



# Regina Coeli Parish

Beverly Hills - In the Archdiocese of Sydney



# Weekly Newsletter

## Liturgy Times

### SUNDAY:

8:30am, 10:00am.

Children's Liturgy during school term

**TUESDAY:** 8:30am Adoration, 9.15am Mass

**WEDNESDAY:** 7:00am

**THURSDAY:** 9:15am

**FRIDAY:** 8:30am Adoration, 9.15am Mass

**SATURDAY:** 9:00am

(Adoration and Reconciliation after Mass)

5:00pm (Vigil Mass)

### SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday: 9:30-10:00am; 4:25-4:50pm

## 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time 29 September 2019

**The following is one of the short essays written by our parishioners in preparation for the Archbishop's Pastoral Visitation in July/August:**

*Dear Archbishop,*

*Recently Fr Peter suggested to me that I write a short essay on being a catechist or something in our parish of which I am passionate! It didn't take me long to realise that my passion, and role as a catechist, are one and the same! It is my faith and more particularly the sharing of my faith with the children I teach through my ministry as a catechist that is of great importance to me.*

*Coincidentally, this year I celebrate 20 years as a catechist, and this has given me great pause for thought as I look back over the last 20 years, the children I have had the honour to teach and the catechists I have come to know and love. Where have those years gone!*

*Long before I joined our Parish catechist ministry, many good parishioners faithfully and generously shared their love of God with the catholic children in our local state schools, Narwee and Beverly Hills North Public Schools. As they have passed away or retired after many years of generous service, so I and other parishioners have answered the call to become a catechist and so continue sharing the good news of God's unconditional love to the next wave of our catholic children.*

*The catechists, who have gone before me, and those who accompany me today in their generous and faithful service to the children, inspire and encourage me in this ministry. I feel blessed to share this part of their lives. While we are all beautifully different, I'm aware that what we all have in common is our great desire to share our love and knowledge of God with the children. Actually, at the moment our present catechists have together given 106 years of faithful service to our Parish catechist ministry!*

*My firm belief is that the greatest gift we can pass onto our children is the knowledge that we are all loved and held close by our loving creator God and that He is present and walking with us every day! As none of us know the struggles that could lie ahead, this powerful assurance and belief will, I believe, help the children as they journey through their life.*

*I often say to people, that I get more out of being a catechist than I put in! Preparing each lesson allows me to pause and prayerfully reflect on my own faith and where I am at that moment with my loving God. This also occurs when we help to prepare our Parish children to receive the Sacraments. There have been many times where I have been struggling with my own worries, disappointments and sickness, but it's amazing how being able to see God's presence in my preparations and the children I teach, has helped me through these difficult times.*

*Through God's grace, I have come to realise that I need to "be still and know that I am God" (Psalm 46:10) and so recognise God's presence in the people and events of my life. This has been the great blessing I have received from being a catechist!*

*- Elizabeth Gooley -*



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# The Week Ahead

<b>Sun 29 Sept</b> 26th Sun in OT	8.30am Mass 10.00am Mass
<b>Mon 30 Sept</b> St Jerome	No Mass
<b>Tues 1 Oct</b> St Thérèse of the Child Jesus	8:30am Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament 9:15am Mass with Yr
<b>Wed 2 Oct</b> Holy Guardian Angels	9.15am Mass
<b>Thurs 3 Oct</b>	9:15am Mass 10:00am Reconciliation with Yr 6
<b>Fri 4 Oct</b> St Francis of Assisi	8:30am Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament 9:15am Mass
<b>Sat 5 Oct</b>	9.00am Mass 4:25pm Reconciliation 5:00pm Vigil Mass
<b>Sun 6 Oct</b> 27th Sun in OT	8.30am Mass 10.00am Mass

## Please pray for...

### Recently Deceased

### In Loving Memory

Anita Abbey, Bob Hollingsworth, Donato Tozzi, Cono Reale, Colleen Bresnan, Patricia Atkins, Carmelo Algozzino, Vito Maida, Marc David Solazzo, Damia & Assia Dagher, Bartolo Tesoriero

