

This Week :	23/24 Feb 2019	Week 4		
Ministry	Sat 5pm	Sun 8am	Sun 10am	Sun 5 pm
Music Groups	SFC Singles for Christ	Sacred Heart	SJ Multicultural	David & Co
Readers	Louella	Rhonda / Denise	Anne / Andrew	Diane/Mabel
Ministers of Holy Communion	Mick G/Christine D	Anne / Katerina	Yuve / Carolyn	Alda
Acolytes	John	Peter / Victor	Vincent	Mick M
Altar Servers	Jessica/Eaven	Gabriel	Naomie/Philip/Nicholas S	Monica

Next Week:	02/03 Mar 2019	Week 1		
Ministry	Sat 5pm	Sun 8am	Sun 10am	Sun 5pm
Music Groups	Sacred Heart	Congregation	Sacred Heart	Sts Joachim & Anne
Readers	Mick G	Fred / Ruby	Andrew / Lina	Mabel A
Ministers of Holy Communion	Tea / Petronella	Steve / Francisca	Janey/ Lynh	Teresa/Alda
Acolytes	John	Peter	Yuve	Mick M
Altar Servers	Eaven/Alison/Nicholas S	Gabriel	Colin/Ariel/Kayla	Monica

Children's Liturgy 2019	Possums	Koalas	Kangas
24 Feb 03 Mar	Gilda Pat B	Anh-Thu Naomie	Carolyn Carolyn
Rosters	23rd Feb 2019	02nd Mar 2019	
Altar Society	Mabel & friends	NUSPAS	
Church Cleaner	ARC	ARC	

LET US PRAY FOR:

Recently Returned to the Father: Fr Graham Kings, Giuseppe Laviano

Death Anniversary:

In Loving Memory of: deceased members of the Keating family, Mary Willis, Dominic Wang, Maria Huang, Jimmy & Winnie Acton, Concetta & Giuseppe Desisto, Jure Zeljkovic,

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

Thanksgiving:

Saint of the Week

2nd March - St Angela of the Cross - Born in 1846 in Seville Spain, of poor parents who had 14 children but only 6 lived to adulthood. Angela was greatly influenced by the teaching and example of her pious parents, and was taught from an early age how to pray the Rosary. On August 2, 1875 three other women joined Angela, beginning community life together in a room they rented in Seville. From that day on, they began their visits and gave assistance to the poor, day and night. While Mother Angela was alive, another 23 convents were established, with the sisters edifying everyone they served by their example of charity, poverty and humility. In fact, Mother Angela herself was known by all as "Mother of the Poor" - died 2nd March 1932 in Seville.

Safeguarding Office - Archdiocese of Sydney

If you or a person close to you has been abused by someone working or ministering within the Archdiocese of Sydney we invite you to contact us. We will listen to you respectfully, offer support and discuss the options you have available to you. Please contact the Safeguarding and Ministerial Integrity Office on phone 02 9390 5812.



Holy Rosary: The next Rosary gathering will be hosted by Margaret at 49 Wilfred St, Lidcombe on 26th February @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.

The Bishop's Blend: Bishop Richard Umbers is hosting the seventh edition of a series of breakfast events for young professions, titled The Bishop's Blend, on **Monday, 11 March 2019** at 7:00am. The purpose of these events is to bring young Catholic professionals together for a quarterly breakfast, and for them to hear from a well-versed professional in a chosen field how they personally live their faith in the workplace. It will also be an opportunity for those who attend to network with other young Catholic professionals.

