


## NOTICEBOARD

- † **YOUR MARRIAGE & THE THEOLOGY OF THE BODY**—Discover God's plan for your marriage and take your relationship to new levels of joy and meaning. Limited places. No group sharing. Proven program. Book now! **Five Dock—22/23 October.** Tel: 9319 1111 or [www.celebratelove.com.au](http://www.celebratelove.com.au)
- † **6TH NATIONAL eCONFERENCE—Tuesday 6 September:** *Following Jesus—Matthew.* Keynote educators—Fr Chris Monaghan CP and Rev Dorothy Lee with Fr Nicholas King SJ. **Time: 10.30 am-2.50 pm** Eastern Standard Time. Enquiries: Annie Carrett, eConference Co-ordinator 9847 0724 or [econferences@bbi.catholic.edu.au](mailto:econferences@bbi.catholic.edu.au)
- † **BEGINNING EXPERIENCE WEEKEND—9, 10 & 11 September 2011:** A weekend for those who are grieving the loss of a partner through death, separation or divorce. Closing the door on the past gently by getting in touch and dealing with the feelings resulting from the end of a relationship is an important part of making a new beginning. Enquiries: Lee 9449 5317.
- † **ANNUAL MASS FOR PREGNANT WOMEN—Sunday 11 September** at **10.30 am** to be celebrated by Cardinal George Pell. All women who are expecting a baby and those who wish to offer their prayers and support are warmly invited to attend the Annual Mass for Pregnant Woman at St Mary's Cathedral. Morning tea will follow in St Mary's Cathedral College Hall. Enquiries and RSVPs to [Imfevents@sydneycatholic.org](mailto:Imfevents@sydneycatholic.org) or 9390 5290.
- † **THE MUSIC OF ENCHANTMENT**—This course is about *The Music Enchantment* and commences on **14 September 2011** and continues for six weeks. The course is open to everyone, especially those that have a love of music. More details are on the parish noticeboard in the Church foyer.
- † **CANSIUS CENTRE OF IGNATIAN SPIRITUALITY** (102 Mona Vale Rd, Pymble, Tel: 9488 4524, email: [cansius@cis.jesuit.org.au](mailto:cansius@cis.jesuit.org.au) or [www.cis.jesuit.org.au](http://www.cis.jesuit.org.au)). Private or scheduled retreats available on application.
- † **POSITIONS VACANT—**
- † **Executive/Property Assistant, Catholic Archdiocese of Sydney.** This is a full-time position and is based at the Polding Ctr, Sydney. Applications close **12 September.** Applications to Anthony Spata by email at [anthony.spata@sydneycatholic.org](mailto:anthony.spata@sydneycatholic.org). Enquiries: 9390 5317 or visit: [www.catholicjobsonline.com.au](http://www.catholicjobsonline.com.au)
- † **Office Administrator, Clergy Remuneration System**—The Clergy Remuneration System is seeking to employ a suitable qualified Office Administrator on a permanent part-time basis, working three days per week. The position requires MYOB proficiency, MS Office at intermediate level and good secretarial skills. The Office is located in the City and rate is negotiable. Applications close **23 September.** Please note this is a re-advertised position. Enquiries: 9390 5166 or email: [clergysy@bigpond.net.au](mailto:clergysy@bigpond.net.au).

 **ST MARK'S SENIORS' PAMPHLET**—Now available in the Church Foyer for your convenience. It lists services available to the community. Please take a copy.

**ST MARK'S PARISH WEBSITE**—Keep in touch with all that is going on in the parish by visiting:  
[www.stmarksdrummoyne.org.au](http://www.stmarksdrummoyne.org.au)

**ROSTERS**—The rosters listed below are a reminder only. Please ensure you check your roster for your service times.

LITURGICAL MINISTERS 4 September 2011 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time—Confirmation Year A				
THIS WEEK:	WORD	COMMUNION	SERVER/ JEM (jnr euch. min)	CHILDREN'S LITURGY
VIGIL (Saturday) 6 PM Vigil	A Gill M Bullock	M Griffin	E Pidd	N/A
9.00 AM (Sunday)	C Drury D Reilly N Goodman	R Colantonio M Woods	L Wark K Cox  JEMS: J Kennedy J Casey	Confirmation Mass
6.00 PM (Sunday)	D Wing T Ficarra	S Iacono	T Bocalatte  JEMS: N Moiso	N/A