### Please remember those who are in ill health especially:

Michelle Makin, Pat Johnson, George Dagher, Mrs Saba, Josephina Algozzina, Genevieve Shedden, Geraldina Civitarese, Pat Mortimer, Greg Weekes, Mrs Donald Burch, Mary Daniels, Geoff McDowell, Elena Mura, Mr TD (Terry) Wall, Kim Delaney, Mary Emery, Lauren Sotano, Sam Hy, Mary Sortwell, Georgia Brown, Luke Compton, Paul Camelotti, Anne Maree Michels, Slavica Markotic.

### Parish Secretary

Mrs Margaret Doherty-Brady  
9554 8155  
Tues 8:30am – 1:30pm  
Wed & Fri 10.30am-3.30pm  
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Mr Peter Crawford

### Sacramental Coordinator/ PSSO

Mrs Elizabeth Gooley  
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Tuesday **and** Thursday from  
11.30am - 3.30pm

### School Principal

Mr Chris Egan  
*Asst. Principal*  
Mr Peter Busch  
**REC**  
Mrs Elizabeth Webster

## Planned Giving Envelopes 2019-2020 now available for collection

Weekly envelopes for 2019-2020 are now available from the table in the foyer at the back of the Church. These envelopes commence on 6 October 2019

### St Vincent Pallotti Scholarship Trust

The St Vincent Pallotti Scholarship Trust offers scholarships to enable lay people to further their understanding and skills in leadership/ministry or a specialised activity, such as promoting faith enhancement, social justice and pastoral care. Closing date 18 October 2019. More information and applications forms are available from <http://www.pallottine.org.au/scholarships/st-vincent-pallotti-scholarship-for-lay-ministry.html>

### THE HUNCHBACK OF NOTRE DAME:

Artes Christi presents Victor Hugo's famous story in a wonderful play directed by Donald Macdonald. The play is being specially staged in support of the rebuild of Notre Dame Paris and Aid to the Church in the Need (Sri Lanka Appeal).

Shows: 4-20 October:

Venue: 1880 Hall, Surry Hills,

Group Tix from \$30

### BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL

[www.theword.org.au](http://www.theword.org.au) or Phone ACN 1800101201

## Rosary Statue

Mrs M Pettit  
2 Ponyara Road

Ph: 9502 3036



<b>Last Weekend 22 September 2019</b>		<b>Attendance</b>	
		5PM	
		8.30AM	143
		10AM	
<b>2nd Collection \$1,966.60</b>		<b>Total</b>	<b>?</b>
1st Collection	\$1,123.00		

## 2019 HSC Students' Mass & Blessing

All HSC students and their families are warmly invited to attend an HSC Students' Mass & Blessing to be celebrated at Regina Coeli Church at the 5.00pm Vigil Mass on Saturday, 12 October 2019.

### Walk with Christ

Please join your fellow Sydneysiders in the Walk with Christ annual Eucharistic Procession through the streets of Sydney on the Feast of Christ The King November 24 at 2.30pm.

Thousands of people took part in last year's joyful public proclamation and act of worship to invoke Christ's blessing upon our beautiful city.

Meet at the corner of Martin Place & Pitt Street at 2.30pm on November 24.

### Reflection Day for Women – 'In the Habit of Love and Suffering'

#### Eileen O'Connor, Servant of God

with Dr Jocelyn Hedley, Author of 'And Here Begin the Work of Heaven:

#### The Spirituality of Eileen O'Connor'

A day for women of all ages to pause and give time for personal prayer and reflection. The day includes Mass, time for personal prayer, Q&A, rosary and opportunities for small group discussions over great food.

There is Holy Hour – Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament (with Reconciliation) with the Parish at 8:15am, followed by Holy Mass at 9:15am.