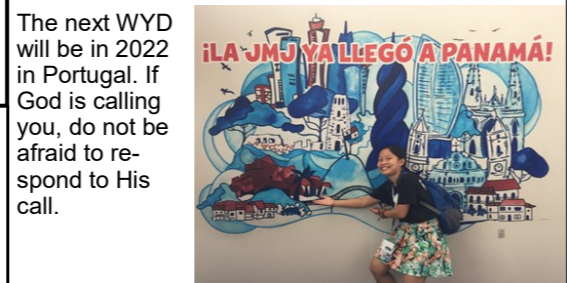
LENTEN RETREAT - "Cross Over to the Other Side." Please join us as we prepare for our Lenten journey with a one-day silent-guided retreat. Sunday 3rd of March 2019, (9.30am-4pm). Cost \$50 inclusive of meals. Venue: The Centre 14 Francis St, Randick. All ages welcome. Contact Verbum Dei Missionaries at verbumdeisydney@gmail.com or phone us on 9341 5848.

"Free Morning Tea" - The Parish will provide Morning Tea after 10.00 am Mass commencing on **Sunday, 3rd March 2019**. Everyone is warmly welcomed. We aim to have a 'cuppa' after each weekend Mass in the future. To make this happen, we need your assistance. If you are able to assist as a volunteer for these, please contact Geoff Barrett on (02) 9897 3509 and leave a clear message to return your call in the event he is unable to come to the phone. Thank you.

Reflection - World Youth Day 2019 in Panama

"You, dear young people, are not the future, but the now of God". These words were spoken by Pope Francis in his welcoming ceremony and it resonates in my heart to this day. It was a great joy for me to represent my parish, my Lidcombe community to be in Panama City with hundreds of thousands of young people from all over the world to immerse and celebrate our Catholic faith, kneeling in prayer and adoring Christ as He is present amongst us. I also have had the pleasure to experience World Youth Day with the Salesians of Don Bosco from Melbourne and Adelaide, and to learn about its spirituality and works - which was something new yet uplifting for me. As one of the patron saints of WYD, St John Bosco mentioned "It is not enough to love the young, but you must show them". Returning back home, I am prepared to listen to God's voice and to serve Him by bringing faith into the young so that they too may encounter Christ: "I am the servant of the Lord; May it be done to me according to Thy word" Luke 1:38."

The next WYD will be in 2022 in Portugal. If God is calling you, do not be afraid to respond to His call.



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1885 – 2019**

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Ambassadors: **Rhonda & Tony Tanti**
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Lidcombe - Teresa Azzi
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WE COME TOGETHER TO ENCOUNTER GOD, WELCOMING ONE ANOTHER JOYFULLY IN ACTIVE SERVICE

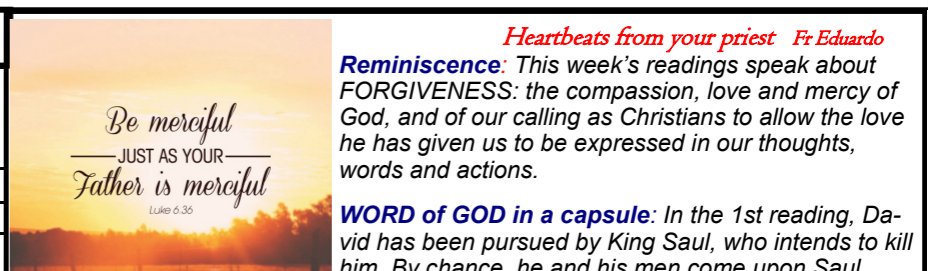
OFFICE HOURS: TUESDAY, WEDNESDAY, & THURSDAY only 09:30am to 03:30pm. PLEASE RING or EMAIL the Parish Office for anything ...
Mass Intentions—drop in the mailbox or collection baskets. **Weddings:** minimum 6 months notice.
Baptisms: held only on 2nd & 4th Sunday of each month. **Berala on the Park 3rd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

7TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (C) THEME: ON FORGIVENESS - BEING MERCIFUL NOT VENGEFUL 24TH FEBRUARY 2019

Mass Schedule at St Joachim	
Sun 24/02	8:00am Mass 10:00am Mass 11:30am Baptisms 5:00pm Mass
Mon 25/02	9:00am Mass / Rosary
Tues 26/02	9:00am Mass
Wed 27/02	6:00pm Transfer of BI Sac / Rosary 6:30pm Novena 7:00pm Mass 7:30pm Legion of Mary
Thurs 28/02	9:00am Mass
Fri 01/03	9:00am Mass 7:30pm 1st Friday Devotions 8:30pm Mass + All night vigil
Sat 02/03	6:00am Closing Mass 9:00am Josephite Mass (+ Anointing of the Sick) 11:30am NUSPAS 4:00pm Confession 5:00pm Vigil Mass

