

# St Mary Queen of Heaven, Georges Hall



## Parish Priest:

Fr Joseph Kolodziej

## Mass Times:

Saturday Vigil – 5.00pm  
Sunday – 8.00am, 10.00am  
and 5.00pm  
Vietnamese Mass – 6.30pm  
(Sat), 3.00pm (Sun)

## Reconciliation

Saturday: 4.00pm-4.45pm  
Or by appointment at any  
other time.

## Baptism:

Any weekend at a Mass or  
at 11.00am. Please contact  
the Parish Office.

## Marriage:

Couples need six months  
notice. A marriage  
preparation course is  
required.

## Parish Office:

Monday – Friday  
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## Georges Hall|

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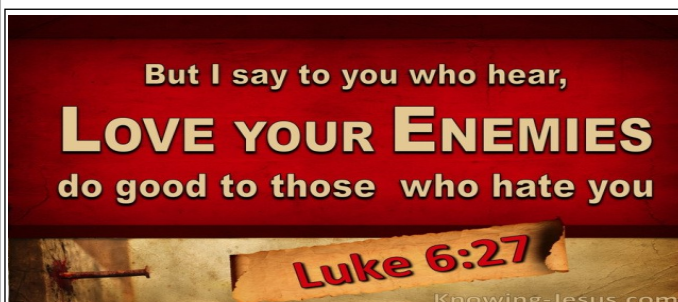
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## 7th Sunday in Ordinary Time 24 February 2019 - Year C



Jesus said "Love your enemies do good to those who hate you, bless those who curse you, pray for those who treat you badly"

"That's awfully hard! But no one does it in my church so I don't have to do it." If ever I were tempted to change the Gospel reading, this would be one of those Sundays I would give in and look for an easier one.

Jesus is introducing something entirely new. Not just a new code of ethics; but a whole new age with an entirely new way to live with one another. Those who enter this "new way," this new reign, find themselves animated by a different Spirit. Their whole lives are changed, down to the very core. They now look at life through a different lens. What seems so contrary to ordinary human wisdom, now comes, as if, by second nature, for the citizen of God's dominion. The members of the reign whose presence Jesus announces, see themselves and others, by the light Jesus has introduced into the world. Jesus is saying: take charge of your life and the situation, by taking the initiative in loving, caring and giving.

How generous God has been to us – "a good measure, packed together, shaken down and overflowing will be poured into your lap." This verse seems to overflow and dominate the last one that speaks of getting back to the extent that we give others. God is busy at work, transforming and encouraging us to be to others what God has been to us. Jesus doesn't allow us to draw a circle around family, friends and good neighbours, placing only them under the umbrella of our love. He won't let us be the determinant of who is "deserving" of our beneficence. He bursts through our categories and beyond our natural inclinations to love and enables us to reflect the divine presence at work in us in every day.

## This week in our parish

### Saturday February 23

4.00pm Reconciliation  
5.00pm English Mass  
6.30pm Vietnamese Mass

### Sunday February 24

#### 7th Sunday in ordinary Time

8.00am English Mass  
10.00am English Mass  
3.00pm Vietnamese Mass  
5.00pm Youth Mass  
5.40pm Youth Group

### Monday February 25

8.00am Mass  
10.30am Nursing Home Mass  
5.00pm Prayer Group

### Tuesday February 26

5.00pm Holy Hour Adoration  
6.00pm Mass

### Wednesday February 27

7.45am Rosary  
8.00am Mass  
8.45am Playgroup parish hall

### Thursday February 28

7.45am Rosary  
8.00am Mass

### Friday March 1

7.45am Rosary  
8.00am Mass

### Saturday March 2

1.00pm Wedding  
4.00pm Reconciliation  
5.00pm English Mass  
6.30pm Vietnamese Mass

### Sunday March 3

#### 8th Sunday in Ordinary Time

8.00am English Mass  
10.00am English Mass  
3.00pm Vietnamese Mass  
5.00pm Youth Mass

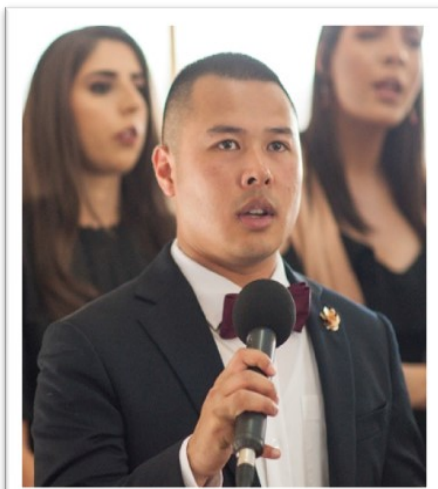
## MEN RISE UP!

