



ST. BEDE'S AND ST. JAMES'



Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time –Year A Sunday 20th August 2017

St James' Church.

2 Woolley Street,
Glebe

Weekday Masses

Wednesday &
Friday: 9am
Sat: 8.30am

Sunday Mass Times

Saturday Vigil: 6pm
5pm (Standard Time)
Sunday: 9.30am
(Tongan Choir: 4th Sunday)

Confession (Reconciliation)

Saturday at 5pm (St. James)

Baptisms

2nd Sunday of the month at
12.15pm. Bookings required.

St Bede's Church

43 Pymont Street,
Pymont

Sunday Mass Times

8am and 11am

Baptisms

3rd Sunday of the month at
12.00 noon. Bookings required.

Sacramental Dates for 2017:

Confirmation: 7pm, Friday 10th November

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Sydney Catholic Schools

Outstanding gains in NAPLAN sustained in Sydney Catholic Schools

Sydney Catholic schools have experienced their best year ever in the 2017 NAPLAN test gains, maintaining a trend of continual improvement in academic achievement. This year's results in Catholic schools showed a substantial improvement in all year levels, particularly in the areas of Reading and Numeracy. Once again, Sydney Catholic schools performed significantly above the national and state means in every dimension of the national testing data.

The Executive Director of Sydney Catholic Schools, Dr Dan White, was delighted with the 2017 results.

"The rate of student growth achieved by our students was particularly impressive," he said. "On virtually every indicator, the level of improvement exceeded the comparable improvements in overall NSW data."

Of special note was the outstanding performance of Year 3 students in Reading with more than 64% of all children achieving results in the top two bands, compared to a state average of 51%.

Similarly in Numeracy, 41.5% of Year 5 Catholic school students were placed in the top two bands, nine percentage points higher than their state counterparts (32.5%). Dr White especially commended Year 9 students in Catholic schools for a 'across the board' lift in standards.

"For many years, the national Year 9 performance in Writing has shown a gradual decline. This year our students improved their mean scores by 21 points, and the percentage of students in the top two achievement bands jumped from 13% in 2016 to 22% this year."

Dr White also paid tribute to the outstanding professional work of Sydney Catholic Schools' teachers, principals and support staff.

"Our system of 152 Catholic schools has strongly embraced a whole of school improvement culture. Driven by the detailed analysis of student data and informed by the latest educational research, each school has formulated explicit improvement goals that focus on meeting the needs of every child.

"It is all about maximising the learning growth of every child", Dr White added.

"Teachers and learning support officers have dedicated themselves to a multi-faceted program of professional learning and devote enormous time and energy in personalising the learning program for each student.

"The success achieved in Catholic schools has not happened overnight or by accident, but rather by our community of schools being focussed and committed to ensuring each child achieves their God-given potential."

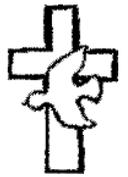
Sydney Catholic Schools (SCS) offers a non-selective, low-fee education for over 70,000 children, across 152 schools in the Archdiocese of Sydney.

WELCOME TO THE CHRISTIAN COMMUNITY

CHRISTOPHER JOSEPH MALEY,
son of Nicholas Maley & Fiona Cameron
Baptised at St James, Forest Lodge,
by Bishop Vincent Long Van Nguyen

BONNIE ANNABELLE REYES,
daughter of Augusto and Annabelle Reyes,
sister to Zoe Olivia.
Baptised at St Bede's Pymont

KAYNE ALLAN GRAY
son of Paul Gray and Jo-Ann Ayshford
Baptised at St Bedes Pymont



NOTICES

ST BEDE'S MORNING TEA—TODAY 20TH AUGUST

There will be morning tea after the 8.00am mass today. All welcome.

