

A parish with a 'Heart in our Hands'

ST JOSEPH'S

CATHOLIC CHURCH

CAMPERDOWN NSW, AUSTRALIA

Twelfth Sunday of Ordinary Time – Year B

23 June 2024

Welcome to our parish!

PRIESTS

Parish Priest

Fr Renante Sentillas MI

Asst Priest & RPAH Chaplain

Fr Ruben Mandin MI

Asst Priest & RPAH Chaplain

Fr Michael Gimena MI

PARISH OFFICE

🕒 **Mon, Thu** 10AM - 4PM
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SCHEDULE OF MASS & SACRAMENTS

Weekend Mass

Saturday 6:00 PM (Vigil)
Sunday 9:30 AM
11:00 AM
6:00 PM

Weekday Mass

Mon - Fri 8:00 AM
8:00 PM
Saturday 8:00 AM

Adoration

Mon - Fri 3:00 PM - 4:00 PM
after 8:00 PM Mass

Reconciliation

Sat & Sun 5:15 PM - 5:45 PM
Mon - Fri After 8:00 PM Mass

Anointing of the Sick

Anytime (in hospital, page the Catholic priest on-call)

Baptism

Usually Sunday (Baptismal instructions are arranged with parents before Baptism)

Weddings & Funerals

By appointment; 6 months notice required for weddings

Today's dramatic First Reading comes from that part of the Book of Job (38:1, 8-11) where God, refusing to answer Job's questions, withdraws more and more deeply into mystery. God puts to Job a series of questions that serve simply to drive home more and more the distance between Creator and human creature.

The questions bear on God's mighty acts in creation, the chief of them being victory over the primeval watery chaos, a victory that allowed dry land and vegetative life to appear (Gen 1:9-10). In biblical thought and imagery water out of control is the prime symbol of chaos and destruction. To control such forces, as poetically described in the present text, was considered a prerogative of God alone.

The same idea appears in the **Responsorial Psalm** (Psalm 106): because of their exposure to the dangers of the deep 'those who go down to the sea in ships' (sailors) are uniquely placed to experience the creative power of God.

CALMS THE STORM

Both of these texts offer an appropriate background to the **Gospel** (Mark 4:35-41), where Christ calms the storm that threatens to engulf the boat on which he and his disciples are crossing the Sea of Galilee. Mark's account of the episode features a wonderful combination of the human and the divine. At first the disciples are in control. When Jesus makes the suggestion, 'Let us cross over to the other side', they take him 'just as he was, in the boat'. On land he may be in control but the sea is their sphere of competence: they are after all, most of them, fishermen. Completely in their hands, it seems, Jesus takes the opportunity to have a little nap, commandeering, we are told in a delightfully human touch, the helmsman's cushion for the purpose.

The sudden onset of a storm (something for which the Sea of Galilee is notorious) changes everything. The disciples become desperate, wake him and rather rudely ask if he cares at all that they are about to sink! In Mark's account they are not necessarily at this stage asking him for a miracle: simply for him to render what assistance he can – by bailing out water or the like.

Swiftly, the One who moments before had been so humanly asleep like a child, rises and majestically commands the wind and the sea in the way that, as we have seen, belongs to God alone. The fury of the storm gives way to a divinely-created calm. Jesus then turns to the disciples and questions them about their fear and lack of faith. Did they not understand that with him present, even if asleep, there was no chance that the forces of chaos and destruction could overwhelm them? Did they not realise who precisely was among them in the Master they had come to follow?

THE RIGHT QUESTION

It seems that their faith still had a long way to go before being adequate to the mystery of Jesus. But at least they ask the right question, 'Who is this, who even the winds and the sea obey?' From their biblical understanding they know that they have witnessed an exercise of divine power. Hence they are 'filled with awe' – the true human response in the presence of the divine. In the brief compass of this one short scene we have moved so swiftly from a very human view of Jesus to one where he is exercising divine power in a most dramatic way.

The original readers of Mark's Gospel would have found this episode rich in symbolism. In all four gospels the boat is a symbol of the Church; the sea – especially the sea out of control – is a symbol of all the forces that are hostile to the Church and seek to destroy it. Yet, to fulfil its mission and win people ('fish') for the Kingdom, the Church must go out upon the sea. There are times in the history of the Church when its Lord seems to be absent or asleep – times when faith in the divine presence and power is put to the test. In such situations the story told in this Gospel gives great hope and encouragement. At the same time, it takes us more deeply into the mystery of Christ as, along with the disciples, we too ask, 'Who is this ...?'

HEART OF THE PASCHAL MYSTERY

Amid all this imagery focused upon the sea, the **Second Reading** (2 Cor 5:14-17) stands rather apart. But it contains some of Paul's most stirring reflections upon the implications of really coming to appreciate the heart of the Paschal mystery. The thought of the love involved in Christ's dying for all is simply 'overwhelming': it can completely transform one's attitude to others and communicate a readiness to place one's life entirely at the service of his self-sacrificing mission to 'catch' people for the Kingdom.

