



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 acknowledge the Dharuk people,
traditional custodians of this land.
May we walk gently and respectfully
upon the land.

Parish Priest
Fr Dominik Karnas CSMA

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Fr Marek Okarma CSMA

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Mass Times
Horsley Park:
Saturday 6.00pm
Sunday 9.30am & 6.00pm
Monday to Friday 9.00am

Kemps Creek: Sunday 7.30am

Reconciliation
Monday to Friday: 8.30am-9.00am
Saturday: 5.30pm - 5.45pm
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 Therese Gaunt

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

19 November 2017

THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - YEAR A

INTRODUCTION: God trusts us more than we perhaps trust ourselves. He entrusts to us not only the potential to become the persons and Christians He has called us to be, but also to build up the Church and God's Kingdom. That trust is our responsibility. The Gospel challenges us to appreciate the gifts we have been given and through prayer and discernment to use our given ability and potential in the service of God and neighbour. Peace, justice and equality are God's intention for us and we are encouraged to work towards those ends.

FIRST READING: Proverbs 31 ; 10-13, 19-20, 30-31
Give her a share in what she has worked for.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: Psalm 127 : 1-5

ALL: Happy are those who fear the Lord.

Side 1:
(Ambo side) O blessed are those who fear the Lord
and walk in his ways!
By the labour of your hands you shall eat.
You will be happy and prosper.

Side 2:
(Priest's side) Your wife like a fruitful vine
in the heart of your house;
your children like shoots of the olive,
around your table.

Side 1:
(Ambo side) Indeed thus shall be blessed
the man who fears the Lord.
May the Lord bless you from Zion
in a happy Jerusalem all the days of your life.

ALL: Happy are those who fear the Lord.

SECOND READING: 1 Thessalonians 5 : 1-6
The day of the Lord is going to come like a thief in the night.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

Alleluia, alleluia!
Live in me and let me live in you,
says the Lord;
my branches bear much fruit.
Alleluia!

GOSPEL: Matthew 25 : 14-30
*Because you have been faithful over a few things,
enter into the joy of the Lord.*



**WE PRAY FOR OUR
DECEASED RELATIVES &
FRIENDS**

Recently deceased:
Sam Bonanno; Maree Walker

Mary, Sal & Tony Abela;
Belinda Avagliano; Doris &
Vincent Azzopardi, Barni &
Clara Baldi; Charlie Bartolo;
Riccardo & Santa Basso; Luke
Bezzina; Fr Claude, Belinie,
Joe, Louis, Marianne, Nancy
& Ronnie Borg; Wyndham
Buhagiar; Charlie & Mary
Busuttill; Paul Camilleri;
Giuseppe Carbone; Grazia,
Luigi & Rocco Coletta;
Giuseppe, Nicola & Settimia
D'Amico; Maria Deguara;
Assunta & Carmine
Diamante; Angelo, Anthony,
Benadict, Clara, John, Joseph,
Sr Martina, Venranda, &
Wistin Dimech; Marion
Fenech; Daniel, Gaspare,
Giuditta, Nina & Tony
Forcella; Bill, George, Joe,
Maria & Tony Formosa;
Frank, Grace, Rose & Scott
Frendo; Andrew, Carmen,
Don Joe, Fred, Grace,
Maryann, Paul, Sam & Tony
Galea; Connie, Catherine,
John Gauci; Rosa Girardi;
Anthony, Carmel & Sam
Grima; Ilonio, Catarina, &
Michelina Inzitari; Joan
Jenkins; Lina Kolizi; Flora
McLean; Jannette Malec;
Antonio & Rocco Maiolo;
Assunta Marrone; Giuseppe
Menegazzi; Elizabeth Menon;
Francesca & Giuseppe
Monteleone; Anthony, Frank,
Joe, Margaret & Rose
Micallef; Catena & Nunzioto
Pintabona; Antonio Pisano;
Francesco Scarfone; Joseph
Schembri; Angela Romeo;
Assunta & Michele Siciliano;
Carmen, Francesco, Gianni,
John, Nina & Paula Sultana;
Angela, Joseph & Guiseppa
Tabone; Annunziata &
Salvatore Turano; Evaristo &
Salute Tosello; Victor &
Victoria Vella; Lorraine Violi;
Angela, Cal & George
Zammit.

