

CATHOLIC PARISHES OF BONDI

St Patrick's and St Anne's Parish Bulletin

MASS TIMES

Monday - St Anne's No Mass 6.30pm Adoration & Confessions

Tuesday - St Anne's 7:15am

Wednesday - St Patrick's 7:15am

Thursday- St Patrick's
7.00pm
7:30pm Adoration & Confessions

Friday - St Anne's 9:15am

Saturday - St Anne's 9.00am

Sunday:

St Anne's - 8.00am & 5.00pm **St Patrick's** - 10.00am

CONFESSION TIMES

Monday: 6:30 - 7:30pm St Anne's

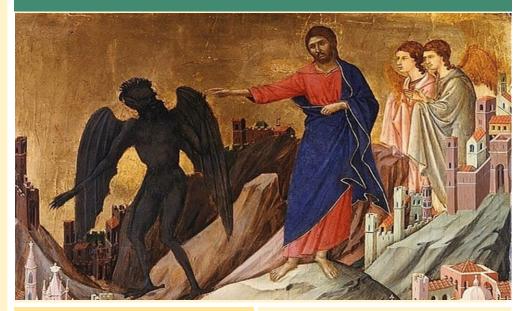
Thursday: 7:30 - 8:30pm St Pat-

rick's

Sunday: half an hour before each

Mass

THE TEMPTATION OF CHRIST IN THE WILDERNESS



PARISH STAFF

Fr. Anthony Robbie - Parish Priest
Marian Abi Khattar - Parish Manager &
Parish Safeguarding Support Officer
Eugene Raggio - Music Director
Verna Wing - Office Administrator

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Tues/Wed/Thurs: 10.00 - 12:30pm, 1:30pm - 5.00pm **Fri:** 10:30am - 2:30pm

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Recently Deceased

Fr William Aliprandi, Valerie Jenkins (née O'Brien), William Anthony Burnell

Deceased

John Charles McCarthy, Dr Geoffrey Leo Coffey, Nabil, George & Saydi El-Bety, Farid Beaini, Nisachol Malisorn

Anniversaries

Antonio and Angela Santamaria RIP Sarina and Filippo Santamaria RIP Filippo and Anthony Santamaria RIP

Prayers for the Sick

Mary Powell, Maria Joao Rodrigues de Araujo, Jason Dickson, Maria Barbara, Diana Margaret Duguid, Margaret Murphy and Fred Molloy

Special Intentions

Da Costa Family and Allen Family

This Week's Mass Intentions:

Sun 18 Feb: 8.00am Saowakon Iambua

(intention) 10.00am Pro Populo

5.00pm Holy Souls Tues 20 Feb: Nisachol Malisorn (RIP)

Wed 21 Feb: Holy Souls

Thurs 22 Feb: Holy Souls

Fri 23 Feb: Holy Souls

Sat 24 Feb: Holy Souls

Sun 25 Feb: 8:00am Holy Souls

10:00am Pro Populo 5:00pm Holy Souls

Parish Primary School

Galilee Catholic Primary School 60B Blair Street, North Bondi NSW 2026. Ph: 9130 7082



From the Archdiocese of Sydney

Child sexual abuse is a crime. The appropriate people to deal with crimes are the police. If you, or anyone you know, have been abused, please contact the police. The Archdiocese has a legal obligation to report crimes to the police.

Choir



At 10am Mass, the Choir will sing:

Offertory Motet: 'O Domine Jesu

Christe' (Palestrina)

Communion Motet: 'Thou knowest, Lord, the

secrets of our hearts' (Purcell) At 5pm Mass, the Choir will sing:

Offertory: 'Angelis suis mandavit de te' (J

Communion: 'Scapulis Suis' (Lassus)

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February Feast Day

22 February: The Chair of St Peter



Prayer: Saint Peter, you were a weak and sinful man, but God entrusted you with great responsibility, despite your unworthiness. Please pray for me, that despite my unworthiness, I may be open to all that God entrusts to me and that I may use those gifts for His glory and the salvation of souls. Saint Peter and all your successors in Heaven, pray for me. Jesus, I trust in You.



LENT BEGINS -

WHAT IS LENT?

The 40-day period from Ash Wednesday and before Easter Sunday. It is marked by prayer, fasting, abstinence, and other acts of penance.





WHAT IS FASTING?



One meal a day, and two smaller meals which if added together would not exceed one full meal

DAYS OF FAST?

Good Friday

WHO ARE REQUIRED?

Catholics from age < 18 to 59 >





The sick and expectant mothers are excused

WHAT IS ABSTINENCE?



