



# Our Lady Star of the Sea Parish, Miranda Our Lady of the Way, Sylvania



*In Christ we Believe | With Christ we Belong | Through Christ we Become*

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The parish website is now active and can be reached at  
**<https://www.olssmiranda.org.au>**.  
The bulletin and other notifications will be placed on the website weekly.  
The Archdiocesan website is also linked to this site.

## 12TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME- YEAR A 21ST JUNE 2020

### Entrance Antiphon:

The Lord is the strength of his people, a saving refuge for the one he has anointed. Save your people, Lord and bless your heritage, and govern them for ever.

### Communion Antiphon:

The eyes of all look to you, Lord, and you give them their food in due season.

### A brief explanation regarding Jobkeeper payments for clergy.

The first and a most crucial point to make is that **Clergy remuneration is unusual because the cash component (the "stipend") is quite small, and most of the benefits are in kind** (housing, food, health insurance etc.).

The Federal government legislation for Jobkeeper includes "religious practitioners". The legislation allows an eligible religious entity (a parish) to use the JobKeeper allowance to pay a priest his normal stipend (which is less than the JobKeeper payment) and to use the rest of the payment to help pay for the in-kind benefits (accommodation and living costs) provided to that priest.

The archdiocese, like other Charitable entities, welcomes this Federal government support – which assists our ability to provide for our clergy and our lay employees, who in turn are able to support the local economy. Note that as with all JobKeeper payments, **all the money goes to the employee** (except, that in the case of priests, some money goes to their in-kind benefits); no money goes for any other Church purposes.

**NEW MASS REGULATIONS-  
50 PEOPLE CAN ATTEND MASS  
AFTER 1ST JULY THE NUMBER WHO CAN  
ATTEND WILL INCREASE TO 100 AT  
SYLVANIA AND 150 AT MIRANDA  
But please remember**

**IF YOU ARE AT ALL UNWELL PLEASE STAY  
HOME  
AND RECOVER FULLY BEFORE  
ATTENDING MASS.**

**IT WILL BE NECESSARY TO REGISTER TO  
ATTEND SUNDAY MASSES.**

To register go to  
[www.olssmiranda.eventbrite.com.au](http://www.olssmiranda.eventbrite.com.au)  
Or call the office on 95251448  
Or email to [olssmiranda@onestream.com.au](mailto:olssmiranda@onestream.com.au).  
Registration for Mass is necessary as we are obliged to keep the names of those in the church and a contact detail in case an episode of COVID-19 requires contact tracing.

### **WHEN ATTENDING MASS:**

**SOCIAL DISTANCING WILL BE OBSERVED.  
HAND SANITISER WILL BE NECESSARY.  
EACH PERSON ATTENDING MASS MUST  
HAVE THEIR NAME MARKED OFF ON THE  
ROLL.  
COMMUNION WILL BE UNDER ONE SPECIES  
ONLY AND MUST BE RECEIVED IN THE  
HAND.**

Sunday Mass will continue to be streamed on Youtube at 10.30am. The streamed Mass can be accessed either through the Our Lady Star of the Sea Facebook page or by searching Our Lady Star of the Sea Miranda on Youtube.

***Please pray for our sick:***

Jean Boxsell, Mark Houghton, Nancy McLeland, John and Joan Martin, Gaye Chiswick, Paula O'Rourke, Sr Lecia Coombe, Richard Carter, Jackson Byrnes, Dorothy Weir, Imelda Richards, Joy Stanley, Justin Paterson, Nell Ouley, Margarita Castainer, Nerida Ritchie, Jonathan Davis, Merle Sponberg, Sadie Smith, Isabella Drew, Patricia Doyle, Nicola Christie, Kathryn Vial, Wilhelmena Schippers, Greg Twemlow, Blarsha Walmsley, Julianne Stuart, Anne Jones, Peter Kedwell, Jack Dhanda, Linda Robinson, the residents of Hammondcare, Samantha Christie, Dorothy Miglionico, Lauren Stephenson, Kirralie Cooper, Roy Lyle, Melissa Gamboa, Bob Brennan, William Thoms, Jan Walker, Gayle Lambert, Elva Randall, Bette Brown, Mel Southwell, Beverly Bisaro, Desma Jama, Harry Zammit, Patricia Bevan, John O'Keefe, Zoe Moore, Narelle Huriwal, the residents of Moran Health Care, Anastasia Kavey, Gregory Portelli, Sienna Bergman, Loretta Hammond, John Touzell, Dot Touzell, Mary Harrison, John Nagy Jr., Louise Alexander, Jack Spencer, Connor Leuver, Catherine Ronzon, Margaret O'Neill, Alexander Boyle, Darren Thompson.

***Please pray for the repose of these souls***

***Recently deceased:***

Robert Gallagher, David Leslie Andrew, Ray Newman, John Santo, John Mula, Mary Alice Boyd, Connie Simpson,

***Anniversaries:***

Ernesto Diez, Barbara Mooney, Giuseppina Maresca, Wesley McColl.

**PLANNED GIVING ENVELOPES FOR 2020/2021**

Planned Giving Envelopes can be collected from the back of the churches this weekend.

**A message from the Archbishop**

Abuse is a crime. The appropriate people to deal with a crime are the police. If you – or anyone you know – have been abused, please contact the police. Alternatively, you can contact the Safeguarding and Ministerial Integrity Office at (02) 9390 5810 or [safeguardingenquiries@sydneycatholic.org](mailto:safeguardingenquiries@sydneycatholic.org) You may also want to speak to your Parish Priest who will be able to provide support and guidance.

The Archdiocese has a legal obligation to report crimes to the police.

[Parish Safeguarding Support Officer \(PSSO\) for the parishes of Our Lady Star of the Sea and Our Lady of the Way is Bernadette Fabris– 0414442047.](mailto:ParishSafeguardingSupportOfficer@sydneycatholic.org)

**SACRAMENTS FOR 2020**

**Reconciliation** will be received for the first time by the Year 3 children of the parishes who attend the local public schools on the **9 September between 4.30-6.30pm.**

Information about the preparation sessions will be sent home from scripture classes early in Term 3.

**First Holy Communion** will be received either on the **22 or 29 November** by the Year 4 children of the parishes who attend the local public schools.

Information about the preparation sessions will be sent home from scripture classes late in Term 3.

**Confirmation** is most likely to be postponed until **2021**. This will mean that the candidates who should have received the Sacrament this year will be in Year 7. Details on how to register for Confirmation in 2021 will be sent home from the Year 6 scripture classes in Term 4.

The demands of discipleship can be very difficult. The strength that is needed to continue on the chosen path despite its hardships can come only from God. We live in a world that desperately needs to hear the call to conversion, but it is a world that is subject to the death that entered it through the sin of Adam. Those who answer the call of God may have to face the hostility of this world, because their values and their commitment to righteousness threaten its moorings. To commit oneself to the reign of God is to challenge the reign of the world, and this can make one very unpopular. In the midst of this suffering we can find strength in the promises of God, and we believe that God is faithful to these promises.

Only half of today's picture is bleak. The other half is radiant with hope. Paul assures us that the gracious gift that God offers us is far greater than the transgressions brought on by sin. This gracious gift is Jesus Christ himself. The gift exceeds anything for which we might have hoped. He is the comfort that will carry us through our disappointments. He is the strength that will enable us to endure the misunderstanding and hardship that come with discipleship. We are called to acknowledge him before the world, and we are promised that if we do, he will acknowledge us before God. There is light even in the midst of darkness. There is hope even in the midst of suffering.

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