



## St Peter's Parish, Surry Hills

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### Feast days of the week:

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| Mon 14 Sep  | Exaltation of the Holy Cross |
| Tue 15 Sep  | Our Lady of Sorrows          |
| Wed 16 Sep  | Saint Cornelius              |
| Thur 17 Sep | Saint Robert Bellarmine      |
| Fri 18 Sep  | Saint Joseph Cupertino       |
| Sat 19 Sep  | Saint Januarius              |

### Mass times this week:

Tuesdays and Wednesdays: Church will open from 4:00pm, Mass at 5:15pm

Every Tuesday: Rosary at 12:00 noon

Thursdays and Fridays: Church will open from 12noon, Mass at 1:05pm

Every Thursday: Eucharistic Adoration 12noon (with Benediction before First Fridays)

Every Friday: Rosary at 12:30pm

Saturdays: 9:00am Rosary followed by Mass at 9:30am

Sundays: 9:00am and 10:30am

Confessions: Before Mass Tuesday to Saturday, particularly Friday 12:30 – 1:00pm and Saturday 9 - 9:30am

**RCIA** – This Wednesday evening's topic will be **Holy Spirit** between 6 – 7:00pm in the Duffy Hall. All are welcome.

### Evangelium Topics for the coming weeks:

Sep 13: The Child Abuse Scandal *by Monica Doumit*

Sep 20: Catholics & Contraception: What's all the fuss about? *by Dr Dani Abosh*

## The memorial of Our Lady of Sorrows

O most holy and afflicted Virgin! Queen of Martyrs! thou who didst stand motionless beneath the Cross, witnessing the agony of thy expiring Son—through the unceasing sufferings of thy life of sorrow, and the bliss which now more than amply repays thee for thy past trials, look down with a mother's tenderness and pity on me, who kneel before thee to venerate thy dolors, and place my requests, with filial confidence, in the sanctuary of thy wounded heart; present them, I beseech thee, on my behalf, to Jesus Christ, through the merits of His own most sacred death and passion, together with thy sufferings at the foot of the cross, and through the united efficacy of both obtain the grant of my present petition. To



whom shall I resort in my wants and miseries if not to thee, O Mother of Mercy, who, having so deeply drunk of the chalice of thy Son, canst compassionate the woes of those who still sigh in the land of exile? Offer for me to my Saviour one drop of the Blood which flowed from His sacred veins, one of the tears which trickled from His divine eyes, one of the sighs which rent His adorable Heart. O refuge of the universe and hope of the whole world, do not reject my humble prayer, but graciously obtain the grant of my petition.

In honour of the sorrows of the Blessed Virgin Mary, we present our own sorrows and ask Mary to intercede for us with her Son, so that our request may be granted. The word dolors come from the Latin, and simply means "sorrows"; and filial (also from the Latin) means "of a son or daughter." So we, as Christians, approach Our Lady of Sorrows with the confidence that we would approach our own mother.

## From Pope Francis:

For history's first pope named for Francis of Assisi, the saint's 4 October feast is bound to be a big deal, and this year is no exception, as several major Vatican events are already on the calendar.

The Church's special "Season for Creation," was opened by the Holy Father on 1 September (World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation) and will close on 4 October on the feast of St. Francis.

Carrying the suggested theme, "Jubilee for the Earth," the month-long event is part of a wider, year-long celebration marking the 5-year anniversary of Pope Francis's eco-encyclical, ***Laudato Si***, published in June 2015, and is designed to encourage communities to rethink their relationships with one other and with creation through a series of in-person and online events organized at a local level throughout the world.

On Saturday 3 October, Pope Francis will visit the Sacred Convent of Assisi to sign the new encyclical, ***Fratelli tutti***, meaning, "All Brothers." Since the beginning of his papacy, Pope Francis has embraced and celebrated his namesake as a model for justice and brotherhood. He will celebrate a private Mass with no faithful at the tomb of St. Francis at 3:00 p.m. and will sign the encyclical at the end of the ceremony.

"It is with great joy and in prayer that we welcome and wait for the private visit of Pope Francis. A stage that will highlight the importance and necessity of fraternity," said Father Mauro Gambetti, Keeper of the Sacred Convent of Assisi.

Vatican spokesman Matteo Bruni confirmed the news in a 5 September statement, saying the encyclical would be on "fraternity and social friendship" and that the pope would return to the Vatican immediately after celebrating Mass.

The title of the encyclical appears in a passage in the Admonitions of St. Francis, under number six, which reads: "Let us all, brothers, look to the Good Shepherd who suffered the passion of the Cross to save his sheep."

"The sheep of the Lord followed him in tribulation and persecution, in insult and hunger, in infirmity and temptation, and in everything else and they have received everlasting life from the Lord because of these things," the passage continues. "Therefore, it is a great shame for us, servants of God, that while the saints (actually) did such things, we wish to receive glory and honour by [merely] recounting their deeds." (Crux, 2 September 2020)

## Notices



**Catechesis for Adults and Young People at St Peter's Surry Hills (1880 Hall) – Christ Is Risen** and He has power over all your fears and sufferings! Come and Listen to a series of talks of the Neocatechumenal Way at 7:30pm every Sunday and Thursday. (The first talk started on 10 September 2020).

**Holy Land Collection ‘Pro Terra Sancta’ – 13 September** - The official Good Friday collection is taking place this weekend throughout the world after it was postponed due to COVID-19 restrictions earlier in the year.