Saturday 16th March 2019 celebrate brotherhood of Catholic Men. Cost \$10  
RSVP VIA  
WWW.TRYBOOKING.COM/BAACH



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### PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS:

#### SICK:

Bronwyn Kolodziej, Carolyn Pope, Cole James, Colleen Daniele, Daniel Clarke, Daniel Matesic, David Sanders, Debbie Uphill, Eileen Ellery, Eunice Davis, Fiorina Toigo, Giovanni Mussio, Luca Mussio, John Sanders, Joseph Sanders, Kathleen Connors, Lorraine Ennion, Margaret Borkowski, Margaret Innes, Margaret Scott, Marilyn Dean, Nazih Hassaratti, Palmina Zanuttini, Paul Evans, Ray Etteridge, Raymond Gatt, Robyn Raw, Severina Raffin, Tamara Kalass, Warren Clarke

#### RECENTLY DECEASED:

Pino Marchioro, Beth Jackson, Olive Boyle, Richard Green, Maureen Montgomery, Catarina Tu, Olive Boyle

#### ANNIVERSARIES:

Peter Beltrame, Hazel Monica Faulkner, Denise Jakob, Marjorie Piper, Stanislaw Hruby, Jan-Tadeusz Lajch, Giovanni Serafino Biasi, Bill Burns (2006), Frank Howley, Barbara Gross, Fay Keegan, Robert McAfee, Michael Hayek, Ted Faulkner, Francis Joseph Neville, Mahala Hepples, Elisabeth Laumann, Lisa Anthony, Norm Karam, Tom Atkins (2015), Bruna Matosovic (2015)

#### REMEMBRANCES:

Margaret Boyle, Catarina Tu, Van Tu & Ancestors, Jan Runger, Joseph Pham Manh Ngu, Maria Pham Manh Ngu, Maria Dinh, Saint Maria Teresa and Giuse, Hae & Jack O'Dea, Joseph Vu, Maria Nguyen, Maria Binh Nguyen

#### FOR THE REPOSE OF:

## Ephesus Youth

### Does God Exist?

Join us this youth group as we explore big questions and debate the existence of God.

Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> Feb. | 5.30 – 7.30pm



## Introducing Harrison

It is with great pleasure that we introduce Harrison the latest addition to our Youth Leadership ministry team here at St Mary – Queen of Heaven. Harrison is a talented musician and a member of St Charbel's choir since 2013. Like Anthony and Rachael Ndaira, he is a secondary school teacher by day working at Trinity Catholic College, Auburn. Having recently returned from a pilgrimage to the World Youth Day in Panama, he is keen to share his talents with our parish.

Any youth members interested in playing an instrument or singing at the Sunday youth mass at 5pm should just come along 15 minutes earlier and have a chat with Harrison. All are welcome!



St Mary's

Catholic Primary School Georges Hall

### Catholic Schools Week

Monday 4 March - Sunday 10 March

An invitation from St Mary's Primary School...

Catholic Schools week offers prospective parents the opportunity to visit their local Catholic School and sample what a Catholic School Education can offer their child. Schools offer tours and activities during the week and families will have an opportunity to meet the

We cordially invite you to join us for our  
2020 enrolment talk and tours on  
**Thursday 7 March, 9.00am**

Corner Rex Rd and Georges Crescent, Georges Hall, 2198

Please kindly RSVP:  
(Phone) 02 9727 0000

Email: [info@stmgeorgeshall.catholic.edu.au](mailto:info@stmgeorgeshall.catholic.edu.au)

## Safeguarding our children

Enquiries regarding safeguarding please contact:  
Veronica on 0407 231 262 or by email: [veronica@smgh.org.au](mailto:veronica@smgh.org.au)

Our 'Listening to You' cards are a way of letting you know that we care, please remember that you are able to provide feedback and/or to voice your concerns. The 'Listening to You' cards are available at the back of the church. Parishioners are welcome to raise any concern and provide feedback directly to me, you are always welcome. *Father Joseph, P.P.*

If you or a person close to you has been abused by someone working or ministering within the Sydney Archdiocese we invite you to contact us. We will listen to you respectfully, offer support and discuss the options you have available to you. Please contact the Safeguarding and Ministerial Integrity Office by phone on: (02) 9390 5812.

