



Catholic Parish of St Mary Queen of Heaven Georges Hall

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Sunday Masses:
Saturday Vigil: 5pm
Sunday: 8 & 10am

Weekday Masses:
Tuesday: 6pm
Preceded by Rosary/Novena – 5.30pm

Wednesday - Friday: 9am
Preceded by Rosary -8.45am

Vietnamese Masses:
Sat. Vigil: 6.30pm
Sunday: 5.30pm



Reconciliation:
Saturday 4-4.30 pm
or by appointment

Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

6 November 2022

November - is the month of the Holy Souls,
a month in which we pray for our **faithful departed.**

Please use the **November Mass envelopes** which will be placed near the altar.

Tue. 8th Nov. 6.00 pm Mass will be a *Candlelight Mass for the
Commemoration of the Faithful Departed.*

Please bring a photo of your loved one. These will be placed near the altar.

First Holy Communion

First Holy Communion will be celebrated for children in Year 3 (or older) who have **completed proper preparation which includes attending Sunday Mass on a regular basis and attending at least 4 lessons.**

Parents if you missed the Information Night please speak to Father Laurie or email:

parishoffice.smgh@bigpond.com



Jesus believes a sinner has a future not just a past.

Are you able to forgive?

Read the Catholic Weekly: <https://www.catholicweekly.com.au/>

Please note: No 9am Mass this Wed.9 Nov.

Hospitality this weekend.

A chance to catch up after Mass next weekend over coffee and cake.

All are welcome stay after Mass share some time with each other.

We also have the opportunity to welcome **Year 1 families** at the 10am Mass.



Altar Linen, Cleaning and Counting Ministries

All of the above three rosters run out at the end of November. If you can help to wash linen, count the money collected or vacuum and clean our church, please add your contact details to the lists at the back of the church.

House of Welcome - Milk for Mates

We are collecting 1 litre long life milk for our mates at the House of Welcome who support the refugee families in our area. Please place it in the crates at the back of the church.

Thank you for your support.

Congratulations

Congratulations to Lorna Basha who has achieved **30 years'** service as a **Catechist** in our public school. Lorna will attend Mass at the Cathedral this Sunday in honour of our Catechists.

We thank Lorna for her generosity in sharing her faith.

Safeguarding our Children

Please let us all be always aware of the safety of our children.

If you notice something that may be harmful, please report it immediately.



Out of School Hours Care (OSHC)

Sydney Catholic Early Childhood Services operate an OSHC facility to provide before, afterschool and vacation care for our primary school children.

Interested? please contact the OSHC on **0438 118 864** or Email:

veenita.chand@svd.catholic.edu.au

St Mary's Primary School - 9727 0000 Principal: Monica Palmer

Playgroup - Thursday during school term in the iCentre, meet at 8.45am out the front of the church near Our Lady's statue. Enquiries: natalie.goetz@svd.catholic.edu.au

+Please Remember in your prayers:

Sick: Paul Ahad, Patrick Carroll, Kate Cheney, Daniel Clarke, Warren Clarke, Azelia Donati, Eileen Ellery, Jennie Falvy, Kerry Gibbons, Kathleen Gibson, Christine Hughes, Barbara Kains, Rosemary Levack, Daniel Matesic, Phillip Nehme, Vic Ryan, Jenny Tankard, David Sanders, Mary Strambio, Tony Strambio, Cornelius Van Baardwyk, Margaret Ward, Ross Williamson

Recently Deceased: Hilda Freeburn, Ron Roberts, Margaaret Holmes, Queen Elizabeth II, Jozef Lukasiewicz, Joana Mira, Jack Bush

Anniversaries: Vince Rega, Wilfred McHugh, John Tankard, Arthur Walker, Frederick Buoro

Safeguarding our Parish - 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 Office at 93905810 or Email: safeguardingenquiries@sydneycatholic.org. The Archdiocese has a legal obligation to report crimes to the police. Our parish has a folder (with Safeguarding information including quarterly newsletters) in the church - parishioners are welcome to view. Enquiries: Veronica via parishoffice.smgh@bigpond.com

COVID-19 is still around - Please **use sanitiser** when you enter our church.



Gospel Lk 20:27-38
or shorter form Lk 20:27, 34-38

He is not a God of the dead but of the living.

