



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

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Safeguarding Support Officer:**
Mary Farrell

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Chairperson:** Michelle Favotto

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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.

08 January 2023

EPIPHANY OF THE LORD —YEAR A

Today we celebrate the great Feast of Epiphany, proclaiming the child Jesus given to the whole world for the salvation of all. With the magi the world brings to Him its variety of gifts: its cultures, its different facets, its diverse qualities. And we here, like people from other nations, bring Him the gift of ourselves: our faith, our fidelity, our love, as we meet Him in prayer and in other people, especially in the poorest and marginalised.

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON:

Behold, the Lord, the Mighty One, has come;
and kingship is in his grasp, and power and dominion.

FIRST READING:

Isaiah 60 : 2-6

The glory of the Lord shines upon you.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM:

Psalms 71:1-2, 7-8, 10-13

RESPONSE: Lord, every nation on earth will adore you.

SECOND READING:

Ephesians 3 : 2-3, 5-6

*The revelation means that pagans now share the same inheritance,
that they are parts of the same body.*

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

Alleluia! Alleluia!
We have seen his star in the East;
and have come to adore the Lord.
Alleluia!

GOSPEL:

Matthew 2 : 1-12

*We have come from the East
to worship the king.*

COMMUNION ANTIPHON:

We have seen his star in the East,
and have come with gifts
to adore the Lord.



✠ WE PRAY FOR OUR DECEASED RELATIVES & FRIENDS: BABICH Giuseppe, Gina, BARBARO Francesco, Joe, Jesse, BARONE Egidio BOLZAN Daniel, CARBONE Giuseppe, FRAGOMELI Orlando, GAUCI Rozi, Alfred, GRIMA John, LAGANA Giuseppe, LEBIC Michael, MONTELEONE Francesca, Giuseppe, PANGALLO Maria, PERRI Maria, SERGI Domenic, Joe, John, TABONE Emanuel, TRIMBOLI Paolo, Pasquale, Domenico, VELLA Frank. All Souls in Purgatory. All Relatives and Friends.
 Recently deceased: Mary Calleja, Giuseppe Carli, Regina De Biasi 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 09 January:	<i>(Matthew 3:13-17) The Baptism of the Lord,</i>	9.00am Morning Mass
Tuesday 10 January:	<i>(Mark 1:21-28)</i>	9.00am Morning Mass
Wednesday 11 January:	<i>(Mark 1:29-39)</i>	9.00am Morning Mass
Thursday 12 January:	<i>(Mark 1:40-45)</i>	9.00am Morning Mass
Friday 13 January:	<i>(Mark 2:1-12) St Hilary</i>	9.00am Morning Mass
Saturday 14 January:	<i>(Mark 2:13-17)</i>	5.30pm Rosary, 6.00pm Vigil Mass
Sunday 15 January:	<i>(Isaiah 49: 3, 5-6, 1 Corinthians 1:1-3, John 1:29-34)</i>	8.00am Mass, 9.30am Divine Mercy Chaplet, 10.00am Mass, 6.00pm Evening Mass

MONTHLY DEVOTIONS

Thursday 19 January: 10.30am: Remembrance Mass & Compassionate Companions.
 All are welcome, especially those who grieve the death of loved ones and those who support them.
 Tuesday 31 January: 8.00am Devotion to St Michael the Archangel followed by Morning Mass

