

St Joseph's Como-Oyster Bay Catholic Church

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Please pray for the sick: Archbishop Anthony Fisher, Josefa Dabu, John & Rita Webb, friends from the Chesalon Home and housebound

INTENTIONS: Sat 9am: Keith, Mary & Marray (sick); **5 pm Vigil:** +from Foss Family; **Sunday 8am:** Marray, Sam Sarah Jake Chapman Family; **10am:** +John Riley; **Mon:** +Dorothy & Kenneth Nagel; **Tues:** + John Reilley; **Wed.** Souls in Purgatory, **Thurs:** + Grace Olqa Dwyer, **Fri:** +Olqa Dwyer.

First Holy Communion: to take place at the 5:00pm Vigil and 10:00am on the following dates: 27th and 28th Aug; 10th and 11th Sept; 17th and 18th Sept; 24th and 25th Sept.

WEEKEND MASS TIMES:

Sat. Vigil: 5 pm

Sunday: 8 am, 10 am

WEEKDAY MASS TIMES:

Mon 6.45am Tues 7.30pm Wed 9am

Thurs 6.45am Fri 9.00am Sat 9.00am

HOLY HOUR: Saturday 9:30 - 10:30am

RECONCILIATION: 10 mins before

Mass& Sat from 9:30 - 10:30am

BAPTISMS: at 10am Mass (every Sun.)

BAPTISMAL PROG: First Thursday each month, 7pm in the meeting room

WEDDINGS: By appointment

ANOINTING MASS: next: Weekend

Masses 1st and 2nd October

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HELP DIVINE MERCY Tues. 6.30 - 7:30pm

PLANNED GIVING PROGRAM: 100% tax deductible contribution. Please join.

LEGION OF MARY: Friday 9:30am

VOCATION: www.vocationcentre.org.au

BIBLE STUDY: Every Wed 7:30 - 8:30pm

Collections Last Sunday:

1st \$948.40 2nd \$274.75

Planned Giving Envelopes: \$919.00

CWF \$ 200.00 (our quota is \$14,000.00)

St V de Paul poor boxes: Nil

Retired Priests' Appeal: \$10

A message from Archbishop Anthony Fisher OP. *"We practice charity in its many forms in our daily lives. We do so not simply out of duty, but because we recognise it in our hearts as right and just and loving. Supporting the Priests' Retirement Foundation helps the Sydney Archdiocese provide vital care for our sick and retired priests: accommodation, health care or other practical support to give them a decent standard of living. It is also meaningful way to thank the men who have dedicated their lives to our spiritual welfare. They have chosen to dedicate themselves to God and their community because they love to serve. For this appeal I ask you to give with your hearts and remember the ways your priest has contributed in your life."* The appeal will be conducted on the Fathers' Day. Please take with you specially prepared envelopes and return them with your gift the next weekend. God bless you.

'Bridge For Peace' are set to visit Australia yet again, and they're coming to Engadine! Learn how to heal through Jesus and be HEALED! Teaching and Workshop 1:00pm. Healing rally 5:00pm Hosted by the Holy Spirit Prayer Group Engadine RVSP by 15th September to: holy.spirit@live.com.au

Boys and girls are welcomed to join ministry at the altar during Masses.

On Sunday, August 14, 2016, famous Jamaican sprinter Usain Bolt won a gold medal in the 100-meter race at his third consecutive Olympics, this time in Rio. There is little doubt as to why Bolt is easily regarded as the world's fastest man. However, perhaps not as readily in the spotlight is notice of Bolt's deep Catholic faith. In August of 2012, in the days following Bolt's participation in the London Olympics, the Catholic News Agency reported that the "Vatican invites Usain Bolt to address religious liberty conference." The article mentions that "As a Catholic, Bolt is known for making the Sign of the Cross before racing competitively. He also bears the middle name [St.] Leo." In addition to his other inspirational outward signs of faith, more encouraging than Bolt's gold medals is that he wears an even more powerful medal: the Miraculous Medal, as promulgated by French Saint Catherine Labouré (1806-1876). The Miraculous Medal features an inscription invoking the prayerful intercession of the Lord's Mother "O, Mary, conceived without sin, pray for us who have recourse to thee".

NEW ROSTERS FOR MINISTERS OF COMMUNION will be available at the back of the Church from next weekend 3rd / 4th September.

The renovations of the pastoral facilities under the church are in progress. New space will be created for the parish office and archives. Your support and prayers are needed.



"Music washes away from the soul the dust of everyday life."

Around this time of the year I (Fr. Jerzy) praise God for the gift of life which I consecrate to Him and to those to whom He sends me.

Ad Maiorem Dei Gloriam.

James Parker Tour II. "Why I changed my Mind about same-sex marriage". For the venues see the notice board. Closest one: Our Lady of Fatima, Caringbah, Thursday 8th Sep. at 7.30pm.

'Hidden within the World: Songs of hope, loss and transformation' CONCERT LAUNCH for the new album by Fr James Maher, MSC Friday 2nd Sept. at 7:30pm, Our Lady of the Sacred Heart Church, 193 Avoca St. Randwick. www.msccmusic.com.au

Rosters: 27th and 28th August: Linen: Maggie Cranney; **Cleaning:** Rhonda Hewitt, Lee Quailey; **Readers:** Peggy Saab, Yuni Campbell; Ian Robinson, Peter Robinson; Karen Moseley, Sharon Moore-Lambert **Communion:** Elizabeth Pemberton, Greg Conroy; Tony Reed, Cheryl Reed; Fiorella Bosustow, Jeanette Hickey **Homebound:** Peter Madden, Beth Mattock, Linda Gillies, Joan Hagley **Chesalon:** 31st August: Halina Prociuk

Rosters: 3rd 4th September: Linen: Julie O'Hara; **Cleaning:** Robyn Crowe, Irene Riley, Ross Winter; **Readers:** Geraldine Diamond, Terry O'Hara; Marguerite Kelly, Les Salisbury; **Morning Tea Team 1 – Ciara and Patrick Crehan** **Communion:** Geraldine Diamond, Sheree Kavanagh; Kathy Cattanach, Madeline Salway; Rita Zuman, Linda Gillies **Homebound:** Margaret Lewis, Michele Ziegler, Linda Gillies, Marguerite Kelly **Chesalon:** 7th September: Margaret Duffey