



# ST MICHAEL'S CATHOLIC CHURCH

## Under the Pastoral Care of the Michaelite Fathers

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### Parish Priest

Rev Dr Janusz Bieniek CSMA

### Priest Administrator

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**Parish Office** Alicja, Margaret

MTThF: 10am-2pm

**Volunteers** Colleen, Winkie  
Michael, Henry

**Accounts** Carmela (volunteer)

### Catechist Coordinator

Margaret T (volunteer)

### Safeguarding Officer/ Sacramental/RCIA Coordinator

Valerie (volunteer)

### Mass Schedule

Saturday (Anticipated Masses):

5.00pm

6.30pm Spanish

Sunday:

8.00am

10.00am Family Mass

12.00pm Cantonese (4<sup>th</sup>)

12.15pm Mandarin (1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup>)

6.00pm Youth Mass

Monday - Saturday:

9.15am

### 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 (1<sup>st</sup>)

6.00pm Sacred Heart of Jesus (1<sup>st</sup>)

Adoration and Holy Mass

Saturday:

9.45am Perpetual Help Novena

3.00pm Divine Mercy (4<sup>th</sup>)

6.00pm Our Lady of Fatima (1<sup>st</sup>)

### Blessed Sacrament Adoration

Monday to Friday

After Mass until 10.30am

Saturday

After 9.15am Mass until 11.30am

Tuesday

6.00pm until 9.00pm

Friday

7.30pm until 9.30pm

### RCIA

Tuesdays 8.00pm (except 2<sup>nd</sup>)

Legion of Mary

Wednesdays 7.30pm

Charismatic Prayer Group

Thursdays 7.00pm-8.30pm

RCIA Cantonese

Sundays 10.30am

RCIA Mandarin

Sundays 11.00am (1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup>)

5 September 2021

Twenty third Sunday in Ordinary Time Year B

1921 - 2021: **Congregatio Sancti Michaëlis Archangeli Centenary**



Heavenly Father, you entrusted your Son Jesus, the child of Mary, to the care of Joseph, an earthly father. Bless all fathers as they care for their families. Give them strength and wisdom, tenderness and patience; support them in the work they have to do, protecting those who look to them, as we look to you for love and salvation, through Jesus Christ our rock and defender. Amen.

Please join us to pray for our community, our country and the world so that those who are suffering as a result of COVID-19 will find consolation in the Lord Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament. Live-streamed Monday to Friday from 9.15 am.

**Mass then Adoration with the holy Rosary and Divine Mercy devotion**

**For the month of September, we shall be live-streaming Masses  
From Monday to Friday at 6.30 pm, in preparation for the  
Feast day of St Michael on Wednesday, 29th of September.**

### Prayer of the Faithful

*Priest: We bring our prayers to God our Father, asking for God's healing to fill our hearts and minds.*

For the Pope and all those who are called to lead our Church: that we may listen and respond to the needs of those who are poor with love and humility. Lord, hear us.

For our world leaders: that they may open to the cries of those most in need, to the pleading of our planet for healing and for the good of all creation. Lord, hear us.

For all in need of healing, especially for those known to us who suffer physically, spiritually or emotionally: that Christ's healing touch may bring them peace and hope. Lord, hear us.

For those who feel ignored or forgotten: that they may be given a sense of belonging and of being part of the family of God. Lord hear us.

For our parish children who will soon be receiving Jesus for the first time in Holy Communion. May they be faithful followers of Jesus Christ all their lives. (Pause) Lord, hear us.

Grant patience, healing and comfort to those who are sick and suffering: F.A. Lim Setiawan. Lord, hear us.

That those who have died will be raised with Christ: Jomile Dehny, Ellen Carlisle, Aranza Hennessy, Fr Moses Lui, Helen Tambassis, Margarida Cameirão, Margaret Alcock, the deceased members of Jim Manwaring's family, the Poor Souls in Purgatory. Lord, hear us.

Let us pray for Stefanie Lia; the families Sakr, Boulos, Ahilas, Al-Tarraf, Roustum, Taouk, Santos; Tim's, Daniel's and Robert's families. Lord, hear us.