## Pray for the sick, our Families and country

Mondays @ 5.00pm in the Divine Mercy Chapel in the church.

Enquiries: Laurie 0414 850 453;  
God's Hand is still on Australia and New Zealand, please pray for them.



## Pray the Rosary

Everyone is welcome to gather together to pray the Rosary before every daily Mass for Parish Intentions and blessing for every Family.





# Parish Notices



**St Mary's  
Catholic School  
Georges Hall**

## 40th Anniversary Mass and Morning Tea

You are invited to join us to celebrate

Monday 25 March, 2019  
9.00am in the Church

Cnr Rex Road and Georges Crescent  
Georges Hall

RSVP by March 20 for catering purposes  
[info@syd.catholic.edu.au](mailto:info@syd.catholic.edu.au)  
(02) 97270000

## Lent - Preparation and Reflection



**ASH Wednesday - 6 March**  
8.00am Mass  
9.00am School Mass  
5.30pm Vietnamese Mass  
7.30pm English Mass

Parishioners, please take some blessed Ashes for those who are sick or not able to attend Mass.

### Lenten Reflection Program

**TRUST** is a 76-page full colour book that includes short daily reflections (from Ash Wednesday to Easter Sunday) in addition to the longer-form Sunday Gospel reflections, spiritual direction, Gospel readings, Responsorial Psalms, prayers and reflection questions that are traditionally part of the Lenten program for groups. **TRUST** is also accompanied by a Triple CD Resource that includes six beautiful Responsorial Psalms recorded especially for the Lenten program - as well as audio narrations of the readings and Sunday Gospel reflections.

A limited number of the **TRUST** resources have been purchased for parishioners wanting to deepen their faith during Lent. Everyone is invited to participate in a Lenten Group - small groups which meet once a week to pray, read and reflect on the Gospel and rediscover God's message.

### Interested in being part of a Lenten Group?

Sign-up' sheets are available at the back of the church for those who want to lead a group, host a group or want to participate in a Lenten Group.



## Hospitality next week

Something to eat? Something to drink? Yes! Refreshments will be served after most Masses next weekend, so plan to stay awhile and catch up with each other.

**Everyone is invited to bring a plate of food to share.**

**Every bit helps!**

Thank you to those who will host Hospitality next week:

5.00pm - L Impala  
8.00am - J Baba  
10.00am - G Toubia



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RESISTANCE CHEEK TUNIC  
CLOAK BORROW LOVE  
NEIGHBOUR ENEMY CREDIT



### Planned Giving Envelopes/Donation Request Form

If you would like to make a donation, please complete the following details below.  
Or You can come to the Parish Office every Monday after 8.30am.

I would like to: (please tick a box)

Make a donation ☐ Commit to the Envelopes ☐

Would like details of monthly Credit Card donations ☐

Name: .....

Address: ..... Phone: .....

## PLEASE REMEMBER YOUR PARISH IN YOUR WILL.

All Cheques PAYABLE TO -  
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**First Reading****1 Samuel 26:2. 7-9. 12-13. 22-23**

A reading from the first book of Samuel

*The Lord has put you in my power, but I will not raise my hand against you.*

Saul set off and went down to the wilderness of Ziph, accompanied by three thousand men chosen from Israel to search for David in the wilderness of Ziph.

So in the dark David and Abishai made their way towards the force, where they found Saul asleep inside the camp, his spear stuck in the ground beside his head, with Abner and the troops lying round him.

Then Abishai said to David, 'Today God has put your enemy in your power; so now let me pin him to the ground with his own spear. Just one stroke! I will not need to strike him twice. David answered Abishai, Do not kill him, for who can lift his hand against the Lord's anointed and be without guilt?' David took the spear and the pitcher of water from beside Saul's head, and they made off. No one saw, no one knew, no one woke up; they were all asleep, for a deep sleep from the Lord had fallen on them.

