

CHURCH GARDENS

The gardening group meets on the second & fourth Fridays of each month between 8am & 10.30am
At present the gardens are growing faster than can be maintained. The gardening group is desperately seeking more people who can assist with either mowing, watering, sweeping or weeding for any amount of time when we meet, if you can spare any time to assist in maintaining the church gardens we would certainly appreciate the extra help.
Please bring a water bottle & gloves
All equipment supplied
Pls contact Kevin Redman 0402856114 for more details

TODAYS READING

2Maccabees 7:1-2,9-14—The King of the world will receive us into life eternal at the resurrection.

2 Thessalonians 2:16-3:5 - May the Lord strengthen you in everything good that you do or say.

Luke 20:27-38— He is not a God of the dead but the living.

Responsorial psalm: Lord, when your glory appears, my joy will be full.

Gospel acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia! Jesus Christ is the firstborn of the dead; glory and kingship be his for ever and ever. Alleluia!

Universal Prayer:
Lord, hasten to help us.

Counting Roster –2022

6/11/22– Elliott Team
13/11/22– Barclay Team
20/11/22–Hunt Team

Altar Society– 2022

6/11/22– McCauliffe Team
13/11/22– Mockett Team
20/11/22–Elliott Team

HARD OF HEARING? Our Church has been equipped with a Powered Audio Induction Loop system for hearing aid wearers (T-Loop) - To obtain effective use of the loop sit in the main body of the church avoiding the very edge seats, turn hearing aid to T & adjust the volume to suit

new Parish Website— www.stpatsutherland.org.au



St Patrick's Parish acknowledges and honours the Gweagal People of the Dharawal Nation as the original custodians of this land

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Thirty-second Sunday Year C

6 November, 2022

The seven brothers in today's first reading trusted that God would bring them through death into life if they remained faithful to the Law of Moses. The Sadducees ridiculed the idea of the resurrection of the dead, trying to trap Jesus by appealing to the Law of Moses. Jesus goes to the heart of the matter: for God all people are alive. Do we believe that God is faithful?

Dear Parishioners,

Unfortunately due to things being stolen from the Church we will now have to lock the Church after morning Mass., We are very sorry for the inconvenience this causes.

Fr Dan McCaughan

Background on the Gospel Reading

In today's Gospel, we hear about an encounter between Jesus and some Sadducees. The Sadducees were a party of Judaism active in Jesus' time, descended from the priestly family of Zadok. They were literal interpreters of the written Law of Moses, which means that they were in disagreement with the position of the Pharisees, who offered an oral interpretation of the Law of Moses.

The Sadducees are described in this Gospel as opponents to the belief in resurrection. In the dialogue presented here, we see an example of the means of disputation that was common in first century Judaism. The Sadducees use the example of Levirate marriage, found in the Law of Moses, to disprove belief in the resurrection. According to [Deuteronomy 25:5-10](#), if a man died without producing an heir, the man's brother should marry his wife and the offspring of this union would inherit the property and carry on the name of the man who had died. The Sadducees use this as an example to challenge belief in the resurrection.

Jesus argues from the same written Law of Moses to show that there is resurrection. Using the texts from the Book of Exodus ([Chapter 3](#)) that describe Moses' encounter with God in the burning bush, Jesus shows that God is the God of the living, not the dead. Here Jesus uses the same method and texts of the Sadducees to counter them. As the Gospel text suggests, he beat them at their own game!

40th Anniversary Celebrations

It is very encouraging to find out that so many parishioners are keen to be part of the celebrations coming up on 11th December. The parish office has received several calls and we are delighted to hear that so many of you are offering to help. Kindly forward your interest via email because the parish office is unable to keep a record of what is discussed via the telephone.

As of this weekend, there are some sheets at the back of the church where you can place your name and contact details. Kindly tick the column you are best suited to help with.

We have also left a bucket in which you can leave your donation. This will help with expenses we encounter and with catering if needed.

Many thanks, Organising Committee

Glass Jar Stall

The stall is back on! The cumquat tree was truly generous! There will be other preserved goods similar to last year's. The stall will be open after the weekend Masses of the last weekend in November: 26th-27th November. All sales will be done using cash. We have no eftpos facilities.

Looking forward to selling all the jars and raising funds for our church.



St Patrick's Conference of St Vincent de Paul CHRISTMAS APPEAL

THIS WEEKEND 5 & 6 November

Christmas is fast approaching and there are many families who are in need. Our annual Christmas appeal is very important in helping to provide for these families, and your support of the appeal will ensure these families will enjoy some of the blessings of the Christmas Season! Please give generously. Thank you for your continued support. EFTPOS available.