PARISH DIARY 2011		
3 & 4 September (Sat & Sun)	Confirmation 2011	6 pm—Mass (Sat) 9 am—Mass (Sun)
9 September (Friday)	First Reconciliation Forms Closing Date	Parish Centre
11 September (Sunday)	St Mark's Feast Day & BBQ/ Picnic	10 am (one Mass only)
16 September (Friday)	Blessing & Opening of new School Hall, Library, Parish Centre & Presbytery	From 11 am—St Mark's
25 September (Sunday)	RCIA Enquiry Session	10 am—following Mass (Parish Centre)
<b>Regular Gps:</b>		
Monday	St Vincent de Paul Society	7.45 pm—Parish Centre
Tuesdays	Italian Ladies' Prayer Group	1.30 pm—Parish Centre
Thursdays	Charismatic Prayer Group	8.00 pm—Parish Centre



ALTAR SOCIETY GP 6—  
Fiona & Tennessee Dee



### ST MARK'S MASS TIMETABLE

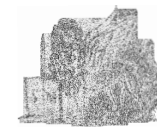
<b>SATURDAY VIGIL:</b>	6.00 pm
<b>SUNDAY:</b>	9.00 am & 6.00 pm
<b>WEEKDAYS:</b>	
Monday & Friday	8.00 am
Tuesday & Thursday	9.30 am
Wednesday	7.30 am
Saturday	12 noon
<b>RECONCILIATION:</b>	Saturday 11.30 am
<b>EXPOSITION:</b>	Saturday 11.00 am to 12 noon

**BAPTISMS** are on the first & third Sundays of the month at 10.30 am. During Lent no Baptisms are celebrated. Parents are asked to contact the Presbytery to make an appointment to discuss details for the Baptism of their child. \*Contact Mary Cook at the Presbytery for baptism information and bookings.

**MARRIAGES:** Parishioners intending marriage are asked to notify the Presbytery at least six months prior to the wedding.

**EUCARIST FOR THE SICK:** Anyone who is aware of a Catholic who is sick or housebound should notify the Parish Office so that they can receive the appropriate sacraments.

LITURGICAL MINISTERS 11 September 2011 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time—St Mark's Feast Day (One Mass Only—10 am) - Year A				
NEXT WEEK:	WORD	COMMUNION	SERVER/ JEM (jnr euch. min)	CHILDREN'S LITURGY
<b>ST MARK'S PARISH FEAST DAY MINISTERS TO BE ADVISED—ONE MASS ONLY (10 AM)</b>				



# St Mark's Parish

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**Parish Priest:** Monsignor Vince Redden, EV (Episcopal Vicar of Clergy)  
**Associate Pastor:** Fr Huy Trong Phan (*pronounced Fr Wee*) (Email: [FrHuy@bigpond.com](mailto:FrHuy@bigpond.com))  
**Pastoral Associate:** Ms Mary Cook (Email: [cookmary@bigpond.net.au](mailto:cookmary@bigpond.net.au))  
**Chairperson Parish Pastoral Council:** Mr Danny Moiso **School Principal:** Mrs Margaret Sargisson  
**Parish Administration:** Mrs Brenda Irwin (Mon/Tues/Fri) & Mrs Sue O'Neill (Wed/Thurs)  
**Parish Office Hours:** Mon, Tues & Fri 9 am—5 pm Wed & Thurs 9 am—3 pm

† **23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
† **Confirmation**

Year A

4 September 2011

## 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time Confirmation

St Mark's Parish welcomes 75 candidates for the Sacrament of Confirmation this weekend. Bishop Julian Porteous came to the Confirmation Retreat last Saturday to meet the children and speak to them. This was the first opportunity for them to meet and speak to a Bishop. The questions Bishop asked were answered competently. The candidates were a credit to their parents, teachers and catechists. The children cut out flames reminding them that they, like the apostles at Pentecost, will be sealed with the gift of the Holy Spirit to lead lives as disciples of Christ. These are some of the children's prayers and there are many more like them on the Banner.



*"I will live like a Spirit-filled person when I am at school and at sport. I will show it by being kind and forgiving to everyone I meet. What inspires me about my Confirmation saint is that, even though his leg was amputated, he walked many hundreds of miles in the name of the Lord".*

"Please give me courage and kindness to guide me through high school so that I can make new friends and become a better person."

"May I have the gift of courage to go out and express my faith. May I please have the fruit of faithfulness so I can be faithful to my Lord."

"Please give me the gift of wisdom to help me understand other people better and to make the right decisions in life."

"Help me to be like my confirmation saint in my workings and life. May I receive the gifts, power and fruits of the Holy Spirit, especially wisdom and joy".

