

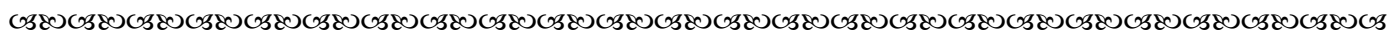
PARISHES OF ST GABRIEL'S, BEXLEY and ST MARY MACKILLOP'S, ROCKDALE CITY

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

12th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - YEAR B - 22 & 23 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 Saturday Vigil Sunday Masses	5.00pm Saturday 9.00am	6.30pm Saturday 9.00am (<i>Italian</i>) 10.30am 6.00pm (<i>Third Sunday only Filipino</i>)	----- 9.00am 5.00pm
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 Please phone the Parish Office to make an enquiry or booking on 9567 1558 during office hours.	11.30am 2 nd Sunday of the month	10.00am 3 rd Sunday of the month
WEDDINGS	Monday to Saturday by appointment.		
1st Reading: Job 38:1,8-11; 2nd Reading: 2 Cor 5:14-17; Gospel: Mk 4:35-41			

RESPONSORIAL PSALM 106:23-26, 28-31

Give thanks to the Lord, his love is everlasting.

Some sailed to the sea in ships
to trade on the mighty waters.

These men have seen the Lord's deeds,
the wonders he does in the deep. *R/*



For he spoke; he summoned the gale,
tossing the waves of the sea
up to heaven and back into the deep;
their soul melted away in their distress. *R/*

Then they cried to the Lord in their need
and he rescued them from their distress.
He stilled the storm to a whisper:
all the waves of the sea were hushed. *R/*

They rejoiced because of the calm
and he led them to the haven they desired.
Let them thank the Lord for his love,
the wonders he does for men. *R/*

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!

A great prophet has appeared among us;
God has visited his people.

Alleluia!



FAMILY MASS THIS SUNDAY

Please welcome the families from St Joseph's Primary and local public schools at the Family Mass at 10.30am this Sunday, 23rd June. Please join them at a morning tea following the Mass.

FAMILY MASS NEXT SUNDAY

Next Sunday, 30th June, the 9.00am Mass at St Gabriel's is a Family Mass for St Gabriel's Primary School and any families whose children attend the local public schools are most welcome to attend. Everyone is welcome to share the morning tea following the Mass.

NEW PLANNED GIVING ENVELOPES

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.

N.B. NEXT weekend of June 29 & 30 will be the last weekend for this taxation year to put your donations in. Any donations received via the collections after next Sunday 30th June will go into the next financial year.

If you an on-line giver, for the Planned Giving, you asked to make your last donation for this financial year by this coming Friday, 22nd June so that the payment is cleared through the banking system before the 30th June.

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

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.

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/>

ST MARY MACKILLOP'S QUOTE

"Have courage." 25.11.1871



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.

THE GRACES OF PILGRIMAGE: A NIGHT OF PRAYER AND TESTIMONY

Fr Andrew Grace and Juliana Elarde give witness about miracles of healing that occurred while on pilgrimage to Medjugorje and Lourdes, which dramatically changed lives. Come and hear their remarkable stories. Hosted by Harvest Journeys. Supper will be provided. To be held on **this Sunday, 23 June**, from 7pm – 9pm at St Dominic's Catholic Church, cnr Hornsey Rd & The Crescent, Flemington. Register to attend at trybooking.com/CREJM

JEWS AND CHRISTIANS WALKING TOGETHER: WHERE ARE WE IN 2024?

An address by Archbishop Anthony Fisher OP in memory of the late Rabbi Dr Raymond Apple AO RFD (1955-2024). The Archbishop's address will be preceded by an introduction from Rabbi Dr Elton, current Chief Minister of the Great Synagogue on Rabbi Apple's important interfaith work. To be held this coming Thursday 27 June at 6pm at The Great Synagogue, Sydney. Entry Via 187A Elizabeth Street. Registration is essential. Please email: Emmanuel.Nathan@acu.edu.au

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: Margaret Mary Dubois.

ANNIVERSARIES: Eileen Stodart, Joan Morgan, Maureen Weeks, Margaret Rodgers, Saydie Harb, Santo Damino and Carmelo Festa.

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.