REMINDER:
LENT 2019 - begins on ASH Wednesday 6th March. Masses will be held at 9:30am (with school), 12:30pm and 7pm.
Lent is a penitential season of prayer, self-denial and helping others. In this way, the whole church prepares for Easter. Please prepare yourselves in the best way you can during this Lenten season.

PLENARY COUNCIL SUBMISSIONS ARE CLOSING SOON! DON'T MISS OUT ON HAVING YOUR SAY!
The Plenary Council responses to the 3 questions close on **Ash Wednesday 6th March** this year:
1. What do you think God is asking of us in Australia at this time?
2. What questions do you have about the future of the Church for the Plenary Council to consider in 2020?
3. Do you have a story of your experience of faith, or the Church you would like to share?
Questionnaires & boxes will be provided at each church door until then. You can also submit the answers online or by post to PO Box 747, North Sydney NSW 2059 but they must be received no later than Ash Wednesday 2019.
The Church needs to hear from everyone without exception!!! Tell your family, tell your friends! Thank you to everyone who has already submitted their answers. For any further information please call Rhonda Tanti on 0411 165 879. Thank you!



Heartbeats from your priest Fr Eduardo
Reminiscence: This week's readings speak about FORGIVENESS: the compassion, love and mercy of God, and of our calling as Christians to allow the love he has given us to be expressed in our thoughts, words and actions.
WORD of GOD in a capsule: In the 1st reading, David has been pursued by King Saul, who intends to kill him. By chance, he and his men come upon Saul asleep in a cave. Saul is totally in their power, but David chooses not to kill God's anointed king. Instead he simply removes Saul's weapon from him. By his actions, David makes his righteousness clear to everyone. The 2nd reading speaks of our human nature. We are created by God, as was Adam, in finite bodily form that lives on this earth. In Christ Jesus we find our true eternal being, made in his image. We are called to live our lives according to his likeness. The Psalm speaks of the ways in which God loves and heals us. He does not treat us according to our faults, but with mercy and compassion. 'Be compassionate as your Father is compassionate', Jesus urges us. His sayings are challenging and perhaps seem hard to live out. But we need not be sad: our recognition of weakness is also a cause for joy. We cannot live the life of a Christian without his help but need to rely on him, allowing him to deepen his life in each one of us.

Challenge: This week we pray for the grace to depend more fully on Jesus, that his compassion, mercy and love may be shown in our life.

Prayer: Lord, where there is NO LOVE, let me put LOVE, that I may find LOVE. Help me to return goodness to injury, provocations, offences, insults. Amen!

NEED: Our parish is seeking a part-time YOUTH COORDINATOR to help engaged the young people in the parish, and to help Teresa Winata, our current part-time Youth Worker to do effective parish youth ministry. If you're interested please see Fr Eduardo or read the Notice Board for job description and entitlements.

We invite you to come and see our wonderful school and learning programs

OPEN DAY
TUESDAY 5 MARCH 9AM-11AM

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To "be" catechists!
Not to "work" as catechists.
Catechesis is a vocation:
"being a catechist",
this is the vocation,
not "working" as a catechist.

Pope Francis, Congress on Catechesis

Congratulations to **Teresa Volpato** (15 years), **Jolanta Gruszka** (10 years) and **Sr Nory Ordiz CM** (5 years) for continuous and faithful service as Parish Catechists of St Joachim's Catholic Parish, Lidcombe. **We also welcome all catechists who will be commissioned at the 10am Mass this Sunday**, and are now actively contributing to the formation of Catholic students who have chosen public schooling, through education and in faith, consistent with the values of the Catholic church. Do pray for our catechists.

