

**Best wishes to Fr Troy as he celebrates his 60th Birthday.
Blessings for the years ahead.**



Men's Cursillo Retreat Weekend

A Cursillo retreat weekend offers you the opportunity to deepen and enrich your faith life through talks, meditations, discussion and prayer led by an experienced local volunteer team. This happens in a friendly community atmosphere over a three-day period in a relaxed retreat setting. A Canberra-Goulburn Cursillo men's retreat starts on the evening of Thu 24 Nov. Places are limited. For details contact Alfred (0412 268 044, readyssetgo@live.com.au) or visit <https://bit.ly/cursillo22>.



'Road to Emmaus' Icon by Fr Joe Tran

Inspired by the Gospel story of Jesus' post-resurrection appearance to two disciples on the 'Road to Emmaus', the icon shows three figures together with the Saviour in the middle. The figures left and right signify the people of the Archdiocese.

The disciple on the left, the older bearded one, has an inner blue cloak that represents humanity inside and outer red robe that stands for divinity. The younger figure in the right (to Jesus's left) exemplifies the youth of the Archdiocese. The person's rose-coloured inner garment embodies youth while the outer green garment symbolises hope - "they are hope for the church". Both the older and younger person carry scrolls in their right and left hands respectively to reflect their God-given missions in the Church. Jesus wears a white or light-coloured robe representing the resurrection and new life. His hands and feet carry the wounds of the cross while the unrolled scroll has Gospel references to Jesus's mission in the world.

"An icon is like writing," Fr Joe said, about the process that took over a year to complete. "You write a text and then you have to rewrite it. There are images you need to get clear in your mind before you can do a proper painting." "It's a spiritual journey."

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St Raphael's (main church), St Gregory's (no weekend services),
and St Patrick's Michelago.

THIRTY-FIRST SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME YEAR C 29 & 30 OCTOBER 2022

VISION: Our Parish is a vibrant community inviting everyone to encounter Christ.

MISSION: To go and make disciples, to be a servant to each other and to be a people who reach out to those in need. We are guided by the LIFE of Jesus; sustained by the LOVE of God; and inspired by the LIGHT of the Holy Spirit.



THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

Saturday
5.30pm Vigil Mass

Sunday
9.00am Mass
Sunday 5.30pm Mass
now at Googong

Monday
No Mass

Tuesday
5.30pm Mass

Wednesday
12noon Mass

Thursday
7am Mass

Friday
12noon Mass
11.00am-11.55am Exposition
and Adoration

Baptisms
St Raphael's Church
Sundays 10.30am

Marriages
by appointment
Reconciliation
by appointment

Michelago 2nd Saturday of
the month 5.30pm or 6pm
during Daylight
Savings time

REFLECTION

Zacchaeus underwent a conversion of heart.

After his encounter with Jesus, his heart burst into life like a desert landscape after a rainfall.

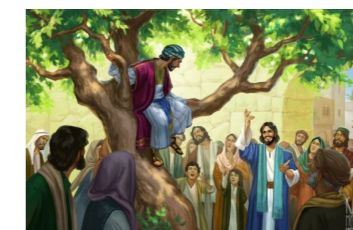
Fear can't produce a conversion of heart; only love can.

All of us stand in daily need of such a conversion.

We need to move from a closed heart to an open heart, from a heart of stone to a heart of flesh.

Lord, open our hearts when they are closed, and warm them when they are cold, so that we may produce the fruits of love, and the world will recognise us as your disciples.

- Flor McCarthy SDB



Please pray for our sick:

Phillip Roy Anderson
Carmelo Bautista
Florence Bowell
John Church
Elaine Cliff
Emmanuel Corpuz
Juliet and Rommel Estabillio
Helen Fraser
Cora Fulcher
David Goldsmith
Corazon Guemo
Antonietta Laria
Baby Atlas Lozev
Anthony McGlynn
Gywen McIntyre
Patricia McMahan
Loretta & Geoff Percival
Regina Paredes
Trishy Mary Rankin
Nathan Reynolds
Elisabeth Smyth
Miyako Sturgess (Tokyo)
Rosario B Surmiolda
Shirley Turner
Ljubica Vricic
James Wells



May they rest in peace:

Mary Phillips (Anne Pratt's mum)
Michael Johnston
Eleanor Corcoran
Sam Pelle
Phillip Maile
Balint Polyak
Hortense Russo
David Smyth
Angelo Fragosa
Kevin Eldridge

Anniversary of Death:

Antony Erlan
Trevor Kelly (1 Year)
Patrick Hagey
Aldo Guglielmin
Ann Lim
Dudley Lazaro

We welcome into our parish through Baptism.

Hunter, Luca and Noah
Flannery
Oliver Cook

Entrance Antiphon

Forsake me not, O Lord, my God;
be not far from me!
Make haste and come to my help,
O Lord, my strong salvation!

First Reading Wis 11:22 – 12:2

A reading from the book of Wisdom

In your sight, Lord, the whole world is like a grain of dust that tips the scales, like a drop of morning dew falling on the ground. Yet you are merciful to all, because you can do all things and overlook men's sins so that they can repent. Yes, you love all that exists, you hold nothing of what you have made in abhorrence, for had you hated anything, you would not have formed it. And how, had you not willed it, could a thing persist, how be conserved if not called forth by you? You spare all things because all things are yours, Lord, lover of life, you whose imperishable spirit is in all. Little by little, therefore, you correct those who offend, you admonish and remind them of how they have sinned, so that they may abstain from evil and trust in you, Lord.

