



NOTICEBOARD

- † **SCHOLARSHIPS & BURSARIES AT SANTA SABINA COLLEGE FOR 2013**—Scholarships are offered to all students entering Year 7 and new applicants only for Years 9, 10 and 11. All scholarships will be awarded on the basis of the ACER examination (held at the College on **Saturday 25 February 2012**), application, interview and audition where relevant. Applications close: **6 February 2012**. Enquiries: Registrar 9745 7030.
- † **ST PATRICK'S INSTITUTE OF EDUCATION** (Cnr Devonshire & Riley Sts, Surry Hills—entrance via Marlborough St) **OPEN DAY—Sunday 13 November from 11 am**. Tours of College, talk with current students and trainers, employment opportunities, refreshments. Enquires: 8306 2333 or visit: www.stpatsbuscol.com.au
- † **RACHEL'S VINEYARD**—Have you, or anyone you know, been hurt by an abortion experience? Rachel's Vineyard ministries offers support and spiritual healing. Next retreat is **18-20 November**. Call the confidential voicemail on 9440 7980. *The wound in your heart may not yet have healed ... do not lose hope ... the Father of mercies is ready to give forgiveness.* Pope John Paul II 1995.
- † **A MORNING OF QUIET REFLECTION** at the Grail Centre, 22 McHatton St, North Sydney on **Wednesday 16 November from 10 am to 12 noon**. Theme: *Looking for Wisdom*. There will be time for silent meditation on scripture and the opportunity to share thoughts in a group. For more information or to register your interest, please contact Tricia Gemmell (9436 3447 or pgemmell@tpg.com.au) or the Grail Centre (9955 3053) or ruthcrowe@ozemail.com.au
- † **ETHICA ACCESSORIES INVITES YOU AND ALL THE FAMILY** to a Christmas Fiesta fundraiser on **Friday 18 November from 5 pm—8 pm**, with Christmas Carols by St Mary's Primary School, Peruvian dances performed by Raices Peruanas, Fair Trade gifts, delicious Peruvian food and wonderful raffle prizes. Venue: Isabel Menton Theatre, Mary MacKillop Place, 7—11 Mount Street, North Sydney. Entry of \$15 includes complimentary drinks. Ethica Accessories is an initiative of the Sisters of St Joseph that provides employment and income for hundreds of women living in marginalised areas in Peru. Tel—8912 2716, gina.bradley@sosj.org.au; www.ethica.org.au
- † **MUSTARD SEED BOOKSHOP RE-OPENING SALE** (3 Keating St, Lidcombe, Tel: 9646 9000): **17-19 November**, in store only. Save up to 75% off selected items, with a minimum 15% off everything in store. Books, accessories, pious goods, statues, DVDs, CDs and T-shirts.
- † **THE EDMUND RICE BUSINESS ETHICS INITIATIVE BREAKFAST SERIES FOR 2011—BREAKFAST WITH MIKE CARLTON AT GILBERT & TOBIN** (2 Park St, Sydney) on **Tuesday 15 November** starting at 7.30 pm and concluding at 9 am. Theme: Ethical Leadership. Tickets: \$40, members and students \$25 (including GST). Bookings: Gary Wellmore 8762 4200 or reception@erc.org.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 

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

LITURGICAL MINISTERS 13 November 2011 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time Year A				
THIS WEEK:	WORD	COMMUNION	SERVER/ JEM (jnr euch. min)	CHILDREN'S LITURGY
VIGIL (Saturday) 6 PM Vigil	C Griffith P Griffith	M Griffin	A Griffith	N/A
9.00 AM (Sunday)	N Rice D Nott J Denehy	M Rice K Drury	E Pidd JEMS: J Casey O Callegari	Younger Gp: R Harris G Rice Older Gp: K Jeffrey
6.00 PM (Sunday)	Youth Ministry	Youth Ministry	T Bocalatte JEMS: Youth Ministry	N/A

