



Parish of Our Lady of the Way

North Sydney | Kirribilli | Lavender Bay

Under the care of the Jesuits since 1878

Sunday 12 February – Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time



Not from the Pulpit: Fr Andrew Bullen SJ



The truth will set us free. We say and believe. Even if we would dispute this and that detail of the Royal Commission findings, the truth is all too clear, and it hurts. Hurts each of us and all of us; each Church community (for example, OLOW) and the whole Church in Australia. Because we are bonded to each other for weal or woe, and here for woe. Our bone-core is wrenched. When we begin each Mass, we say we are sinners, and we know this means more than spates of gossip, spats of road rage, wastage of food (serious as all those can be), though with varying depth of responsibility, especially in the use of power. I am complicit in the killing of the lambs. Lord, have mercy. I need to be forgiven before I can admit my guilt. Christ have mercy. I cannot reach the resurrection without passing through Calvary. Lord, have mercy.

Parish Notices

First Reconciliation and First Holy Communion

Candidate registration is now open. Go to: <https://www.trybooking.com/OJNA>

As this is a home-based program, parents are invited to become leaders of small groups. All training and resources are provided. Depending on numbers, we need 15 group leaders. Please contact Claire: clairel@sparishnsw.org.au or 8918 4101 if you are interested.

New Appointment for JRS

The Jesuit Refugee Service Australia (JRS) is delighted to announce the appointment of Ms Carolina Gottardo as Country Director. She has had an extensive career in the fields of human rights and international development. Carolina will take up the position on 27th March 2017.

Jesuit Mission – Employment Opportunities

Jesuit Mission is seeking to appoint two new staff to join its small team in North Sydney. We are looking for experienced and enthusiastic people for two exciting fundraising roles in direct marketing and relationships fundraising. So if you're passionate about empowering poor and vulnerable communities overseas to transform their own lives; are interested in joining a passionate and energetic team; and have the relevant skills and experience of a Fundraising Relationships Coordinator or Direct Marketing Coordinator, please contact Helen Forde on (02) 8918 4109 or email ceo@jesuitmission.org.au or our website www.jesuitmission.org for more information.



Youth Ministry – Launch Party this weekend

Sun 12 Feb @ 3.30pm, Ron Dyer Centre

More Information: michaelp@sparishnsw.org.au

Healing Masses

Wed 22 Feb

Ron Dyer Centre @ 10.30am: St Francis Xavier @ 12.10pm: James Milson Village @ 1.30pm



Spanish Community Care Association – Fundraising Paella Day

Sat 25 Feb @ 12pm Ron Dyer Centre, 42 Ridge Street, North Sydney

Please join us for a fun-filled day with facepainting, games, music and more! All proceeds go towards supporting our elderly. Adults: \$25.00 Children: \$15.00. More information: www.spanishcare.net

"The 40 Day Journey" - Verbum Dei Missionaries

Sat 4 March @ VDM Centre, 4 Frances St Randwick

As we enter into the Season of Lent, join us for a one day silent retreat guided by Verbum Dei Missionaries. For bookings/info contact: verbumdeisydney@gmail.com or 9341 5848 or Louise 0402 374 751

"I am the True vine, and my Father is the vine dresser"

(John 15:1)



"I Can Do" - Ministries Weekend

18|19 Feb @ STM, SFX & SOS

"The Parish of Our Lady of the Way is a vibrant parish of people who are involved in over 50 ministries, good works and community activities. Next weekend, 18 and 19 February, is our "I Can Do Weekend". This is your opportunity to find out what's happening in our parish, and how you can become involved. Please collect your brochure, available at all

Masses this weekend, and we look forward to seeing you next weekend to register your interest. "We have tried to contact all ministries but if we have missed one from the booklet please contact Ignatius Mendonca at iggymen@bigpond.com. We will include it in the next edition of the brochure, as this is an ongoing project."

Easter Feast Day Choir – Registrations Open



Each year the Parish Music Ministry comes together for Easter, Christmas and the Feast of St Ignatius to provide a choir for the St Mary's services. The choir has the opportunity to sing in the St Mary's Choir loft, accompanied by professional Brass, Strings and Percussion, as well as our wonderful Pipe Organ. All parishioners are welcome to sing in the Easter Choir, regardless of skill level, age or experience. We just ask that you come willing to participate, and sing your heart out! All choristers who have participated have come away with the new skill of choral singing, and a yearning to sing again! If you would

like to be involved, please contact Michael Paton at michaelp@sparishnsw.org.au to register. The rehearsal commitment is every Tuesday from 7.30-9pm leading up to Easter, starting on the 21st of February.

Christian Meditation in the Parish re-commences this Sunday - All Welcome

Enquiries – Judi Taylor | taylor.judi@outlook.com | 9954 1037 or Jan (ACMC/NSW) 89184134

Website: www.christianmeditationaustralia.org

| Day | Time | Where |
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| Sunday | 8.30am & 5.00pm | SFX Parish Hall |
| Monday | 11.30am | Side Chapel, SFX |
| Wednesday | 7.00pm | SFX Parish Hall |
| Saturday | 9.30am | SOS |

Sunday's Readings

First Reading

Sir 15:15-20

We may choose life or death.

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 118:1-2, 4-5, 17-18, 33-34, R. v.1

Second Reading

1 Cor 2:6-10

God reveals his wisdom through the Spirit.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

Blessed are you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth; you have revealed to little ones the mysteries of the kingdom.

Alleluia!

See Mt 11:25

Gospel

Mt 5:17-37

Jesus comes to fulfill the law.

Mt 5:20-22, 27-28, 33-34, 37

In Our Prayers

Baptisms

William Bruce Barbour, Jacob Tomislav Mrvica, Jackson Charles Priest, Lucy Myola Mitchell, Luca Gaetano La Rocca, Olivia Susan Chapman, Oliver John Priest, Jessie Mike Priest, Leonard Quarrell, Eliza Brown

Sick

Christine Mitchells, Olivia Scott, John Landels, Maureen Newley, Andrew Dyer, Sr M Natalina Todeschini OSA, Rosa Passaro, Donna Lukas, John Taylor, Christine Mitchell, Frances Boyle, Brian McCloskey, Carol Pedersen RSC, Taylor Grace, Dianne Bradley, Rosa Maria Santos, Jonathan Arthur, Fr Paul Gardiner SJ, Fr Bernie Donnelly SJ

Recently Deceased

Tess Fitzgerald, Joan Mary Atkins, Avelina Ong, Maureen Travers, Ray Balding, Judy Jones, Jacqueline Pribula, George Rudan, Bill Grant, Luigi Schiavo, Barbara Gooch, John McDonald

Anniversaries

Darren Egglehoff, Edward Hastings (SAC 2004), Eileen Garvin, Vera Williams, Cassandra Vrisakis, Michael Mansour, Janelle Mansour

Future readings can be found on the Parish website

Please send all prayer requests to communications@sparishnsw.org.au

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