

ST MICHAEL'S CATHOLIC CHURCH

Under the Pastoral Care of the Michaelite Fathers

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Accounts Carmela

Catechist Coordinator Margaret

Sacramental/RCIA Coordinator/ Safeguarding Officer

Valerie

Mass Schedule

Saturday Vigil:

6.30pm Spanish

Sunday:

5.00pm

8.00am

10.00am Family Mass

12.00pm Cantonese (4th) 12.15pm Mandarin (1st & 3rd)

6.00pm Youth Mass

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday,

Friday, Saturday: 9.15am

Thursday: 9.15 am Communion Service

Reconciliation

Saturday: 9.30am, 4.15pm

Anointing of the Sick

Call the priest anytime

Marriage

Contact the priest 6 months prior

Devotions

Tuesday:

6.00pm Marian Cenacle

7.00pm St Michael & Holy Angels Thursday:

10.30am Marian Cenacle Croatian

Friday: 10.00am Padre Pio (1st)

6.00pm Sacred Heart of Jesus (1st)

Adoration and Holy Mass Saturday:

9.45am Perpetual Help Novena

3.00pm Divine Mercy (4th)

6.00pm Our Lady of Fatima (1st)

Sunday:

7.00pm Praise and Worship (3rd)

School of the Word

Mondays 7.30pm

RCIA

Tuesdays 8.00pm (except 2nd) Legion of Mary

Wednesdays 7.30pm **Bible Sharing Cantonese**

Wednesdays 7.30pm (3rd

Meditation Group

Saturdays 8.00am

Prayer Meeting Cantonese Saturdays 10.30am (2nd & 4th)

RCIA Cantonese

Sundays 10.30am

RCIA Mandarin

Sundays 11.00am (1st & 3rd)

Youth Fellowship

Sundays 7.00pm

11 OCTOBER 2020

TWENTY-EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME YEAR A



Carlo Acutis: Cyberapostle of the Eucharist

On Oct. 10, Carlo Acutis will be beatified. His friends remember him as a young dreamer, service-oriented and full of charisma. He died in 2006, at only 15 years old, after a battle with leukemia. His life may have been short, but it made a huge impact. Recently, in the middle of the process for the teenager's beatification, his tomb has become a pilgrimage site. Thanks to technology, a mask recreating his face allows pilgrims to see the bright face of this new Blessed, dressed in jeans, sneakers and a sweater. He was a pioneer in using new tech-

nology as an instrument to talk about God. Many call him "God's influencer" or a "cyberapostle of the Eucharist." He designed a website to document Eucharistic miracles. The compilation has spread around the world. The key, or focal point, of his life was his encounter with Jesus in the Eucharist, which led him to completely dedicate himself to others. His example of service and joy, on top of his battle with leukemia, have made him a role model for new generations.

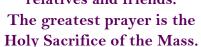
ANTONIA SALZANO Carlo Acutis' Mother

"A person with faith knows that even the death of a son isn't the end of everything—that for that son, it's the beginning of life. That's why I'm facing my son's death as I should, as a Christian, knowing that Carlo is very happy with the Lord. It's not that I spend all my time crying and saying, 'Oh God, my son.' I know Carlo led a wonderful life, that he's waiting for all of us. I hope I don't end up in purgatory, but if I do, my son will come and free me. I'm confident that his intercession will be powerful."

NICOLA GORI Postulator of the Cause for Beatification

"When he died, at the funeral, the church was full of poor people. Everyone else wondered what they were doing there. Well, Carlo used to help them in secret. The family knew it because his mom would go with him, since he was only 15 years old. He would give them sleeping bags and food, which is why they wanted to attend the funeral." Rome Reports: Daniel Díaz Vizzi

Dedicating November Masses for the souls of our departed relatives and friends.





If you wish to offer Mass for your deceased loved ones during the month of November, please pick up a November Mass Offering envelope at the back of the Church, write their names clearly on the envelope and enclose your donation within. Hand in the envelope to the parish office or place in the collection boxes during Sunday Mass.

Sacramental Program

Please pray for the year 3 and year 4 children of Hurstville Public School who are preparing for the Sacrament of Reconciliation and Holy Communion. Pray also for their families and their teachers.

Our Mother of Perpetual Help Devotion Saturdays After the 9.15 am Mass





Devotion to St Michael and the Holy Angels **Tuesdays** at 7.00 pm

Our Catholic Community welcomes

Alexander Huang, Azariah Lee, Danny Tao, Helena Tao, Jaydon Cai, Jerrell Huang, Khloe Cai, Michael Chen, Michelle Chen, Siyuan Wang, Tsz Chun Lau, Audrey Sinn

who become children of God through the Sacrament of Baptism this weekend. May the Light of Christ always be their guide and may all the Holy Angels guard them and keep them.

The Eucharistic Miracles of the World An exhibition by Blessed Carlo Acutis is posted around the Church

Sixth Mandarin RCIA

The program commences on the 1st November from 1 11am until 1:15pm and will continue every 1st and 3rd Sunday. Please ask your family members/neighbours/friends who would like to learn more about the Catholic Faith to join in. For enquiries, contact Sr Agnes on 0400 168 169.