Charitable Works Fund 2022 Pastoral Appeal

The Charitable Works Fund (CWF) Pastoral Appeal will run next weekend and we need your help.

Donations of \$2 or more are tax deductible.

To find out more, phone 1800 753 959 or email cwf@sydneycatholic.org. Thank you.

Dear Fellow Parishioners,

My task as Parish Ambassador to the Plenary Council formerly ended recently with a "Thank-you" lunch at the Josephite Mount Street Centre.

The ongoing directive now is Parish Renewal.

Today our Lumen Gentium study of paragraph 4, let us expand on the 'Luminous' state we all enjoy, being held in the 'palm of Gods' hand' or in the Blessed Trinity which is love. Many more ideas were shared, especially the need for a Parish Council.

All welcome Jo de Groot

WRAP WITH LOVE- 2022

We meet at the Presbytery on the first Thursday of the month from 11.30am to 1.30pm. Please join us for knitting squares. Bring a sandwich for lunch. All welcome.

The Parish Piety Stall is open every Saturday at the 5.00 pm Mass and on Sundays for both the 8.00am and 10.00 am Masses.

Coming soon St Vincent de Paul Christmas cards now available \$10 per pack. Many thanks for your continued support.

COFFEE AND TEA SET

3HR PORT HACKING MORNING TEA CRUISE

FRIDAY 11TH NOVEMBER 10.30am

PLEASE NOTE CHANGE OF DAY AND DATE!

\$30 conc. Numbers please for booking

Please contact Lois Smithers 0452357922 or

Marie Bartlett 0425380873

Bible Study

The Word of God is living and active;

it probes the thoughts and motives of our heart.

Please come and join us in looking at the Gospel of Luke;

currently discussing Chapter 15

6pm Thursday evening for an hour at the Presbytery

Catechist Update

CCD Annual Mass on Sunday 6th November at 230pm at St Mary's Cathedral.

Thank you, Bertha

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YOUR PRAYERS ARE REQUESTED FOR THE SICK: Maria Kramer, Fr Lawrie Beath, Sue Cassidy, Clifford Atkinson, Linda Dalton, Thiago Mazza Almeida, Terry & Pam Neenan, Graham Lamberti, Elizabeth Kinsella, Eileen Kenny, Ted Cramsie, Joanne Dideta, Eileen Talbot, Adam Henson, Wendy Fell, Kristy Bugeja, Elizabeth Pemberton, Amanoud Lemerie, Solange La Douce Jean Fabien, Steve Smith, Lloyd Handley, Bruce Kent, Anne Cassidy, Lena Mallet, Martine Benoit, Norma Miller, Ron Monro, Lorraine Davies, Bill Burke, John Bonadio, Marie Cameron, Patricia Holbrook, Maria & Luigi Altavilla, Maureen Fraser, Carol Drew, Ron Strauss, Patti Gore. All the residents in Nagle Apartments. All the residents in Bupa. All residents in Lark Ellen. All residents in the Palms.

RECENTLY DECEASED: Teresa Paoletti,

ANNIVERSARY: Peter Harris, Paul Fraser, Harry Fsadni, Mryna Espedillon, Felesicima de Nava, Merilou Enriquez, Michael Rooney

DECEASED MEMBERS & FRIENDS: For all we are remembering in our November Masses. Roger Minshull, Gwen Power, Molly McFarlane, Kevin Gore, Bill Morris, Joan Quinn, Frank Townsend, David Hoffmann, Menezes & Minshull Families, Mona McGovern, Veri Laarakkers, Helen Warham, David Dee, Dorothy Lynch, Reg Benson, Pat Bathurst, Gabrielle Scarra, All Dec'd PBVM Sisters, Robertson Family, Claude Press, John Press, Peter Rendell, Barry Scott, Margaret Stokes, Paul Fraser, Karen Westridge, McMullen & Brown Families, Philip Struthers, Jim Walsh, Shirley Dent, Thomas O'Brien, Tyran Sharman, Gregory & Eileen Dodd, Sr Mary Julian, Larkin Family, Mullins Family, Fr. L. Cruikshank, members of McNamara, Torrington, Preston, Dent, Barrett, Mahoney, Lollback, Mason & O'Leary families, Terry McNamara, Griggs, Nunan, Farrell families, Jack Ethers, Mrs Hills, Mr & Mrs English, Aunt Nora and Aunt Thelma, Irene Mason, Monica & John Robinson, Don Barrett. Miller family & friends, Holy Souls in Purgatory