Deceased members of the
Bartolo, Basso, Baldi, Borg,
Carbone, Galea, Gauci,
Mifsud, Vanolini, Urio &
Zucco Families

All Souls in Purgatory,
All Relatives and Friends
May they rest in peace.
Amen.

PRAY FOR OUR SICK PARISHIONERS: Tony Ostojic, Seak Chuong Keo.
May God's love give them strength and courage.

- Monday November 20: *(Luke 18:35-43)* 9.00am Morning Mass,
11.00am Funeral for Maree Walker
- Tuesday November 21: *(Luke 19:1-10) The Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary,*
9.00am Morning Mass
- Wednesday November 22: *(Luke 19:11-28) St Cecilia,* 9.00am Morning Mass,
6.00pm Novena
- Thursday November 23: *(Luke 19:41-44) St Columban, St Clement,*
9.00am Morning Mass
- Friday November 24: *(Luke 19:45-48) St Andrew Dung-Lac & Companions,*
9.15am Marion School Mass - Year 2
- Saturday November 25: *(Luke 20:27-40) St Catherine of Alexandria,*
No Morning Mass, 6.00pm Evening Mass
- Sunday November 26: *Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe*
(Ezekiel 34:11-12, 15-17, 1 Corinthians 15:20-26, 28
Matthew 25:31-46)

FIRST RECONCILIATION: Children in our Parish are preparing to celebrate their First Reconciliation this Thursday 23 November. As a Parish community let us keep the children and their families in our prayers.

NOVEMBER MASS INTENTIONS: Due to the number of requests for Mass intentions it is not possible to announce names prior to each Eucharistic celebration. Instead, all intentions will be included in the list in the bulletin and on our memorial wall.

BAPTISM PREPARATION: Parishioners seeking to baptise their children are invited to attend a preparation night this Tuesday 21 November at 7.00pm in the De Piro Chapel.

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER FOR THE POOR: Pope Francis reminds all Catholics of our belief that Christ is found in every person we encounter. On this World Day of Prayer for the Poor we are called to love and share with the poorest amongst us and bear witness to Christ's love for the poor. We are invited to offer friendship, solidarity and welcome to the poorest of our brothers and sisters.

FUTURE URBAN PLANNING: A community meeting will be held this Wednesday 22 November at 7.30pm in the Marion School Hall regarding the Greater Sydney Commission's recently released Draft Western Sydney Region Plan which will affect Horsley Park, Cecil Park and Mount Vernon. All are welcome.

MASS FOR DECEASED RELATIVES: Christmas is a time when we especially miss our loved ones. We invite parishioners and friends who have lost loved ones during the year to join us on Monday 27 November at 7.00pm for Eucharist. We invite you to bring a framed photograph or a symbol of your loved one to this Mass.

PUBLIC SCHOOLS' CHRISTMAS MASS: Thursday 30 November at 10.30am. Students from Horsley Park and Kemps Creek Public Schools who attend Scripture classes with our Parish catechists will celebrate their annual Christmas Mass. All parishioners, especially those who have previously ministered as catechists, are invited to attend to support our catechists in their ministry and to be with our young parishioners for this special celebration.

CATECHIST HELPERS: Jesus said "The harvest is plentiful and the labourers are few." For many students in our local public schools, the weekly half hour Scripture lesson is the only exposure they have to our faith. None of us go out into the harvest alone, yet for many of our catechists this is a regular weekly occurrence. In order to continue this service to our children, several helpers are needed to assist the current catechists for both Public Schools - Horsley Park (Tuesday mornings) and Kemps Creek (Thursday mornings), commencing from February 2018. Training and resources will be provided. If you want to find out more or have any questions and you are able to spare some time to help bring the faith to the children in our schools, please contact the Parish office. "Labourers" - we need you!

THE ANGELS MAGAZINE: The latest edition of the magazine is available for purchase for \$5 from the Piety Stall. Buy a copy to take home and share with family and friends.

BLESSING OF STATUE & ARTES CHRISTI CHOIR: On Saturday 02 December, Artes Christi Choir will again be joining us to celebrate the 6.00pm Mass followed by carols at 7.00pm. During this Mass the blessing of the new Statue of Our Lady of Fatima will also take place. All are most welcome.

AUSTRALIAN CATHOLIC YOUTH FESTIVAL: Will conclude on Saturday 09 December with Mass at 6.30pm in the Domain. While the festival is predominantly for young Catholics, the final Mass will be open to all ages. If there are sufficient numbers wishing to attend, we plan to arrange a bus from our Parish. Interested parishioners are asked to please contact the Parish office before Monday 27 November.

