

Holy Father's Appeal 2021

Our Holy Father Pope Francis has invited parishes across the world to support the **Holy Father's Appeal** on the Feast Day of Sts Peter and Paul. For 2021, this appeal in our Parish will be held this weekend of **26th and 27th June**. This appeal, also known as **Peter's Pence**, is a gesture of solidarity with the universal Church.

Through the Appeal, the faithful can participate in the activity of the Pope as Pastor of the Universal Church. Your gift will assist communities impacted by floods, earthquakes, civil war and other disasters.

If you are unable to participate in this appeal this weekend please take an envelope from Tony as you leave mass and return them next weekend. Thank you .

Double Sided Electronic LED Sign for our Parish

For your information our Parish has applied for a Local Government grant to assist in the purchase of an electronic LED sign to replace the existing sign at the front of the Church. (similar to St Michael's Belfield and St Joseph's Belmore) We have received quotes from 2 different companies regarding the sign and both companies have quoted approximately \$30,000. Currently we are waiting the response of the grant application before we make decision.

COVID UPDATE

The NSW Government has introduced new COVID-19 restrictions to greater Sydney.

Masks will be compulsory in all Churches.

Singing is not permitted.

One person per 4sqm rule as been reintroduced.

Parishioners are required to register as they enter the Church.

Parishioners are required to sanitise their hands on entry and leaving the Church.

We kindly ask you to adhere to these restrictions as fines can be given to individuals and businesses.



Hartford College

A new Independent Boys School in Sydney

Hartford College is an independent Catholic school for boys opening in 2022 in Daceyville. Commencing in Year 5, Hartford will offer personalised education through to the HSC. Hartford's educational mission educates the whole person, combining the quest for academic excellence with the development of the student's character and faith. For more information and to lodge your expression of interest for 2022, please visit hartfordcollege.com.au.

St Vincent de Paul Winter Appeal. 3rd and 4th July, 2021

This weekend members of St Vincent de Paul will be handing out envelopes for their annual Winter Appeal to help those less fortunate in our community. The Appeal will be held on the 3rd and 4th July, 2021. You can hand your donation to a member of the St Vincent de Paul team as you leave mass next weekend, We ask you to be as generous as you can as the funds raised from this appeal assist St Vincent de Paul to provide for those in need for the next financial year.

Thank you for your support.

First Friday of the Month Exposition of The Blessed Sacrament and Adoration.

Just a reminder that on the first Friday of the month after the 9am Mass we will have the Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, quiet time, rosary and blessing. **Please note that there is no Rosary before the 9am Mass on the First Friday of every month.**

Catechists Needed.

Our Parish is in desperate need of volunteers to train as Catechists to assist once a week for a 30 minute lesson at Harcourt Public School, Campsie Public School and Canterbury South Public School.

All training is accredited by the Confraternity of Christian Doctrine and all lessons can be arranged free of charge at St Mel's Parish Hall.

This is truly a rewarding ministry teaching children the faith and joining them on their Sacramental journey. If you would like to enquire or need any further information please call the Parish Office. Thank you.

Mass to celebrate the legacy of Eileen O'Connor in thanksgiving for the work of the Brown Nurses

You are invited to take part in a series of Masses to mark the Centenary of the death of Servant of God, Eileen O'Connor, in 2021

The Principal Celebrant: Bishop Terry Brady

Date: Sunday 4 July 2021

Time: 9:30am

Venue: St Brigid's Church, 135b Brook St, Coogee.

Support your Archdiocese of Sydney newspaper The Catholic Weekly

In this week's edition:

- Catholic schools mark 200 years in Australia
- Faith groups rally against NSW Government takeover of cemeteries
- Honouring our veteran priests

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St Mel's Parish

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Parish Office Opening hours: 9.30am-3pm on

Tuesday, Thursday and Friday.

Monday & Wednesday office is closed.

St Mel's Catholic Primary School:

9789 3800

PARISH MASS TIMES

Saturday Vigil: 5pm

Sunday: 8.30am, 10am

Weekdays: 9am Tuesday, Thursday, Friday, (8.30am Rosary)

Wednesday: 7pm followed by adoration.

SACRAMENTS:

Reconciliation: 4pm to 4.30pm Saturday.