PARISH DIARY 2011		
17 November (Thursday)	Sunshine Club	12 noon—Club Five Dock
25 November (Friday)	Catholic Women's League Meeting	2 pm—Parish Centre
Regular Gps:		
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 7—

Anita Rebecchi & Annette Kalis



ST MARK'S MASS TIMETABLE

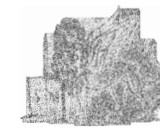
SATURDAY VIGIL:	6.00 pm
SUNDAY:	9.00 am & 6.00 pm
WEEKDAYS:	
Monday & Friday	8.00 am
Tuesday & Thursday	9.30 am
Wednesday	7.30 am
Saturday	12 noon
RECONCILIATION:	Saturday 11.30 am
EXPOSITION:	Saturday 11.00 am to 12 noon

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.

EUCCHARIST 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 20 November 2011 Christ the King Year A				
NEXT WEEK:	WORD	COMMUNION	SERVER/ JEM (jnr euch. min)	CHILDREN'S LITURGY
VIGIL (Saturday) 6 PM Vigil	A Gill M Bullock	E Favorito	R Zoccali	
9.00 AM (Sunday)	D Reilly N Goodman C Drury	R Colantino M Lipo	L Wark JEMS: B Rice G Chiera	Younger Gp: K Cramp V Cramp Older Gp: C Wark
6.00 PM (Sunday)	D Wing R Ficarra	C Iacono	S Gallace JEMS: N Moiso L Cramp	



St Mark's Parish

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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

33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Year A

13 November 2011

33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

The Church places before us today the last ordinary Sunday of the Church year and next Sunday we will celebrate the feast of Christ the King. In our liturgy today, we are reminded not just of the end of the liturgical year, but of the end of all things and the preparations we need to make. The Bible tells us that we are all created in the image and likeness of God and he has placed on us multiple gifts and blessings. He expects us to utilise properly these blessings for his kingdom and for his people. As disciples who are entrusted now with the saving work of Jesus, we are to act boldly with the unmerited and generous "possessions" we have been given. Our faithfulness to the mission leads us to an even more wondrous "possession" – full participation in the "Master's joy".



The Gospel reading today tells us about such a confidence the Master had in his servants as he "entrusted his possessions to them"! But not all servants, controlled by fear, proved to be trustworthy. Out of fear, they went off and buried their talents, not increasing what they had been given. Yet, fear can surely paralyse us and cause us to lose everything.

The issue in the parable is not how much we have, but that we put to the greatest use the blessings we have already been given. One aspect of what we are to do during the delay in Christ's coming is to use our blessings well, in faithful discipleship and in intimately loving God in return. This, in turn, increases our blessings. When the Master comes, then we need have no fear of the judgment for we will



have been "good and faithful servants", then we too will enter fully into the Master's joy.

*Generous God, you have given us all we need to be good and faithful servants of your divine Son.
Be with us as we strive to use your gifts for the good of others and make our efforts fruitful.
We ask this through Christ our Lord.
Amen*



*Fr Huy Trong Phan (Fr Wee)
Associate Pastor—St Mark's*

Today's Liturgy -

Entrance Antiphon

The Lord says: my plans for you are peace and not disaster; when you call to me, I will listen to you, and I will bring you back to the place from which I exiled you.

First Reading: Proverbs 31:10-13.19-20.30-31

Give her a share in what she has worked for.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM—Ps 127:1-5

Happy are those who fear the Lord.

Second Reading: 1 Thessalonians 5:1-6

The day of the Lord is going to come like a thief in the night.

NEXT WEEK—

**Christ the King—
Ezek 34:11-12, 15-17; 1 Cor 15:20-26, 28;
Mt 25:31-46**



The Catholic Weekly

PULPIT POINTS:

- † Win \$1000 for yourself ... and \$1000 for your parish.
- † Vindicated detainee still faces the boot!
- † Story of Pope John Paul II 'changed my life' – author.
- † Share your Nativity crib with all of us!
- † Order of Malta – anniversary supplement.



