

CWF: November Appeal will be held this weekend. Specially printed envelopes are now available for your donations. Your support is important in helping the Archdiocese fund the 6 agencies of the CWF. Through your donations, the Archdiocese will be able to continue our Church's mission, which is to provide pastoral and charitable support to those most in need in our community – so please give generously. Donations over \$2 are 100% tax-deductible. Thank you.

11th Nov. – Remembrance Day: At 11:00am, let us pray for those who offered their lives that we can be free. Lest we forget. *“Ever-living God, we remember those whom you have gathered from the storm of war into the peace of your presence; may that same peace calm our fears, bring justice to all peoples and establish harmony among the nations, through Jesus Christ Our Lord. Amen.”*

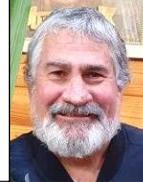


Thank you Gloria and Natalia for providing these liturgical vessels: ciborium, chalice and monstrance. These will be treated with special care and reverence.

Please remember to offer Masses for the Souls of our Departed. May They Rest In Peace.



Happy and Blessed Birthdays to you, Pam and Glenn. May God give you many wonderful returns. We wish to say “Thank you” for your catechetical work and various ministries. Plurimos Annos!



Remembrance Day (sometimes known as Poppy Day) is a memorial day observed in Commonwealth of Nations member states since the end of the First World War to remember the members of their armed forces who have died in the line of duty. Following a tradition inaugurated by King George V in 1919, the day is also marked by war remembrances in many non-Commonwealth countries. Remembrance Day is observed on 11 November in most countries to recall the end of hostilities of World War I on that date in 1918. Hostilities formally ended "at the 11th hour of the 11th day of the 11th month", in accordance with the armistice signed by representatives of Germany and the Entente between 5:12 and 5:20 that morning. The First World War officially ended with the signing of the Treaty of Versailles on 28 June 1919. The red remembrance poppy has become a familiar emblem of Remembrance Day due to the poem "In Flanders Fields". These poppies bloomed across some of the worst battlefields of Flanders in World War I; their brilliant red colour became a symbol for the blood spilled in the war. Lest We Forget!

The details of Vinnies' Christmas Appeal on 5 & 6 December will be presented in following bulletin. Our support for the appeal is very important and most appreciated.

Our COVID-19 Safety Plan (SP):
 1) Those with flu symptoms must not enter the church; 2) Sanitising hands and registration are strict requirements in order to come inside the church; 3) Congregational singing prohibited; 4) Required sanitisation of the seats before and after each service; 5) Holy Communion on hand; 6) Social distancing 1.5m apart (only 80 seats); 7) No gatherings after the Mass in the foyer or outside the door of the church.

Daily Masses: 7.30am Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday and Saturday (Holy Hour, Confession and Mass); Tuesday 5.00pm: Adoration, Novena, Benediction and 6pm Mass **Weekend Mass times:** Saturday: Vigil 5pm **Sunday: 8am, 9.30am, 3pm: Divine Mercy Chaplet with Benediction and Mass.**
First Fridays: Holy Hour and Mass 5pm
You Tube: stjosephcomo

Child sexual abuse is a crime. If you, or anyone you know, have been abused, please contact the police or contact the Safeguarding and Ministerial Integrity Office at (02) 9390 5810 or safeguardingenquiries@sydneycatholic.org.

Our sick: Pam Andreallo, Ida Melis, Katrina Marinilli, Rita Shah, Julia Lock, Marie Lawsen, Ian Duffey, Glennise Hall, Eliette Majdandzic; Barbara Eadie, Helen McGuirk, Dragica Furda, May Kenny, Carmen Camilleri, Jan Gurba, Mary Carmen Borg, Norma Cook, Josefa Dabu, Josie Lay, Christine Woodard, Maria Suszycka, Urszula Kaminska, Thea Van Gastel, Josephine Marinilli, Steven Marinilli and all homebound and dear friends from Mildred Symons House.

“We are not permitted to choose the frame of our destiny. But what we put into it is ours.”
 -Dag Hammarskjöld (1905-1961)
“When you were born, you were crying and everyone else was smiling. Live your life so at the end, you are the one who is smiling and everyone else is crying.”
 - Ralph Waldo Emerson (1803 –1882)

Sat: 7.30am: †November Mass;
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Sun: 8am: †November Mass;
9.30am: †November Mass;
3pm: Pro Populo
Mon. to Fri: †November Masses



“For better, for worse... “
 Congratulations to Anne and Albert – 37th Wedding Anniversary.

•To become Catholic: “RCIA on line:” <https://mycatholic.life/rcia/>

• **CATHOLIC ONLINE SCHOOL:** Free Online K-12 Courses & Lessons.

• Pastoral Associate for St John Bosco, Engadine. Details: www.bosco.org.au



“...and honour you all the days of my life.” Congratulations to Roger and Francisca – 19th Wedding Anniversary.

Please note that 40% on PG tax deductibility is provided for this year.

Weekend of 1st Nov:
 1st Colln: \$303.75
 2nd Colln: \$223.50
 EFT: \$190
 PG: \$810



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9th: The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica;
10th: St Leo the Great, Pope, Doctor;
11th: St Martin of Tours, Bishop;
12th: St Josaphat, Bishop, Martyr;

Purgatory is a state of final purification after death and before entrance into heaven for those who died in God's friendship, but were only imperfectly purified; a state of final cleansing of human imperfection before one is able to enter the joy of heaven. Purgatory is the word which the Catholic Church uses to speak of this final purification process which departed souls undergo before they enter heaven. Although the exact word “Purgatory” is not used in the Bible, several Bible passages refer to this state of purification. When a person dies, they undergo what is called the particular judgement. This means they face judgement at the moment of their death. There are three possible outcomes to this judgement. Based on a person's faith and life, they may go to heaven, to purgatory, or to hell. The choice of fate is up to the individual. We cannot be united with God unless we freely choose to love Him. But if we choose to separate ourselves from God, then it is clear we do not love Him. Sin is separation from God. When we make choices that harm our relationship with God, we are rejecting His offer of eternal salvation. We are literally choosing to exclude ourselves from communion with God. The Apostle John spoke of sins which lead to spiritual death. This is what the word “mortal” means. A mortal sin is a grave offense against God that destroys the divine life within the sinner. For a sin to be considered mortal, it must meet three conditions. The matter must be grave, meaning it must violate God's Commandments. The sinner must have full knowledge their choice is evil. And they must choose of their own free-will to commit the sin. To these criteria we may add a final condition, a person must refuse to repent and accept God's mercy and love, to the end of their lives. These persons have made a deliberate choice to separate themselves from God. Out of respect for their free will, God will not force them to live in communion with Him. As a result, they have chosen a place of eternal separation from God.