AN UNFORGETTABLE CONCERT—ST MARY'S CATHEDRAL CRYPT

That's how Markus Karas, organist at Bonn Cathedral, described the **AUSTRALIAN CHAMBER CHOIR's** program, performed across Europe 14 times during July. Director, Douglas Lawrence selected works that explore the text "By the Waters of Babylon I sat down and wept": the Israelites mourn the loss of their homeland. Settings by Bach and Palestrina are sung alongside Bach Motets, other Renaissance works and two new Australian pieces. The program is presented at:

St Mary's Cathedral Crypt on Sunday 27 August at 2.30pm .Book: www.AusChoir.org/Babylon

THANK YOU FROM CARITAS AUSTRALIA

Caritas Australia extends our most heartfelt thanks to each and every person, school and parish who supported Project Compassion 2017. With your generosity and creativity, together we raised over \$11 million for the most vulnerable communities around the world. THANK YOU for making a difference.

WOOLWORTHS EARN & LEARN

St James school is collecting Earn & Learn stickers, we would gratefully appreciate any stickers. An Earn & Learn sticker box is located in the church foyer for your convenience.

PRESENTATION OF PLANS FOR ST JAMES CHURCH AND HALL REFURBISHMENT

For parishioners interested in the plans for the St James Church and Hall refurbishment, there will be a presentation by the architect at St James on **Sunday 27th August at 3pm.**

POSTAL PLEBISCITE ON "SAME-SEX MARRIAGE" ANNOUNCED

The Australian Government has announced there will be a postal plebiscite on whether the definition of marriage in the Marriage Act 1961 should be changed to include "same-sex marriage". Ballot papers will be sent out to households on Tuesday, 12 September and all votes must be received back by Tuesday, 7 November. If you are not enrolled to vote, or if you need to update your postal address, go to www.aec.gov.au/enrol/ before the cut-off date of Thursday, 24 August. Vote No, to keep marriage as a unique relationship between a woman and a man.

SAVE THE DATE—5TH NOVEMBER 2017—FUNDRAISING CONCERT AT ST BEDES

There will be a *fundraising concert* for the Cana community, at St Bedes for the sesquicentenary. More details to follow soon. Cana Communities is mostly run by volunteers, and is solely reliant on donations from the community.

Cana Communities receives no government funding, and is grateful for your support. Cana runs crisis shelters and offers hospitality to those on the streets, those recently released from prison and those feeling lonely and forgotten. It coordinates a farm at Orchard Hills which is a centre for training people from disadvantaged backgrounds.

AUSTRALIAN CATHOLIC YOUTH FESTIVAL – ACYE

All young people from this parish aged from Year 9 to 30 years of age are invited to contact our Deanery Coordinator Jonathan on 0426 267 449 or citydeanery@gmail.com for further information. The Festival will attract around 15,000 young people from all over Australia. Please support this major initiative of the Australian Bishops and encourage your young people to register.

ST JAMES STORYTIME

We would like to invite any interested parishioners with young children to our StoryTime. StoryTime will be held every Tuesday morning at 9.00am in the school library. Preschool children of all ages are invited to attend. We look forward to welcoming you to your parish school.



St Bede's Cleanup—Saturday 2nd September at 9.30am

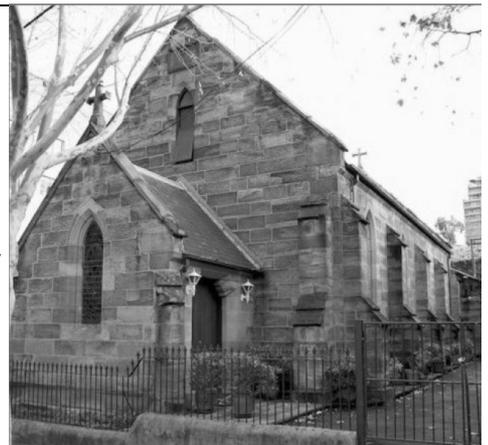
We are planning to have a cleaning bee at St Bede's on 2 September 2017 starting at 9.30am. This is in preparation of the Consecration Mass the following week. As you all know many hands make light work. The work includes cleaning both inside and out and a tidy up of the garden. Would anyone who can assist, even if for a short time can you please put your name and contact details on the sheet at the back of the church or email karen.pedersen@bigpond.com

THE CONSECRATION OF ST BEDE'S PYRMONT

SUNDAY 10TH OF SEPTEMBER AT 11AM.