"I will live like a spirit-filled person when I show respect to my parents and help them during times when they need it. What inspires me about my saint is that after Jesus died (my saint) went travelling round the world preaching the gospel. He didn't give up and persisted preaching even when he was tied to the cross".



*"I will live like a spirit-filled person when I listen to my Mum, understand what she is saying, and showing my love to all ... please fill me with patience."*

"With your love can you please send me the gift of courage and the fruit of self-control when I receive my Confirmation".

*"I am really looking forward to the gift of right judgement ... and being the best person I can be".*



The candidates are accompanied by their sponsor and their parents when they come up to the Bishop and kneel for anointing. The Sponsor places his/her right hand on the candidate's right shoulder. The Bishop anoints the candidate's forehead with the consecrated Oil of Chrism. This is the Confirmation dialogue:

**Bishop ... Be sealed with the gift of the Holy Spirit.**

The candidate responds **Amen.**

**Bishop: Peace be with you.**

The newly confirmed responds **And also with you.**

The Sponsor is chosen to be a companion and a witness to the Gospel as they lead by example in helping and guiding their candidate to live well their Christian life. Along with the family they now share in fostering the faith life of their child.



Our children are now fully initiated into the Church and take their place as full members of our community. We are a blessed community.

Mary Cook  
Pastoral Associate—St Mark's

### Today's Liturgy -

#### Entrance Antiphon

Lord, you are just and the judgements you make are right.  
Show mercy when you judge me, your servant.

**First Reading: Ezekiel 33:7-9**

*If you have not warned the wicked man, then I will hold you responsible for his death.*

**RESPONSORIAL PSALM—Ps 94:1-2.6-9**

*O that today you would listen to his voice!*

*Harden not your hearts.*

**Second Reading: Romans 13:8-10**

*Love is the fulfilment of the law.*

**Gospel: Matthew 18:15-20**

*If your brother or sister listens to you, you will have won that person back.*

### NEXT WEEK—

**24th Sunday in Ordinary Time—St Mark's  
Parish Feast Day (One Mass Only—10 am)**  
Is 55:6-9; Phil 1:20-24, 27; Mt 20:1-16



# The Catholic Weekly

## PULPIT POINTS:

- † Christian Churches unite on status of marriage.
- † Pastors who need our care, support: Priests' Retirement Foundation Appeal.
- † World Youth Day Madrid – pictorial essay.
- † Parish priest was a 'tireless worker' who inspired others.
- † Lessons from the Great Famine.
- † Refugee bishop tells of 'terrifying' journey in a small boat.
- † The Bailey Beat – with Mike Bailey.



PLUS news, reviews, features and topical debates.

Parishioners are warmly invited to attend the

### Opening and Blessing Ceremony of St Mark's New School Hall and Library

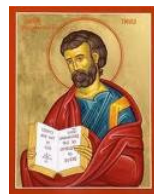
on  
Friday 16 September 2011  
at 11 am

by His Eminence, Cardinal George Pell

Please RSVP for catering purposes to  
St Mark's School Office—9181 3042

You are also warmly invited to the  
Opening & Blessing of St Mark's Parish Presbytery &  
Parish Centre at 1 pm  
by our Archbishop, Cardinal Pell.

## St Mark's Feast Day



Due to the Feast of St Mark, there will be **ONE MASS** on the weekend of 10/11 September on **Sunday at 10 am**.

On this Sunday each year we celebrate our community under the special patronage of St Mark the Evangelist. To encourage our sense of community, we have just **one** Sunday Mass on this weekend at **10 am**. Please make a special effort to be with us on this day. There will be a parish picnic/bbq after the **10 am Mass**. All welcome.

## For Your Information -

† **ST MARK'S NAME PLAQUES**—To all who purchased a name plaque, they are now ready for viewing. The plaques are situated in the entrance of the school hall and library and will be blessed at the Opening and Blessing Ceremony by His Eminence, Cardinal George Pell on **Friday 16 September at 11 am**. All parishioners are warmly invited to attend. RSVP—School Office 9181 3042.



† **ST MARK'S CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE**—Please note the September meeting has been re-scheduled to **Friday 30 September at 2 pm** in the Parish Centre (in lieu of 23 September).



† **MELBOURNE CUP LUNCHEON CANCELLATION**—Due to unforeseen circumstances, this year's Melbourne Cup Luncheon on **Tuesday 1 November** will not be held. We apologise to all those parishioners who were planning to attend.  
**Nancy Rice & Nancy Saya**



## Priests' Retirement Foundation

### Appeal - This Weekend

This Foundation is an important initiative of the Catholic Archdiocese of Sydney to support our retired and sick priests. Each dollar raised by the Appeal will be met with another two from the Archdiocese. This is an opportunity to support our priests through the Appeal. Special envelopes are available in the Church today for this purpose.