CAROLS IN THE PARK: Saturday 09 December at Horsley Park Reserve. Save the date. Further details to follow.

MSSP SPONSORSHIP: Sponsorship for missions in Pakistan, Peru and Philippines is due for renewal. Please leave contributions in an envelope with your details at the Parish office or hand in to Mary Farrell. If you wish to become a sponsor please contact the Parish Office. Thank you for your continued support.

CHRISTMAS MEMORIAL SERVICE: Tuesday 12 December at 7.00pm, North Chapel, Forest Lawn Memorial Park, Camden Valley Way, Leppington. All are invited to join as we pray and remember all the souls we love but no longer see, especially those buried at Forest Lawn Memorial Park. A light supper will be provided. For catering purposes please RSVP to Forest Lawn Memorial Park on 9606 5822.

CAROLS BY CANDLELIGHT AT KEMPS CREEK: Friday 15 December commencing at 6.00pm at The Pavilion, Kemps Creek Cemetery, Western Rd, Kemps Creek. Sleigh rides, balloons, food, entertainment and much more.

POSITION VACANT: Apprentice Boilermaker required by structural steel fabricator at Prestons. Applicant must be keen, self-motivated and reliable with a commitment to gain trade qualification - Certificate III in Engineering - Heavy Fabrication. Email resumé to accounts@combell.com.au or phone 9607 3822 for interview and further details.

HORSLEY PARK SOCIAL GROUP: *Beach Day:* Wednesday 29 November, \$45.00pp. *Beautiful:* Wednesday 31 January, \$95.00pp for bus and ticket - payment is now due. *Cherry Picking at Orange:* Friday 15 December, \$30.00pp. All bookings / enquiries contact Theresa 0402 178 781 or Josephine 0402 040 954.



THE MESSAGE OF FATIMA IN OUR LADY'S OWN WORDS

THE FINAL VISION - Questions

Why are the First Saturdays so important? Sister Lucia said they are most important first of all because this devotion *renews our purpose once a month* to live up to what Our Lady asks. Second, at Pellevoisin Our Lady said that what most offends Her Immaculate Heart (and, therefore, that of Her Son) are careless Communion. On the five first Saturdays we make a Confession and Communion of Reparation, prepared by saying the Rosary and meditating on the Rosary mysteries in the company of Our Lady.

Is there a preferred way to make this devotion? The preferred way is often called the "night vigil of the Sacred Hearts." It begins with the Mass of the Sacred Heart on the first Friday evening followed by Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, and closes some time after midnight on the first Saturday, with Mass of the Immaculate Heart for the First Saturday.

There is adequate time for the Rosary, for Confession and for meditation. Furthermore these vigils are in keeping with the express wish of Our Lord Who said: "*I desire that devotion to the Immaculate Heart of Mary be placed alongside devotion to My Own Sacred Heart.*"

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 3:

Sam Said & Family

NEXT WEEK GROUP 4:

Angelo Basso, Peter Basso

CLEANING GROUPS:

THIS WEEK GROUP 6:

Luisa Zanetti, Margaret Deguara, Penelope Tabone, Loretta Seraglio, Rachel Avati

NEXT WEEK GROUP 1:

Diane Borg, Denise Selwood, Denis Schembri, Carmen Borg, Lily Bugeja

ACTIVITIES IN NOVEMBER

Tues 21, 7.00pm: Baptism Preparation Night - De Piro Chapel

Thurs 23, 7.00pm: First Reconciliation

Mon 27, 7.00pm: Deceased Relatives Mass

Wed 29, 7.30pm: Faith Group—De Piro Chapel

Thurs 30, 10.30am: State Schools Christmas Mass

Thurs 30, 7.00pm: Marion School Year 5 - Liturgy of the Word Celebration

ACTIVITIES IN DECEMBER

Sun 03: First Sunday of Advent

Wed 06, 7.30pm: Advent Faith Group—De Piro Chapel

Thurs 14, 7.30pm: 2nd Rite of Reconciliation

Thurs 21, 10.30am: Monthly Remembrance Mass & Compassionate Companions—Kemps Creek

Sun 24, 6.00pm: Christmas Eve Family Mass

Sun 24: Christmas Eve Midnight Mass

Mon 25:

CHRISTMAS DAY

Tues 26: Boxing Day





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