



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.

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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.

THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME YEAR A

22 JANUARY 2023

Entrance Antiphon:

O sing a new song to the Lord;
sing to the Lord, all the earth.

In his presence are majesty and
splendour, strength and honour in
his holy place.

Communion Antiphon:

Look toward the Lord and be radiant;
let your faces not be abashed.

**Readers are required for Masses at Miranda,
especially the 10.30am Mass. You would be rostered once a month.
Please contact the Parish Office for more information
or to express your interest.**

DATES FOR 2023

4 February– Catechist Sunday

22 February– Ash Wednesday

2 April– Palm Sunday

6 April– Holy Thursday

7 April– Good Friday

8 April– Holy Saturday

9 April– Easter Sunday

16 April– Fr John's 70th celebration

18 May– Confirmation 1

28 May– Pentecost

1 June– Confirmation 2

LITURGY OFFICE TRAINING COURSES

The Liturgy Office is running training courses here at Miranda for Extraordinary Ministers of Communion, Acolytes and Readers.

Extraordinary Ministers of Communion training is scheduled for **1, 8, 15 February** from 6-9pm.

Acolyte training is scheduled for **1, 8, 15 March** from 6-9pm.

Readers training is scheduled for **17 and 24 May** 6-9pm.

Training is open to both new and experienced ministers.

Please call the parish office to register for the course.

Please pray for our sick:

Peter Gorman, Jeff Ramos, Peter O’Dea, 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, 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

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: Fr. John De Luca, Lucia Pinto, Cardinal George Pell, Pope Benedict XVI, Aldo Reggiani.

Remembrance: Norm Lamerton, Mario Di Maria.

Reading Roster

28 JANUARY 2023

5.00pm - Anthony Wood

29 JANUARY 2023

8.00am - Damienne Forrester

10.30am - Ofelia Franco and Leanne Musico

Divine Renovation Conference with Fr James Mallon, 10-12 February. This conference will be a unique experience for active parishioners and clergy who want to help lead the parish from maintenance to mission. Talks and workshops from speakers including Fr. James Mallon, Fr. Chris Ryan MGL and Daniel Ang among many others, on the topics of evangelisation and creating an invitational and missionary church. For registration and more information, visit <https://divinerenovation.org/events/>

St Joseph’s Parish Riverwood is seeking a part time Parish Secretary. Hours are 9:30am to 3:30pm every Thu & Fri. The role is shared with the Parish Finance Secretary. Responsibilities include general admin, phone enquiries & maintenance of sacramental registers. Experience preferred. MYOB experience an advantage. For any enquiries or to request a job description or send your application, including a one-page cover letter and CV, please email stjosephriverwood@outlook.com or phone the Parish on 0490 754 963.

REFLECTION by Dianne Bergant CSA

Discipleship is not something that we take upon ourselves. We are called to it. Some people are very conscious of this call. They are aware of it in their aspirations and dreams; they recognise it in the events of their lives. They hear the call as clearly as Simon, Andrew, James and John heard the voice of Jesus. For others, the call to discipleship is not so clear. They may experience an undefined restlessness, a dissatisfaction with their lives. People can respond to the call in one of two ways. They can consider the mere suggestion of discipleship an intrusion into their plans, or they can drop what they are doing, leave their former concerns behind and follow Jesus.

There is a misunderstanding about being called and leaving everything behind. Although the gospel says that the four men left their occupation of fishing in order to follow Jesus, this kind of ‘leaving behind’ was not, and still is not, required of all, for it is in the ordinary events of life that our salvation unfolds. For most people, this is precisely where they are to function as disciples. Still, disciples of Jesus are called to leave behind certain ways of living as they follow him. They are called away from lives of pettiness and division. They are called away from the kind of factionalism that seems to have threatened the unity of the Corinthian community. They are called away from narrow-mindedness and mean-spirited competition. It is much easier to leave nets than to leave the web of one’s prejudices.

From the perspective of ... The first called

What must it have been like for those first four disciples Jesus called? The fact that they were fishing means that they had not been chosen to continue studying the Torah beyond childhood and had not been chosen by a rabbi to be his followers. Even as young men, these four were has-beens and had no hope of a rabbi asking them to be his disciples. Suddenly, Jesus appears and calls them to follow him. A life that had passed them by suddenly opened up before them! Of course they dropped everything and followed. Greg Sunter