



# Our Lady of Victories Horsley Park

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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 Marek Okarma 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

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

Enquiries regarding other Sacraments:  
Please ring during office hours.

Weddings: Minimum 6 months' advance  
notice required

Marion Catholic Primary School  
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Principal: Mrs Julie Straub

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

29 January 2023

FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME —YEAR A

Today's Gospel focus is on the Beatitudes. To have such virtues is to be blessed. However, to understand this we must look to Jesus himself. He led the life of the poor, but he was happy. He suffered, but was at peace with God and himself. Our vocation as Christians is not to be the first in this world, but rather to be first in the eyes of God. In this Eucharist let us ask Jesus to help us better understand his teaching and become more like him.

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON:

Save us, O Lord our God!  
And gather us from the nations,  
to give thanks to your holy name,  
and make it our glory to praise you.

FIRST READING: Zephaniah 2 : 3, 3 : 12-13  
*In your midst I will leave a humble and lowly people.*

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: Psalm 145 : 7-10

RESPONSE: Happy the poor in spirit, the kingdom of heaven is theirs!

SECOND READING: 1 Corinthians 1 : 26-31  
*God has chosen what is weak by human reckoning.*

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

Alleluia! Alleluia!  
Rejoice and be glad;  
Your reward will be great in heaven.  
Alleluia!

GOSPEL: Matthew 5 : 1-12  
*Happy the poor in spirit.*

COMMUNION ANTIPHON:

Let your face shine on your servant.  
Save me in your merciful love.  
O Lord, let me never be put to shame,  
for I call on you.



✠ WE PRAY FOR OUR DECEASED RELATIVES & FRIENDS: ANDRIOLLO Carlo, Maria, BARBARO Francesco, Joe, Jesse, BARONE Antonio, BOLZAN Daniel, CARBONE Giuseppe, CIANTAR Frank, GAUCI Josephine, GRIMA John, LAGANA Giuseppe, LEBIC Michael, MONTELEONE Francesca, Giuseppe, PANGALLO Maria, SERGI Domenic, Joe, John, TABONE Emanuel, TRIMBOLI Paolo, Pasquale, Domenico, VELLA Frank, WILSON Anita. Recently deceased: Victoria Zerafa. All Souls in Purgatory. All Relatives and Friends. May they rest in peace. Amen  
 WE PRAY FOR OUR SICK PARISHIONERS. Mary Attard, Joe Azzopardi, Seak Yek Heng. *May God's love give them strength and courage.*

Monday 30 January:	<i>(Mark 5:1-20)</i>	9.00am Morning Mass
Tuesday 31 January:	<i>(Mark 5:21-43)</i>	<i>St John Bosco</i> , 8.00am Devotion to St Michael the Archangel, 9.00am Morning Mass
Wednesday 01 February:	<i>(Mark 6:1-6)</i>	8.00am Devotion to St Joseph, 9.00am Morning Mass
Thursday 02 February:	<i>(Luke 2:22-40)</i>	<i>The Presentation of the Lord</i> , 9.00am Morning Mass
Friday 03 February:	<i>(Mark 6:14-29)</i>	<i>First Friday</i> , 8.00am Adoration, 9.00am Morning Mass
Saturday 04 February	<i>(Mark 6:30-34)</i>	8.00am Adoration & Rosary followed by Mass 5.30pm Rosary, 6.00pm Vigil Mass
Sunday 05 February:	<i>(Isaiah 58:7-10, 1 Corinthians 2:1-5, Matthew 5:13-16)</i>	8.00am Mass, 9.30am Divine Mercy Chaplet, 10.00am Mass, 6.00pm Evening Mass

MONTHLY DEVOTIONS



Tuesday 31 January: 8.00am Devotion to St Michael the Archangel followed by 9.00am Morning Mass  
 Wednesday 01 February: 8.00am Devotion to St Joseph followed by 9.00am Morning Mass  
 Friday 03 February: First Friday, 8.00am Adoration followed by 9.00am Morning Mass  
 Saturday 04 February: Immaculate Heart of Mary, 8.00am Adoration & Rosary followed by Mass  
 Thursday 16 February: 10.30am: Remembrance Mass & Compassionate Companions.  
 All are welcome, especially those who grieve the death of loved ones and those who support them.

**ST JOHN BOSCO & BLESSED BRONISLAW MARKIEWICZ:** This weekend we celebrate the Feast of St John Bosco, founder of the Salesians, and Blessed Bronislaw Markiewicz, founder of the Michaelite Fathers.

