



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.

Parish Priest
Fr Dominik Karnas CSMA

Assistant Priest
Fr Marek Okarma CSMA

Pastoral Associate / Parish
Safeguarding Support Officer:
Mary Farrell

Parish Pastoral Council
Acting Chairperson:
Michelle Favotto

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Mass Times
Horsley Park:
Mon-Fri: 8.30am Rosary,
9.00am Morning Mass
Saturday: 5.00pm
Sunday: 8.30am, 10.00am, 5.00pm

Reconciliation:
Mon - Fri: 8.30am-8.50am
Saturday 4.15pm-4.45pm
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: Mrs Julie Straub

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

25 September 2022

TWENTY SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - YEAR C

Today's Gospel is a reminder to us all that we need to be mindful of those in need and share with them, for unless we share with those less fortunate, can we really call ourselves Christians? Christian faith is about more than Sunday worship. It is about living the message of Jesus every day.

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON:

All that you have done to us, O Lord,
you have done with true judgement,
for we have sinned against you
and not obeyed your commandments.
But give glory to your name
and deal with us according to the bounty of your mercy.

FIRST READING: Amos 6 : 1, 4-7
You who give yourself to licentiousness and revelry will be exiled.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: Psalm 145 : 6-10

RESPONSE: Praise the Lord, my soul!

SECOND READING: 1 Timothy 6 : 11-16
Obey the commandments until the coming of the Lord.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

Alleluia! Alleluia!
Jesus Christ was rich but he became poor,
to make you rich out of his poverty.
Alleluia!

GOSPEL: Luke 16 : 19-31
*During your life good things came your way
just as bad things came the way of Lazarus.
Now he is being comforted while you are in agony.*

COMMUNION ANTIPHON:

Remember your word to your servant,
O Lord,
by which you have given me hope.
This is my comfort when I am brought low.



LK 16:19-31

✠ WE PRAY FOR DECEASED RELATIVES & FRIENDS: BARBARO Francesco, Joe, Jesse, BARTOLO Charlie, BORG Moses, CAMILLERI Emanuel, CARBONE Giuseppe, CATANZARITI Rosa, Pasquale, Maria, CIANTAR Charlie, Frances, Phillip, Josephine, George, Frank, COMIN Elda, Angelo, DE FRANCESCO Josephine (1st Month), DIAMANTE Tony (1st Month), GALEA Paul (1st Month), GRIMA John, Charlie, Joseph, LAGANA Giuseppe, LEBIC Michael, MARSHALL Bob, MICALLEF Carmen, MONTELEONE Francesca, Giuseppe, MUSCAT Jean, Lewis, PACE Joseph, Gaetana, PANGALLO Maria, PORTELLI Tony, ROSSETTO Gino, Lina, SCHEMBRI Joseph, Joe, SERGI Joe, John, Domenic, TABONE Emanuel, TOSELLO Sally (1st Month), TRIMBOLI Pasquale, Paolo, Domenico, VELLA Frank, Tony, Maryanne. All Souls in Purgatory. All Relatives and Friends. May they rest in peace. Amen

WE PRAY FOR OUR SICK PARISHIONERS. Mary Attard, Seak Yek Heng. *May God's love give them strength and courage.*

Monday 26 September:	(Luke 9:46-50) 9.00am Morning Mass
Tuesday 27 September:	(Luke 9:51-56) <i>St Vincent de Paul</i> , 8.30am Devotion to St Michael the Archangel, followed by 9.00am Morning Mass
Wednesday 28 September:	(Luke 9:57-62) 9.00am Morning Mass
Thursday 29 September:	(John 1:47-51) <i>Feast of Sts Michael, Gabriel, Raphael, archangels</i> , 9.00am Morning Mass,
Friday 30 September:	(Luke 10:13-16) <i>St Jerome</i> , 9.00am Morning Mass
Saturday 01 October:	(Luke 10:17-24) <i>St Therese of the Child Jesus</i> , 8.30am Devotion to Immaculate Heart of Mary, Adoration, Rosary & Mass 5.30pm Rosary, 6.00pm Vigil Mass
Sunday 02 October:	(Habakkuk 1:2-3, 2:2-4, 2 Timothy 1:6-8, 13-14, Luke 17:5-9) 8.00am Mass, 9.30am Divine Mercy Chaplet, 10.00am Mass, 6.00pm Evening Mass

MONTHLY DEVOTIONS

Tuesday - 27 September: 8.30am Devotion to St Michael the Archangel followed by Morning Mass
 Saturday - 01 October: First Saturday - Devotion to Immaculate Heart of Mary,
 8.30am Adoration, Rosary & Mass
 Wednesday - 05 October: 8.30am Adoration & Devotion to St Joseph, 9.00am Morning Mass
 Friday - 07 October First Friday, 8.30am Adoration, 9.00am Morning Mass

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



PARISH FESTIVAL

THANK YOU: To all who were in any way involved in the preparations leading up to our Parish Festival Day. To the organising committee, all our volunteers, those who helped by their donations and sponsorship and to those who helped clean up. Thank you all for your sense of community spirit and commitment in making our Parish festival a truly great day.