Daily Adoration

Monday to Friday After Mass until 10.30 am Saturday After Mass until 11.30 am Tuesday 6 pm ~ 9 pm 6 pm Marian Cenacle 7.00 pm Devotion to St Michael Friday 8 pm - 9.30 pm



First Reading Is 25:6-10

On this mountain, the Lord of hosts will prepare for all people a banquet of rich food, a banquet of fine wines, of food rich and juicy, of fine strained wines. On this mountain he will remove the mourning veil covering all peoples, and the shroud enwrapping all nations, he will destroy Death for ever. The Lord will wipe away the tears from every cheek; he will take away his people's shame everywhere on earth, for the Lord has said so. That day, it will be said: See, this is our God in whom we hoped for salvation; the Lord is the one in whom we hoped. We exult and we rejoice that he has saved us; for the hand of the Lord rests on this mountain.

Responsorial Psalm Ps 22. R. v.6

- R: I shall live in the house of the Lord all the days of my life.
- All: I shall live in the house of the Lord all the days of my life.
- R: The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want. Fresh and green are the pastures where he gives me repose.
- All: I shall live in the house of the Lord all the days of my life.
- R: He guides me along the right path; he is true to his name. If I should walk in the valley of darkness no evil would I fear. You are there with your crook and your staff; with these you give me comfort.
- All: I shall live in the house of the Lord all the days of my life.
- R: You have prepared a banquet for me in the sight of my foes. My head you have anointed with oil; my cup is overflowing.
- All: I shall live in the house of the Lord all the days of my life.
- R: Surely goodness and kindness shall follow me all the days of my life. In the Lord's own house shall I dwell for ever and ever.
- All: I shall live in the house of the Lord all the days of my life.

We celebrate the Feast Day of St John Paul II on Thursday, 22 October.

There will be Mass at 9.15 am on this day.



The 2021 Columban Catholic Art Calendar is now available at the piety stall at \$ 8.00 apiece.



Cleanliness is next to Godliness.
Please! Pick up after yourself.
Do not leave your tissues in the pews!



Second Reading *Phil 4:12-14. 19-20*

I know how to be poor and I know how to be rich too. I have been through my initiation and now I am ready for anything anywhere: full stomach or empty stomach, poverty or plenty. There is nothing I cannot master with the help of the One who gives me strength. All the same, it was good of you to share with me in my hardships. In return my God will fulfil all your needs, in Christ Jesus, as lavishly as only God can. Glory to God, our Father, for ever and ever. Amen.

Gospel Acclamation Eph 1:17-18

Alleluia, alleluia!

May the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ enlighten the eyes of our heart that we might see how great is the hope to which we are called.

Alleluia!

Gospel *Mt 22:1-14*

Jesus said to the chief priests and elders of the people: 'The kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who gave a feast for his son's wedding. He sent his servants to call those who had been invited, but they would not come. Next he sent some more servants. "Tell those who have been invited" he said "that I have my banquet all prepared, my oxen and fattened cattle have been slaughtered, everything is ready. Come to the wedding." But they were not interested: one went off to his farm, another to his business, and the rest seized his servants, maltreated them and killed them. The king was furious. He dispatched his troops, destroyed those murderers and burnt their town. Then he said to his servants, "The wedding is ready; but as those who were invited proved to be unworthy, go to the crossroads in the town and invite everyone you can find to the wedding." So these servants went out onto the roads and collected together everyone they could find, bad and good alike; and the wedding hall was filled with guests. When the king came in to look at the guests he noticed one man who was not wearing a wedding garment, and said to him, "How did you get in here, my friend, without a wedding garment?" And the man was silent. Then the king said to the attendants, "Bind him hand and foot and throw him out into the dark, where there will be weeping and grinding of teeth." For many are called, but few are chosen.'

<u>Pray for the sick</u>: Andrew Veselicic, Sr Pauline Fitz-Walters, Joseph Park.

<u>Pray for those who have recently departed from this life:</u> Ellen Mary Norris, Tony Gaffrey, Li Xia Su, Consuelo Wunderlich, Joseph Abboud, Craig Grant.

<u>Pray for the souls of those whose death anniversary occurs about now</u>: Rodolfo Gutierrez, Matthew Micallef.

Pray also for the Poor Souls in Purgatory especially those who have no one to pray for them.

Pray for Valerie Fernandes on her birthday.

Pray for the intention of the St Pio Prayer Group.

Many families are in the midst of or are facing serious challenges in the wake of the COVID-19 pandemic and need extra support but don't know where to start. Parent Line can help parents by providing support and strategies to manage. Call us 7 days a week on **Parent Line 1300 1300 52**.

Catholic Archdiocese of Sydney Safeguarding Online Training Registration

Safeguarding Induction Training is available online for all parish workers and volunteers at https://goo.gl/forms/UJrDZzELidF5JJgm1. You will need to provide the Safeguarding Office with a few details to allow us to set up an online account for you. After completing this online form you will receive an email with your username, password and a link that will take you directly to the training. Questions? Phone: 9390 5811 or Email: safeguardingtraining@sydneycatholic.org

A message from the Archdiocese of Sydney Abuse is a crime. The people who deal with crime are the police. If you or anyone you know have been abused in any way, please contact the police. You can also contact the Safeguarding and Ministerial Integrity Office at (02) 9390 5810 or safeguardingenquiries@sydneycatholic.org. Your Parish Priest may be able to provide support and guidance.

The Archdiocese has a legal obligation to alert police about crimes reported to them.