



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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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.

**FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY
TIME YEAR A**

5 FEBRUARY 2023

Entrance Antiphon:

O come, let us worship God
and bow low before the God who
made us,
for he is the Lord our God.

Communion Antiphon:

Let them thank the Lord for his
mercy, his wonders for the children of
men, for he satisfies the thirsty soul,
and the hungry he fills with good
things.

DATES FOR 2023

5 February– Word of God Sunday

7 February-Catechist Morning Tea

22 February– Ash Wednesday

2 March– Vinnies Information Night

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

WORD OF GOD SUNDAY

Today on Word of God Sunday we recognise the parish catechists who are active missionary disciples bringing the love of Jesus into the classrooms of our local public schools.

In particular today we recognise:

Carole Gleeson and Maureen Ross for 5 years service and Joan Lawes for 10 years.

We are always looking for more catechists and invite you to share the gifts and talents God has given you to help teach our faith.

If being a catechist seems too daunting our established catechists would be very grateful to have the support of a helper in the classroom.

Tuesday and Wednesday mornings are the days that are involved in teaching scripture.

For more information please contact

Josie Severino (0419488865)

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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.

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.

LENTEN GROUPS

11.30am –Sundays during Lent beginning 26 February in the Parish Centre. Please register your interest in attending this Lenten Group by email :

sundaymass@olssmiranda.org.au

If you have a group of friends or as a family you would like some resources for prayer during Lent please contact Bernadette to order these for you.

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/>

Reading Roster

11 FEBRUARY 2023

5.00pm - Iris Nastasi

12 FEBRUARY 2023

8.00am - Robert Lewis and Sandra Sear

10.30am - Paul Taylor, Carmela Then and Hannah Duong

The **St. Vincent de Paul Society** is looking for people in this Parish and local community who are interested in joining the Society as Conference Members. Vinnies has opportunities for young people (over 16 years) to get involved in providing a hand up to those in need, and opportunities for adults who want to become a member.

All around the State, Members of the Society are responding to the needs of their local communities in groups known as 'Conferences'. Conferences grow organically from within our communities, from parishes, schools, universities and workplaces. As a Member, you have the opportunity to make a difference by providing a hand up to people in need, identifying longer-term needs in the community and raising our voices for social justice. To find out more about becoming a Member of the Society, speak to one of our Vinnies Members after Mass on **Sunday 26th February**, or join us at our Vinnies Information session at **7:00pm on Thursday, 2nd March, in the Parish Centre.**

The beautiful Season of Lent is approaching. Let us make the most of this precious time to gather in our parishes and communities to reflect on the Passion, Death and Resurrection of Jesus, using the Lenten companion ***SPIRIT AND TRUTH: The Power of Christ Revealed***. This free booklet contains Gospel readings for the Sundays of Lent until Easter Sunday, and Gospel reflections by Sister Joanna Marie Collins OP, Daniel Ang, Fr Lewi Barakat, Mat De Sousa, Anna Harrison, Elizabeth Flynn MCR and Bishop Richard Umbers. Designed for individual or group prayer, either in-person or online, the resource will be available in parishes and online at www.gomakedisciples.org.au. Copies of Spirit and Truth are available today.

LITURGY OFFICE TRAINING COURSES

The Liturgy Office is running training courses here at Miranda.

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.