

<b>This Week :</b>	<b>16/17 Mar 2019</b>	<b>Week 3</b>		
<b>Ministry</b>	<b>Sat 5pm</b>	<b>Sun 8am</b>	<b>Sun 10am</b>	<b>Sun 5 pm</b>
<b>Music Groups</b>	CFC Youth for Christ	Congregation	David & Co	Elizabeth Guild
<b>Readers</b>	St Joachim Youth	Fred B / Enriquetta	Nancy / Lina	Nerissa / Christine
<b>Ministers of Holy Communion</b>	Jolanta/ Petronella	Muli / Poli	Matt / Janey	Teresa A / Winkie
<b>Acolytes</b>	John	Peter	Yuve / Victor	Mick M
<b>Altar Servers</b>	Alison / Eaven	Gabriel	Ariel/Sophie/ Alex/Patrick	Caitlin/Belgie/ Nicholas S

<b>Next Week:</b>	<b>23/24 Mar 2019</b>	<b>Week 4</b>		
<b>Ministry</b>	<b>Sat 5pm</b>	<b>Sun 8am</b>	<b>Sun 10am</b>	<b>Sun 5pm</b>
<b>Music Groups</b>	SFC Singles for Christ	Sacred Heart	SJ Multicultural	Men's Shed Choir
<b>Readers</b>	Louella	Rhonda/Denise	Anne/Andrew	Diane/Mabel
<b>Ministers of Holy Communion</b>	Mick G / Christine D	Anne / Katerina	Yuve	Alda
<b>Acolytes</b>	John	Peter / Victor	Vincent	Mick M
<b>Altar Servers</b>	Jessica / Eaven	Gabriel	Naomie/Philip/ Nicholas S	Monica

<b>Children's Liturgy 2019</b>	<b>Possums</b>	<b>Koalas</b>	<b>Kangas</b>
<b>17 Mar</b>	<b>Gilda</b>	<b>Teresa</b>	<b>Sheryl-Lou</b>
<b>24 Mar</b>	<b>Gilda</b>	<b>Anh-Thu</b>	<b>Carolyn</b>
<b>Rosters</b>	<b>16th Mar 2019</b>	<b>23rd Mar 2019</b>	
<b>Altar Society</b>	<b>Bernadette</b>	<b>Mabel &amp; friends</b>	
<b>Church Cleaner</b>	<b>ARC</b>	<b>ARC</b>	

**LET US PRAY FOR:**

**Recently Returned to the Father:** Mary Hickey, Evelyn Blain, Grace Cortez, John Maxwell O'Neill

**Death Anniversary:** Charlie McGlynn, Frank McGlynn, Fr Norman Grady, Ana Esquillon

**In Loving Memory of:** deceased members of the Keating family, Mary Willis, Dominic Wang, Maria Huang, Jimmy & Winnie Acton, Josip Ugarkovic, Robert, Mathilda & Ralph Hewett, Melville, Frank & Lucy Rodrigues, Teresa & Bartolomeo Natoli, Bernardita & George Tribunal, Antun & Josip Ulbrich, Ivy McIvney & Maria Nesci, Lily Elizabeth Khalifeh, Rodil Victoriano Hipolito, Mena Lardizabal, Giuseppa & Giovanni Maiolo

**NB: Please let the Parish Office know when circumstances change**

**Sick & Infirm:** Bishop G. Robinson, Shirley O'Brien, Madeline Mitchell, Leila Mitchell, Val Jenkins, Sr Joan Harrison rsj, Eileen Kenny, Zahra Bourke, Gwen Ross, Frances Reid, Fiona Sutherland, Bernadette Driessen, Leo Driessen, Zachary Marsh, Michael Tucker, Antonio Bartolotta, Ruth Mary Daly, Ivanka Cesjar, Norman Gomes, Bernadette Gregory, Tony Fernandez, Blazenska, Julia Obias, Cristina Olvina, Lui Jimenez, Necefora Gutiera, John K Empap, Fatima A.M. Liza, Denis Ljubas, Bernice Rathman, Joseph Azar, Aurelia de Pedro Sucgang

**SAINTS OF THE WEEK -**

**18th March - St Patrick** born in Britain and died in Ireland about the middle of 5th century. Faced hardship and opposition even from his fellow Christians. Worked to conciliate, to evangelise and to educate local chieftains and their families. Remembered for his simplicity and pastoral care, for his humble trust in God and for his fearless preaching of the gospel to those who had enslaved him in his youth.

**19th March - St Joseph** was a carpenter although born of the royal house of David. Joseph was an upright man who as husband of the Virgin Mary cared for Mary and the child Jesus. Venerated in the East after the 4th century and in the West after the fifteenth century.

**IMPORTANT DATES for the Sacrament of Confirmation**

**Enrolment Period - 11 March - 8th April**

**Information Night - 2 May (Thursday) @7pm in hall**

**Prep Night (with parents) - 4 June (Tuesday) @7pm in hall**

**Retreat Day - 6 June (Thursday) @9am in hall**

**CONFIRMATION DAY - 8th June @1pm in the church**



**Holy Rosary:** The next Rosary gathering will be hosted by Josie & Yves Marcou at 10/10 Childs St, Lidcombe on 19th March @7.30pm. Please call Daisy on 0433 544 431 if you would like to host the next Rosary. Alternatively you can write your details on the sheet placed before our Lady's altar.