Abstinence is refraining from eating meat. Meat is considered to be the flesh and organs of mammals and fowl.

DAYS OF ABSTINENCE?

Good Friday

WHO ARE REQUIRED?

Mandatory for everyone

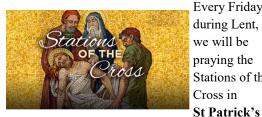


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SUNDAY 18/02/2024 | FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT YEAR B

Stations of the Cross

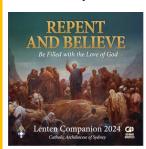


Every Friday during Lent, we will be praying the Stations of the Cross in

Church at 7.00pm, led by the Parish Priest. Each week we use a different set of intentions. The devotions usually last about 30 minutes.

Lenten Program

Our Lenten Program will commence on Monday 19th February.



Lenten groups will meet Monday evening from **7.45pm to** 8.45pm in the parish room under St Anne's Church.

In the following weeks, we will meet at 7.00pm Tuesday evenings.

Bible Series



Our Bible series of meditations on the Scripture is recommencing.

We are working our way through the Gospel of St John. This time we are looking at chapter 11.

Please join us on Tuesday 20th February at 7.00pm in the St Anne's Parish Conference Room

Altar Society



The formation of an altar society is long overdue for both churches.

The duties of an altar society include care of the sacred linens, including the reverent laundering and

preparation of those elements required for the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass, as well as the preparation of the floral arrangements in the churches and occasional polishing or preparation of metal works.

If any members of the parish are interested in lending a hand, would they please contact Fr Robbie or the parish office for further information?

Gospel Reflection



The Spirit drove Jesus out into the desert, and he remained in the desert for forty days, tempted by Satan. He was among wild beasts, and the angels ministered to him. Mark 1:12-13

What an amazing event we reflect upon today. Jesus, the Son of God, the Second Person of the Most Holy Trinity humbled Himself in two ways in the passage quoted above. First, He allowed Himself to endure the temptations of satan. Second, He permitted His very own creation, the

good angels, to minister to Him in His human form.

First of all, recall that satan is a fallen angel. He was created by God and was created good. But the Book of Revelation (12:4) indicates that one-third of the created angels were cast out of Heaven to roam the earth. These demons act under the direction of the highest fallen angel, satan. Thus, according to the passage above, it was satan himself who tempted Jesus in the desert. Additionally, Jesus permitted the good angels to minister to Him in His human nature. These acts reveal the perfection of the virtue of humility within the humanity of our Lord.

According to Saint Thomas Aquinas, angels were created for three primary reasons. The first is for the purpose of worship. Worship of God brings about communion with God and enables perfect love to flow back and forth from God to each angelic being. Second, angels enact the will of God in all things. This includes the implementation of the laws of nature and the imparting of the grace that Christ won on the Cross. Third, God uses angels as messengers. Scripture records various ways that the angels spoke to the prophets, to our Blessed Mother, to Saint Joseph and to others. Saint Thomas Aquinas also believed that each of us is given a particular guardian angel whose role is not only to protect us but also to communicate the will of God to us.

As God, Jesus was the Creator of all angelic beings with the Father and the Holy Spirit. As man, Jesus was the recipient of both the ministry of the good angels and the attacks of the fallen angels. By humbly subjecting Himself to the natural powers of these angelic creatures, Jesus was also teaching us that we must do the same.

One of the primary natural powers of both the good and bad angels is the power of influence and suggestive thought. Angelic beings have the ability to put before your imagination ideas meant to either influence you for the good (the good angels) or to deceive you and lead you into sin (the bad angels). These communications are real, and we should be aware of them. In his book, The Spiritual Exercises, Saint Ignatius of Loyola devotes much time and energy to the ministry of angels. He teaches how to distinguish the lies and deceptions of the fallen angels from the consoling direction communicated by the good angels. In many ways, our Gospel passage today, by which Jesus submitted Himself to the temptations and ministry of the angels, lends much support to the importance of trying to understand how these angelic creatures influence us.

Reflect, today, upon the amazing truth that both angels and demons are constantly active in your life, seeking to influence you. As you ponder their spiritual role in your life, consider the various ways you can learn more about them. Speak to your guardian angel. Ask for the intercession of the highest of angels. Try to join them in their divine worship. Pray for their protection. Ask them to communicate to you the highest of truths from God. Seek to be attentive to these holy angels so that as you learn to discern their voices, you will be ready to follow the direction they give to you from God.