Readings

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

The Lord is the strength of his people. A saving refuge for the one he has anointed. Save your people, Lord, and bless your heritage, and govern them for ever.

FIRST READING

Job 3:1.8-11

From the heart of tempest the Lord gave Job his answer. He said: Who pent up the sea behind closed doors when it leapt tumultuous out of the womb, when I wrapped it in a robe of mist and made black clouds its swaddling bands; when I marked the bounds it was not to cross and made it fast with a bolted gate? Come thus far, I said, and no farther: here your proud waves shall break.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps 106:23-26, 28-31

Give thanks to the Lord, his love is everlasting.

Some sailed to the sea in ships to trade on the mighty waters. These men have seen the Lord's deeds, the wonders he does in the deep. **R**

For he spoke; he summoned the gale, tossing the waves of the sea up to heaven and back into the deep; their soul melted away in their distress. **R**

Then they cried to the Lord in their need and he rescued them from their distress. He stilled the storm to a whisper: all the waves of the sea were hushed. **R**

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SECOND READING

2 Corinthians 5:14-17

The love of Christ overwhelms us when we reflect that if one man has died for all, then all men should be dead; and the reason he died for all was so that living men should live no longer for themselves, but for him who died and was raised to life for them. From now onwards, therefore, we do not judge anyone by the standards of the flesh. Even if we did once know Christ in the flesh, that is not how we know him now. And for anyone who is in Christ, there is a new creation; the old creation has gone, and now the new one is here.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia! A great prophet has appeared among us; God has visited his people. Alleluia!



Rembrandt (1606–1669), *The Storm on the Sea of Galilee*

GOSPEL

Mark 4:35-41

With the coming of evening, Jesus said to his disciples, 'Let us cross over to the other side.' And leaving the crowd behind they took him, just as he was, in the boat; and there were other boats with him. Then it began to blow a gale and the waves were breaking into the boat so that it was almost swamped. But he was in the stern, his head on the cushion, asleep. They woke him and said to him, 'Master, do you not care? We are going down!' And he woke up and rebuked the wind and said to the sea, 'Quiet now! Be calm!' And the wind dropped, and all was calm again. Then he said to them, 'Why are you so frightened? How is it that you have no faith?' They were filled with awe and said to one another, 'Who can this be? Even the wind and the sea obey him.'

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

The eyes of all look to you, O Lord, and you give them food in due season.

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THE PROMISES OF THE

Sacred Heart of Jesus

TO ST MARGARET MARY

JUNE, MONTH
OF THE SACRED
HEART OF JESUS

1 I will give them all the graces necessary in their state of life.

2 I will establish peace in their homes.

3 I will comfort them in all their afflictions.

4 I will be their secure refuge during life, and above all, in death.

5 I will bestow abundant blessings upon all their undertakings.

6 Sinners will find in my Heart the source and infinite ocean of mercy.

7 Lukewarm souls shall become fervent.

8 Fervent souls shall quickly mount to high perfection.

9 I will bless every place in which an image of my Heart is exposed and honored.

10 I will give to priests the gift of touching the most hardened hearts.

11 Those who shall promote this devotion shall have their names written in my Heart.

12 I promise you in the excessive mercy of my Heart that my all-powerful love will grant to all those who receive Holy Communion on the First Fridays in nine consecutive months the grace of final perseverance; they shall not die in my disgrace, nor without receiving their sacraments. My divine Heart shall be their safe refuge in this last moment.

Source: EWTN, ewtn.com/catholicism/library/12-promises-of-the-sacred-heart-13683

UPCOMING IN OUR PARISH



**PATRON SAINT OF THE SICK,
NURSES, DOCTORS, AND
HEALTHCARE WORKERS**
14TH OF JULY

 **THE RELIGIOUS SISTERS of MERCY**
of ALMA MICHIGAN



50 YEAR CELEBRATIONS
almamercy.org/anniversary

We invite you to join us for
Prayers and Adoration

at St. Joseph's Convent
2:00pm - 5:00 p.m. on Sunday 14th July
with Holy Hour starting at 3.55pm

*In thanksgiving for our 50 years Jubilee and
in celebration of St. Camillus de Lellis, one of
our Constitution Saints*



Our Holy Father Pope Francis has granted that a
Plenary Indulgence
may be obtained by praying in any of the oratories of our Homes of Mercy throughout the Jubilee year

- SEPTEMBER 1, 2023 - SEPTEMBER 1, 2024 -



Eucharistic Adoration
Mon - Fri 3:00 PM - 4:00 PM,
after 8:00 PM Mass



Reconciliation
Sat & Sun 5:15 PM - 5:45 PM
Mon - Fri After 8:00 PM Mass



First Fridays | 8PM
followed by Eucharistic Adoration and
Blessing until 10PM
We encourage you to **invite** your families,
friends, work colleague, and others.

