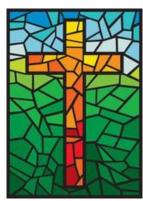


2nd July 2023
13th Sunday
in Ordinary Time
Year A
2 Kings 4:8-11, 14-16
Rom 6:3-4, 8-11
Matthew 10:37-42



For the first Christians, becoming a follower of Jesus wasn't without its challenges. A question that many people found confronting was whether they would lose their identity as a Jew in following Jesus.

What happens then when one member of a family decides to become a follower of Jesus, but the other members don't? Unfortunately, in some cases, it led to a break in familial relationships.

In addition to the perceived loss of identity, and the risk of being ostracised from one's own family, the early Christians were persecuted heavily. To be a follower of Christ meant that one's own life was put at risk.

This is the context in which we hear Jesus say today, "Anyone who prefers son or daughter to me is not worthy of me. Anyone who does not take up his cross and follow in my footsteps is not worthy of me."

Thanks be to God that the early Christians had the courage to say 'Yes!' to Jesus, despite the challenges. It is upon their sacrifice in which the Church saw its foundations built.

In Australia today, as it was then, it's not easy being a Christian. While we don't face physical persecution, we do find ourselves in an age where there is more and more hostility directed towards the Church, alongside some valid criticism. We've never been a perfect Church.

In an age like today, are we able to say "Yes!" to God, as the early Christians did? God calls us to have the courage to pick up our cross -whatever that may be – and follow Him. It's in our own cross-bearing that we become witnesses to a world that is in desperate need of the love, hope and joy that only Jesus can bring.

In our own "Yes!" to God, we lay the foundations for the next generation to come after us, and we contribute in our own way to the building of the Kingdom of God.

I wish you all a very happy and safe period over the school holidays.

Fr Adam



PARISH NEWS





PRAYER AT ST MA	DS	
The Sunday Gospel reflections	Tuesday at 10.30 am via Zoom. Contact Careyanne 0438 791 813 or careyannemoylan@hotmail.com	
Prayer Group	Wednesday after morning Mass at 10am in the St Madeleine centre: Explanation of Sunday Mass Gospel, Pray the Rosary and Chaplet of Divine Mercy	
St Mad's Book Club	ad's Book Club To register contact Careyanne on careyannemoylan@hotmail.com	
RCIA	For enquires contact Fr Vincent or Parish Office	
St Mads Rosary	Thursday after morning Mass Monday Rosary Via Zoom Contact Kay Brooks & Lydia Ceccato 0400 372 561	
Baptism Preparation	First Saturday of the month in the St Madeleine centre: Ring/email Parish office for booking 9654 2260 (Tues-Fri 10am-4 pm or stmads@yahoo.com.au)	





Come & Support
Our Marian students at Mass!

Marian students will be providing the music for the 5.30pm evening Mass on

Sunday, 30 July 2023

We would love to see as many of our St Mad's parishioners come along to this Mass to support these young people and to welcome their involvement in church!

Thank you

PIETY SHOP

We have an ever changing array of gifts and religious items. Special orders are welcome too. We are open after every weekend Mass. Contact Sandra Tabone on 0413272400

<u>Safeguarding Mandatory Modules</u> <u>Face-to-Face Training</u>

The Diocesan Safeguarding team are organising sessions for parish clergy, staff and volunteers to complete their Mandatory Safeguarding at St Paul the Apostle Parish, Winston Hills.

Tuesday 4 July (12noon-4.45pm) for Modules 1-3

Monday 10 July (6.30pm-8.30pm) for Modules 1 & 3

Tuesday 11 July (6.30pm-8.00pm) for Module 2

Saturday 22 July (12noon-4.45pm) for Modules 1-3

Please email safeguardingtraining@parracatholic.org or winstonhills@parracatholic.org to register for one of these face-to-face opportunities to complete your Mandatory Safeguarding Training.

If you have any questions about the
Safeguarding Training, please email Maria Kervin,
Community Engagement and
Education Officer at:
maria.kervin@parracatholic.org
Suzanne - Parish Safeguarding Champion
m. 0410 936 108



Please ensure your details are kept up to date PLANNED GIVING PROGRAM

On behalf of the Parish Community, I would like to thank you so much for your ongoing support, which has been very vital to keep our Parish going strong. You can drop off the envelopes at the weekend Masses or the parish office or you can do it electronically to:

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Church BSB : 067950 Account Number : 00000388

Parishioners wishing to donate or pledge their giving via direct debit, please pick up the form at the church and submit to Fr Vincent after completion.

LAST WEEK'S COLLECTIONS:

1st Collection (for Diocese) = \$1,203.50 2nd Collection (for Parish) Envelopes = \$816.10 Loose = \$1,069.50 Avg weekly Credit cards, direct debit \$1,874.23

Congratulations to our newly baptised:

Marko Jurí Zabek, Oakley Saunders and Adelea Toubía

CHOSEN Showing each Tuesday evening at 7pm

4 JULY: S1 EPISODE 8 - I AM HE IN THE ST MADELEINE CENTRE

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Social Justice ST Mad's Marking Refugee Week, the Diocese of Parramatta supports food banks. Many are on bridging visas that do not allow them to work. Finding a way to feed themselves and their families is often difficult. Sometimes they go without. Many rely on 'food banks' provided by Jesuit Refugee Services in Parramatta, and the House of Welcome in Granville. The food banks are able to operate thanks to donations from community food drives. 2023 Food Drives in the Diocese of Parramatta - YouTube Update from the Bishops Laudato SI' plan - Goal 3 Ecological Economics 3.1 Establish procedures to ensure slavery-free supply chains and use of recyclable products where possible. 3.2 Support an annual Message for the Feast of St Joseph the Worker (commenced 1998). 3.3 Prepare the annual National Wage Case submission (commenced 1996) to the Fair Work Commission supporting fair wages for the lowest-paid workers. 3.4 Promote and encourage use of video-conferencing to minimise travel demands.

