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| <p>We acknowledge the traditional custodians of this land of the Gweagal People of the Dharawal Nation.</p> | <p>COVID-19 Safety Plan: 1) those with flu symptoms must not enter the church; 2) register via QR code on entry or sign in; 3) sanitise hands on entry; 4) sanitise seats after each service; 5) social distancing 2m apart Our Church is currently closed until restrictions lift. Masses can be viewed on YouTube: Streaming: stjosephscomo</p> | <p>Mass intentions (9th-15th Oct.)</p> <p>Sat. 7.30am +Holy Souls in Purgatory. Vigil 5pm +Antonia & Albert Urbiztondo Sun. 8.00am +Lorraine Golledge Sun. 9.30am. Special Intention Mon. +Dudley Wells Tue. +Therese Alouan Wed. For Married Couples Thurs. +Marie and Vince Hage Fri. +For relief and deliverance of Holy Souls in Purgatory</p> <p>2nd Sunday of the month at 3pm Mass and Devotions to the Divine Mercy.</p> <p>The first general assembly of Australia's historic Plenary Council has opened with Catholic bishops and laypeople set to consider some of the most confronting issues for the Church in Australia today. At an opening Mass, Perth Archbishop Timothy Costelloe said Catholics "must become, even more than we are already, a community of true disciples". It has taken three-and-a-half years of preparation for a Plenary Council – the fifth in the nation's history and the first since 1937. The first of two assemblies is being held for the next six days with 278 members – bishops, priests, religious and laypeople, including women – meeting virtually from sites across the country. Members are gathering to consider a range of tough issues: how the Church can move forward after the damning findings of a child sex abuse royal commission, shrinking church attendances, a shortage of priests and how to increase the role of women. Part of the long preparation for the historic plenary event was significant national consultation focused on the question: "What do you think God is asking of us in Australia at this time?" That question was one that Archbishop Costelloe, the president of the Plenary Council, explored during his homily as he celebrated the opening Mass at Perth's St Mary's Cathedral on Sunday morning. "Perhaps the most important thing God is asking of us at this time is to return the Church to Christ and return Christ to the Church", he said. "What has always been true in theory and in principle urgently needs to become true in the day-to-day experience of everyone who encounters us. We must become, even more than we are already, a community of true disciples".</p> |
| <p>Daily Masses: 7.30am Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday and Saturday (Saturday: Holy Hour, Confession and Mass); Tuesday 5.30pm: Adoration, Novena, Confession, Benediction and 6pm Mass. First Friday of the month: 5pm Holy Hour and 6pm Mass.</p> | <p>Weekend Mass times: Saturday: Vigil 5pm Sunday: 8am, 9.30am and 2nd Sunday of the month at 3pm: Divine Mercy Chaplet with Benediction and Mass.</p> | <p>www.plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au <i>We don't praise God to feel good, but to do good.</i></p> |
| <p>Baptisms after 9:30 Mass Marriage and Baptism inquiries please contact Parish Office.</p> | <p>The people of NSW must watch closely to see what position a new Leader will take on the Greenwich Bill going forward. It is more important than ever that residents of NSW contact their local MPs to let them know their opposition to this dangerous (euthanasia) bill.</p> | <p>A growing number of Catholic professionals are defending the long-held principle of the primacy of conscience against increasing calls for mandatory COVID-19 vaccination in different settings. The Australian Catholic Medical Association (ACMA), this month, wrote to Prime Minister Scott Morrison and other state and territory leaders to plead for protections for health and medical staff who have a conscientious objection to COVID-19 vaccination. In addition, a number of senior academics working at the University of Notre Dame Australia across a range of schools, including medicine and philosophy, have signed a background paper outlining core principles, including respect for individual conscience, bodily autonomy, accommodation and exemptions which they believe should inform Catholic educational institutions' responses to government health policy directives. (Syd.Arch.)</p> |
| <p>Google: Sydney Centre for Evangelisation</p> | <p>The Vatican has decided to mandate, everyone who enters Vatican City has a pass showing they have either been fully vaccinated, tested negative, or have recently recovered from COVID-19, a decision first announced last week. As of 1st Oct, employees who fail to provide one of the three will be banned from entering their offices and will be considered absent without cause – and without pay... The rules include outside collaborators, contractors, and even delivery personnel. "Personnel without the necessary certifications may not enter the workplace and shall be considered absent without cause," wrote Parolin in a decree published on Tuesday. "For the entire duration of the absence, no pay is due, except for social security and welfare withholdings, as well as family allowance."(Crux News)</p> | <p> <i>"Vaccination must not be a barrier to communion with Jesus Christ."</i></p> |
| <p>St. Joseph's Como is a Community that cares for safeguarding children. Safeguarding Office at (02) 9390 5810 or safeguardingenquiries@sydneycatholic.org.</p> | <p><i>Work well done for the promotion of the Plenary Council assemblies.</i></p> | <p>...Since joining as a catechist in 2018, I had taught almost 50 students. I continue to see some of the students and their parents in church and at the shops. It is a joy to teach them the Sacraments, how to read the Bible, about the real presence of our Lord in the Eucharist, the transubstantiation amongst many other things. I have seen a transformation in students who were initially not interested and have since increased in their faith and understanding when we reach out to them and make Jesus come alive. The students are listening, we just need to reach out to them today and share the goodness of our Lord to them in their formative years. "Lord, enable me to teach with your godly WISDOM so I may help to shape curious minds. Equip me with the right tools to share the TRUTH, while forming stronger moral consciences. Encourage me to teach with your divine VISION, as I give aid to create better futures. Empower me to teach with LOVE, so I may make a difference in this world." (Eunice Woo)</p> |
| <p>Our sick: Irene Reilly, Steve Smith, Barbara Moore, Jimmy Chandra, David Low, Roger Minshull, Jim Hagley, Elizabeth Kinsela, Ida Melis, Katrina Marinilli, Rita Shah, Julia Lock, Marie Lawsen, Ian Duffey, Glennise Hall, Eliette Majdandzic; Barbara Eadie, 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.</p> | <p>Scan the barcode on the left with your mobile phone camera and follow the instructions therein. https://www.bpoint.com.au/pay/ COMOOYSTERBAYPARISH</p> | <p>Kneelers: donations \$11,750. Total cost \$13,300. https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=N5HVjM3YJ3g (Archbishop's message) https://www.ourfaithourworks.org/e-cwf/ (donations link)</p> |
| | | <p>"Catholic SRE Learning from Home" materials,: https://www.ccress.org.au/learning-from-home-sre-lessons/</p> |