



St Peter's Parish, Surry Hills

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Feast days of the week:

Mon 30 Nov	Saint Andrew
Thu 3 Dec	Saint Francis Xavier
Fri 4 Dec	Saint John Damascene

Mass times his week:

Please note this Friday 4 Dec Mass will be at 12noon

Tuesdays and Wednesdays: Church will open from 4:30pm, 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 (1st Sunday Singer/Organist) and 10:30am (Sung Mass)

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

.For this Sunday's 9:00am mass, Gabrielle Rumora and Angeline Wilkes will be offering their Music Ministry.

Go Make Disciples - Archbishop Anthony Fisher OP will be launching a new Archdiocesan Mission Plan **Go Make Disciples** on **12 December**, the Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe, the Star of the New Evangelisation. The new plan is aimed at renewing our parishes as places of encounter with the living Christ and centres of evangelisation and outreach to our community in love and mercy. To help promote the prayer campaign, you will also find three social media tiles attached, with prayers through the intercession of three saints who we are turning to in prayer throughout the campaign- Our Lady of Guadalupe, Our Lady Help of Christians and St Mary of the Cross MacKillop. For more information contact Parish Renewal Team at the Sydney Centre for Evangelisation, Archdiocese of Sydney on 9390 5307 or elizabeth.arblaster@sydneycatholic.org



Blessed are you, Father, who, in your infinite love sent us your only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ, that we may have life, and have it in abundance.

By the power of the Holy Spirit, renew our Eucharistic communities.

May they be places of encounter with the living Christ, centres of evangelisation and outreach to our community in love and mercy.

Grant us the gifts of faith, hope and love to be faithful disciples of Jesus and radiant witnesses to the people of Sydney.

Our Lady of Guadalupe, Star of the New Evangelisation. Pray for us!

GO MAKE DISCIPLES
www.go-make-disciples.com

WHY CELEBRATE CHRISTMAS? A series of Friday night presentations on the Sunday Mass readings during Advent, followed by questions from the audience.



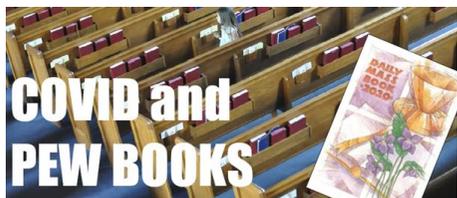
Where? Right here! 1880 Hall, Saint Peter's Parish Surry Hills

When? Friday nights: November 27 and December 4, 11 and 18 from 6.00pm to 7.00pm

For whom? Everyone is welcome

By whom? Dr. Ken Brimaud, BA/ LLB (Sydney), STL (Angelicum), Ph. D (Gregorian) of the Catholic Institute of Sydney.

Please contact the Parish office on 02 9698 1948 or via email to st61538@bigpond.net.au to reserve a seat.



per copy. Please get your copy early as we have limited copies available.

Daily Mass Book 2021 – A compact Mass book which contains all the texts for both Sunday and weekday Mass. It is available at **\$20.00**





CWF November Parish Appeal - On behalf of this parish, we thank you for supporting the **Charitable Works Fund (CWF) November Appeal**. Through your gift, we are able to continue in our mission to provide care for the most vulnerable community that our CWF ministries and agencies support. For more information, please visit www.ourfaithourworks.org/cwf.

Launch of 2020 Lights of Christmas at St Mary's Cathedral - St Mary's Cathedral is again hosting the magnificent lights of Christmas with the event officially being launched on 10 December with the lights display commencing at 8:30pm. The lights will be displayed each night until 11:00pm, concluding on Christmas Day.



Our prayers for the Sick – Ettore Pelewzick (*Dominic's father*), Ana Chiasa, Mira Krcma, Josephine Finneran and Bro. Kevin Guthrie.

November Mass offerings for our deceased relatives and friends - envelopes on pews. You could also complete the Forms for Masses done by **Aid to the Church in Need**.

We remember our deceased - Frederick, Edward & Margaret M Hailwood, Margaret D Hailwood (21/9), Joyce Hailwood & Marge Heaney, Joan McEvoy, June Veronica Hailwood, Robin Bridgewater, Marie La Brooy (24/9), Charles Grech (25/9), Ethel & Des Fitzgerald, Brian McFadden, Giles Auty, Bernard Saddler, Jeanne MacPherson (née La Brooy, 20/10, 1st anniversary), Jane Ann Ryan (24/10), Sylvia Abela (née Lewis, 28/10, 1st anniversary), Josephine Bugeja (16/11), Lydia Garrone (1st Anniversary 4/12) and Elaine Buchhorn.

MUSIC LIST FOR THE 10:30AM MASS

Entrance Chant

Ad te levavi

Unto you have I lifted up my soul.

O my God, I trust in you, let me not be put to shame;

do not allow my enemies to laugh at me;

for none of those who are awaiting you will be disappointed. (Ps 24(25): 1-3)

Offertory Motet

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Communion Chant

Dominus dabit benignitatem

The Lord will bestow his loving kindness,

and our land will yield its fruit.

∇. Lord, you have blessed your land;

you have put an end to Jacob's captivity. (Ps. 84(85): 13; ∇. 2)

Communion Motet

Rorate caeli - C. Dalitz (b. 1967)

Drop down dew, ye heavens, from above,

and let the clouds rain down the Just One.

Be not angry, O Lord, and remember no longer our iniquity:

behold the city of the Holy One is become a desert:

Sion is become a desert: Jerusalem is desolate:

the house of thy sanctification and of thy glory, where our fathers praised thee.