*Priest: God our Father, may our prayers bring joy to the world, a joy in the common humanity which will be redeemed by your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.*

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### First Reading *Is 35:4-7*

Say to all faint hearts, 'Courage! Do not be afraid. 'Look, your God is coming, vengeance is coming, the retribution of God; he is coming to save you.' Then the eyes of the blind shall be opened, the ears of the deaf unsealed, then the lame shall leap like a deer and the tongues of the dumb sing for joy; for water gushes in the desert, streams in the wasteland, the scorched earth becomes a lake, the parched land springs of water.

### Responsorial Psalm *Ps 145:7-10. R. v.1*

R: Praise the Lord, my soul!

All: Praise the Lord, my soul!

R: It is the Lord who keeps faith for ever, who is just to those who are oppressed. It is he who gives bread to the hungry, the Lord, who sets prisoners free.

All: Praise the Lord, my soul!

R: It is the Lord who gives sight to the blind, who raises up those who are bound down, the Lord who loves the just, the Lord, who protects the stranger.

All: Praise the Lord, my soul!

The Lord upholds the widow and orphan, but thwarts the path of the wicked. The Lord will reign for ever, Zion's God, from age to age.

All: Praise the Lord, my soul!

### Second Reading *Jas 2:1-5*

My brothers, do not try to combine faith in Jesus Christ, our glorified Lord, with the making of distinctions between classes of people. Now suppose a man comes into your synagogue, beautifully dressed and with a gold ring on, and at the same time a poor man comes in, in shabby clothes, and you take notice of the well-dressed man, and say, 'Come this way to the best seats'; then you tell the poor man, 'Stand over there' or 'You can sit on the floor by my foot-rest.' Can't you see that you have used two different standards in your mind, and turned yourselves into judges, and corrupt judges at that? Listen, my dear brothers: it was those who are poor according to the world that God chose, to be rich in faith and to be the heirs to the kingdom which he promised to those who love him.



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### Free Webinar

### Voluntary Assisted Dying and Suicide Prevention

Tuesday 21 September 2021, 6pm-7:30pm

Presented by the Institute for Ethics & Society, University of Notre Dame Australia

Speaker: **Dr David Albert-Jones, Director of the Anscombe Bioethics Centre, Oxford**

To register, [email kate.jones1@nd.edu.au](mailto:kate.jones1@nd.edu.au)

### SIGN THE "NO EUTHANASIA PETITION" TO PREVENT STATE-SANCTIONED KILLING IN NSW!

[https://www.no euthanasia.org.au/protect\\_life\\_nsw](https://www.no euthanasia.org.au/protect_life_nsw)

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**.

**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](mailto: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.**

### Gospel Acclamation Mt 4:23

Alleluia, alleluia!

Jesus preached the Good News of the kingdom and healed all who were sick.

Alleluia!

### Gospel *Mk 7:31-37*

Returning from the district of Tyre, Jesus went by way of Sidon towards the sea of Galilee, right through the Decapolis region. And they brought him a deaf man who had an impediment in his speech; and they asked him to lay his hand on him. He took him aside in private, away from the crowd, put his fingers into the man's ears and touched his tongue with spittle. Then looking up to heaven he sighed; and he said to him, 'Ephphatha,' that is, 'Be opened.' And his ears were opened, and the ligament of his tongue was loosened and he spoke clearly. And Jesus ordered them to tell no one about it, but the more he insisted, the more widely they published it. Their admiration was unbounded. 'He has done all things well,' they said 'he makes the deaf hear and the dumb speak.'

### Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary Wednesday, 8th September



Livestreamed  
**Masses**  
9.15 am  
6.30 pm



### Act of Spiritual Communion

My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.

Please continue to pray for the parish children who are preparing to receive Jesus in the Holy Eucharist for the first time.

### Prayer to Our Lady of Good Health

Mother of Mercy, Our Lady of Good Health, in visiting St Elizabeth and in watching at the foot of the Cross of your suffering Son, you showed your solidarity with suffering humanity. Hear the prayer of all your infirm children who come to you with the certainty of finding a Mother who welcomes, heals and comforts them. Mother of our Saviour and our Mother, hear the intentions that we entrust to your intercession: heal our illnesses, transform our tears into prayer and our sufferings into moments of growth, change our loneliness into contemplation and our waiting into hope, assist us in our final hours and transform our death into resurrection. Amen.