Mass will be celebrated by Archbishop Anthony Fisher OP. After mass there will be a light lunch and gathering of our community. The parishioners of St James and St Bede's, family and friends are all welcome.

For catering purposes please RSVP by 25th August to Brooke on 9660 1407 or email info@stjames-stbede.org.au



Readers for next Sunday, 27th August 2017

	St. James' 5pm	St. Bede's 8am	St. James' 9:30am	St. Bede's 11am
First Reader	Alday Family	Gus & Kathy Loo	Politoni Family	Kate O'Brien
Second Reader	Alday Family	Gus & Kathy Loo	Politoni Family	Peter Kelaher

Please pray for the sick:

Patricia O'Leary, John Jones, Gillian Ellis, June Ebert, Debbie Julius, Hazel Spratt, Archbishop Anthony, Fran Campisi, Irene Malin, Meryl Tapsell, Fr. Michael Walsh, Allan Hoad, Aziz Latif, Bp Geoffrey Robinson, Kate Mara, Leslee Hoad-Mara, Lee Tillam, Noreen Hayes, Kay White, family members, parishioners, friends.

Please pray for the deceased:

Noel Prosser, Stephen Davidson, Monica Turner (McNally), Joan Lovegrove, Edward Pearce, Catalina De'Veira, Richard Van Kirk, Martin Keane, Barry Lynam, Aida Cabal San Buenaventura, Noelene Reddie, Barry Sonter, Fr. Frank Furfaro, Mary Loh, Hazel O'Connor, Ken Owens, Pam Mara, Geof Gale, Bill Donnelly, Peter Walsh, Terrie McCabe, Adife Cetin, Graeme Blackburn, Sam Tinman, Georgia Hoad, Maria Lo, Rosie White, Petra Seranilla, Benedicto Zamora, Dr Lucy Landia, Eric Russell-Smith, Betty Rowswell, Laurie Zammit, Tom Gibbons, Mick Kennedy, Allan White, Phil Garde, Sean & Pat Flanagan, Frank & Melina Galluzo, O'Connor family members & all the faithful departed Parishioners.

Giuseppe Sarto was born into a poor family in 1835.



From this humble beginning he was eventually elected pope in 1903. He took as his motto, "To restore all things in Christ". Pius X was remembered for many things including advocating the frequent reception of holy communion and the admission to it of children from the age of about seven; reform of church music and encouraging the use of Gregorian chant; the reform of Canon Law; the reorganization of the Roman curia; and the separation of church and state in France. He also promoted Bible reading for all Catholics and

encouraged the use of clear and simple homilies. He found some aspects of the Vatican's wealth and ceremony distasteful. Before his death in 1914, Pius X wrote in his will, "I was born poor, I have lived poor, and I wish to die poor."

The Canaanite woman persisted because of her strong belief that Jesus would cure her daughter. Use the words below to find out what Jesus said.



