

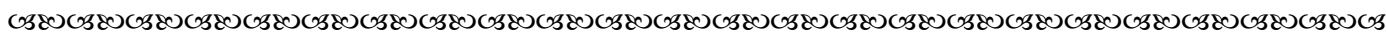
PARISHES OF ST GABRIEL'S, BEXLEY and ST MARY MACKILLOP'S, ROCKDALE CITY

(Looking after the Churches of St Gabriel's, Bexley, St Joseph's, Rockdale, and St Francis Xavier's, Arncliffe)

13th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - YEAR B - 29 & 30 JUNE 2024

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St Joseph's Primary, Rockdale: 9599 2541 - Principal: Ms Rachelle Dopson

St Francis Xavier's Primary, Arncliffe: 9567 5389 – Principal: Ms Debbie Heckenberg

St Gabriel's Primary, Bexley: 9502 1932 - Principal: Ms Catherine Hodgins

	ARNCLIFFE	ROCKDALE	BEXLEY
WEEKEND MASSES	5.00pm Saturday	6.30pm Saturday	-----
Saturday Vigil	9.00am	9.00am (<i>Italian</i>)	9.00am
Sunday Masses		10.30am	5.00pm
		6.00pm (<i>Third Sunday only Filipino</i>)	
WEEKDAY MASSES	9.00am Wednesday 9.00am Friday	7.00pm Tuesday (<i>Devotions, Exposition, Benediction & Rosary from 5.30pm</i>) 9.00am Thursday	9.00am Monday 9.30am Thursday 9.00am Saturday (<i>Benediction at 8.45am</i>)
CONFESSIONS	4.00 – 4.30pm 2 nd & 4 th Saturday of the Month	5.30 – 6.00pm 1 st & 3 rd Saturday of the Month	8.00 – 8.40am Saturday
BAPTISMS	10.00am 1 st Sunday of the month	11.30am 2 nd Sunday of the month	10.00am 3 rd Sunday of the month
	Please phone the Parish Office to make an enquiry or booking on 9567 1558 during office hours.		
WEDDINGS	Monday to Saturday by appointment.		
1 st Reading: <i>Wis 1:13-15, 2:23-24</i> ; 2 nd Reading: <i>2 Cor 8:7, 9, 13-15</i> ; Gospel: <i>Mk 5:21-43</i>			

RESPONSORIAL PSALM 29:2,4-6,11-13

I will praise you, Lord, for you have rescued me.

I will praise you, Lord, you have rescued me and have not let my enemies rejoice over me.

O Lord, you have raised my soul from the dead, restored me to life from those who sink into the grave. *R/*



Sing psalms to the Lord, you who love him, give thanks to his holy name.

His anger lasts but a moment; his favour through life. At night there are tears, but joy comes with dawn. *R/*

The Lord listened and had pity.

The Lord came to my help.

For me you have changed my mourning into dancing.

O Lord my God, I will thank you for ever. *R/*

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!

Our Saviour Jesus Christ has done away with death and brought us life through his gospel.

Alleluia!



FAMILY MASS THIS SUNDAY

This Sunday, 30th June, the 9.00am Mass at St Gabriel's is a Family Mass. Students, families and staff of St Gabriel's Primary School and any families whose children attend the local public schools are most welcome. Please join them at the morning tea following the Mass.

READ IT, PRAY IT, SHARE IT!

Our Parish Scripture teachers require classroom helpers to share the Catholic faith to over 180 students attending our local public schools located in Arncliffe, Bexley and Rockdale. A commitment of an hour per week (during school terms) is required either on a Tuesday, Thursday or Friday. A Working with Children Check is required, and mandatory training will be provided in Child Protection, Safeguarding Children, and Using the Authorised Curriculum.

Are you able to support our catechists in this rewarding and wonderful ministry of sharing the Good News? If you would like more information, please contact: Laura Argiro 0433 444 469 or Maree Ross 0428 103 758. Information about scripture in the Catholic Archdiocese of Sydney: <https://ccd.sydneycatholic.org/>

HEALING MASS

Fr. Justin Torres, a priest of the Oblate Apostles of the Two Hearts of Jesus and Mary will be celebrating Mass after Rosary and exposition of the Holy Eucharist at St Joseph's, Rockdale from 5.30pm on **Tuesday, 16th July**. Fr. Justin has established a place in the hearts of many Australians as he shares his ministry of Discernment and Healing from Jesus through the intervention of Our Lady of Guadalupe and emphasises the love of Jesus and Mary for all. We urge you to bring your family and friends to experience this beautiful occasion.