Many of our priests provide 50 years or more of dedication and loving service. In retirement, it is our opportunity as a community of faith to return the support. Please give generously. Donations of \$2 or more are tax deductible.



## Confirmation News



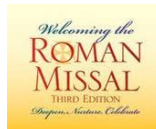
The Sacrament of Confirmation 2011 will be celebrated at St Mark's at the Vigil Mass on **Saturday 3 September for 48 candidates** and on **Sunday 4 September 9 am for 26 candidates**. The candidate, parents and sponsor are allocated half a pew per family. This means that 24 full pews will be reserved for the Vigil Mass and 14 full pews at the 9 am Sunday Mass. As a community we warmly welcome all those who are joining us for the Confirmation Masses next weekend.

## Fathers' Day Blessing

Loving God, whom we also call Father  
We pray for our own Fathers  
Those dearly departed  
And all who are father figures to us.  
We thank you for their wisdom and care for us.  
We bless them for their strength and patience.  
Bless them with peace and joy  
As we honour them all the days of their life.  
May they, like the men in the scriptures  
And Joseph, the foster father of Jesus, be just and true.  
We ask this through Christ our Lord.  
Amen.



## New Mass Translation - Now In Use



Pope Benedict's Comments—

**ROMAN MISSAL**—I welcome the news that the English translation of the Roman Missal will soon be ready for publication, so that the texts ... may be proclaimed in the liturgy that is celebrated across the Anglophone world. Through these sacred texts and the actions that accompany them, Christ will be made present and active in the midst of his people .... A new task will then present itself ... - the task of preparing for the reception of the new translation by clergy and lay faithful. Many will find it hard to adjust to unfamiliar texts after nearly forty years of continuous use of the previous translation. The change will need to be introduced with due sensitivity and the opportunity for catechesis that it presents will need to be firmly grasped. I pray that in this way any risk of confusion or bewilderment will be averted and the change will serve instead as a springboard for a renewal and a deepening of Eucharistic devotion all over the English-speaking world.

**Pope Benedict XVI, 28 April 2010**

In each seat there will be cards enabling everyone to make the new responses. The priests will lead us in the new translations.

**Mons Vince**

**FOR THE DISCERNING MIND—DINNER WITH THE CARDINAL**—His Eminence, Cardinal George Pell, cordially invites young men who are discerning the Priesthood to dinner on **Friday 16 September at 6.30 pm** to be seated by **7.00 pm**. Contact Mons Vince so that you can receive a personal invitation which is required for entry. Registration by **Friday 9 September**.



## Celebration of the Feast of Our Lady of Philermo (Birth of the Virgin Mary)

Members of the St Mark's community are cordially invited to this special feast day Mass of the Sovereign Military Order of Malta on **Thursday 8 September at 6 pm** to be celebrated here at St Mark's. I am a magistral chaplain of this Order.

**Mons Vince**



## Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA)



St Mark's Parish invites adults considering joining the Catholic Church to an enquiry meeting on **Sunday 25 September at 10 am** (in the Parish Centre—following Mass). No need to book in, just come along to one of these meetings. Supporters welcome. If you, or someone you know—perhaps a spouse, relative or friend—would be interested in finding out more about joining the faith community at St Mark's, please get in touch with Mary Cook through the Parish Office on 9181 1795 or email cookmary@bigpond.net.au

Parishioners interested in supporting the work of the RCIA are asked to contact Mary. Training and support will be provided. All that is required is your faith and regular attendance at a St Mark's Parish Mass. There are many ways to become involved in this ministry to bring others close to Jesus Christ.

## For Your Information -

### † YOUTH NEWS—

† **CATHOLIC YOUTH SERVICES 'NET TEAM'** - Our parish is fortunate to have the Catholic Youth Services 'Net Team' (an independent Catholic organisation, www.netministries.com.au, whose mission is evangelisation through personal example) working with our youth over the following weeks.

Until the end of November the Youth Group will be meeting on the **2nd and 4th Sundays** for an hour for an informal gathering after **6 pm Mass**. The youth group is open to anyone in Year 6 to Year 12. All youth events are supervised by adult leaders. The youth will be providing the music at these Masses. If you can play an instrument, come along.