Drop down dew, ye heavens, from above,

and let the clouds rain down the Just One.

We have sinned and are become as one that is unclean:
and we have all fallen as a leaf, and our iniquities like the wind have carried us away:
thou hast hidden thy face from us, and hast crushed us in the hold of our iniquity.

Drop down dew, ye heavens, from above,
and let the clouds rain down the Just One.

Be comforted, be comforted, my people: thy salvation cometh quickly:
why art thou consumed with grief: for sorrow hath estranged thee?
I will save thee: fear not, for I am the Lord thy God,
the Holy One of Israel, thy Redeemer.

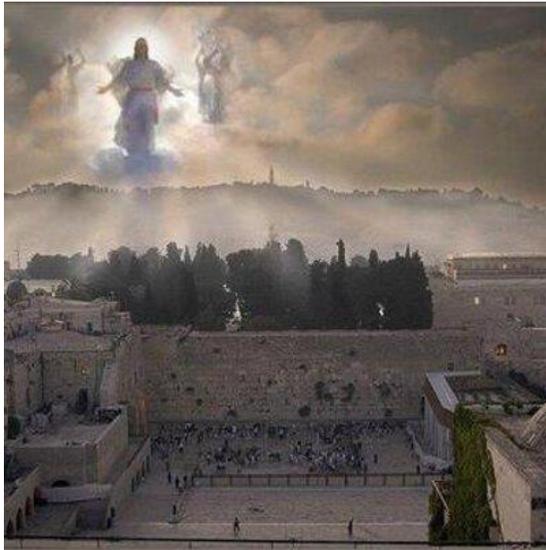
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First Sunday of Advent (Year B) - Reflection

“And what I say to you I say to all: ‘Stay Awake!’” [Mark 13:37](#)

Are you attentive to Christ? Though this is a profoundly important question, there are many who may not even fully understand what this means. Yes, on the surface it is clear: Being “attentive” is being aware of the presence of our Lord in your life and in the world around you. So are you attentive? Are you watchful? Are you looking, seeking, waiting, anticipating and preparing for Christ to come? Though Jesus came to Earth over 2,000 years ago in the form of a little child, He continues to come to us today. And if you are not daily aware of His profound presence, then you may already be somewhat asleep, spiritually speaking.

We “fall asleep” on a spiritual level every time we turn our interior eyes to the passing, unimportant and even sinful things of this world. When that happens, we can no longer see Christ Himself. Sadly, this is becoming increasingly easy to do. Violence, sick-



ness, hatred, division, scandal and the like plague us day in and day out. The news media daily competes to present us with the most shocking and sensational news possible. Social media daily seeks to fill our short attention span with sound bites and images that satisfy for but a moment. As a result, the eyes of our soul, our interior vision of faith, is darkened, ignored, forgotten about and dismissed. And as a result, many in our world today no longer appear to be able to cut through the growing chaotic noise so as to perceive the gentle, clear and profound voice of the Saviour of the World.

As we begin our Advent season, our Lord is speaking to you in the deepest depths of your soul. He is gently saying, “Wake up.” “Listen.” “Watch.” He will not shout, He will whisper so that you must give Him your full attention. Do you see Him? Hear Him? Listen to Him? Understand Him? Do you know His voice? Or do the many voices all around you take you away from the deep, profound and transforming truths He wishes to communicate to you?

Reflect, today, upon the fact that God is speaking within the depths of your soul each and every day. He is speaking to you now. And what He says is all that really matters in life. Advent is a time, more than any, to renew your commitment to listen, to be attentive and to respond. Do not remain asleep. Wake up and diligently be attentive to the profound voice of our Lord.

Come, Lord Jesus! Come! May this Advent be a time of deep renewal in my life, dear Lord. May it be a time in which I strive with all my heart to seek out Your gentle and profound voice. Give me the grace, dear Lord, to turn away from the many noises of the world that compete for my attention and to turn only to You and to all You wish to say. Come, Lord Jesus, come into my life more deeply during this Advent season. Jesus, I trust in You.

from My Catholic Life

An Advent Prayer for Peace

Lord, in a season when every heart should be happy and light, many of us are struggling with the heaviness of life—burdens that steal the joy right out of our stockings. Tragedy arrives as innocent victims suffer, and an inner voice whispers, “Be afraid!” We need your peace, Jesus. We confess that our hearts are too often filled with wonder of a different kind: wondering when the bills will be paid, when the terror will stop, when rest will come. Will it ever? Is the message still true? In a world where worry, not peace, prevails, stir up that good news again.

This Advent, make it real in our hearts. Never have we needed Your joy and peace more than now. Thank you for the gift of Jesus, our Immanuel, the Word made flesh. We not only need Your peace and joy; Lord, we crave it. You have promised rest for the weary, victory for the battle-scarred, peace for the anxious, and acceptance for the broken hearted—not just at Advent, but every day of every year. Your name is still called “Wonderful,” “Counsellor,”

“The Mighty God,” “The Everlasting Father,” and “The Prince of Peace.” We know that peace on earth can only come when hearts find peace with You. You are still our Joy. You are still our Peace. You are no longer a babe in the manger. You are Lord of lords and King of kings. And we still celebrate You as Lord—this Christmas and always.

~ Edited from Rebecca Barlow Jordan's [“A Prayer for Peace & Joy at Christmas”](#)



The Miraculous Medal Prayer

O Mary conceived without sin,
pray for us who have recourse to you,
and for all those who do not have recourse to
you, especially the enemies of the Holy Church
and all those recommended to you.

Amen.

