples, is spread throughout the world.

[After the recitation of the Angelus, the Pope said the following:]

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

I greet you all, Romans and pilgrims, renewing my wish of peace and every good in the Lord.

I greet the faithful who have come from Aachen, Germany, from Kilbeggan, Ireland, and the students of Northfield, Minnesota, United States of America; the candidates for Confirmation of Romano of Lombardy and their parents; the faithful of Biassono, Verona, Arzignano, Acerra and of some dioceses of Puglia; and the young people of the Don Orione Work.

A special greeting goes to those who give life to the historic-folkloric procession, which this year is dedicated to the territory of the Municipalities of Segni, Artena, Carpineto, Romano, Gorga and Montelanico.

I wish you all a Happy Sunday and good lunch. See you soon!



WHAT'S ON IN OUR PARISH?

Inner Wheel Club - Balmain Group
1st Tuesday of month 6.30pm - 9pm in Hall

St Vincent de Paul Society
Meetings held each 2nd & 4th Tuesday of the month at 6.30pm in the meeting room connected to the garage.
Contact Gerry Modini on 0418 966 247

Catholic Women's League Five Dock
3rd Friday of month 12.00pm in Parish Hall
For more information please contact Josie on 9713 8610

Italian Prayer Group
Tuesday - 1 pm in Parish Hall
Messa Italiana ogni ultimo martedì del mese
Enquiries: M. Mureddu 9712 2394

Playgroup
9.30am -11.30am in Parish Hall
(not during school holidays)
Wednesday - Antonella 0417 068 323

Choir Practice
All welcome to choir practice in the Church
7.30 pm every Monday.
Ring Maria on 9713 7310

Italian Choir Group
Tuesday -12.30 pm in the Church

Family Mass Choir Practice
Wednesday 7.45pm in Church
All welcome!

Italian Prayer Group - Thursday
In Chiesa, ogni settimana dopo la messa delle nove (9).
Ogni terzo Giovedì del mese l'intenzione è per il Gruppo di Preghiera di Riparazione Eucaristica.
Siete tutti benvenuti!
Enquiries/Per informazioni: Lucia 9713 1800

All welcome!

Sunday 11 JANUARY 2015 - BAPTISM OF THE LORD

READINGS: Is 42:1-4, 6-7; Acts 10:34-38; Mk 1:7-11

SATURDAY 5.30pm	SUNDAY 8.30am	SUNDAY 10am	SUNDAY 6.00pm Youth Mass
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READERS

M. Natoli P. Cremin L. Gatto N. Rogheto	C. Mylott R. O' Dwyer J. Heffernan D. Triulcio	L. Regan AM Ludeke A. Slyney	Intro & P/F: Emily C 1st: Emma S Psalm: Linda L 2nd: Chris M
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EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION

V. Moschella M. Zol A. Pollifrone L. Speranza S. Mangano Z. Di Bella C. Tramonte	J. Walsh C. Mylott B. Walsh S. Storan J. Heffernan P. Moschella I. Bova	A. Incampo V. Jacobs D. Squadrito A. McMahon M. Hadjidakis D. Scelzi L. Scelzi	N. Lazzaro L. Parisi M. Zol A. Den C. Pollifrone W. Florian A. Pavan
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ALTAR SERVERS

Group 4	Group 1	Group 2	Group 3
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HOME VISITS: J. Livolsi, J. Heffernan P. Moschella, D & L Scezli

NURSING HOMES:

Visit 15 Jan - **Parkview**: no visit

Visit 16 Jan - **Russell Lea**: no visit

COUNTERS: Group 1

TRANSPORT: Theresa, Mary, Sue

PIETY STALL: Wendy V, Mary C, Pina P

ALTAR SOCIETY: Bernadette, Robyn, Margaret, Tina, Connie



NEXT WEEK

Sunday 18 JANUARY 2015 - 2nd SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME

READINGS: 1 Sam 3:3-10, 19; 1 Cor 6:13-15, 17-20; Jn 1:35-42

SATURDAY 5.30pm	SUNDAY 8.30am	SUNDAY 10am	SUNDAY 6.00pm Youth Mass
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READERS

T. McCabe C. Natoli M. Zol M. Piccolo	K. Hextell R./A. Kirby H. Chow A. Casarotto	P. Gambino H. Gibson R. Salvato	Intro & P/F: Isabella M 1st: Max C Psalm: Chris M 2nd: Jill M
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B. Smyth A. Panuccio T. Coghlan K. Smyth M. Virtù M. Tomasello D. Grippi	E. Chesworth M. Chesworth R. Liberatore M. Mureddu R. Pietrobon M. Piccolo J. Livolsi	C. Petrucco N. Ancona S. Carbone L. Moliterno F. Mercuri A. Roberts P. Pavan	Chris M C. Modini W. Florian M. Di Bella A. Di Bella A. Zol A. Bonaccorso
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ALTAR SERVERS

Group 5	Group 2	Group 5	Group 4
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HOME VISITS: J. Livolsi, J. Livolsi, M. Chesworth, P. Pavan

NURSING HOMES:

Visit 22 Jan - **Parkview**: no visit

Visit 23 Jan - **Russell Lea**: no visit

COUNTERS: Group 2

TRANSPORT: Michael, Margaret H, Sue

PIETY STALL: Eleanor C, Mary & Matthew R, Elena

ALTAR SOCIETY: Christine, Barbara, Mary V, Helena, Catherine

