

Parish Priest
Rev Dr Janusz Bieniek CSMA
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St Michael's Catholic Church
Under the Pastoral Care of
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Parish Office
Margaret
Thu 10am-2pm
Maria, Colleen, Linda (volunteers)
Mon, Tue, Wed, Fri: 10am-2pm
Accounts Carmela (volunteer)

Pastoral Coordinator
Valerie (volunteer)

Catechist Coordinator
Margaret T (volunteer)

Mass Schedule
Saturday (Vigil Masses):

5.00pm
6.30pm Spanish
Sunday:
8.00am
10.00am Family Mass
12.00pm Cantonese (4th)
12.15pm Mandarin (1st & 3rd)
6.00pm Youth Mass
Monday - Friday: 8.30am
Saturday: 9.15am
Thursday (2nd):
7.30pm Healing Mass
Friday (1st):
7.00pm Sacred Heart Mass

Reconciliation
Saturday: 9.45am, 4.15pm

Anointing of the Sick
9.15am 1st Saturday of the month
Within the Mass
Or call the priest anytime

Marriage
Contact the priest 6 months prior

Devotions
Monday - Friday:
9.00am Rosary & Divine Mercy
Tuesday:
6.00pm Marian Cenacle
7.00pm St Michael & Holy Angels
Thursday:
10.30am Marian Cenacle Croatian
6.30pm Charismatic Prayer Group
Friday:
9.00am Padre Pio (1st)
6.00pm Sacred Heart of Jesus (1st)
Adoration & Holy Mass

Saturday:
9.45am Perpetual Help Novena
3.00pm Divine Mercy (4th)
6.00pm Our Lady of Fatima (1st)

Blessed Sacrament Adoration
Monday to Friday
7.30am - 8.30am; 9.00am onwards
Saturday
9.45am - 12pm
Tuesday evening
6.00pm - 9.00pm
Friday evening
7.30pm - 9.00pm

RCIA (from July until Easter)
Tuesdays 8.00pm (except 1st)
Legion of Mary
Wednesdays 7.30pm
Baptism Instruction
Wednesdays 7.30pm (1st)
RCIA Cantonese (Margaret)
Sundays 10.30am
RCIA Mandarin (Elsie/Urey)
Sundays 10.50am (1st & 3rd)

12 FEBRUARY 2023
SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME YEAR A

ASH WEDNESDAY 22ND OF FEBRUARY



Masses
8.30 am; 7.30 pm
9.30 am with school

'Remember, man, that thou art dust,
and unto dust thou shalt return.'

COME BACK TO ME WITH ALL YOUR HEART VERBUM DEI SYDNEY

Lenten Retreat

IN PERSON \$50 (BYO Lunch)

18 February 9.30 am—3.30 pm

St Bernadette's CARLTON

ONLINE \$40

19 February 9.30 am—3.30 pm

Online via Zoom

Sr Maria or Sr Louise 9341 5848

verbumdeisydney@gmail.com

Support our Parish!

Our parish website is still unavailable. We hope to get it up and running again before the end of the month. Parishioners can still access our **BPoint** for donations and payments using this **QR Code**. Thank you!



If your children would like to be **ALTAR SERVERS**, please bring them to Church 15 minutes before Mass starts. The acolytes will guide the children in serving at Mass. To become altar servers, the children must have had their First Holy Communion.

ARCHDIOCESAN SAFEGUARDING REQUIREMENTS FOR VOLUNTEERS

A reminder of the Archdiocesan requirements that parish volunteers must comply with to be able to continue serving in our Parish.

- 1) Working with Children Check renewed every 5 years and submitted to the parish office with your date of birth.
<https://www.kidsguardian.nsw.gov.au/child-safe-organisations/working-with-children-check>
- 2) Filling in and submitting the Volunteer Registration-Acceptance Form (with name, email, address, mobile number, and all tasks/roles volunteered for).
- 3) Reading and signing (which indicates compliance with) the Archdiocese of Sydney Code of Conduct for Working with Children (a 5-page document that you keep, returning only the signed final page to the parish office).
- 4) Completing the online Archdiocese of Sydney Safeguarding Induction Training.
<https://forms.gle/XQTnkQwfWQ4Rfwxx9> (continuing volunteers)
<https://goo.gl/forms/wSkRi3ZO6PzkRfbo1> (new volunteers)

Group leaders, please help your members complete the requirements.

It is desirable for group leaders to collect the information/paperwork from their members and submit them altogether to Valerie in the parish office. Thankyou!

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Every Friday of Lent at 7.30 pm

24 February, 3 March, 10 March, 17 March,
24 March, 31 March

SPIRIT AND TRUTH

The Power of Christ Revealed

Lenten Program

In the Old Parish Office

Saturdays with Fr Thomas at 10.30 am

25 February, 4 March, 11 March, 18 March,
25 March, 1 April

Tuesdays with the Sr Maria at 7.30 pm

28 February, 7 March, 14 March, 21 March,
28 March, 4 April

Wednesdays with Fr George at 7.30 pm

1 March, 8 March, 15 March, 22 March,
29 March, 5 April

Please put your names and contact details on the sign-up sheets at the Church entrance.