DATE: Saturday 12 October 2019

WHERE: St Michael's, Meadowbank (45 Maxim Street, Meadowbank)

TIME: 8:15am – 2:45pm

COST: FREE \*donation

For more information and to register, please go to <https://www.vocationcentre.org.au/events/reflection-day-for-women-eileen-oconnor-servant-of-god/>

### Pew Kneelers—Return to down position please

For safety reasons, please ensure that all pew kneelers are left in the down position.

### Congratulations!

Heartiest congratulations to Elizabeth Gooley, our dedicated Sacramental Co-ordinator, who will receive an Apostolic Blessing at St Mary's Cathedral this weekend, Sunday 29th September during the 2:00pm Catechist Mass, for 20 years service as a Catechist.

Elizabeth is one of a team of wonderful parishioners who offer their time freely, every week to teach our Catholic children who are being educated in our local State schools, about their religion.

20 years is a significant milestone, worthy of awe and genuine appreciation.

All are welcome to attend the Catechist Mass this Sunday at 2:00pm at St Mary's Cathedral.

If you would like to learn more about becoming a Catechist, please speak with Elizabeth who will give you complete information regarding this vital ministry or phone our office at 9554 8155 as per the times noted on the lower left side of page two of this parish newsletter, as you look at it.  
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### Ignite Conference

The Ignite Conference is one of Australia's most powerful Catholic youth and family conferences. For the first time this October 3-6, Ignite Conference will be held in Sydney. The conference draws together a network of high schoolers, young adults, ministry leaders, families, teachers, priests and religious from around the country, sending them out with a passion for mission and authentic faith in Jesus.

Students from all Sydney Catholic Schools are offered a 50% discount and special packages for families are available as well. For more information, visit [www.sydneycatholicityouth.org/ignite19/](http://www.sydneycatholicityouth.org/ignite19/) or contact the team at Sydney Catholic Youth on (02) 9307 8152 or [info@sydneycatholicityouth.org](mailto:info@sydneycatholicityouth.org)

**First Reading Am 6:1, 4-7**

*You who give yourself to licentiousness and revelry will be exiled.*

The almighty Lord says this:  
Woe to those ensconced so snugly in Zion  
and to those who feel so safe on the  
mountain of Samaria.

Lying on ivory beds  
and sprawling on their divans,  
they dine on lambs from the flock,  
and stall-fattened veal;  
they bawl to the sound of the harp,  
they invent new instruments of music like  
David,

they drink wine by the bowlful,  
and use the finest oil for anointing  
themselves,

but about the ruin of Joseph they do not  
care at all.

That is why they will be the first to be exiled;  
the sprawlers' revelry is over.

**Responsorial Psalm**

**Ps 145:6-10. R. v.2**

*(R.) Praise the Lord, my soul!*

or

*(R.) Alleluia!*

1. It is the Lord who keeps faith for ever,  
who is just to those who are oppressed.  
It is he who gives bread to the hungry,  
the Lord, who sets prisoners free. *(R.)*
2. It is the Lord who gives sight to the blind,  
who raises up those who are bowed down.  
It is the Lord who loves the just,  
the Lord, who protects the stranger. *(R.)*
3. He upholds the widow and orphan  
but thwarts the path of the wicked.  
The Lord will reign for ever,  
Zion's God, from age to age. *(R.)*

**Second Reading 1 Tm 6:11-16**

*Obey the commandments until the coming of the Lord.*

As a man dedicated to God, you must aim  
to be saintly and religious, filled with faith  
and love, patient and gentle. Fight the good  
fight of the faith and win for yourself the  
eternal life to which you were called when  
you made your profession and spoke up for  
the truth in front of many witnesses. Now,  
before God the source of all life and before  
Jesus Christ, who spoke up as a witness for  
the truth in front of Pontius Pilate, I put to  
you the duty of doing all that you have been  
told, with no faults or failures, until the  
Appearing of our Lord Jesus Christ,

who at the due time will be revealed  
by God, the blessed and only Ruler of all,

the King of kings and the Lord of lords,  
who alone is immortal,  
whose home is in inaccessible light,  
whom no man has seen and no man is  
able to see:  
to him be honour and everlasting power.  
Amen.