Baptisms: By arrangement, please call Parish Office or download an application from the Parish website at www.stmelscampsie.org.au

Weddings: By arrangement with six months notice

Care for the Sick: Please call the presbytery.

DEVOTIONS:

Rosary: 8.30am every Tuesday, Thursday and Friday

Adoration: After Wednesday 7pm Mass.

First Friday Adoration: Mass at 9am, followed by Adoration and the Rosary.

SAINTS AND FEAST DAYS THIS MONTH

Sunday 6th June: The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ

Wednesday 9th June: St Ephrem (deacon, doctor)

Friday 11th June: The Most Sacred Heart Of Jesus (solemnity)

Saturday 12th June: The Immaculate Heart of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Saturday 19th June: St Romuald (abbot)

Monday 21st June: St Aloysius Gonzaga (religious)

Tuesday 22nd June: St John Fisher (bishop) St Thomas More (martyrs)

Wednesday 23rd June: St Paulinus of Nola (bishop)

Thursday 24th June: The Nativity of St John the Baptist

Monday 28th June: St Irenaeus (bishop, martyr)

Tuesday 29th June: Sts Peter and Paul (apostles)

Wednesday 30th June: First Martyrs of Holy Roman Church

FIRST READING Wis 1:13-15; 2:23-24**A reading from the book of Wisdom**

Death was not God's doing,
he takes no pleasure in the extinction of the living.
To be – for this he created all;
the world's created things have health in them,
in them no fatal poison can be found,
and Hades holds no power on earth;
for virtue is undying.
Yet God did make man imperishable,
he made him in the image of his own nature;
it was the devil's envy that brought death into the
world,
as those who are his partners will discover.

WORD OF THE LORD.**RESPONSORIAL PSALM**

Ps 29:2. 4-6. 11-13. R. v.2

**(R.) 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.)**

SECOND READING 2 Cor 8:7. 9. 13-15**A reading from the second letter of St Paul to the Corinthians**

You always have the most of everything – of faith, of
eloquence, of understanding, of keenness for any cause, and
the biggest share of our affection – so we expect you to put
the most into this work of mercy too. Remember how gener-
ous the Lord Jesus was: he was rich, but he became poor for
your sake, to make you rich out of his poverty. This does not
mean that to give relief to others you ought to make things
difficult for yourselves: it is a question of balancing what hap-
pens to be your surplus now against their present need, and
one day they may have something to spare that will
supply your own need. That is how we strike a balance: as
scripture says: The man who gathered much had none too
much, the man who gathered little did not go short.

WORD OF THE LORD.**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION** Lk 7:16**Alleluia, alleluia!**

Our Saviour Jesus Christ has done away with death
and brought us life through His Gospel.

Alleluia!**GOSPEL** Mk 5:21-43**A reading from the Holy Gospel according to Mark**

When Jesus had crossed in the boat to the other side, a large
crowd gathered round him and he stayed by the lakeside.
Then one of the synagogue officials came up, Jairus by name,
and seeing him, fell at his feet and pleaded with him earnestly,
saying, 'My little daughter is desperately sick. Do come and
lay your hands on her to make her better and save her life.'
Jesus went with him and a large crowd followed him; they
were pressing all round him.

Now there was a woman who had suffered from a haemor-
rhage for twelve years; after long and painful treatment under
various doctors, she had spent all she had without being any
the better for it, in fact, she was getting worse. She had heard
about Jesus, and she came up behind him through the crowd
and touched his cloak. 'If I can touch even his clothes,' she
had told herself 'I will be well again.' And the source of the
bleeding dried up instantly, and she felt in herself that she was
cured of her complaint. Immediately aware that power had
gone out from him, Jesus turned round in the crowd and said,

'Who touched my clothes?' His disciples said to him, 'You see how the crowd is pressing round you and yet you say, "Who touched me?"' But he continued to look all round to see who had done it. Then the woman came forward, frightened and trembling because she knew what had happened to her, and she fell at his feet and told him the whole truth. 'My daughter,' he said 'your faith has restored you to health; go in peace and be free from your complaint.'