**Day of the Unborn Child** - "I will not forget you, I have carved you on the palm of my hand." Isaiah 49. The Family and Life Institute are holding their annual Day of the Unborn Child rally on Sunday March 24. This is a day of celebration and remembrance of the dignity of the unborn. It is also a day to remember the millions of unborn children whose lives have been ended by abortion. Join us to witness to the sanctity of human life! **10.30am Mass at St. Mary's Cathedral, 12pm Angelus**, followed by a peaceful procession through the streets of the CBD led by Bishop Anthony Randazzo. 1.30pm Benediction at St. Mary's Cathedral

**ST JOACHIM KINDERGARTEN ENROLMENTS - 2020 SCHOOL YEAR**

Kindergarten enrolments for the 2020 school year are currently being held until Tuesday 26th March 2019. All children who turn 5 on or before 31st July 2020 are eligible to be enrolled. We invite all parents who wish to enrol their child at St Joachim's Catholic Primary School to visit the school office to obtain an Enrolment Application package. Original copies of your child's Birth Certificate, Baptismal Certificate, Immunisation Report and Pre-School Report will be required. A **non-refundable** enrolment fee of **\$80.00** will also be required.

**St Patrick's Day Mass**

Please join Bishop Terry Brady for the Annual St Patrick's Day Mass on 17 March 2019 and 18 March 2019. The Masses will take place at St Patrick's Church Hill on Sunday, 17 March 2019 commencing at 12.00pm and in St Mary's Cathedral, Sydney on Monday, 18 March 2019 commencing at 10:30am. All welcome to attend.

**22 to 24 March - Mind, Body & Soul Retreat**

For Mature Catholic Women who feel on the Fringe of the Church.

Facilitator: Andrea Dean

Where: Mt Schoenstatt Spirituality Centre, 230 Fairlight Road, Mulgoa

Time: 5 pm 22nd March to 2 pm 24th March

Cost: \$230 includes two nights private, ensuite accommodation and all meals. For more information or to book: manager@schoenstatt.org.au or phone Ann-Maree: 4773 8338

**You are called to Mission**

- Communities in Myanmar, PNG, Samoa, Timor Leste, Kiribati and Kenya seek volunteers to mentor locals and build capacity. These assignments are not quick fixes. Overseas Catholic communities are inviting you to immerse yourself for 1 to 2 years. If you have teaching, medical, business, admin or trade skills, you can give opportunity by sharing them with our global family!

**Come to the Palms Info Session:** Thursday March 21st @ 5:30pm in Aquinas Academy—141 Harrington Street THE ROCKS, SYDNEY

**Light to the Nations (LTTN) 2019** - LTTN is an Easter Pilgrimage event held biannually for Catholics (singles and families) aged 16+. Camp under the open skies with 1,000 other young people as we celebrate the Easter Triduum. Held in the grounds of Chevalier College, Bowral NSW - 18-21 April 2019. Visit [www.lttn.org.au](http://www.lttn.org.au) for more info and register today. Contact [info@ltnn.org.au](mailto:info@ltnn.org.au) or ring 0432 228 250

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Ambassadors: **Rhonda & Tony Tanti**

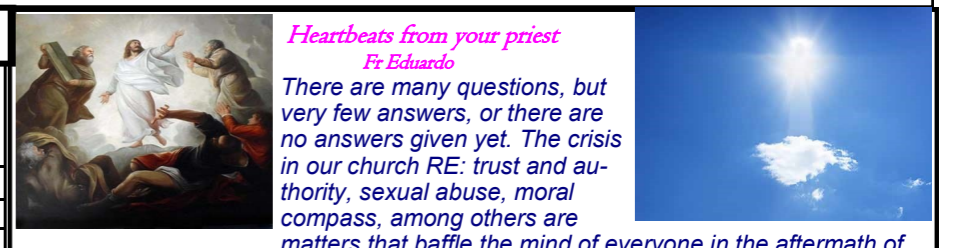
CCD Co-ordinators:  
Lidcombe - **Teresa Azzi**  
Newington - **Jill Hohnen**

**WE COME TOGETHER TO ENCOUNTER GOD, WELCOMING ONE ANOTHER JOYFULLY IN ACTIVE SERVICE**

**OFFICE HOURS: TUESDAY, WEDNESDAY, & THURSDAY only 09:30am to 03:30pm PLEASE RING or EMAIL the Parish Office for anything ...**  
Mass Intentions—drop in the mailbox or collection baskets. **Weddings:** minimum 6 months notice.  
**Baptisms:** held only on 2nd & 4th Sunday of each month. **Berala on the Park** 3rd Friday @ 11am / **Canberra Nursing Home** - 4th Friday @ 11am  
If anyone needs Holy Communion /Home Visits please contact the office to make arrangements.