This video link provides a background for the Holy Land collection:

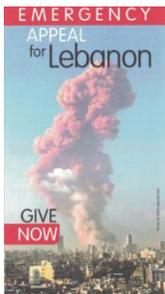
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=o62bhQoaCTw&feature=youtu.be>

**Vinnies Bushfire Appeal Fete** - On Australia Day weekend this year St Peter's community held a fundraiser fete to support St Vincent de Paul's Bushfire Appeal. We are very grateful for the many efforts of all those who helped with preparations, donations and by volunteering on the day. St Vincent de Paul contacted us recently to provide an update on how the money raised has been used to assist those affected by the bushfires.

Nationally, St Vincent De Paul raised \$22.9 million. The great majority of this has already been spent through providing financial assistance, essential items, crisis accommodation and emotional assistance to those affected. The remaining funds are now being directed to rebuilding community through restoring halls, local businesses and other shared facilities. Thank-you once again to all who took part in our fete and please continue to keep those most affected by the bushfires in your prayers.

On behalf of this parish, we thank you for supporting the **Priests' Retirement Foundation Father's Day Appeal**. Through your gift, we are able to continue in our mission to provide care for our growing number of sick and retired priests in the Archdiocese of Sydney.

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**Emergency Appeal for Lebanon** – an initiative of Aid to the Church in Need (ACN) with the endorsement and support of Bishop Antoine-Charbel Tarabay of the Maronite Catholic Diocese of Australia and Bishop Robert Rabbat of the Melkite Catholic Eparchy of Australia and New Zealand seek your support. The deadly explosion on 4 August 2020 killed more than 200 people with many livelihoods have been lost. The funds raised will used to support the immediate needs in Lebanon. Emergency Appeal forms are available at the back of the Church tables or you can arrange your donation online at [www.aidtochurch.org.lebanon](http://www.aidtochurch.org.lebanon) or call 1800 101 201



**Fatima Movie** – The highly acclaimed movie is now available on YouTube. To search for this movie, simply type ‘Fatima 2020 Full Movie’ and you can watch in the comfort of your home with family and friends.

**The Cardoner Project** - The Two Wolves Community Cantina, Chippendale (the Catholic-run young adults ministry and Mexican restaurant), is now available for events and functions! Whether you are looking to book a Birthday Party, a Work Christmas Event or a Community



Reunion, we would love to accommodate you. Importantly, all profits go towards supporting the work of The Cardoner Project in Sydney and in the developing world. So, what better place is there to host your function? Enquire today at [events@thetwowolves.com.au](mailto:events@thetwowolves.com.au) for more information. We are looking forward to hearing from you soon.

**Child Protection Sunday – 13 September 2020** - This day, marked by the Australian Catholic Bishops Conference, acknowledges the immense damage caused by the sexual abuse of children, including by priests, religious and lay people within Catholic contexts. It makes a commitment to practices and protocols that create and maintain safe environments for all people, especially children and other people who are at risk. It invites people to pray for those harmed by abuse directly and indirectly.

A number of resources have been created to help Catholic communities mark the day. They include prayers, social media graphics and banners for various digital platforms.

## **A message from the Archdiocese of Sydney**

Child sexual abuse is a crime. The appropriate people to deal with crimes 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 at (02) 9390 5810 or [safeguarding-enquiries@sydneycatholic.org](mailto:safeguarding-enquiries@sydneycatholic.org). 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.

***Our prayers for the Sick*** – Ettore Pelewzick (*Dominic's father*) and Callum Geier

***We pray for our deceased*** - Frederick, Edward & Margaret M Hailwood, Margaret D Hailwood (21/9), Joyce Hailwood & Marge Heaney, Joan McEvoy, June Veronica Hailwood, Dr. E.K. Cheriachan (*Elsy's late husband - 9/8*), Abelina Capalihan, Ana Ofelia Sierra Bustamante (22/3), Brian Joseph Hetherington (9/7), Ethel & Des Fitzgerald (23/8) and Custodio de Lima and Fraivcisco Baptista Deceset (6/9).

### **Covid-19 Archdiocesan/Parish Regulations:**

1. No person who is unwell should come onto the parish property. (Archbishop Fisher's dispensation from the Sunday Mass obligation remains in place indefinitely.)
2. A distance of 4 square metres per person is to be maintained inside all parish buildings, including when queuing to receive Holy Communion (***in single file please***).
3. A distance of 1.5 metres between persons is to be maintained outdoors everywhere on the parish property
4. Those persons entering the church who have registered their contact details with the parish are to sign against their name.
5. Those who have not already registered their contact details with the parish, are to write their name and contact details (*phone number and email address*) and sign their name against those same details.
6. **AFTER signing in**, all persons entering the church are to use the hand sanitizer placed on the sign-in table.
7. Please observe the orange markers as to where to sit on each pew.
8. There is no need to sign-out.  
**(If at all possible, please bring your own pen to sign-in)**

Thank you everyone for your co-operation and patience during these abnormal times.

## **Music list for 10:30am Mass**

### **Offertory Motet**

*Ave Maria* - J. Handl (1550-1591), misattr. T.L. de Victoria

Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with thee; blessed art thou among women, and blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus Christ.

Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners, now and at the hour of our death. Amen. (cf. Lk 1: 28, 41)

### **Communion Chant**

*Tollite hostias*

Bring up your sacrifices and come into his courts; adore the Lord in his holy temple. *Ÿ*. Sing to the Lord a new song, sing to the Lord, all the earth. (Ps. 95(96): 8-9 *Ÿ*. 1)

### **Communion Motet**

*Ave verum* CG 218 - C. Gounod (1818-1893)

Hail, true body, born of the Virgin Mary,  
having truly suffered, sacrificed on the cross for man,  
from whose pierced side water and blood flowed:  
be for us a foretaste [of heaven] in the trial of death!  
O sweet Jesus, O merciful Jesus, O Jesus, Son of Mary,  
have mercy on me. Amen.



**"If we really want to love  
we must learn how to forgive."**

- Saint Teresa of Kolkata