_____, you have

____ your _____
be _____.

- granted wish
faith Woman
Let great

CROSSWORD

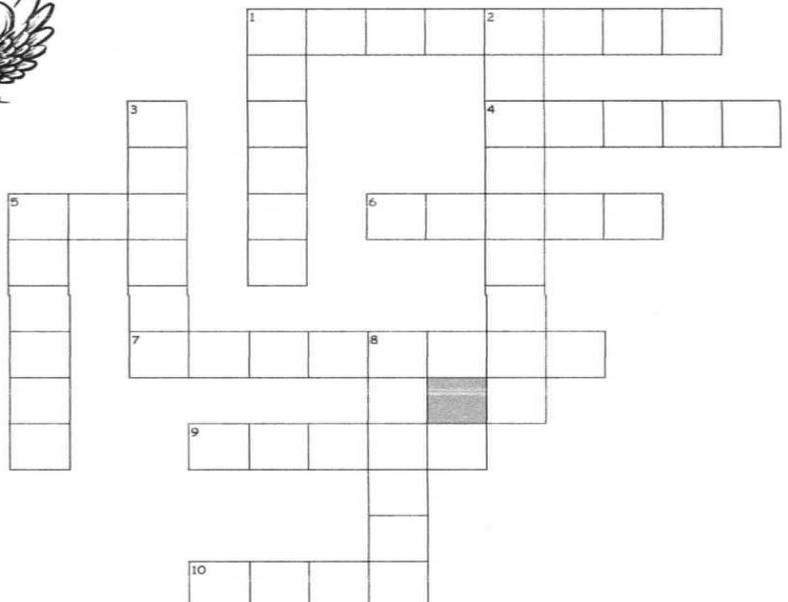


Across

- 1: very young people
- 4: Jesus described the people of Israel as like a flock of lost _____
- 5: a four-legged animal that barks
- 6: belief
- 7: father is to son, as mother is to what?
- 9: the opposite of man
- 10: what we eat

Down

- 1: Jesus spoke to a woman who came from this place
- 2: Jesus' followers
- 3: pleaded
- 5: the woman told Jesus her daughter was full of these
- 8: cured



ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

Turn your eyes, O God, our shield;
and look on the face of your anointed
one; one day within your courts
is better than a thousand elsewhere.

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, re-
ceive 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.

COLLECT

O God, who have prepared for those who
love you good things which no eye can
see, fill our hearts, we pray, with the
warmth of your love, so that, loving you
in all things and above all things, we
may attain your promises, which surpass
every human desire.
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,
who lives and reigns with you in the
unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, for ever and ever.

FIRST READING

Isaiah 56:1.6-7

Thus says the Lord: Have a care for
justice, act with integrity, for soon my
salvation will come and my integrity be
manifest.
Foreigners who have attached
themselves to the Lord to serve him and
to love his name and be his servants –
all who observe the sabbath, not
profaning it, and cling to my covenant –
these I will bring to my holy mountain. I
will make them joyful in my house of
prayer. Their holocausts and their
sacrifices will be accepted on my altar,
for my house will be called a house of
prayer for all the peoples.



RESPONSORIAL PSALM

O God, let all the nations praise you!

SECOND READING

Romans 11:13-15. 29-32

Let me tell you pagans this: I have
been sent to the pagans as their
apostle, and I am proud of being sent,
but the purpose of it is to make my
own people envious of you, and in this
way save some of them. Since their
rejection meant the reconciliation of
the world, do you know what their
admission will mean? Nothing less than
a resurrection from the dead! God
never takes back his gifts or revokes
his choice.
Just as you changed from being
disobedient to God, and now enjoy
mercy because of their disobedience,
so those who are disobedient now –
and only because of the mercy shown
to you – will also enjoy mercy
eventually. God has imprisoned all men
in their own disobedience only to show
mercy to all mankind.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!
Jesus preached the Good News of the
kingdom and healed all who were sick.
Alleluia!

GOSPEL

Matthew 15:21-28

Jesus left Gennesaret and withdrew to
the region of Tyre and Sidon. Then out
came a Canaanite woman from that
district and started shouting, 'Sir, Son
of David, take pity on me. My daughter
is tormented by a devil.' But he
answered her not a word. And his
disciples went and pleaded with him.
'Give her what she wants,' they said
'because she is shouting after us.' He
said in reply, 'I was sent only to the
lost sheep of the House of Israel.' But
the woman had come up and was
kneeling at his feet. 'Lord,' she said
'help me.' He replied, 'It is not fair to
take the children's food and throw it to
the house-dogs.' She retorted, 'Ah yes,
sir; but even house-dogs can eat the
scraps that fall from their master's
table.' Then Jesus answered her,
'Woman, you have great faith. Let your
wish be granted.' And from that
moment her daughter was well again.

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I believe in one God, the Father
almighty, maker of heaven & 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 OVER THE OFFERINGS

Receive our oblation, O Lord, by
which is brought about a glorious
exchange, that, by offering what
you have given, we may merit to
receive your very self.
Through Christ our Lord.

MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION:

We proclaim your Death, O Lord,
and profess your Resurrection until
you come again.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

With the Lord there is mercy;
in him is plentiful redemption.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Made partakers of Christ through
these Sacraments, we humbly
implore your mercy, Lord, that,
conformed to his image on earth,
we may merit also to be his coheirs
in heaven. Who lives and reigns for
ever and ever.

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