MAJOR RAFFLE WINNERS: Thank you to all who purchased tickets in the major raffle. A special thank you to all our sponsors who generously donated prizes and to all who helped sell tickets. Congratulations to all the winners: 1st: 14033 A. Grima, 2nd: 13843 A. Bagala, 3rd: 13862 P. Chea, 4th: 14023 S. Jeffrey, 5th: 13764 Azra, 6th: 13787 M. Mezyed, 7th: 13357 J. Libri, 8th: 12064 A. Giansante.

PASTIZZI FOR SALE: We have packs of frozen Pepes pastizzi (cheese or peas) - \$6.00 per dozen. If you are interested in buying some pastizzi, please contact the Parish office to arrange. Why not buy some to stock up your freezers and at the same time help out the Parish.

DAYLIGHT SAVING MASS TIME CHANGES: Daylight savings will begin next Sunday 02 October. Clocks will go forward 1 hour. New Mass times will be:

*Effective from next weekend: 01 October: Saturday evening - 6.00pm
 02 October: Sunday - 8.00am, 10.00am and 6.00pm*

NEEDED URGENTLY: Are you able to spare an hour or so every 6 weeks?. Do you like coming to church and seeing it all lovely and clean? If you are able to assist, please contact the Parish office. All support is appreciated.

MIGRANT & REFUGEE SUNDAY: This Sunday, the Catholic Church around the world celebrates the World Day of Migrants and Refugees. Pope Francis invites us to work towards *Building the Future with Migrants and Refugees*. Pope Francis highlights the commitment that we are all called to share in building a future that embraces God's plan, leaving no one behind. In Australia, a country which has been built on migrants and refugees, newer Australians can still be overlooked. Pope Francis insists that "if we want to cooperate with our heavenly Father in building the future, let us go together with our brothers and sisters who are migrants and refugees". This is such an important teaching of Pope Francis that we can all reflect on more intensely on this special day.

BAPTISMS: We welcome into our Parish family, Alana Naem, Massimo Agostino, Oliver Simpson, Akira Parrish, Elijah Haining and Luca Pistolich who were recently baptised.

WEDDING CONGRATULATIONS: To Daniela Votta & Luke Maruncic, Isabella Rapisarda & Christopher Antinanco and Vanessa Curinga & Kristian Chiandotto, parishioners recently married.

PRE-ADVENT WEEKEND RETREAT TO THE SNOWY REGION: To look towards Advent preparations, to grow in faith and to guide participants towards praying the Liturgy of the Hours, a Retreat weekend has been organized visiting Cooma, Dalgety, Jindabyne, Thredbo and Berridale. Leaving Friday morning 11 November and returning Sunday evening 13 November. Travel will be by coach, departing from Mary Immaculate Parish, Bossley Park. \$250 per person for transport and accommodation including breakfast for Saturday and Sunday. For further enquiries, contact Mary Immaculate Parish on 9604 8927 or see the flyer on the notice board in the foyer.

VOLUNTEER ACCOUNTS OFFICER / BOOKKEEPER: Are you a retired accounts officer looking to contribute your bookkeeping skills to a Catholic Charity? Palms Australia facilitates the church's response to global communities who seek mentors to build the capacity of their organisations and individuals and so reduce poverty. Securing a part-time volunteer Accounts Officer will allow Palms to use more of their donations to recruit, prepare, send and support the qualified and experienced Catholics who volunteer for missions abroad. For further information contact Kevin Wilson by email at kevin@palms.org.au or phone 0412 550 902.



Act of Consecration to Saint Michael the Archangel

Saint Michael the Archangel,

I consecrate to you my soul and body.

I choose you as my patron and protector

and entrust the salvation of my soul to your care.

Be the guardian of my obligation as a child of God and of the Catholic Church
as again I renounce Satan, his works and empty promises.

Assist me by your powerful intercession in the fulfilment of these sacred promises,
so that imitating your courage and loyalty to God, and trusting in your kind help and protection,
I may be victorious over the enemies of my soul and be united with God in heaven forever.

Amen.

GLORIA

Glory to God in the highest,
and on earth peace to people of good will.
We praise you, we bless you,
we adore you, we glorify you,
we give you thanks for your great glory,
Lord God, heavenly King,
O God, almighty Father.
Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son.
Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,
you take away the sins of the world,
have mercy on us;
you take away the sins of the world,
receive our prayer;
you are seated at the right hand
of the Father, have mercy on us.
For you alone are the Holy One,
you alone are the Lord,
you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ,
with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

MYSTERY OF FAITH

When we eat this bread and drink this cup,
we proclaim your Death, O Lord,
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.

