



## Our Lady Star of the Sea Parish, Miranda



*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.

**Parish Priest: Fr John Greig**

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**Our Lady Star of the Sea Primary School:**

9524 5543 **Principal:** Michelle Bourne

**Website:** <https://www.olssmiranda.org.au>

### 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:**

**By appointment - please call the Parish Office to arrange a Baptism.**

## SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT YEAR A

**4 DECEMBER 2022**

**Entrance Antiphon:**

O people of Sion, behold, the Lord will come to save the nations, and the Lord will make the glory of his voice heard in the joy of your heart.

**Communion Antiphon:**

Jerusalem, arise and stand upon the heights, and behold the joy which comes to you from God.

### PARISH NEWS

**Welcome to Lucasz Golab** who is being formed as a priest at the Seminary of the Good Shepherd. He is here at Miranda for his pastoral placement.

**CHRISTMAS MASS TIMES**

**Christmas Eve at Miranda Mass will be at 5.00pm and 8pm.**

**Christmas Eve at Sylvania Mass will be at 5.00pm.**

**Christmas Day at Miranda Mass will be at 8am and 10.30am.**

**Christmas Day at Sylvania Mass will be at 9.15am.**

We are in need of **someone to launder the altar linens and to change the holy water weekly** beginning in January 2023.

**PARISH MINISTRIES**

Please let Fr John or Bernadette know if you would like to join the weekend Mass roster either as an acolyte, a reader or an extraordinary minister of holy communion. Early in 2023 the Liturgy Office is running training for all of these roles at Miranda.

**MUSICIANS AND SINGERS**

Both the 5pm choir at Sylvania and the 10.30am choir at Miranda would like to add members to their choirs. An organist at Sylvania would be extremely welcome. If you are interested in participating please approach any member of either the choir when you are at Mass.

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

Peter Gorman, Jeff Ramos, Peter O’Dea, Janice McColl, Elvira Enriques, Leonie Burfield, David Thus, Tony Dib, Phyllis Austin, Cheryl Nobbs, Maria Esposito, Rose Fish, Sue Sheedy, Stevie Rofe, Gail Lambert, Gloria Scott, Claire and Tom Mayers, Georgina Rastergorac, Amparo Alvarez, Daniel Lagos, Lagos family, Lorraine Price, Mark Houghton, William Thoms, Veronica Nugent, Pasquale Ghostin, Manfred Meier, Nick Christie, Nicola Christie, Samantha Christie, Wendy Fell, David Byrnes, Gaye Chiswick, Blarsha Walmsley, Dorothy Miglionico, Julianne Stuart, John Touzell, Dot Touzell, Mary Harrison, John Nagy Jr., Louise Alexander, Margaret O’Neill, the residents of Hammondcare, the residents of Moran Health Care, the residents of Julianna Village.

**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 Miranda and Sylvania is Bernadette Fabris – 0414 442 047.*  
*Resources and information can be found at <https://www.sydneycatholic.org/safeguarding-and-child-protection/>*

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

***Recently deceased:***

Gwen Benson, George Caruana, Frances Dunn, Teresa Paoletti, Luke McCabe, Shirley McGrath, Josephine Martello.

***Remembrance:***

Isabella Barbaran, Marie Kelly, Lalita Sanchez, Juanito Mallari, Frances Lawes, Mary De Luca, Robert Musico, Georgette Awad, Beverley Walker, Juanito Mallari.

**Reading Roster**

**10 and 11 December**

**5.00pm– Anthony Wood**

**8.00am– R. Lewis & M. Nash**

**10.30am– Jan Prior**

John the Baptist’s call to ‘Prepare the way of the Lord’ is a summary of the purpose of the season of Advent. Every year, as we celebrate the Nativity, we celebrate once again the presence of God in our world. God became incarnate in the world through Jesus but also always was and continues to be incarnate in the world through each person. G Sunter



**It is so wonderful that we will be able to celebrate Christmas in our families and as a community this year! During Advent, our church’s special season of preparation, we are asking for your assistance in helping many in our community who find this time of the year particularly difficult. The ‘giving tree’ is back in the church at Miranda, with envelopes for parishioners to take for gift vouchers, which will give some Christmas joy and dignity to people who often don’t have enough to buy something for themselves. To ensure these are distributed before**

**Christmas the vouchers will be required by Sunday 11th December, by placing them in the envelopes and putting them on the collection plate at Mass, or the Poor-Box in the church.**

**Donations can also be made using this QR Code or the envelopes on the tables at the back of the church. Funds raised go directly to our conference, here in Miranda, to assist people who may need furniture, white goods or financial support.**

**The generosity of our Parish this year has been tremendous and we are deeply grateful for your support. We wish everyone the blessings of the Christmas season and good health in the coming year. Many thanks, Margaret Fowler (Miranda Conference President)**



**Archbishop’s Flood Appeal**

Archbishop Anthony Fisher OP has announced that proceeds raised at this year’s Christmas at the Cathedral event will go directly towards providing relief and recovery to the victims of the NSW flood disaster. Christmas at the Cathedral, presented by Paynter Dixon.

**8-25 December**

**St Mary’s Cathedral Forecourt**

Festivities begin at 7pm with Christmas market stalls, food, fun activities for the kids and live entertainment.