**PONTIFICAL REQUIEM MASS FOR THE LATE GEORGE CARDINAL PELL AC:** The Funeral Mass for the late Archbishop will be held on Thursday 02 February at 11.00am at St Mary's Cathedral. Members of the public are invited to attend. Those unable to attend the Funeral Mass who wish to pay their respects can do so during the following times: Wednesday 01 February, at 9.30am Reception of the Body and Commencement of Lying in State, 1.10pm A Mass for the Dead, 5.30pm Evening Prayer and Vigil, 8.00pm A Mass for the Dead. Thursday 6.45am Mass for the Feast of the Presentation of the Lord, 11.00am Pontifical Requiem Mass (Cathedral doors will open at 9.30am).

**BAPTISMS:** We welcome into our Parish family, Gianni Torrelli, Harper Franic and Adriana Abela, all recently baptised.

**SACRISTAN FOR WEEKEND WEDDINGS:** We are looking for 2 or 3 parishioners to work with our current sacristans and to take on the role for some of the weddings, especially Sundays. If you are interested and can make the commitment this role needs, please contact the Parish office. All training is provided.

**SACRAMENTAL PROGRAMME PHOTOS:** Photos from last year's Confirmations and First Eucharist and also some prior years are still to be collected from the Parish office. Any photos not collected by Friday 03 February will be returned to the photographer.

**MAGI PILGRIMAGES:** Trace the journey of Jesus from the land of his birth to the way he carried his cross and gave the eternal sacrifice in a 14 day Holy Land pilgrimage to Jordan & Israel. The pilgrimage features places from the Old & New Testament and includes Petra, Mt Nebo, Bethlehem, Nazareth, Sea of Galilee, Mt Sinai and Jerusalem. \$6940 per person includes airfare, local transfers in deluxe coaches, stay in premium hotels, all breakfasts and dinners and English speaking professional guides. Departing from Sydney and Melbourne on 21 May 2023. Enquiries and bookings call 1300 721 561 or email [info@magiholidays.com.au](mailto:info@magiholidays.com.au). For other pilgrimages go to [www.magiholidays.com.au](http://www.magiholidays.com.au) or see the flyer on the notice board in the foyer.

**POSITION VACANT:** OSHC Educator required for the before and after school care service located in the Marion School Hall. Full time, part time & casual opportunities, mornings 7.00am-9.00am, afternoons 3.00pm-6.00pm. Hourly rates starting from \$25. Successful applicants will require experience interacting and supervising children, availability to work both before and after school hours, current First Aid, CPR and Working With Children Check. Email your resume to [mkkidsoshc@gmail.com](mailto:mkkidsoshc@gmail.com)

## 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.

## 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,  
Teresa Harbich

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

## ACTIVITIES IN FEBRUARY

Thurs 16, 10.30am:  
Remembrance Mass &  
Compassionate  
Companions

Wed 22:  
Ash Wednesday, Masses  
at 9.15am and 7.00pm

Fri 24, 6.30pm: Stations  
of the Cross followed by  
7.15pm Mass

## ACTIVITIES IN MARCH

Fri 03, 6.30pm: Stations  
of the Cross followed by  
7.15pm Mass

Fri 17, 6.30pm: Stations  
of the Cross followed by  
7.15pm Mass

Fri 24, 6.30pm: Stations  
of the Cross followed by  
7.15pm Mass

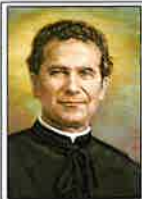
Fri 31, 6.30pm: Stations  
of the Cross followed by  
7.15pm Mass

## DATES TO NOTE

2 April: Palm Sunday

7 April: Good Friday

9 April: Easter Sunday



### Prayer to St John Bosco & Blessed Bronislaw Markiewicz

O God, you raised up the priest Saint John Bosco as a father and teacher of the young,  
grant, we pray, that inflamed with the same fire of love we may seek out  
souls and serve you alone.

Almighty and merciful God, you chose Blessed Bronislaw to be a father and  
protector of abandoned youth.

Grant that we may be encouraged by his example of hard work and temperance to carry  
out your will faithfully and zealously serve you. Amen



## The Mass - Participation

The assembly is one of the ways in which Christ is present at Mass. The active presence and participation of the assembly witnesses to the Mass as being the celebration of Christ and the Church.

Through our Baptism we are made children of God and are empowered to fully share in the celebration of the Eucharist. Our weekly participation in Sunday Mass sustains us in our path of holiness. This participation calls us to be attentive hearers of God's Word and to offer the sacrifice of the Mass. Together we bring the sacrifices of the past week to be consecrated in the Mass so we can be the Body of Christ. "Though holy in its origin, the People of God nevertheless grows constantly in holiness by conscious, active and fruitful participation in the mystery of the Eucharist". (General Instruction of the Roman Missal 5)

As we gather for Sunday Mass, we do not come as a group of individuals. As did the early Church, we come "as a body". Our greatest blessing is that we come with a mindset and an experience of being one in Christ. We are an assembly presided over by the ordained but called to the one action of this celebration. In this action there is no room for spectators but only participants. By their very presence and participation, each member contributes to the sacramental presence of Christ.

### 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](mailto: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.



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