



Our Lady of Victories Horsley Park

Under the Pastoral Care of the Congregation of St Michael the Archangel
Celebrating Community



Our Lady Of Victories
Catholic Parish
1788 The Horsley Drive, Horsley Park

Our Lady Queen of Peace
215 Western Road, Kemps Creek

We pay our respects and acknowledge the traditional custodians of this land. May we walk gently and respectfully upon the land.

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Fr Dominik Karnas CSMA

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Mass Times
Horsley Park:
Mon-Fri: 8.30am Rosary,
9.00am Morning Mass
Saturday: 6.00pm
Sunday: 8.00am, 10.00am, 6.00pm
Kemps Creek: SUSPENDED

Reconciliation:
Mon, Wed - Fri: 8.30am-8.50am
Saturday 5.15pm-5.45pm
At other times by appointment.

Enquiries regarding other Sacraments:
Please ring during office hours.

Marion Catholic Primary School
1788 The Horsley Drive, Horsley Park
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Principal: Therese Gaunt

An induction loop for the hearing impaired is fitted in the centre aisle of the church.

19 December 2021

FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT - YEAR C

INTRODUCTION: Our world is full of humble, ordinary people, and yet some people like these have changed the course of the world. Our Gospel today shows us such a person coming from such an ordinary existence. Mary, who by her simple 'Yes' to God, turned the course of the world and the Church to be. Her 'Yes' to God, her 'Here I am', gave to her and to us Jesus, the Son of God. It made possible the 'Here I am, I come to do your will,' of Jesus. Her 'Yes' and the 'Yes' of Jesus call us and the whole Church today to give our unconditional 'Yes' to God.

FIRST READING: Micah 5 : 1-4
Out of you will be born the one who is to rule over Israel.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: Psalm 79 : 2-3, 15-16, 18-19

RESPONSE:
Lord, make us turn to you; let us see your face and we shall be saved.

SECOND READING: Hebrews 10 : 5-10
I am coming to do your will.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:
Alleluia, alleluia!
I am the servant of the Lord:
may his will for me be done.
Alleluia!

GOSPEL: Luke 1 : 39-44
*Why should it happen
that I am honoured with a visit from the mother of my Lord?*

COMMUNION ANTIPHON:
Behold, a Virgin shall conceive
and bear a son;
and his name will be called
Emmanuel.



✠ WE PRAY FOR OUR DECEASED RELATIVES & FRIENDS: BALDI Barney, Clara, BASSO Andrew, Riccardo, Santa, BORG Moses, CAMILLERI Charlie, CATANZARITI Pasquale, Maria, CAUCHI John, Vicky, FENECH Giulliana, GAUCI John, GRIMA Joseph, Sam, Anthony, Carmel, MICALLEF Carmen, MONTELEONE Francesca, Giuseppe, MUSCAT Jean, Lewis, SCHEMBRI Joseph, Joe, SERGI Micki, Anna, TABONE Emanuel, VANOLINI Amedeo, Rita, VELLA Ninu, Angelo, Salvina, Maryanne, Sylvina, Charlie, Anthony, Stephen, deceased members of the Cauchi & Gauci families. Recently deceased: Jimmy Galea. All Souls in Purgatory. All Relatives and Friends. May they rest in peace. Amen

WE PRAY FOR OUR SICK PARISHIONERS. Alyssa Ferreri, Seak Yek Heng, Vicky Vella. *May God's love give them strength and courage.*



NSW Health regulations have recently changed, **HOWEVER,**

QR CODE REGISTRATION or manual sign-in AND FACE MASKS ARE STILL MANDATORY

Santise hands upon entry.

If you are not well stay at home.



Booking for Christmas Mass is NOT required

Monday 20 December: (Luke 1:26-38) 9.00am Morning Mass
Tuesday 21 December: (Luke 1:39-45) 9.00am Morning Mass
Wednesday 22 December: (Luke 1:46-56) NO Morning Mass, 9.45am Rosary, 10.30am Funeral for James Galea
Thursday 23 December: (Luke 1:57-66) 9.00am Morning Mass
Friday 24 December: **CHRISTMAS EVE**
(Luke 1:67-79) NO Morning Mass, 6.00pm & Midnight
Saturday 25 December: **CHRISTMAS DAY**
8.00am & 10.00am.
PLEASE NOTE: There will be NO Evening Mass
Sunday 26 December: The HOLY FAMILY of JESUS, MARY & JOSEPH
(1 Samuel 1:20-22, 24-28, 1 John 3:1-2, 21-24, Luke 2:41-52)
9.00am & 6.00pm



MONTHLY DEVOTIONS

Tuesday - December 28: 6.00pm Devotion to St Michael the Archangel, 6.30pm Mass.
Saturday - January 01: Immaculate Heart of Mary, 9.00am Adoration & Rosary followed by Mass
Friday - January 07: First Friday, 8.00am Adoration followed by 9.00am Mass



REMEMBRANCE MASS & COMPASSIONATE COMPANIONS: Thursday 20 January at 10.30am. All are welcome, especially those who grieve the death of loved ones and those who support them.