PARISH PRAYER REQUESTS:

For the dearly departed: June Kingston,
Costantino Giudice, Maria Ceroli,
Sr Therese Gaudry RSM, Mary Ellen Bradley, Socorro
Corpuz, Pablito Corpuz, Peter Dunlop, Milagrin
Castelino, Norman & Chahide Hajje,
Sheddy & Chahida Hajje, George Hajje, Hanna &
Raymond Chiha, Betty & Mary Merhi, Abraham
family

Please pray for the sick: Odette Cutrone, Yvonne Bolland, Brenda Riley, Catherine Saunders, Aura Krakowszky, Hoani Alexander Barker, Sofia Viizzo, Margaret Martin, Antonia Desanti, and Jennifer Burgess

PARISH VOLUNTEER COORDINATORS

Music Coordinators: Alexandra Mifsud, Selina Calleia & Joan Sattler

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Baptism Preparation: Angelique Easton
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SRE Coordinator: Maureen Jones
Friendship Group: Jenny Puleo
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Suzanne Kingston-Hunt
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Rev Vincent Savarimuthu

Assistant Priest Rev Adam Carlow

Parish Secretaries Sandra De Nardi Susie Lee

Sacramental Coordinator Sandra De Nardi

St Madeleine's Primary School

Phone: 9654 6751 Principal: Mrs Barbara Young

Marian College Phone: 9654 6700 Principal: Dr Gavin Hays

PARISH SERVICES Weekend Masses:

Saturday 5.30pm

Sunday 8:00am, 10:00 am, 5.30pm

Children's Liturgy during school term

Weekday Masses 9:15am Tuesdays to Fridays

9:45am - 10:15am Fridays - Adoration Prayer Group: Wednesdays after the

9.15 am Mass

Reconciliation: Saturday 5.00pm Baptisms: Every 2nd and 4th Sunday

at 11:20am (Must make a booking) Weddings: By appointment

Blessed Pier Giorgio Frauati

Feast Day: 4 July

He was born in Turin into a wealthy family, who owned a newspaper called La Stampa. He was dedicated

to works of social action, charity, prayer and community. He was involved with Catholic youth and student groups, the Apostleship of Prayer, He helped establish a newspaper entitled Momento, whose principles were based on Pope Leo XIII's encyclical: Rerum Novarum. Despite his family's enormous wealth and power, Frassati's father was austere and never gave his children too much spending money. Frassati, however, donated most or all of his money to people he saw as more "needy" than him, and as a result he became accustomed to giving his train-fare to the poor and running back home or riding in third class. He was strongly anti-fascist and did nothing to hide his political views. One night a group of fascists broke into his family's home to attack him and his father, but Frassati beat them off single-handedly chasing them down the street .to a genuine united search for God's truth and Frassati died in 1925 of poliomyelitis. His family expected Turin's elite and political figures to come to offer their condolences and attend the funeral: they naturally expected to find many of his friends there as well. They were surprised, however, to find the streets of the city lined with thousands of mourners as the cortege passed by. Poor people from the city petitioned the Archbishop of Turin to begin the cause for canonization. Blessed Pier Giorgio Frassati's feast day is 4 July. Frassati was called Man of Eight Beatitudes by

Pope John Paul II, who beatified him on 20 May 1990.

http://www.catholic.org/saints



PRAYER FOR OUR DIOCESAN SYNOD

O God, who always walks with us on the journey of life, we call upon you to lead us forth united.

Bless and guide our Diocesan Synod.

We ask this prayer through Jesus Christ, who in the power of the Holy Spirit

Our Lady Help of Christians, pray for us. St Mary of the Cross MacKillop, pray for us



For further information on the Synod https://parracatholic.org/ synod2023/



"Behold. I am doina a new thing" (Isaiah 43:19)

> Submissions due 31 July 2023

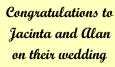
Our Diocesan Synod will be held from 12-15 October 2023

The question that will guide the Synod is:

In what ways can we respond to the call of the Holy Spirit to be a more synodal Church in the Diocese of Parramatta?

A topic related to the life and mission of the Church is MISSION

Questions we can ask ourselves include: What do you believe the mission of the Church is in Western Sydney and the Blue Mountains? • How do we ensure the ongoing nourishment of our faith communities, while expanding the tent for others to be included? • Describe your local community and the needs you perceive. What are the ways in which we can meet the needs of today and into the future? Provide one practical suggestion on how we could meet that need.





FLOWERS: if you would like to donate flowers for our Church please contact the parish office







Our Garden Chapel (located to the side of the Church)

Mary, Mother of God, pray for us

PARISH PLAYGROUP

Each Thursday - during school term - at 9.30am in the St Madeleine Centre

For further info contact 9654 2260





SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM **FIRST EUCHARIST**

For children who have celebrated both Baptism and Reconciliation and are in Year 3 or older

Enrolment documents to be handed in at the parish office no later than Friday, 4 August 2023 see stmadeleine.org.au/sacraments

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	MINISTERS OF THE ALTAR	John Puleo	Piety Rocha	Joe Touma	
	READERS	Anne Kyngdon	Nigel Saunders	Karla Quinn	Jan Schroder
		Justin Kyngdon	John Walcott	Roslyn Earl	Gael Carpani
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		Jacinta, Amelia & Roderick			
	MUSICIANS	Joan Sattler			
	COUNTERS	Sandra Tabone & Tony Hooper		CHILDREN'S LITURGY	School Holidays
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