



HOLY FAMILY COMMUNITY

UNDER THE CARE OF THE AUSTRALIAN JESUIT PROVINCE



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We acknowledge the Darug people, the traditional custodians on whose land this Church was built.

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MASS TIMES - HOLY FAMILY CHURCH - EMERTON

Saturday Vigil : 5.30pm Sunday: 9.00 am and 10.30 am

JOHN TERRY CHAPEL (DAY CHAPEL)

Monday 8.30am Mass

Tuesday 6.00pm Mass

Wednesday 6.00pm Mass

Thursday 8.30am Mass

Friday 9.00am Mass

Saturday 9.00am Mass



MASS AT WILLMOT CHURCH

Sunday 7.30am

Cnr Pelsart & Carteret Ave Willmot

RECONCILIATION AND HOLY HOUR—EMERTON

Saturday from 9.30 am to 10.00 am

A REFLECTION FROM THE PARISH PRIEST FOR THE

Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

If we but open our eyes, we will be amazed at the bountifulness of the nourishment provided for us. We will discover that there is more than we will ever need; that God is magnanimous – that is: “large hearted” – even prodigal in giving; that God’s generosity exceeds all our expectations and also our understanding. So often the hunger we experience is really dissatisfaction. Because we want richer fare, we overlook the simple yet substantial bread within our reach.

A second characteristic of this bread should not be overlooked. It comes to us in a community of disciples. We are nourished by God through the ministry of one another. Again, this happens through very simple actions: distributing bread and gathering up the fragments; visiting the sick and consoling the grieving; caring for a child and giving aid to an elder; bagging groceries and directing a choir. If we but open our eyes, we will be astounded at how ordinary actions can satisfy our hunger and the hunger of others.

Perhaps what astounds us most about the goodness of God is that it is given freely, without payment or cost. There is no thought of requiring payment from the multitude on the mountain. Isaiah insists that God simply invites: “All you who are thirsty, come... come, receive grain and eat!” Of course, we have to acknowledge that we are needy. We have to reach out our hands to receive. But when we do, we are sustained and we discover that a bond is established that endures.

LORD, OPEN
OUR EYES TO SEE
YOU WORKING
IN ALL THAT
WE FACE.

Bible Study Tools

Fr Gregory

SCRIPTURE READINGS—YEAR A THE TRANSFIGURATION OF THE LORD

LET US HEAR AND RECEIVE THE WORD OF GOD



This is my Beloved Son...

FIRST READING: Daniel 7: 9-10, 13-14

His raiment was as white as snow.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: Ps 96: 1-2, 5-6, 9.

The Lord is king, the most high over all the earth.

The Lord is king, let earth rejoice, let all the coastlands be glad.
Cloud and darkness are his raiment; his throne, justice and right. R.

The mountains melt like wax before the Lord of all the earth.
The skies proclaim his justice; all peoples see his glory. R.

For you indeed are the Lord most high above all the earth
exalted far above all spirits. R.

SECOND READING: 2 Peter 1: 16-19

We heard this voice from out of heaven.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

Alleluia, alleluia!

This is my Son, my beloved, in whom is all my delight.

Alleluia!

GOSPEL: Matthew 17: 1-9

Jesus took with him Peter and James and his brother John and led them up a high mountain where they could be alone. There in their presence he was transfigured: his face shone like the sun and his clothes became as white as the light. Suddenly Moses and Elijah appeared to them; they were talking with him. Then Peter spoke to Jesus. 'Lord,' he said 'it is wonderful for us to be here; if you wish, I will make three tents here, one for you, one for Moses and one for Elijah.' He was still speaking when suddenly a bright cloud covered them with shadow, and from the cloud there came a voice which said, 'This is my Son, the Beloved; he enjoys my favour. Listen to him.' When they heard this, the disciples fell on their faces, overcome with fear. But Jesus came up and touched them. 'Stand up,' he said 'do not be afraid.' And when they raised their eyes they saw no one but only Jesus.

The Gospel of the Lord.



READINGS FOR THE 19TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME IN YEAR A—SUNDAY 13th AUGUST 2023

First Reading: 1 Kings 19: 9-11-13

Second Reading: Romans 9: 1-5

Gospel: Matthew 14: 22-33



PARISH OFFICE HOURS

From Wednesday 19th July until
Tuesday 15th August, our Parish
office will be open:
Monday- Friday
10.00am-2.30pm

**CLOSED on WEEKENDS
and PUBLIC HOLIDAYS.**
(02) 9628 7272

Tuesday 15th August
Mass Times
8.30am and 6.00pm

The
Assumption
OF THE BLESSED
VIRGIN MARY

**Follow our
young pilgrims to
World Youth Day
2023 in Lisbon
Portugal.**

SIGN UP FOR UPDATES OF THEIR JOURNEY:

catholicoutlook.info/WYD23News

ST MARY OF THE CROSS MACKILLOP
FEAST DAY
8 AUGUST

*Never see a need without doing
something about it...*

— Mary MacKillop

FaithLIFE – 3 Night Short Course on Synodal Spirituality: Beginning 22 August

Pope Francis has invited the Church to be more 'synodal'. But what does that mean as an expression of Christian spirituality? Sign up for the FaithLIFE 3-night short course on synodal spirituality with Sr Patty Andrew, brought to you by the Mission Enhancement Team (MET). 6:30PM to 8:30PM on three Tuesday: 22 Aug + 29 Aug + 5 Sep. Downstairs @ Bishop Bede Heather Centre: 1-5 Marion Street, Blacktown NSW 2148. RSVP via <https://pfparra.org.au/faithlife/>

Do you find life & faith inspiration by listening to the experiences of others?

The Mission Enhancement Team's *Soul Food Podcast* features life & faith stories of people from our diocesan family. Listen now for FREE via our website or on Spotify: <https://pfparra.org.au/soulfood/>

Liturgical Ministry Formation Course

The Liturgical Ministry Formation Courses will recommence in September. If you are interested in serving within the Liturgical Ministries either as Readers, Extraordinary Ministers of Communion, Communion to the Sick and Dying and Ministers at the Altar, please contact the Office for Worship on 0460 037 795 or mary.gale@parracatholic.org

WE ASK FOR YOUR PRAYERS

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