**2ND SUNDAY OF LENT (C) THEME: TRANSFIGURATION - A HOPE IN THE MIDST OF CRISIS 17TH MARCH 2019**

Mass Schedule at St Joachim	
<b>Sun 17/03</b>	<b>8:00am Mass</b> <b>10:00am Mass</b> <b>11:30am Baptism</b> <b>5:00pm Mass</b>
<b>Mon 18/03</b>	<b>9:00am Mass / Rosary</b>
<b>Tues 19/03</b>	<b>9:00am Mass</b>
<b>Wed 20/03</b>	<b>6:00pm Transfer of Bl Sac / Rosary</b> <b>6:30pm Novena</b> <b>7:00pm Mass</b> <b>7:30pm Legion of Mary</b>
<b>Thurs 21/03</b>	<b>9:00am Mass</b>
<b>Fri 22/03</b>	<b>9:00am Mass</b> <b>6:30pm Stations of the Cross</b>
<b>Sat 23/03</b>	<b>11:30am Baptism</b> <b>4:00pm Confession</b> <b>5:00pm Vigil Mass</b>



*Heartbeats from your priest*  
*Fr Eduardo*

*There are many questions, but very few answers, or there are no answers given yet. The crisis in our church RE: trust and authority, sexual abuse, moral compass, among others are matters that baffle the mind of everyone in the aftermath of the sentencing made by the Chief Judge of the Victorian County Court on Cardinal George Pell. However, we should continue searching for the truth, the "sanctum" (core) of the matter. Only God knows, and we hold on to the God of Truth. Fleeing from our Christian (Catholic) faith is not the answer; instead we should keep fighting for faith. We anchor our faith in Jesus, not in people or things.*

*We continue our Lenten journey this week, deepening our faith as we ponder Abraham's example and enter into the revelation contained in the Transfiguration of Jesus. The 1st Reading tells us of the Covenant God made with Abram. Abram had no son, but he put his faith in God and trusted that his descendants would dwell in the land given to him. The Psalm is a confident prayer that the Lord will lead the psalmist, whose prayer will be heard and answered. He has no fear, but seeks the Lord and hopes in him. It is also a prayer for Christ as he turns his face to Jerusalem. The passage from St Paul in the 2nd Reading links all these themes: of homeland, of being glorified in Christ, and of trusting in him and remaining faithful. On this 2nd Sunday, we always have an account of the Transfiguration in the Gospel. The disciples had a physical journey and a time of prayer before encountering this mystery. Seeing Jesus transfigured, in the presence of Moses and Elijah, and hearing the voice from heaven, all struck them forcibly, even if they only understood in hindsight.*

*Perhaps this week - with the crisis in our church - we can ponder the possibility, by the power of Christ, of transformation in our own lives this Lent. Putting more trust.*

**Stations of the Cross @ St Mary's** Thursday 28th March departing from St Joachim's school @9am by train and returning @2.40pm

If you are interested to join, please let Mariana know by Friday 22 March & email to: [marianna.sanavio@syd.catholic.edu.au](mailto:marianna.sanavio@syd.catholic.edu.au)

**Walk the Lenten Journey on your Mobile Phone**

In his message for Lent 2019, Pope Francis emphasised that we should "not allow this season of grace to pass in vain." With new content daily, the Lent Calendar App can help those who desire to journey through Lent with purpose. The App includes the daily Gospel, a suggested Lent act, and a multimedia feature to pray and reflect upon. Available as an App on Apple and Android devices, and online at [www.sydneycatholic.org/](http://www.sydneycatholic.org/)



**Lenten Concert - 'Ashes to Easter':** with Peter Kearney - Holy Tuesday 16th April @7pm in St Joachim, Lidcombe. **Entry by donation.** Light refreshments will be served in the hall after the Concert. Peter Kearney is an Australian Catholic songwriter and singer/guitarist whose hymns and songs include 'Fill My House', 'The Beatitudes' and 'Where Is Your Song, my Lord?'. His concert weaves songs and stories and reflections on Lenten themes and looks ahead to Holy Week and Easter. "Ashes to Easter creates a prayerful and spiritual atmosphere ... a worthwhile part of the Lenten journey".

Through your generosity during **Project Compassion** this year, you are empowering communities with hope and helping those in great need to shape a better future for themselves, their families and their communities.

**LIVES CHANGE WHEN WE ALL GIVE 100%. PLEASE COLLECT YOUR PROJECT COMPASSION ENVELOPES/BOX at the table near the doors of the church.**



**WOMEN'S LENTEN RETREAT**

Join the Dominican Sisters of Saint Cecilia and the Sisterhood Catholic Women's Movement for a Lenten Retreat Day. This retreat will be hosted in Sydney and in Melbourne on 30 March. The day will focus on the theme, "Nature, Grace and Glory: Imago Dei Revealed in Us." The retreat will begin at 10AM with talks, discussion opportunities, Eucharistic Adoration, the Sacrament of Reconciliation, morning tea and lunch, and more. An optional Vigil Mass at the location will follow. For info or to register: in Sydney: <https://www.trybooking.com/BBEQA> For info email [sydney@op-tn.org](mailto:sydney@op-tn.org)

**Location: St. Peter Chanel Parish Hall, 60 Kingsland Road, Berala**