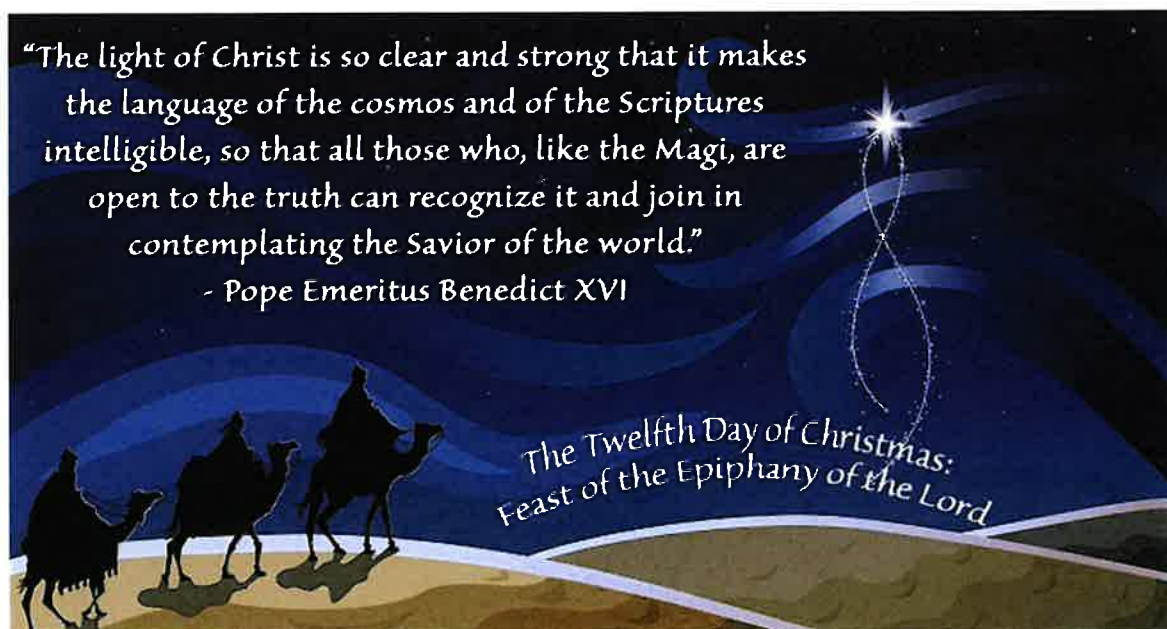


PONTIFICAL REQUIEM MASS FOR THE LATE POPE EMERITUS BENEDICT XVI: Thursday 12 January 2023, St Mary's Cathedral 5:30pm. (Please be seated by 5:15pm). For those who are unable to attend, the Requiem Mass will be live-streamed on the St Mary's Cathedral YouTube Channel. Please continue to pray for the repose of the soul of the late Holy Father.

FATIMA DAY - 13 JANUARY - PENROSE PARK: As part of his current Australian visit, Fr Piotr Prusakiewicz CSMA, will be celebrating Mass at the Shrine of Our Lady of Mercy in Penrose Park, Friday 13 January at 11.00am followed by procession. As bus has been organised to depart from St Michael's Parish, Hurstville at 8.00am and returning at 5.00pm. If you are interested in joining the pilgrimage please contact Valerie at St Michael's Parish Hurstville Parish on 7252 3966 / 0410 381 589 to book a seat on the bus. Cost \$35 pp. BYO food and drinks.

CONGREGATION OF ST MICHAEL THE ARCHANGEL 100YR JUBILEE: Holy Spirit Parish at North Ryde will be hosting the 100yr Jubilee Celebrations on Saturday 28 January 2023. All Michaelite parishes are welcome to attend the celebrations which will begin with a combined parishes Mass at 5.00pm, followed by a 3 course dinner—\$45 per adult / \$20 per child (up to 16yrs). BYO alcohol. Save the date — tickets will be available for purchase from the Parish office from Thursday 12 January.

RCIA - The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults: Have you been worshipping with us and would like to find out more about becoming a Catholic? Have you been away from the Church and have now returned, but want to know more? Have you been a Catholic all your life, but never celebrated the Sacraments of Eucharist and Confirmation? We can help you answer these questions and more. Just contact the Parish office. If you know of anyone in the Parish who may be interested, perhaps you could extend this invitation to them!



PARISH OFFICE CLOSURE: The Parish office is closed and will *reopen* on Thursday 12 January 2023. If you have an emergency and urgently need a Priest, please call the office and leave a message.

EPIPHANY CHALK

Each year on the Epiphany, some Christians bless their homes. With chalk they write an inscription on the inside lintel above the main entry door. The series of numbers, letters and crosses changes only slightly from year to year. For example, at the start of the year 2023, the line will read as follows: 20+C+M+B+23.

The four digits designating the new year appear at the beginning and end of the line. Because Epiphany comes so near the beginning of the new year, the numbers represent an annual renewal of God's blessing.

The letters have two meanings. They are the initials of the traditional names of the magi: Caspar, Melchior and Balthasar. They also abbreviate the Latin words "*Christus mansionem benedicat*." "May Christ bless the house."

The crosses represent Christ, whom we invoke, and the saintliness of the magi. The inscription is made above the main entry door, so that all who enter and depart this year may enjoy God's blessing. The inscription is made of chalk, a product of clay, which recalls the human nature taken by God's eternal word in this holy season.

*Paul Turner,
Ministry & Liturgy, Vol 28 No 10; San Jose, USA 2001-2002*

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

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.

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 5:

Linda Micallef,
Theresa McHale

NEXT WEEK GROUP 6

Emvin Galea, Mario
Muscat

CLEANING GROUPS:

THIS WEEK GROUP 3:

Joyce Grima,
Matthew Santucci,
Rose Penna,
Angela Pezzano

NEXT WEEK GROUP 4

Paul Micallef, Denis
Schembri, Gloria
Mihanovic, Claudia
Oliva, Tanya Curic

ACTIVITIES IN JANUARY

Thurs 19, 10.30am:
Remembrance Mass &
Compassionate
Companions

Thurs 26: Australia Day



Fri 27: School year begins

Sun 29: 10.00am Mass
St John Bosco & Blessed
Bronislaw Markiewicz

DATES TO NOTE

22 Feb: Ash Wednesday

2 April: Palm Sunday

9 April: Easter Sunday



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.



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