



St. Therese Catholic Church Padstow

19th – 20th January 2019

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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: Fran Cudmore, Joshua Durrant, Matthew Morrissey, Tracey Jackson, Romanos Nehme, Jenny Francis, Deba Beaina, and all our sick; may the Grace of the Lord be with them. Lord hear us.

We Pray For Our Dead: Giovanni Pruscino, Andres Estera, Rita Tabet, Roseanne Mc Dermott, Ibrahim Moge, Antoun Hanna, Ayda Moge and especially for those whose names appear in the "Book of the Dead" and 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 in peace.

2nd Sunday of Ordinary Time.

From Fr. Stephen.

This is a season of "epiphanies" in which the Liturgy shows us God's revelation of Jesus as the Messiah to the shepherds, the Magi, King Herod, John the Baptist and those gathered around John at the Jordan. This week we are at a wedding where Jesus reveals His divine power by His first miracle.

The setting for the miracle is Cana in Galilee some eight miles northeast of Nazareth. This a record of Christ's first miracle,

which John refers to as a "sign,"

Such weddings usually began on Wednesdays with the celebration lasting for seven days. During this period, guests arrived each day bringing gifts and participating in the joy of the occasion.

Among the Jews of that time, wine was not only considered a staple food item, but was also frequently used in times of celebration. To run short of wine at a wedding feast was certainly a serious problem, particularly damaging to the reputation of the host and an ill omen for the newly-married couple. What do we take away from this episode, well; make sure you invite Jesus and Mary!" This is precisely the message of today's gospel: make sure you invite Jesus and Mary wherever you live and wherever you go – they are the only ones you'll ever need.



- **New Rosters:** I will be drawing up the new rosters for the various ministries shortly when school goes back. Please give some thought to becoming more involved in a real way in the life of our parish. The lists are up on the pin board at the back of the church.
- **Annual Holidays:** I will be back next Thursday for the morning Mass at 9AM. If you need a priest in my absence you will need to contact one of the neighboring parishes. I like to thank Fr. Peter for coming to celebrate Mass with you this weekend.

Miscellaneous.

Used Stamps: We are collecting used stamps for the missions. There is a box on the long table at the back of the church, you can drop your stamps there. Thankyou.

Bereavement Support Reflections Mornings. Third Wednesday of Every Month 10.00am – 1.00pm. For family and friends who grieve and their companions. Understanding and managing life's changes in Loss, Grief & Bereavement. Morning tea provided. More information contact Ph. 9646 6908 bereavementsupport@catholiccemeteries.com.au

Plenary Council 2020 – If you like to get involved, and you are all encouraged to do so, you can also voice your input on online: <http://plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au/resources/have-your-say>. Please remember to take a photo with your family around the Plenary Candle. We will be compiling a collage at the back of the church. . Please remember to take a photo with your family around the Plenary Candle.

Catechist Meeting: On Tuesday, 29th January at 10.00am in the Parish Centre. We need volunteer catechists or helpers. If you have ½ hour to spare on Tuesdays, we will be very happy to hear from you. Training and resources are provided. If you can assist or would like further information, please contact Fr. Stephen or our catechist coordinator Josie D'aciaro on 0419 610 841.

CCareline helps Sydneysiders navigate the maze of social services and makes referrals to counsellors, therapists and case managers across Sydney. Call CCareline on 13 18 19.



ROSTERS for 26 th – 27 th January 2019			
READERS	6.30PM MASS	8.00AM MASS	9.30AM MASS
1 st Reader	J Badra	M Lombardo	T Paise
2 nd Reader	B Prior	G Lombardo	B Paise
ACOLYTES	Robert	Adam	Frank
ALTAR SERVERS	L Bourke S Bourke	P Forrester	B Miller J Trinder
MUSIC	Amanda		Maria
NURSING HOMES	S Paris	CLEANERS	C Dunlop
SUNDAY SCHOOL	No Sunday School during the School Holidays		
COUNTERS	B & B Waters, J Abouraad, Reincastle		
BANKERS	John	ROSARY	E Burns
ALTAR SOCIETY	Group D: C Obrero, C Wang, M Willis		