PLUS news, reviews, features and topical debates.

Youth News

† YOUTH LEADERS' FORMATION COURSE

2011—From 21 November to 17 December 2011, the 5th Youth Leaders' Formation Course (YLFC) will take place. The YLFC is a unique opportunity for 20-30 young adults from around Australia to live in community while being immersed in spiritual, pastoral and intellectual formation. The month includes over 30 presentations from dynamic speakers, daily Mass and prayer, silent retreat, parish mission, social outreach and life changing friendships! Are you being called to be part of YLFC 2011 ... to Serve Christ, Grow in Faith and Change the World! See the YLFC video, flyer and all information at www.sydneycatholic.org/ylfc or contact ylfc@sydneycatholic.org



† SUMMER SCHOOLS OF EVANGELISATION 2012—A

week-long January summer retreat for young people, aged 16-35, includes lectures and seminars about the Catholic faith, prayer, music, fellowship and recreation in a community environment. **Venues:** Bathurst 8-15 January 2012 (contact Martin 0425 805 356 or bathurst@summerschool.org.au) and Paterson (NSW) 15-22 January 2012 (contact Epay 02 9674 5541 or dojsse@dojsydneynorth.org).



Annual Mass for Deceased Priests

Annual Mass for Deceased Priests is to be held in the Mary, Mother of Mercy Crematorium Chapel, Barnet Ave, Rookwood Catholic Cemetery on **Tuesday 15 November** commencing at **12 noon**. Refreshments will be served at the conclusion of Mass. Parishioners are warmly invited to attend.



St Joseph's Parish Rozelle 130th Anniversary Celebrations

You are warmly invited to attend this celebration on **Sunday 20 November** at **10 am**. There will be a special Mass at **10 am**, followed by a morning tea, BBQ and historical display. Location: St Joseph's Church Rozelle, Cnr of Gordon St & Victoria Rd, Rozelle. Enquiries—parish office 9818 5856 or josephrozelle@bigpond.com



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Parish Pastoral Council Elections

Within the next few weeks there will be an election to fill vacancies in this most important parish body. Its work is to plan the future of our parish, in terms of infrastructure, to oversee the work of other parish committees. Please think about joining the Council, pray about it and think of someone to nominate whom you believe would be a valuable contributor to parish planning.



Mons Vince

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA)



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.

November Masses



During the month of November, at least one Mass each day will be offered for the repose of the souls of our departed relatives and friends. Envelopes are available in the Church foyer today on which you may place the names of the deceased. Envelopes can be placed on the collection plates at Mass.

Mary MacKillop East Timor Mission

On **12 November** this year will mark the 20th anniversary of the Santa Cruz massacre in East Timor in which nearly 400 young people died. It was the beginning of the end of the quarter century of oppression which the Timorese people had endured.



Timor has made great leaps forward, eg it has gone up 11 places on the Human Development Index and is now ranked 120 out of 169 nations. Difficulties remain serious, however, with mortality of children under 5 at the third highest level in the world. As a means of asking God's help in our responsibilities towards our close neighbour, the Australian Church will join in prayer for them on this important anniversary.

University of Notre Dame Australia, Sydney Campus

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Find out about the small class sizes, innovative curriculum and easy access to our academic staff at our Mature Age and Postgraduate Course Information Evening on **Wednesday 30 November** from **6 pm to 8 pm**. For more information, visit www.nd.edu.au

New Parking Arrangements - Sunday Mass



There is now increased parking space for Sunday Mass in the extended playground. A new gate has been made, leading into South Street. To eliminate any traffic hazards caused by cars to those people gathered outside the Church after Mass, the traffic flow for vehicles will be as follows—

➔ **ENTRY**—from Tranmere Street as usual, between the Church and the School.

➔ **EXIT**—for all vehicles will be through the gate leading into South Street and turn right.