Responsorial Psalm

(R.) I will praise your name for ever, my king and my God.

- L. I will give you glory, O God my King, I will bless your name for ever. I will bless you day after day and praise your name for ever.
- C. The Lord is kind and full of compassion, slow to anger, abounding in love. How good is the Lord to all, compassionate to all his creatures.
- L. All your creatures shall thank you, O Lord, and your friends shall repeat their blessing. They shall speak of the glory of your reign and declare your might, O God.
- C. The Lord is faithful in all his words and loving in all his deeds. The Lord supports all who fall and raises all who are bowed down.

Second Reading 2 Thes 1:11 – 2:2

A reading from the second letter of St Paul to the Thessalonians

We pray continually that our God will make you worthy of his call, and by his power fulfil all your desires for goodness and complete all that you have been doing through faith; because in this way the name of our Lord Jesus Christ will be

glorified in you and you in him, by the grace of our God and the Lord Jesus Christ. To turn now, brothers, to the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ and how we shall all be gathered round him: please do not get excited too soon or alarmed by any prediction or rumour or any letter claiming to come from us, implying that the Day of the Lord has already arrived.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia! God loved the world so much, he gave us his only Son, that all who believe in him might have eternal life. Alleluia

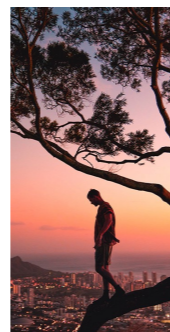
Gospel Lk 19:1-10

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke

Jesus entered Jericho and was going through the town when a man whose name was Zacchaeus made his appearance; he was one of the senior tax collectors and a wealthy man. He was anxious to see what kind of man Jesus was, but he was too short and could not see him for the crowd; so he ran ahead and climbed a sycamore tree to catch a glimpse of Jesus who was to pass that way. When Jesus reached the spot he looked up and spoke to him: 'Zacchaeus, come down. Hurry, because I must stay at your house today.' And he hurried down and welcomed him joyfully. They all complained when they saw what was happening. 'He has gone to stay at a sinner's house' they said. But Zacchaeus stood his ground and said to the Lord, 'Look, sir, I am going to give half my property to the poor, and if I have cheated anybody I will pay him back four times the amount.' And Jesus said to him, 'Today salvation has come to this house, because this man too is a son of Abraham; for the Son of Man has come to seek out and save what was lost.'

Communion Antiphon

You will show me the path of life, the fullness of joy in your presence, O Lord.



Here are next weekend's Mass readings: 32nd Sun Ord time
Maccabees 7:1-2, 9-14, Paul 2:16-3:5, Luke: 20:27-38
Let's prepare before we come to Mass.

REMAINING CAUTIOUS: Please remain cautious as flu and Covid continue. Face masks encouraged during Mass. Thank you for your continued efforts.

ST GREGORY'S COIN CLUB - For the month of October we will be collecting for St Vincent de Paul

Collection for St Vincent de Paul so far is \$380.

Total running balance for this year is

Many thanks for your continuing generosity!



CATHOLIC MISSION - If you still wish to make a donation, the envelopes are at the church entries or donate online via the link below. Thank you.
catholicmission.org.au/Ethiopia or call 1800257296

- ◆ **PILGRIMAGE TO INNER PEACE** – This gathering is to deepen our personal relationship with Jesus through Christian Meditation. The next gathering will be on 8 November 2022 (7.30pm in the Church) **Please remember that this is a fortnightly gathering.** Contact Tony Carey on 0455 231 057 tony@tcconsulting.com.au
- ◆ **Advent preparation-** Heart of the Disciple a 28 day reflection resource books have arrived. If you have ordered a copy they are available from the gift shop or the parish office. The cost is \$5
- ◆ **Mosaic Classes** - expressions of interest are being taken for the next Mosaic Class which is on the 3rd December. If you would like to attend please place your name on the sheet which is in the events hub. Cost of class will be \$20 - \$25 and this will go to a nominated charity through the church.
- ◆ **Wine & Cheese** will recommence this Saturday night after mass. A Gold coin donation would be appreciated. This will coincide with Fr Troy celebrating his 60th birthday . There will also be a morning tea on Sunday 30th to extend the celebration, if you can please bring a plate to the Sunday morning tea to share.
- ◆ **Expressions of Interest** - we are planning a bus trip to the Japanese Gardens at Cowra on Monday 5th December. Details of cost will be available soon. Possible spaces of 20 people. Please place your name on the sheet in the events hub. Cost to come soon.
- ◆ **All Souls Day Mass** will be on Wednesday the 2nd November at 8am. The new location at the cemetery will be at the **Crypt Gardens for the Mass. Please remember to bring an umbrella!! Also note that there will still be a Midday Mass on Wednesday.**
- ◆ **Help** needed for small gardening project, if you can spare some time to assist with a garden makeover please see Mary Ambrus-Bonazzi after the 9am Sunday Mass. She will be near the morning tea area. Also if you have some small pots that can be used for transplanting succulents please bring them to the parish office. *(This ad to be confirmed with Mary before printing)*
- ◆ SVDP - we have started the Vinnie's Christmas food appeal. They are asking for Soft Drink, Festive biscuits, Apple Sauce, Cranberry Sauce, Kids lolly/chocolate stockings, Lollies/ Marshmallows, Pancake mix & Syrup, Zooper Dooper ice blocks. All the previous items are still gratefully accepted. Thank you again for your generosity.
- ◆ Does anyone have a working second hand fridge that is not being used and would like to donate to the parish. We need to replace the one in the morning tea area.