My Lord and Creator of All, You created the angelic order for the glorious purpose of love and worship. You also give them the mission of enacting Your holy will and communicating to us on earth. Please help me to be more aware of the deceptions of the fallen angels and the direction of the good angels. Angels of God, pray for me, protect me and guide me into God's perfect will. Jesus, I trust in You. (mycatholic.life)



SUNDAY 18/02/2024 | FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT YEAR B

Why are the Gloria and Alleluia omitted during Lent?

The Lenten season is marked by two very distinct liturgical omissions. Neither the hymn known as the Gloria (Glory to God in the Highest) nor the Alleluia verse sung before the Gospel is permitted during the entire 40 days of Lent (with a few small exceptions).

Why is that? First of all, the Gloria is a hymn that celebrates the coming of the Lord using words from the angels at Christ's birth. The Church during Lent returns in spirit to a time when the people of God were in exile, waiting for the Messiah to come and save them.

Secondly, following this same spirit of exile, the Church joins Moses and the Israelites as they wander in the desert for 40 years. It is a time of agony and purification, one where the faithful join together in saying, "How shall we sing the Lord's song in a foreign land?" (Psalm 137:4) The word "Alleluia" is rooted in a Hebrew expression that means "praise the Lord" and is thus omitted during Lent.

As a result, our focus in Lent is not in rejoicing, but in mourning our sins, looking at those things that prevent us from an authentic relationship with God. Once these are removed through prayer, fasting, and almsgiving, we are able to rejoice again at Easter, for it is not only Christ's resurrection that we celebrate, but our own rebirth in the spirit. (Extract from Aleteia.org)

Nicene Creed

I believe in one God,
the Father almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all things visible and invisible.
I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ,
the Only Begotten Son of God,
born of the Father before all ages.
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father;
through him all things were made.

For us men and for our salvation he came down from heaven, (all bow) and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and became man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate, he suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and his kingdom will have no end.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.

I believe in one, holy, Catholic and apostolic Church. I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come.

Entrance Antiphon

Cf Psalm 90:15-16

When he calls on me, I will answer him; I will deliver him and give him glory, I will grant him length of days.

First Reading

Genesis 9:8-15

A reading from the book of Genesis

God spoke to Noah and his sons, 'See, I establish my Covenant with you, and with your descendants after you; also with every living creature to be found with you, birds, cattle and every wild beast with you: everything that came out of the ark, everything that lives on the earth. I establish my Covenant with you: no thing of flesh shall be swept away again by the waters of the flood. There shall be no flood to destroy the earth again.'

God said, 'Here is the sign of the Covenant I make between myself and you and every living creature with you for all generations: I set my bow in the clouds and it shall be a sign of the Covenant between me and the earth. When I gather the clouds over the earth and the bow appears in the clouds, I will recall the Covenant between myself and you and every living creature of every kind. And so the waters shall never again become a flood to destroy all things of flesh.'

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 24:4-9. R. see v.10 (R.) Your ways, O Lord, are love and truth to those who keep your covenant.

- 1. Lord, make me know your ways. Lord, teach me your paths. Make me walk in your truth, and teach me: for you are God my saviour. (R.)
- 2. Remember your mercy, Lord, and the love you have shown from of old. In your love remember me, because of your goodness, O Lord. (R.)
- 3. The Lord is good and upright. He shows the path to those who stray, he guides the humble in the right path; he teaches his way to the poor. **(R.)**

Second Reading

1 Peter 3:18-22

A reading from the first letter of St Peter

Christ himself, innocent though he was, died once for sins, died for the guilty, to lead us to God. In the body he was put to death, in the spirit he was raised to life, and, in the spirit, he went to preach to the spirits in prison. Now it was long ago, when Noah was still building that ark which saved only a small group of eight people 'by water', and when God was still waiting patiently, that these spirits refused to believe. That water is a type of the baptism which saves you now, and which is not the washing off of physical dirt but a pledge made to God from a good conscience, through the resurrection of Jesus Christ, who has entered heaven and is at God's right hand, now that he has made the angels and Dominations and Powers his sub-

Gospel Acclamation

Matthew 4:4

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory!

No one lives on bread alone, but on every word that comes from the mouth of God.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory!

Gospel

Mark 1:12-15

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark

The Spirit drove Jesus out into the wilderness and he remained there for forty days, and was tempted by Satan. He was with the wild beasts, and the angels looked after him. After John had been arrested, Jesus went into Galilee. There he proclaimed the Good News from God. 'The time has come' he said 'and the kingdom of God is close at hand. Repent, and believe the Good News.

Communion Antiphon

Matthew 4:4

One does not live by bread alone, but by every word that comes forth from the mouth of God.