Trash & Treasure Market



Scalabrini Village, Drummoyne (1A Lyons Rd, Drummoyne—in the Piazza) will be a Trash & Treasure Market on **Thursday 24 November** from **2 pm, Friday 25 November** from **10 am till 3 pm** and **Saturday 26 November** from **10 am till 3 pm** to help raise funds to provide special functions and extra equipment for the elderly residents of the Village. Many items will be for sale (some new and preloved), ie jewellery, bags, home wares and kitchen wares. A café will be open during the markets.

Order of Malta Australia



LOURDES DAY MASS—3 DECEMBER 2011

The Order of Malta NSW Branch is hosting its third Lourdes Day Mass on **Saturday 3 December** at St Mary's Cathedral at **10 am**. The Mass is being celebrated for the intentions of all Catholic families, but particularly those sick and infirm members of our community. A blessing of the sick will follow the celebration with water brought from the spring at the Shrine of Lourdes.

The principal celebrant will be His Eminence Cardinal Pell AC assisted by Bishop Fisher and Magistral Chaplains of our Order.

If anyone is confined to a wheelchair, or requires other special assistance on the day please advise Stephanie Kaan, Corporate Affairs Officer on 9331 8477 or by email on info@smom.org.au before **26 November**.



THE SUNSHINE CLUB

The next get-together of St Mark's Sunshine Club group will be held on **Thursday 17 November** at **12 noon** at **Club Five Dock**. Everyone is welcome.



ST MARK'S BRANCH OF THE CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE will hold its monthly meeting on **Friday 25 November** in the Parish Centre at **2 pm**. New members welcome.

www.stmarksdrummoyne.org.au



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, Maurice McIntosh, Des McRae, Cesare Mignacca, Peter Nicastro, Toddy O'Sullivan, Maria Paino, Sebastian Pomareda, Isabella Riccardi, Adam Rogers, Neta Saunders, Pina Sindone, Steve Sparkes, Lynn Sullivan, Anne Whitfield, Christine Whitfield, Elaine Woods, Pat & Tom Gaha, Steve Briscoe, Greg Walsh, Sharyn Killen and all community members unwell at this time.



Recently Deceased: William Robley. **Anniversaries and those we are remembering at this time:** Mons Vince or Fr Huy will celebrate Mass each day during November for the repose of the souls of deceased relatives and friends. Envelopes are available in the Church foyer.

By the Power of the Holy Spirit

A Discernment Retreat for Women Called to Spiritual Motherhood

A special discernment retreat is being offered for all women considering a vocation to be a religious sister or a consecrated lay woman. This retreat will be a good opportunity for you to participate in common and private prayer, Mass, Confession and Eucharistic Adoration. There will be talks, vocation testimonies, opportunities to have a one-on-one chat with religious, and recreation.



When: **Friday 25 November (evening)** to **Sunday 27 November**. Where: Mt Carmel Retreat Ctre, St Andrews Rd, Varroville, NSW. Cost: \$160 per person (food and accommodation). Registration is essential. Enquiries/registration: vocations@sydneycatholic.org or 9390 5970. Please register by **Wednesday 16 November 2011**.

Sydney Guild of St Stephen

ALTAR SERVERS CAMP ON THE NEW TRANSLATION

A Guild Conference is a fun-filled Altar Servers Camp, with talks and workshops for boys and girls to learn more about serving at Mass, with an abundance of free time for recreation and to use the sporting facilities and swimming pool.



The 20th National Guild of St Stephen Conference will help participants become confident in serving and praying the New English Translation of the Roman Missal. It will be held from **Tuesday 3 January to Friday 6 January 2012** in the Diocese of Wollongong at The Tops Conference Centre, Stanwell Tops (near Wollongong). The Tops Conference Centre has optional extra facilities for abseiling, rock climbing, giant swing, archery and more. The final day of the Conference is spent at Jamberoo. There are brochures in the Church foyer.