Some Sadducees – those who say that there is no resurrection – approached Jesus and they put this question to him, ‘Master, we have it from Moses in writing, that if a man’s married brother dies childless, the man must marry the widow to raise up children for his brother. Well, then, there were seven brothers. The first, having married a wife, died childless. The second and then the third married the widow. And the same with all seven, they died leaving no children. Finally the woman herself died. Now, at the resurrection, to which of them will she be wife since she had been married to all seven?’

Jesus replied, ‘The children of this world take wives and husbands, but those who are judged worthy of a place in the other world and in the resurrection from the dead do not marry because they can no longer die, for they are the same as the angels, and being children of the resurrection they are sons of God. And Moses himself implies that the dead rise again, in the passage about the bush where he calls the Lord the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac and the God of Jacob. Now he is God, not of the dead, but of the living; for to him all men are in fact alive.’

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Reflection by Fr Michael Tate

Billy Elliott was a boy brought up in a strife-torn mining town in the north of England. He discovered a passion for dancing. At an interview at the Royal Ballet School which was going badly, he was asked: ‘What do you feel when you’re dancing?’

‘I’ve got fire in my body.’ And he got the scholarship because the panel realised that when Billy danced, he became ‘fully alive’: bodymindspirit fully integrated. When Billy danced, everything that Billy was, was dancing.

That is what our Resurrection is all about. Our whole personality will be dancing with the radiance of Divine Fire coursing through our bodymindspirit. The Sadducees’ small-minded sarcasm could not grasp that we will be bodies transfigured, translucent to divine light and energy.

We could take a moment to pray that, by the grace of God, our bodies will dance, enflamed by Divine Love.

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The Living Word

Thirty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year C

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First Reading 2 Mc 7:1-2, 9-14

The king of the world will receive us into life eternal at the resurrection.

There were seven brothers who were arrested with their mother. The king tried to force them to taste pig’s flesh, which the Law forbids, by torturing them with whips and scourges. One of them, acting as spokesman for the others, said, ‘What are you trying to find out from us? We are prepared to die rather than break the Law of our ancestors.’

With his last breath the second brother exclaimed, ‘Inhuman fiend, you may discharge us from this present life, but the King of the world will raise us up, since it is for his laws that we die, to live again for ever.’

After him, they amused themselves with the third, who on being asked for his tongue promptly thrust it out and held out his hands, with these honourable words, ‘It was heaven that gave me these limbs; for the sake of his laws I disdain them; from him I hope to receive them again.’ The king and his attendants were astounded at the young man’s courage and his utter indifference to suffering.

When this one was dead they subjected the fourth to the same savage torture. When he neared his end he cried, ‘Ours is the better choice, to meet death at men’s hands, yet relying on God’s promise that we shall be raised up by him; whereas for you there can be no resurrection, no new life.’

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 16:1. 5-6. 8. 15. R. v.15

**(R.) Lord, when your glory appears,
my joy will be full.**

1. Lord, hear a cause that is just,
pay heed to my cry.
Turn your ear to my prayer;
no deceit is on my lips. (R.)

2. I keep my feet firmly in your paths;
there was no faltering in my steps.
I am here and I call, you will hear me, O God.
Turn your ear to me; hear my words. (R.)

3. Guard me as the apple of your eye.
Hide me in the shadow of your wings.
As for me, in my justice I shall see your face
and be filled, when I awake, with the sight of
your glory. (R.)

Second Reading 2 Thes 2:16-3:5

May the Lord strengthen you in everything good that you do or say.

May our Lord Jesus Christ himself, and God our Father who has given us his love and, through his grace, such inexhaustible comfort and such sure hope, comfort you and strengthen you in everything good that you do or say.

Finally, brothers, pray for us; pray that the Lord’s message may spread quickly, and be received with honour as it was among you; and pray that we may be preserved from the interference of bigoted and evil people, for faith is not given to everyone. But the Lord is faithful, and he will give you strength and guard you from the evil one, and we, in the Lord, have every confidence that you are doing and will go on doing all that we tell you. May the Lord turn your hearts towards the love of God and the fortitude of Christ.

Gospel Acclamation Rv 1:5. 6

Alleluia, alleluia!

**Jesus Christ is the firstborn of the dead;
glory and kingship be his for ever and ever.
Alleluia!**