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.

ROSTERS

COUNTING GROUPS:

THIS WEEK GROUP 2:
Sam Said & Family

NEXT WEEK GROUP 3
Angelo Basso,
Peter Basso

CLEANING GROUPS:

THIS WEEK GROUP 6:
Penelope Tabone,
Margaret Deguara,
Nicole Azzopardi,
Caroline Culleton,
Joanne Hogbin

NEXT WEEK GROUP 1:
Diane Borg,
Denis Schembri,
Lily Bugeja,
Michelle Gauci,
Patricia Stuardo,
Louise Louis,
Marie Monzon

ACTIVITIES IN OCTOBER

Sun 02: Daylight savings begins - set clocks forward 1 hour



Mon 03: Labour Day public holiday

Mon 10: School Term 4 begins

Thurs 20, 10.30am: Remembrance Mass & Compassionate Companions



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.

Dear Parishioners and Friends of Our Lady of Victories

Deo gratias! in Latin. In English: Thanks be to God!
I thank God for the Parish Feast which we celebrated last week.

Four years ago, Pope Francis released a new papal document - "*Gaudete et Exsultate: On the Call to Holiness in Today's World.*" The Latin title, "Rejoice and Be Glad," comes from Matthew 5:12, part of the Sermon on the Mount - "Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven."

Why should we "rejoice and be glad"? Because God, as Pope Francis reminds us, calls us all to be saints. But how can we respond to that call? Well, Pope Francis is giving us new and very practical exhortations on how to grow in holiness. He is asking us "What must one do to be a good Christian in the 21st century?"

Pope Francis closed his document writing about our Heavenly Mother: *Mary lived the Beatitudes of Jesus as none other. She is that woman who rejoiced in the presence of God, who treasured everything in her heart, and who let herself be pierced by the sword. Mary is the saint among the saints, blessed above all others. She teaches us the way of holiness, and she walks ever at our side. She does not let us remain fallen, and at times she takes us into her arms without judging us. Our converse with her consoles, frees and sanctifies us. Mary our Mother does not need a flood of words. She does not need us to tell her what is happening in our lives. All we need do is whisper, time and time again: "Hail Mary..."*

Dear Friends, true devotion to the Blessed Virgin Mary leads us to a life of grace, faith and holiness. Last Sunday, we celebrated the 59th Parish Feast of Our Lady of Victories. I thank God for this special celebration.

The weather was amazing and allowed us to process with Our Lady and honour her, praying the Holy Rosary and singing hymns of praise. We all enjoyed the performances given to us by our students from Marion School and other artists who sang and danced for us.

I want to express my special gratitude to all of you who came and took part in our Feast. Over the past few months, so many of you spent countless hours, giving your time to ensure our Parish Feast was a success.

I have seen the co-operation of so many of our parishioners beginning with the Feast Committee: Louise Cordina (Chairperson), Mary Farrell, Grace Said, Melissa Borg, Charmaine D'Emanuele, Leonie Casha, Nicole Azzopardi, Christina Colusso-Craig.



I thank our Parish staff and so many volunteers for your support, dedication and co-operation. Congratulations! Well done!

I would, also, like to thank Fr Philip Gambin for joining with us to celebrate the Parish Feast and be our spiritual director during the Triduum and on the Feast day. This year he celebrates the 50th Anniversary of his priesthood. May Our Lady pray for him to fulfil God's will in his life.

I thank all those who helped us with the liturgy during our Triduum and the Feast day, the musicians and singers, the bearers of the statue of Our Lady and the Maltese Concert Band. Thank you all so much for your time and commitment.

Congratulations to all the winners of the major raffle and the chocolate wheel hampers. I especially want to thank all the sponsors who support us. As they supported us, so I encourage you to support them in their businesses. In a few weeks we will provide a final report on the day's outcome.

This year we changed the format of the Parish Feast by celebrating only during the day. The goal was to bring families with children to Celebrate Community. I spoke with many parishioners and some were happy for this changed program. However, some are sentimental and wished to celebrate as in previous years. I think we have to be realistic and look at ways to balance tradition and new possibilities going forward.

Events, such as our Parish Feast, are wonderful opportunities for a parish to grow in fellowship and enjoy a day together in good family fun. Once more, I express my sincere appreciation and gratitude to all of you. We had a great time to "Celebrate Community."

Dear Friends, remember that we are all victorious with Our Lady, who is always with us. Our Lady of Victories pray for us!

God Bless you all!

Fr Dominik Karnas CSMA, PP