HOLY FATHER'S APPEAL (PETER'S PENCE)

The 29th of June is the Solemnity of Saints Peter and Paul. It has long been customary on the Sunday closest to this great Feast Day, to give people the opportunity to support the work of the Holy Father. Therefore, **next weekend, 6 & 7 July**, there will be a third collection at all the Masses. All the monies collected from across the Archdiocese will be forwarded directly to the Holy See via the Archdiocesan Chancery. The monies will enable Pope Francis to support his charitable and pastoral ministries throughout the world.



IMPORTANT NOTICE TO THOSE DONATING THROUGH THE PLANNED GIVING (ENVELOPES)

This Sunday, 30th June is the final weekend for donations using Planned Giving for this financial year. In the current box of envelopes, you have for this year is an envelope at the back of the box that we haven't seen before. This current financial year has 53 weeks for giving, not the usual 52. The printers have issued everyone with an extra envelope that is not printed in the usual format i.e. with a picture of your church/es on the front. Therefore, all the envelopes look the same for Rockdale/Arncliffe AND Bexley. This will create a huge issue for processing the envelopes in the parish computer because MMRC parish and Bexley Parish have common numbers issued to parishioners.

YOUR ENVELOPE NUMBER..... (if applicable)	30 June DATE..... 2024
Please write your parish name here MMRC or BEXLEY	
<i>My Offering to my Church</i>	
There are 53 Sundays in this calendar year. This envelope is the 53rd Sunday in the series. Please use it as you would your usual Weekly envelopes.	

There are two options that will help us.

1. Don't use THIS envelope. Put your usual weekly offering in your regular envelope the weekend before (just double the amount you usually give to cover the last week). This is the **preferred solution**. ☺
2. If you do choose to use this envelope, **PLEASE** put **YOUR** regular number on the front of your envelope and the name of your regular church/parish e.g. **MMRC or BEXLEY** in big letters so that the money counters put it with the correct parish when doing the counting that week. (See example below)

If you leave your number or parish name off the envelope for that week, it will not be receipted to you as we have no way of knowing who you are if you don't provide the above information.

Planned Giving Envelopes for the 2024/25 Financial Year **are now available** from the church you have nominated. **Please note** that some parishioners may have been issued with a new number this year. Please check your box.

PRAYER FOR AUSTRALIA

Lord, you place deep in our hearts the love of Mary Help of Christians. Through her prayers, grant wisdom to our leaders and integrity to our citizens. Under her protection may Australia be granted harmony, justice and peace. We ask this through Christ Our Lord. Amen.

THIS WEEK IN THE CATHOLIC WEEKLY

- The longest night for Sydney's homeless
- Cemetery wars over at last
- Korean Catholics lay 'Fr Hong' to rest
- Mongolian Cardinal visits Sydney
- New podcast helps parents' and kids' "Growing Hearts"
- Monica Doumit: comedy and hypocrisy, Greens-style

SUPPORT NEEDED BY CARITAS

Your urgent support is needed now for Caritas Australia's Papua New Guinea Landslide Disaster. Hundreds of people have been displaced and many more affected by a devastating landslide that struck a remote village in Papua New Guinea. Log on to the website to donate at www.caritas.org.au/png

PARISH SAFEGUARDING

A message from the Archdiocese of Sydney that child sexual abuse is a crime. The appropriate people to deal with crimes 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 9390 5810 or equiries@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.

COVID REMINDER

- Please note that Covid is still affecting many parishioners, especially the elderly.
- Please do not come to Mass if you are Positive for Covid, unwell or even if you just have a sore throat or a simple cold.
- When preparing to receive Holy Communion, parishioners are asked to go seat by seat to enable distancing from others who are in the line. Please wait until there is space before joining the queue.

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK IN OUR PARISHES

We have a number of parishioners who are suffering from cancer and other serious illnesses, and we ask that you please keep them all in your prayers.

RECENTLY DECEASED: Jessie Balk.

ANNIVERSARIES: Nancy Fabien, Crocifissa Casciola, Mary Basha, Antonietta Colella, Joseph Duggan, Iris Moreno and Danielle Ypes.

We especially remember those for whom Masses have been requested, those in our Memorial Books and all our deceased relatives, friends, parishioners and benefactors. May they all rest in peace, Amen.

ST MARY MACKILLOP'S QUOTE

"Do all you can to work in unity." 6.4.1882



REMINDER: PLEASE TURN OFF YOUR MOBILE PHONE AS YOU ENTER THE CHURCH.