Pilgrimage to Shrine of Our Lady of Mercy Penrose Park, Sutton Forest

Saturday, 13th May (8.00 am - 5.00 pm)

8.00 am Assembly at Parish car park

5.00 pm Arrival at St Michael's Hurstville

Transport cost: \$35 (cash or BPoint)

To register, text Valerie on 0410 381 589.

First Reading *Sir 15:15-20*

If you wish, you can keep the commandments, to be- have faithfully is within your power. He has set fire and water before you; put out your hand to whichever you prefer. Man has life and death before him; whichever a man likes better will be given him. For vast is the wis- dom of the Lord; he is almighty and all-seeing. His eyes are on those who fear him, he notes every action of man. He never commanded anyone to be godless, he has given no one permission to sin.

Responsorial Psalm *Ps 118:1-2.4-5.17-18.33-34.R.v.1*

R: Happy are they who follow the law of the Lord!

All: Happy are they who follow the law of the Lord!

R: They are happy whose life is blameless, who follow God’s law! They are happy those who do his will, seeking him with all their hearts.

All: Happy are they who follow the law of the Lord!

R: You have laid down your precepts to be obeyed with care. May my footsteps be firm to obey your statutes.

All: Happy are they who follow the law of the Lord!

R: Bless your servant and I shall live and obey your word. Open my eyes that I may consider the won- ders of your law.

All: Happy are they who follow the law of the Lord!

R: Teach me the demands of your statutes and I will keep them to the end. Train me to observe your law, to keep it with my heart.

All: Happy are they who follow the law of the Lord!

Second Reading *1 Cor 2:6-10*

We have a wisdom to offer those who have reached maturity: not a philosophy of our age, it is true, still less of the masters of our age, which are coming to their end. The hidden wisdom of God which we teach in our mysteries is the wisdom that God predestined to be for our glory before the ages began. It is a wisdom that none of the masters of this age have ever known, or they would not have crucified the Lord of Glory; we teach what scripture calls: the things that no eye has seen and no ear has heard, things beyond the mind of man, all that God has prepared for those who love him. These are the very things that God has revealed to us through the Spirit, for the Spirit reaches the depths of everything, even the depths of God.

Gospel Acclamation *See Mt 11:25*

Alleluia, alleluia!

Blessed are you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth; you have revealed to little ones the mysteries of the kingdom.

Alleluia!

Gospel *Mt 5:17-37*

Jesus said to his disciples: ‘Do not imagine that I have come to abolish the Law or the Prophets. I have come not to abolish them but to complete them. I tell you solemnly, till heaven and earth disappear, not one dot, one little stroke, shall disappear from the Law until its purpose is achieved. Therefore, the man who infringes even one of the least of these commandments and teaches others to do the same will be considered the least in the kingdom of heaven; but the man who keeps them and teaches them will be considered great in the kingdom of heaven. ‘For I tell you, if your virtue goes no deeper than that of the scribes and Pharisees, you will never get into the kingdom of heaven. ‘You have learnt how it was said to our ancestors: You must not kill; and if anyone does kill he must answer for it before the court. But I say this to you: anyone who is angry with his brother will answer for it before the court; if a man calls his brother “Fool” he will answer for it before the Sanhedrin; and if a man calls him “Renegade” he will answer for it in hell fire. So then, if you are bringing your offering to the altar and there remember that your brother has something against you, leave your offering there before the altar, go and be reconciled with your brother first, and then come back and present your offering. Come to terms with your opponent in good time while you are still on the way to the court with him, or he may hand you over to the judge and the judge to the officer, and you will be thrown into prison. I tell you solemnly, you will not get out till you have paid the last penny. ‘You have learnt how it was said: You must not commit adultery. But I say this to you: if a man looks at a woman lustfully, he has already committed adultery with her in his heart. If your right eye should cause you to sin, tear it out and throw it away; for it will do you less harm to lose one part of you than to have your whole body thrown into hell. And if your right hand should cause you to sin, cut it off and throw it away; for it will do you less harm to lose one part of you than to have your whole body go to hell. ‘It has also been said: Anyone who divorces his wife must give her a writ of dismissal. But I say this to you: everyone who divorces his wife, except for the case of fornication, makes her an adulteress; and any- one who marries a divorced woman commits adultery. ‘Again, you have learnt how it was said to our ances- tors: You must not break your oath, but must fulfil your oaths to the Lord. But I say this to you: do not swear at all, either by heaven, since that is God’s throne; or by the earth, since that is his footstool; or by Jerusalem, since that is the city of the great king. Do not swear by your own head either, since you cannot turn a single hair white or black. All you need say is “Yes” if you mean yes, “No” if you mean no; anything more than this comes from the evil one.’

Sunday Mass Collections

	29 January	5 February
First Collection blue bag	\$863.80	\$1037.10
Other	\$1000.00	\$
Second Collection red bag	\$443.00	\$486.40
Planned Giving	\$669.95	\$1132.05



THE LEGION OF MARY
OUR LADY GATE OF HEAVEN
PRAESIDIUM
WEDNESDAYS AT 7.30 PM
IN THE OLD PARISH OFFICE