David crossed to the other side and halted on the top of the mountain a long way off; there was a wide space between them. David then called out, 'Here is the king's spear. Let one of the soldiers come across and take it. The Lord repays everyone for his uprightness and loyalty. Today the Lord put you in my power, but I would not raise my hand against the Lord's anointed.'

**Responsorial Psalm****Psalm 102:1-4. 8. 10. 12-13. R. v.8**

(R.) The Lord is kind and merciful.

1. My soul, give thanks to the Lord,  
all my being, bless his holy name.  
My soul, give thanks to the Lord  
and never forget all his blessings. (R.)
2. It is he who forgives all your guilt,  
who heals every one of your ills,

who redeems your life from the grave,  
who crowns you with love and  
compassion. (R.)

3. The Lord is compassion and love,  
slow to anger and rich in mercy.  
He does not treat us according to our  
sins  
nor repay us according to our faults. (R.)
4. As far as the east is from the west  
so far does he remove our sins.  
As a father has compassion on his sons,  
the Lord has pity on those who fear  
him. (R.)

**Second Reading****1 Corinthians 15:45-49**

A reading from the first letter of St Paul to the Corinthians

*Just as we have carried the earthly image, we must carry the heavenly image.*

The first man, Adam, as scripture says, became a living soul; but the last Adam has become a life-giving spirit. That is, first the one with the soul, not the spirit, and after that, the one with the spirit. The first man, being from the earth, is earthly by nature; the second man is from heaven. As this earthly man was, so are we on earth; and as the heavenly man is, so are we in heaven. And we, who have been modelled on the earthly man, will be modelled on the heavenly man.

**Gospel Acclamation**

Alleluia, alleluia!

I give you a new commandment;  
love one another as I have loved you.  
Alleluia!

**Gospel****Luke 6:27-38**

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke

*Be merciful as your Father is merciful.*

Jesus said to his disciples: 'I say this to you who are listening: Love your enemies, do good to those who hate you, bless those who curse you, pray for those who treat you badly. To the man who slaps you on one cheek, present the other cheek too; to the man who takes your cloak from you, do not refuse your tunic. Give to everyone who asks you, and do not ask for your property back from the man who robs you. Treat others as you would like them to treat you.

If you love those who love you, what thanks can you expect? Even sinners love those who love them. And if you do good to those who do good to you, what thanks can you expect? For even sinners do that much. And if you lend to those from whom you hope to receive, what thanks can you expect? Even sinners lend to sinners to get back the same amount. Instead, love your enemies and do good, and lend without any hope of return. You will have a great reward, and you will be sons of the Most High, for he himself is kind to the ungrateful and the wicked.

'Be compassionate as your Father is compassionate. Do not judge, and you will not be judged yourselves; do not condemn, and you will not be condemned yourselves; grant pardon, and you will be pardoned. Give, and there will be gifts for you: a full measure, pressed down, shaken together, and running over, will be poured into your lap; because the amount you measure out is the amount you will be given back.'

**Deanery Men's Breakfast:**

Calling all Men! We all need the supportive brotherhood of other good men. Come and find out more about men's ministry in Sydney archdiocese. Find out how you can start or join a local men's group in your area with support from us. Hosted by St. Christopher's Parish Panania, hear from Robert Haddad from Sydney of Catholic brotherhood and what helped him connect with his faith as a young man. Mass and adoration of the Blessed Sacrament with Bishop Anthony Randazzo.

**Saturday March 16, 8am**

Exposition and Adoration, 8.30am Mass celebrated by Bishop Randazzo, 9.30am BBQ breakfast.

St. Christopher's Parish, 233 Tower St. Panania. \$10 per person  
[www.trybooking.com/BAACH](http://www.trybooking.com/BAACH)

**More Info:**

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**Ph:** 9307 8402

**Playtime Wed 8.45am School Hall Cost - FREE**

Toys, books, & puzzles will be available for the children, as well as an opportunity to listen to a bible story. There will be coffee, tea and cold drinks provided for the adults. Please bring any food & drinks for your children.

**Enquires:** [natalie.goetz@syd.catholic.edu.au](mailto:natalie.goetz@syd.catholic.edu.au)

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Veronica Denning

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Luisa DiMaio

**Next Sunday:****8th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C**

1st Reading: Sirach 27:4-7

2nd Reading: 1 Corinthians 15:54-58

Gospel: Luke 6:39-45