PARISH OFFICE CLOSURE: The Parish office will be closed for the Christmas and New Year period from Friday 24 December and will re-open on Monday 10 January 2022. If you have an emergency and need a Priest, please call the office and leave a message.

CHRISTMAS OFFERING: The Christmas offering is a gift we give to the Priests of our Parish and can be placed in the first collection basket at all Christmas Masses. Envelopes are available from the magazine rack in the foyer. Thank you.

MSSP SPONSORSHIP: Sponsorship in support of the Missionary Society of St Paul's missions in Peru, Pakistan and Philippines is due for renewal. Contributions can be forwarded directly to the MSSP's bank account: BSB 083 153, Acc No. 80 559 9567, Acc Name: Missionary Society of St Paul, please add your name as the Reference. Once you have sent your contribution, please email the receipt / payment advice to: accounts@mssp.org.au or contact Joyce Cutajar on 0429 145 569 to advise the contribution has been sent. Further details, queries or if you wish to become a sponsor contact Joyce (Monday, Thursday or Friday, 9.30am—2.30pm). Thank you for your continued support.

LIGHTS OF CHRISTMAS: St Mary's Cathedral from 8.30pm - 11.00pm nightly until Christmas Eve. More information is available at: lightsofchristmas.com.au.

BAPTISMS: We welcome into our Parish family, Paloma Mitchell, Hamish Aitken, Domenic Denardo, Sam Musico, Victoria & Scarlett Camilleri, Kingston Capolino, Lily Trovato, Amanie Galea, Elijah Pace, Allegra Violi and Zachary Pham, recently baptised.

WEDDING CONGRATULATIONS: To Francesco Catanzariti & Rachel Cutler, parishioners recently married.

MSSP CALENDARS: The Missionary Society of St Paul have kindly sent us calendars for 2022. The calendars are available from the foyer. Please limit 1 per family. Thank you.

Lighting the Advent Wreath
Fourth Sunday of Advent
The Candle of LOVE

Dear God, we love you because we know that in Jesus you loved us first. As we light this candle, make us love each other more and more, and help us to tell about the love of Jesus to the whole world. We make our prayer through Christ our Lord. Amen.



MYSTERY OF FAITH

We proclaim your death, O Lord, and profess your resurrection, until you come again.

NICENE CREED

I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible.
I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages. God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father; through him all things were made.
For us men and for our salvation he came down from heaven; and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and became man.
For our sake He was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures.
He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.
I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.
I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church.
I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Catechesis of St Joseph

ST JOSEPH - POWERFUL INTERCESSOR

Over the last year, we have reflected on various aspects of St. Joseph's life. Hopefully, you now know him and have been inspired by his life. We have invoked his intercession for a wide variety of needs. Today we simply ask him to be our intercessor, and we offer this prayer to entrust ourselves to his fatherly care.

Dear St. Joseph, after Mary, you are the most powerful intercessor before God. In a sense, Jesus remains obedient to you and will listen to you as you bring my intentions to Him. Because of this, I especially want to entrust myself to your fatherly care, just as Jesus Himself did. And while in the past, I may have brought to you one of my intentions here or there, this time, I want to do something new.

This time, I want to give you all. I want to forever entrust to you all of my needs and cares, trusting that you will bring them, with Mary, to your Son, Jesus. Dear St. Joseph, as the best of fathers, as the one God chose to be the virginal father of Jesus, I believe that you know what I need better than I do myself.

So go ahead, St. Joseph. I give you permission to care for me as your child. In doing so, I trust that you will do everything in your power to make my life into something beautiful for God. I trust that you will watch over me and that your prayers will guide me, bless me, and protect me. I trust that you will now care for me with the same love and tenderness with which you cared for Jesus.

Saint Joseph, Powerful Intercessor, please pray for me and all my intentions. Amen.

Prayer to St Michael the Archangel

Saint Michael the Archangel, defend us in battle, be our safeguard against the wickedness and snares of the devil; may God rebuke him, we humbly pray and do you, O Prince of the Heavenly Host, by the power of God, cast into hell Satan and all the evil spirits who prowl about the world seeking the ruin of souls. Amen.

SAFEGUARDING - A message from the Archdiocese of Sydney

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 & Ministerial Integrity Office at 9390 5810 or safeguardingenquiries@sydneycatholic.org. You may also want to speak to your Parish Priest who will be able to provide support and guidance. The Archdiocese has a legal obligation to report crimes to police.

ROSTERS

COUNTING GROUPS:

THIS WEEK GROUP 4:
John Borg, Fred Borg, Emanuel Borg

NEXT WEEK GROUP 5:
Linda Micallef, Theresa McHale

CLEANING GROUPS:

THIS WEEK GROUP 2:
Dorothy Muscat, Violet Menolotto, Lily Rowe, Jane Borg, Angela Panetta

NEXT WEEK GROUP 3:
Joyce Grima, Theresa Sultana, Maria Pisano, Matthew Santucci

DATES TO NOTE

Fri 24: Christmas Eve
Sat 25:

CHRISTMAS DAY



Sun 26: Holy Family—Renewal of Vows, Boxing Day

Mon 27 & Tues 28: Public Holidays for Christmas and Boxing Day

Fri 31: New Year's Eve

Sat 01 Jan: New Year's Day





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