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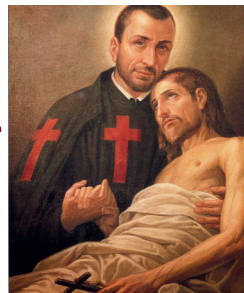


Our Parish warmly welcomes members of the **Legion of Mary** who are serving in the

*Ministry of
Ushers &
Greeters*

Thank you for your
generosity in service!

Photo from Catholic Herald



Lay Camillian Family
SYDNEY CHAPTER

If you happen to have **homebound, sick, handicapped, elderly, and frail family members and friends** who want to be visited and given Holy Communion on Sundays, please inform our parish office **stjocamper@gmail.com** or any members of our Lay Camillian Family and avail of our pastoral services to our suffering parishioners.

SCHEDULE OF READERS & COLLECTORS

Week	Mass Times	Commentator & 1st Reader	2nd Reader & Prayers of the Faithful	Collectors
This Sunday 22-23 Jun	Vigil 6 PM 9:30 AM 11 AM 6 PM	Corazon F Rachel S Nancy T Tim S	Francisco T Lesley A Sharon K Maddi S	Alicia, Amy Maria, Francisco - Santa, Corazon
Next Sunday 29-30 Jun	Vigil 6 PM 9:30 AM 11 AM 6 PM	Genalor F Angeline L Lisa C Tim S	Louise S Ricky L Anna T Maddi S	Corazon, Alicia Maria, Francisco - Santa, Corazon
Daily Mass	Morning Evening	Angeline L, Alicia B, Echie, Doris K (Thu only), Garry C, The Sisters, Gemma T (Sat only), Isabelle K (Fri only), Ricky L, Corazon F, Joan E, Josie M (Fri only), Louise S, Genalor F, Maria C		

Thank you very much for your generosity in volunteering as mass readers and collectors in our beloved parish.
Anyone wanting to volunteer, please ring or text Angeline 0431 718 137. God bless.

PARISH CHOIR

ORGANIST / PIANIST | CONDUCTOR
Fr Ruben, Dennis, Gemma

Saturday 6 PM Vigil Mass
Camillus & Ave Maria Choir

Sunday 9:30 AM Mass Allen, Ethel, Tim | Yani

Sunday Morning Choir

Sunday 11 AM Mass Louise | Dr Peter, Elsa

Chinese Community

Sunday 6 PM Mass Teresa | Michael

St Joseph's Sunday Evening Choir

If you would like to serve in the parish through singing or playing instruments such as piano/organ, please don't hesitate to express your interest by **approaching our choristers before or after Mass** or messaging **Angeline 0431 718 137**.



FEAST DAYS

19 Jun Saint Romuald
21 Jun Saint Aloysius Gonzaga
22 Jun Sts John Fisher and Thomas More
24 Jun The Nativity of St John the Baptist
27 Jun Saint Cyril of Alexandria
28 Jun Saint Irenaeus
29 Jun Saints Peter and Paul



Jan Rombouts I (-1535), The Birth of St. John the Baptist.

RPAH CATHOLIC CHAPLAINCY

Seeking solace during illness or hospitalisation at RPA Hospital? Our Catholic Chaplaincy offers comforting visits, pastoral care, and sacraments. Contact us via the Hospital Switchboard (02 9515 6111) or via our parish office (02 9557 1181 or stjocamper@gmail.com).

We're here for you

CATECHISTS' CORNER

Thinking of becoming Catholic?

We're happy to accompany you through your journey of faith. Send us a message at stjocamper@gmail.com.

Would you like to be a catechist and teach children about Jesus and the scriptures?

For queries, please contact our Parish Catechist Coordinator, Alicia Buxton 0412155967.



PARISH GIVING

LAST WEEK'S Parish Collection

1st Collection	\$ 686.10
2nd Collection	\$ 341.45
EFTPOS Giving	\$ 344.05

Thank you for your generosity and support!



WHAT'S ON IN THE CATHOLIC ARCHDIOCESE OF SYDNEY

Jews and Christians Walking Together: Where are we in 2024?

An address by Archbishop Anthony Fisher OP

In memory of the late Rabbi Dr Raymond Apple AO RFD (1955-2024)

The Archbishop's address will be preceded by an introduction from Rabbi Dr Elton, current Chief Minister of the Great Synagogue on Rabbi Apple's important interfaith work.

TIME AND DATE: 6pm, Thursday 27 June, 2024

VENUE: The Great Synagogue, Sydney. Entry Via 187A Elizabeth Street

Registration is essential.

Please email: Emmanuel.Nathan@acu.edu.au

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Hundreds of people are displaced and many more affected by a devastating landslide that struck a remote village in Papua New Guinea.

Your urgent support is needed now.
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We acknowledge the Traditional Custodians who have walked upon and cared for this land, on which St Joseph's Camperdown stands, for thousands of years. We acknowledge the continued deep spiritual attachment and relationship of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Peoples to this country and commit ourselves to the ongoing journey of Reconciliation.

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 and Ministerial Integrity Office at (02) 9390 5810 or email safeguardinginquiries@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 the police.