While he was still speaking some people arrived from the house of the synagogue official to say, 'Your daughter is dead: why put the Master to any further trouble?' But Jesus had overheard this remark of theirs and he said to the official, 'Do not be afraid; only have faith.' And he allowed no one to go with him except Peter and James and John the brother of James. So they came to the official's house and Jesus noticed all the commotion, with people weeping and wailing unrestrainedly. He went in and said to them, 'Why all this commotion and crying? The child is not dead, but asleep.' But they laughed at him. So he turned them all out and, taking with him the child's father and mother and his own companions, he went into the place where the child lay. And taking the child by the hand he said to her, 'Talitha, kum!' which means, 'little girl, I tell you to get up.' The little girl got up at once and began to walk about, for she was twelve years old. At this they were overcome with astonishment, and he ordered them strictly not to let anyone know about it, and told them to give her something to eat

GOSPEL OF THE LORD**We remember in our Masses**

Lord, we commend to your loving care all the sick of our parish: Frederick Schinkel, Elizabeth & Les Rapmund, John Ignatius Hendricks, Y.P Ching, Therese Shmely, Iris Eagleson, Dyan Rivai, Jerome Evan Carrillo, Joan Karam, Elena Lorenzo, George Mattar, Nicholas Galvez Sr, Michelle & Toufic El-Dib, John Duigan, Helena Knox, Cong Hen Khong, Peter Xu, Flordeliza Gonzales, Joshua & Francesco Frascella, Lisa Santo, John Heirlehy, Mary Maney, Chahid Hanna, Betty Williams, Mark & Merle Batterson, Ramon Alonzo, Rosalie Ferraren, David Sheumack, Claude & Jeanette Chidiac, Madeline Abouzeid, **Lord, we pray for our recently deceased especially:** Kenny Yu, Leo Wanigaratnam, Efren Jose, Iole Bordsatto, Gordan Stewart, Amin Nehmeh, Benedict Nguy, Angelica Torri, Margo Tannous, Claire Algie, Hanna Nakhle Gebrael, Kwik Bun Wie, **We also pray for all the Souls of the faithful departed:** Francesco Viterale, Jose Da Silva, Eduardo Carreon, Leslie Farhart, Jong Min Na Joseph, Mershed & Wadead Ayoub, Badwy Dalal, Sam & Mary Fenech, Yvonne Hallo, Isidro Lisboa, Jessinia A.Infante, Vitorina Jesus Santos, Luciana Acosta, Peter & Saidie Barkett, Romeo Magnom Felicidad Soliveres, Berhane Ogbazghi, , Quintino Ferreira, Mariano Gunzon, Therese Badaoui, James Lahood, Sayed Saad, **We pray for those whose anniversaries occur at this time:** Giorgio Repice Snr, Fred & Saide Stanton, Tony Karam, Zilda Dos Santos, Minerva Matthews, Sr Anna Rosa Nguy, Sr Teresa Nguy, Sam & Mary Fenech, Peter Luu, Thomas and Nanacy McAppion, Sam Ok Chung, Hans Smit, Berhane Ognazghi, Leslie Rozario, Antoin Bakhos Sakr, **Lord Hear Us.**

**Year of St Joseph
2020-2021**

To perpetuate the entrustment of the Church to St. Joseph, Pope Francis has established a Year of St. Joseph from 8 December 2020 to 8 December 2021. A plenary indulgence is granted to the faithful under the usual conditions - sacramental confession, Eucharistic Communion, and prayer for the Pope's intentions - who, with a spirit detached from any sin, participate in the Year of St. Joseph by way of the following:

- Recite a legitimate prayer or act of piety in honour of St. Joseph especially on 19 March, 1 May, on the 19th of every month, and on every Wednesday, the day dedicated to the Saint.
- Pray the Holy Rosary in the home, or as an engaged couple, so that the atmosphere of intimate communion, love and prayer that was in the Holy Family, will reside in Christian families also.
- Contemplate the Lord's Prayer for at least 30 minutes, or participate in a Spiritual Retreat of at least one day that includes a meditation on St. Joseph.
- Entrust their daily activity to the protection of St. Joseph, and invoke the intercession of the Worker of Nazareth so that those seeking work can find employment befitting human dignity

Prayer to St Joseph

Hail, Guardian of the Redeemer, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary. To you God entrusted His only Son; in you Mary placed her trust; with you Christ became man. Blessed Joseph, to us too, show yourself a father and guide us in the path of life. Obtain for us grace, mercy, and courage, and defend us from every evil.
Amen.