



St. Therese Catholic Church Padstow

20th – 21st October 2018

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Sunday Masses: Vigil 6.30PM, Sun 8.00AM, 9.30AM

Weekday Masses: Tuesdays & Thursdays at 8.30M, Fridays, & Saturdays at 9.00AM, Wednesdays at 7.30PM.

Reconciliation: Every Saturday from 5PM. Baptisms & Marriages: By appointment.

We Pray For Our Sick: Rita Tabe, Ida Aiello, Patricia Rozario, Fran Cudmore, Mary Gatt, Jenny Francis, Tracey Jackson, Marie Mc Loughlin, Patricia Lopez, Joshua Durrant, Mary Sortwell, Matthew Morrissey, Christine Morrissey-Durrant, Romanos Nehme, Debe Beaini, and all our sick; may the Grace of the Lord be with them. Lord hear us.

We Pray For Our Dead: Cirila Estera, Jeanette Smyth, Abraham Moge, Wayne Morrissey, Kevin Kennedy, Edgar & Lynda Edgerton, Frank & Thelma Hayes, Peter Forck, Niall Gossland, Lidia Villante, Giovanni Pruscino, Jennifer & Ryley Delmage, Kathy Green (Monty Green's wife) and especially for those for whom Masses are being offered. We pray; Eternal Rest grant unto them O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace.



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29th Sunday of Ordinary Time.

From Fr. Stephen.

Today's Liturgy of the Word describes leadership as the sacrificial service done for others and offers Jesus as the best example.

The Gospel explains how Jesus has accomplished his mission of saving humankind from the slavery of sin by becoming the "Suffering Servant." as echoed in the first Reading, taken from the *Fourth Servant Song* in the second part of the Book of the Prophet

Isaiah. It tells how the promised Messiah will save humankind by sacrificing himself for the atonement for our sins. Jesus has done this sacrificial service of love for us as the *Suffering Servant* by giving his life on the cross as an offering for sin, interceding for us and taking our punishment on himself.

Furthermore in the Gospel, Jesus challenges us, his followers to become great by serving others with sacrificial *agape* love: "Whoever wishes to be great must be a servant." Jesus commands us to liberate others as he has freed all of us, by giving ourselves to them in loving and humble service.

† **The Sacrament of Confirmation:** The information & Registration meetings will take place next Tuesday 23rd October at 3.30PM and next Wednesday 24th October at 6PM. remember that you will need to bring with you a copy of your Baptismal Certificate.

- † **Confirmation Enrolment Sunday** will take place on Sunday 28th October at the 9.30AM Mass, and the lessons will commence on Tuesday and Wednesday.
- † **Catechist Meeting:** On next Tuesday 23rd October at 1.30PM. We need volunteer catechists or helpers to work commencing in 2019. Classes take place on Tuesdays during school terms for 30 minutes. Training and resources are provided. If you can assist or would like further information, please come to the meeting or contact Fr. Stephen or our catechist coordinator Josie D'acciaro on 0419 610 841.
- † **Mass for Pregnant Mothers:** At. St. Mary's Cathedral on Sunday 18th November at 10.30AM.

WYD 2019: I thank you for your generous financial support to assist Alex Bennington in his quest to attend WYD in Panama in 2019. Our contribution amounted to \$675.

- † **Sydney Catholic Men's Ministry Network Meeting:** Hosted by Bishop Richard Umbers, Friday night November 23, 6.30pm Mass, 7.30pm Dinner, 8.30pm Presentations. St. Paul of the Cross Parish, 532 New Canterbury Rd, Dulwich Hill. Register: www.trybooking.com/431767 More Info: christopher.gordon@sydneycatholic.org
- † **Healing After Abortion:** Rachel's Vineyard Ministries offers a confidential voicemail number: 0400 092 555. Healing retreats are held regularly in the Sydney area offering women and men a spiritual way through grief and loss. Go to www.rachelsvineyard.org.au The next healing retreat will be held 16-18 November. The retreat offers a sanctuary in which to renew, rebuild and redeem hearts broken by abortion in a safe, supportive, confidential and non judgmental environment.
- † **Palms Australia:** Invites you to explore a new mission. Opportunities now open in East Timore, Leste, PNG Samoa and Myanmar. For more info 9560 5333 or email palms@palms.org.au There will be a Q & A on 5th November at the Aquinas Academy at 5. 30PM
- † **Plenary Council 2020** – Please take a photo with your family around the Plenary Candle. We will be compiling a collage at the back of the church.
- † **Archdiocesan Social Justice Gathering** – The Social Justice Statement this year is entitled: 'A Place to Call Home: Making a Home for Everyone in our Land'. You are invited to a Social Justice Gathering on Saturday 20th October 2018, 10:30 for 11:00am-3:30pm. at St Columba's Parish Hall, 213 Elswick St, Leichhardt North. There will be a delicious lunch and refreshments throughout the day. The cost is free.

RSVP: Essential for catering: email jpoinfo@sydneycatholic.org 9307 8465.



ROSTERS for 27 th – 28 th October 2018			
READERS	6.30PM MASS	8.00AM MASS	9.30AM MASS
1 st Reader	M Allegro	T Forrester	M Sortwell
2 nd Reader	B Scott	P Forrester	V Espinas
ACOLYTES	Chris	Adam	Brendan
ALTAR SERVERS	A Long N Logn	T Forrester P Forrester	W Webb H Kenny
MUSIC	Amanda		Maria
NURSING HOMES	J Mc Grath	CLEANERS	N Kullmphe
SUNDAY SCHOOL	W Yazbeck & A Black		
COUNTERS	R Almeida, D Almdida, W Yazbeck		
BANKERS	Carl	ROSARY	K Ryan
ALTAR SOCIETY	Group C: Morrissey, V Nehme, E Matz		