



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

Our Lady Star of the Sea and Our Lady of the Way parishes acknowledge the Gweagal people of the Dharawal Nation as the traditional owners who have walked upon and cared for this land for thousands of years.

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www.bit.ly/OnlineMass
Sunday Mass Registration:
www.olssmiranda.eventbrite.com.au
Website: <https://www.olssmiranda.org.au>

**SIXTH SUNDAY IN
ORDINARY TIME YEAR B
14TH FEBRUARY 2021**

Entrance Antiphon:

Be my protector, O God,
A mighty stronghold to save me
For you are my rock, my stronghold!
Lead me, guide me, for the sake of your
name.

Communion Antiphon:

They ate and had their fill, and what they
craved the Lord gave them; they were not
disappointed in what they craved.

Mass Times

Miranda:

Tuesday - 7.30pm

Wednesday & Thursday - 9.15am

Sunday -8.00 & 10.30am

Sylvania:

Friday - 9:15am

Saturday - 5.00pm

Reconciliation:

Tuesday -7.00pm at Miranda

Saturday - 4.00pm at Sylvania

Baptisms:

Sunday-12 noon



CORONAVIRUS RESTRICTIONS

Changes 10th February mean we can have 240 at Mass at Miranda and 160 at Sylvania.

- 1.Archbishop Anthony Fisher OP has lifted the dispensation from our Sunday Mass obligation. The Catholic faithful are once again obliged to attend Mass on Sundays and Holy Days of Obligation when this is reasonably possible.**
- 2.Wearing a mask in Mass is optional.**
- 3.Please still socially distance your self when seated and moving about the church.**
- 4.Attendance at Mass must be recorded either by using the QR for NSW Health; or by manual registration on the sign in sheet. IT IS NO LONGER NECESSARY TO PRE-BOOK FOR MASS.**
- 4.Miranda church doors will be left open for private prayer again as of 15th February.**

17th February- Ash Wednesday

Ash Wednesday Masses will be celebrated **at 9.15am and 7.30pm at Miranda.**

Attendance at these Masses will be recorded either by manual sign in or QR scan at the door of the church.

19th February-Stations of the Cross at Sylvania following the 9.15am Mass.

23rd February-Stations of the Cross at Miranda at 6.30pm.

During Lent- beginning the 20th of February

Fr John has added another opportunity to receive the **Sacrament of Reconciliation-**

Saturdays at 11.00-11.30am at Miranda.

Please pray for our sick:

Veronica Nugent, Pasquale Ghostin, Manfred Meier, Nick Christie, Wendy Fell, David Byrnes, Gaye Chiswick, Richard Carter, Nicola Christie, Blarsha Walmsley, the residents of Hammondcare, Samantha Christie, Dorothy Miglionico, Julianne Stuart, Roy Lyle, the residents of Moran Health Care, John Touzell, Dot Touzell, Mary Harrison, John Nagy Jr., Louise Alexander, Margaret O'Neill.

Please pray for the repose of these souls

Recently deceased:

Fr Isidore Anantharaj, Fr Barry Swift, Isabel Akal, Fr Tim Cahill, Ronald Pitt, Peter Spora.

Anniversaries:

Joe Palisi, Mark and John Wedesweiler, Amelia Jenkins Merjelda Ombrog, Brian Byrnes, Montaha Dib, Felix Veloso Jr and Gilbert Aquilan.

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

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.

14th February

5.00pm– Mallon and Wood/

8am– Lyons and Tan/

10.30am– Pereira and Kho/Then

21st February

5.00pm– Dable and Ross/

8am–Tierney and Suchy/

10.30am–Smith and Periera

Today, as we did last Sunday we celebrate our Catechists. This Sunday throughout the Archdiocese over 1,800 Catechists who generously give their time to teach the Catholic faith to over 27,000 primary and high school students in the 320 public schools situated in the Archdiocese of Sydney will be acknowledged. We recognise their response to their baptismal call to evangelise, their generosity in volunteering, and their love for the children in a mission that is often unseen and unrecognised by many yet crucial and rewarding –as one Catechist has said.” Being a Catechist is one of the most spiritually fulfilling things I have ever done.” Do something of eternal significance-be a Catechist or helper! We invite you to join this rewarding mission. Catechists say that they truly receive much more than they give.

Today we acknowledge and thank **Celine Athayde and Gayle Pagano for their 20 years service and Mary Fanara for her 25 years service.**

Please consider joining these inspirational and dedicated catechists- We have a class at Miranda North Primary School in urgent need of a catechist on Tuesday mornings 9.30am-10am. Please contact Josie Severino on 0419488865 to learn more about how you could help.

Gospel Focus – What’s in a word?

Verse 41 of this week’s reading begins, ‘Feeling sorry for him, Jesus stretched out his hand.’ This translation is from the Jerusalem Bible but if we were to consider other translations of the Bible we would find other phrases used such as: moved with pity; filled with pity; moved with compassion; filled with compassion; or even, filled with anger. By comparison, ‘Feeling sorry for him’ seems a weak translation. Jesus’ reaction is a fully human one of indignation at what this man is forced to endure. It is a gut-wrenching response from the very core of Jesus’ humanity.

Living the Gospel – Who is your leper?

There is a story of Francis of Assisi in which he encountered a horribly disfigured leper. Initially, Francis was repulsed by the man but remembered that this man too was a child of God and made in the image and likeness of God. Overcoming his fears, Francis ran forward and embraced the man. Rather than seeing the disease, Francis saw the person. We can ask the question, Who is your leper? Who is the person in your life that you need to embrace rather than reject? Who would benefit from you viewing them with different eyes? Soft eyes! Eyes of compassion! Greg Sunter