



St Matthew's Catholic Parish



(Established 1831)

12 Tebbutt Street, Windsor, NSW 2756

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Our Parish Mission Statement:

We believe and live out the mission of Jesus Christ as a community of worship and faith shared in service.

Parish Team:

Parish Priest: *Fr Robert William*
Assistant Priest: *Fr Ever Bernaldez MSP*
Sacramental Coordinator: *Ms Cita Adams*
Parish Secretary: *Ms Judy Rigg*
Parish email: stmcc@tpg.com.au
www.stmatthewswindsor.org.au
Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday
9.30am - 4.30pm

Schools:

St Matthew's Primary Phone: 4560 2300
Principal: Mr Tim Vane-Tempest
Chisholm Catholic Primary Phone: 4573 3200
Principal: Mr Michael Mifsud
Bede Polding College Phone: 4560 2900
Principal: Mr Mark Compton

Masses:

Weekend:

Sat. Vigil 5.00pm and 6.15pm
Sun. 7.30am, 9.00am and 5.00pm

Weekday:

Tuesday to Saturday 9am

Reconciliation:

Saturday 9.30am

Baptisms:

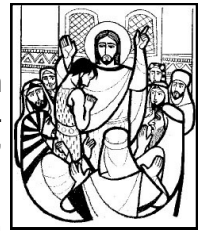
1st, 2nd and 3rd Sundays monthly 11am

Marriages:

By appointment

Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time Year B

31st January, 2021



My father was a gambler – or so I have been told. Mum used to say, 'Your father's a gambler, that's why he took up mushroom farming.' It was only after he died that I learnt the story. He came from a poor family and having gotten a scholarship to university, he lost a lot of that money on the horses. Well, through sheer hard work he was able to stay at Uni but he never bet on the horses again. Early in life, he faced a demon squarely and judged how weak he was. And he was the better man for it.

We each and all have demons. Part of the genius of the 12 step programs is to get people to face them squarely. Our demons don't have to be as obvious as addiction to alcohol, gambling or drugs. Anything that undermines the growth of life and love within us is a 'demon'. The man Jesus cured in this Gospel was not a vicious low life. This was a respectable man who attended synagogue! So what was his demon – resentment, concern for respectability, fear of what others think? We need to face our demons because it is then that we will be open to the salvation that Jesus offers: life to the full. If our lives seem less than full, we need to come before Jesus and ask for the healing that he so wants to give us.

REST IN THE LOVE OF YOUR GOD.

Jesus showed his authority by confronting the evil in peoples' lives and bringing them healing. When you are at rest in the God's love, consider the places in your heart that seem to be enmeshed in darkness, the attitudes and actions about which you are ashamed. Bring them before Jesus and ask for his love to touch that area of your life. Ask him what form he would like your healing to take. Under the guidance of the Spirit ask how he would like you to be free. Open your heart, your mind and your life to his healing.

Sr Kym Harris osb www.prayasyoucan.com.au

PLEASE DO NOT ENTER THE CHURCH IF YOU:

- ⇒ ARE EXPERIENCING COLD OR FLU-LIKE SYMPTOMS
- ⇒ HAVE A TEMPERATURE
- ⇒ HAVE BEEN IN CONTACT WITH ANYONE THAT IS EITHER A SUSPECTED OR CONFIRMED CASE OF COVID-19
- ⇒ FACE MASKS ARE NOW COMPULSORY
- ⇒ NO MASK - NO ENTRY

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ENTRANCE ANTIPHON: Save us, O Lord our God! And gather us from the nations, to give thanks to your holy name, and make it our glory to praise you.

FIRST READING: Deuteronomy 18 : 15-20
I will put my words into the prophet's mouth, and he will tell them all I command.

RESPONSE: If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts.

SECOND READING: I Corinthians 7 : 32-35
The unmarried woman dedicates herself to the things of the Lord, that she might be holy.

ACCLAMATION: Alleluia! Alleluia! A people in darkness have seen a great light: a radiant dawn shines on those lost in death. Alleluia!

GOSPEL: Mark 1 : 21-28
This is a new kind of teaching that speaks with authority.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON: Let your face shine on your servant. Save me in your merciful love, O Lord, let me never be put to shame, for I call on you.



PLEASE KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS:



Deceased:

Please pray for the recently deceased Giovanni (John) Pellizzer, Peter Roth, Laura Ramos, Kylie Johnson, Una Galvin as well as Mary Grech, Sam Grech, Joe Grech, Carmen and Joseph Teuma, Carmen and Loreto Xerri.

Sick:

Eileen Allen, Jessica Moloney and Laurie Mitchell.

MONDAY CLUB

The next Monday Club lunch will be held this Monday, 1st February in the Parish Hall. Cost is only \$10 per person which covers morning tea and lunch. Bookings are essential because the current COVID restrictions limit the number of people permitted in the Hall. To book, please contact Celine 0413 911 033.

WE WOULD LIKE TO CONFIRM WITH PARISHIONERS THAT MASKS ARE STILL REQUIRED TO BE WORN IN THE CHURCH. ALSO, EVEN THOUGH THE CAP ON THE NUMBER OF PEOPLE WHO CAN ATTEND MASSES HAS BEEN LIFTED, THE 4 SQUARE METRE RULE STILL APPLIES. THIS MEANS WE CAN STILL ONLY HAVE 65 PEOPLE IN THE CHURCH AT ONE TIME.

OFFICE FOR WORSHIP 2021 LITURGICAL MINISTRY FORMATION COURSE

The Office for Worship's Liturgical Ministry Formation Courses will be held again in 2021 in early February. This is formation for anyone interested in serving in the Liturgical Ministries of Readers, Extraordinary Ministers of Communion, Communion to the Sick and Dying and Ministers at the Altar at your parish. If you are interested or would like more information please contact the Office for Worship 8838 3456 or anne.alimangohan@parracatholic.org or contact the Parish office 4577 3073.



LENT 2021 WITH BRUCE DOWNES THE CATHOLIC GUY

Be inspired, Be refreshed, Be renewed! Come on a 40 day journey with me and I know this will be a powerful and prayerful Lenten journey together. Receive a short inspiring video each day during Lent. This program is FREE and you can sign up here: <https://BruceDownes.org/>
Lent For more information call 1300 734 880

ROSTERS 6TH/7TH FEBRUARY 2021 FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME YEAR B					
Church Cleaning	M. Quattromani and J. Mooney		Sacristy	M. Roth and C. Vella	
MASSES	5PM	6.15PM	7.30AM	9AM	5PM
Commentator	K. Apap	M. Grosvenor	J. O'Neill	C. Conolly	J. Newland
Reader	H. Sobiesiak	M. Williams	G. O'Neill	T. Victorino	M. Claravall
Acolyte/Adult Server			S. Kelly	F. Watkins	G. Claravall
Altar Servers	J. Dimech	N. Lupi	J. Bond	C. Naylor	E. Sevilla
	S. Beattie	N. Lupi		A. Bradford	

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