**Gospel Acclamation 2 Cor 8:9**

*Alleluia, alleluia!*

*Jesus Christ was rich but he became poor,  
to make you rich out of his poverty.*

*Alleluia!*

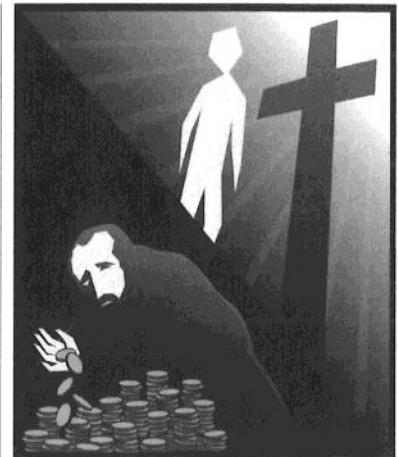
**Gospel Lk 16:19-31**

*During your life good things came your way just as bad things  
came the way of Lazarus. Now he is being comforted while you  
are in agony.*

Jesus said to the Pharisees: 'There was a  
rich man who used to dress in purple and  
fine linen and feast magnificently every day.  
And at his gate there lay a poor man called  
Lazarus, covered with sores, who longed  
to fill himself with the scraps that fell from  
the rich man's table. Dogs even came and  
licked his sores. Now the poor man died and  
was carried away by angels to the bosom  
of Abraham. The rich man also died and  
was buried.

'In his torment in Hades he looked up and  
saw Abraham a long way off with Lazarus  
in his bosom. So he cried out, "Father  
Abraham, pity me and send Lazarus to dip  
the tip of his finger in water and cool my  
tongue, for I am in agony in these flames."  
"My son," Abraham replied "remember that  
during your life good things come your way,  
just as bad things came the way of Lazarus.  
Now he is being comforted here while you  
are in agony. But that is not all: between us  
and you a great gulf has been fixed, to stop  
anyone, if he wanted to, crossing from our  
side to yours, and to stop any crossing from  
your side to ours."

'The rich man replied, "Father, I beg you  
then to send Lazarus to my father's house,  
since I have five brothers, to give them  
warning, so that they do not come to this  
place of torment too." "They have Moses  
and the prophets," said Abraham "let them  
listen to them." "Ah no, father Abraham,"  
said the rich man "but if someone comes to  
them from the dead, they will repent." Then  
Abraham said to him, "If they will not listen  
either to Moses or to the prophets, they will  
not be convinced even if someone should  
rise from the dead."'



**Reflection by Dianne Bergant CSA**

Both the reading from the prophet Amos  
and the gospel narrative pointedly  
condemn the lifestyles of the rich. It is not  
wealth itself, but the complacency and the  
disregard for others that it too frequently  
generates, that is denounced. Biblical  
covenant is a communal concept. It  
emerges from a society that insists on  
mutual responsibility. Today's readings  
invite us to consider the covenant bond  
we have with others. How do we measure  
up?

The fundamental image of God reveals  
mercy and compassion. However, we  
cannot disregard the fact of judgment.  
Amos pronounces a woe against his own  
people; Abraham declares that there is an  
unbridgeable chasm between the saved  
and the condemned. Paul speaks here of  
the appearance of the Lord Jesus Christ  
who will bring judgment when he comes.  
Judgment will be determined not primarily  
in terms of our obedience to law, but in  
view of our fidelity to covenant  
commitment.

Righteousness is a covenant term. It is a  
quality of God that is shared with us by  
means of our covenant bond. Paul  
admonishes Timothy, and us, to pursue  
this righteousness, along with devotion,  
faith, love, patience and gentleness.  
Some of these virtues focus on our  
relationship with God, but most of them  
are directed toward our relationship with  
others. Those who are less fortunate are  
our sisters and brothers. If we take lightly  
our covenant obligations and allow them  
to languish at our gates, we will have only  
ourselves to blame when we find  
ourselves facing the harsh judgment of  
God.

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