† **FAITH TO THE EXTREME**—Combined Diocesan Youth Camp for Years 7-10 from **9 am Tuesday 27 September to 2 pm Thursday 29 September** at the Benedict XVI Retreat Ctr, Grosevale. This is a 3-day camp—great activities. Cost: \$100. RSVP: Deb Wing by **18 September** (0414 232 321).



† **E-CONFERENCE**—There will be an e-Conference held on **Tuesday 6 September** at St Vincent's Parish, Ashfield at the parish house in Bland Street from **10.30 am to 2.45 pm**. Theme: *Following Jesus—Matthew*. Coffee and tea will be provided. Parishioners from Drummoyne are warmly welcome to attend.



† **SYDNEY ALLIANCE FOUNDING ASSEMBLY**—On **Thursday 15 September**, His Eminence Cardinal Pell will join 2000 people from across Sydney's diverse civil society at the Sydney Alliance Founding Assembly. The Sydney Alliance provides an opportunity for parishes and other communities to grow stronger by nurturing leadership, fostering relationships and responding to local needs. Following a process of listening earlier this year, the Alliance is pursuing campaigns in the areas of social inclusion; community care, health and support; and transport. Communities within the Archdiocese have also used the tools of the Alliance to strengthen parish councils, build stronger youth groups, establish outreach to elderly parishioners and facilitate parish-school collaboration. **All parishes and communities in the Archdiocese of Sydney are encouraged to consider this opportunity for church and civic renewal.** To find out more, please contact the Acting Justice and Peace Promoter, Chantelle Ogilvie on 9390 5319.



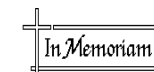
Welcome



If you are new to St Mark's please pick up an 'Information for New Parishioners' handout from the Leaflet Cabinet in the Church Foyer.



In your love and concern, please pray for the following ill members of our community—  
Carlo Balacco; Margaret Biro; Robert Caffery; Charlie Camilleri; Pat Castagnone; Julie Cavanaugh; Jan Cooney; Carmelina Finocchio; Aileen Gardiner; James Giffen; Daisy Gill; Amelia Ann Godde; John Hanley; Lachlan Jarvis; Fr Con Keough; Marie Lewis; Des McRae; Josephine Merzian; Cesare Mignacca; Peter Nicastro; Toddy O'Sullivan; Maria Paino; Sebastian Pomareda; Jo Reid; Isabella Riccardi; Adam Rogers; Lynette Rowe; Neta Saunders; Pina Sindone; Steve Sparkes; Lynn Sullivan; Anne Whitfield; Christine Whitfield; Elaine Woods; Pat & Tom Gaha; Steve Briscoe; Greg Walsh; Judy Gorton, Sharyn Killen and all community members unwell at this time.



**Recently Deceased:** Fr Rod Bray (Parish Priest, Merrylands); Frances (Babe) Bridges; Vito Repole.  
**Anniversaries and those we are remembering at this time:** Victor Xuereb; Sveto Viskovich; John & Joan Coyle; Thomas & Amy Coyle; Lillian & Joseph Barry; Michael Brown; Marge & Doug Green; Sr Mary James; Harry & Launa McCarron; John & Eliza Kennedy; Rhonda Winterflood; Lana Price; Richard & Betty O'Neill; Lorenza Di Palma.

## 1st Reconciliation Enrolments 2011

Parishioners of St Mark's Drummoyne with children who are in Year 2, or classes above, are eligible to enrol for the Parish-based Sacrament preparation for First Reconciliation. The program commences early in Term 4. Forms must be returned on or before **Friday 9 September 2011**. The enrolment forms for First Reconciliation will be distributed through St Mark's Primary School and also Drummoyne Public School.



Forms are now available, for children attending other schools, in the Church foyer. First Reconciliation celebrations will be at **7.30 pm** here at St Mark's on **23, 24 and 25 November**. After reception of this sacrament, children are eligible for enrolment in First Eucharist (First Holy Communion) at the end of Term 1, 2012 for celebrations in **June 2012**. Further information can be obtained from Mary Cook, Pastoral Associate, at the Parish Office on 9181 1795 or email: cookmary@bigpond.net.au

**'PLANTED & BUILT UP IN JESUS CHIRST - FIRM IN THE FAITH':** Event for young people aged 16-35 on **Saturday 10 September 2011** at St Charles Borromeo Parish, Ryde.



This will be an incredible event with talks, testimonies, workshops, amazing **LIVE** music with Gary Pinto and the Revelations, as well as a free bbq. So if you are 16-35, want to be firm in your faith and share this faith with others, visit www.cys.org.au and register now (info@cys.org.au).

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