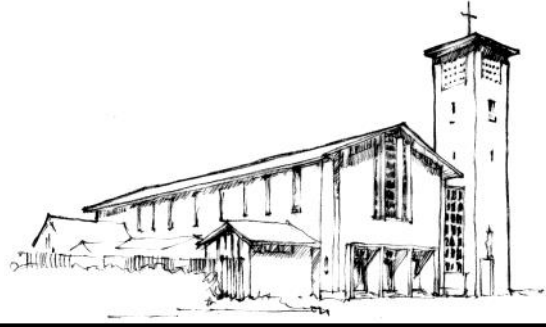


Welcome to

St Joan of Arc Parish Haberfield



FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

YEAR A

16 July 2023

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Eucharist:

Weekend:

Saturday evening: 5.00pm

Sunday: 9.00am & 6.00pm

*(Check for changes on special
Feast Days)*

Weekdays:

Wednesday & Thursday: 9.00am

Friday: 9.15am

*Tuesday evening may be available
for memorial Masses.*

Reconciliation:

Saturday: 4:30pm - 4.50pm

Schools:

SJOA Primary:

Principal: Amanda Gahan

P: 9798 9780

Domremy College:

Principal: Antoinette McGahan

P: 9712 2133

Thank you Fr Peter Guy msc for being with us the last three weekends.



Save the Date Mass of Anointing

August 5 at 10am followed by morning tea.

All welcome.

Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick.

Suffering and illness have always been among the greatest problems that trouble the human spirit. Christians feel and experience pain as do all other people; yet they know from Christ's words that sickness has meaning and value for their own salvation and for the salvation of the world. They also know that Christ who during his life often visited and healed the sick, loves them in their illness. In the Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick the Church continues the ministry of healing exercised by Christ himself.

The anointing is offered in the case of serious or chronic illness that is often debilitating to the sufferer. It is appropriate to anoint the elderly who have become weakened; sick children may be anointed if they can sufficiently understand what the Sacrament offers them. Anointing can be given more than once even in the same illness.

When serious illness afflicts someone, the Anointing of the Sick should not be delayed.

Planned Giving Envelopes and Receipts

Please collect your new set planned giving envelopes for
2023 - 2024 from the Foyer.

Receipts for 2022 - 2023 also available.

Note that they are in alphabetical order.

Our Vision as presented in our Strategic Plan

"...a welcoming and modern Catholic community grounded in faith and spirituality, we want to engage with and build a broader community, particularly among the young and with the families of our local Catholic school as well as providing pastoral outreach to those in need within our Haberfield community and also reach out to deliver broader social justice in our community, our nation and beyond."

Beat the winter chill

Handmade scarfs and beanies



for sale after all
Masses
22/23 July.



Overshadowed: Filled with the Power of the Holy Spirit, 18-20 August 2023

Join the MGL Sisters in a weekend retreat exploring what happens we say yes to the Holy Spirit.

Experience the life-changing power of deepening in God's love, surrendering to Jesus and living under the grace of the Holy Spirit.

Venue: Carmel House, 345 St Andrews Rd, Varroville NSW

Booking: <http://www.trybooking.com/CFBQX>
(by 11 August)

Contact: Katherine - mgl sisters.sydney@gmail.com

Welcome & Events Committee Fashion Parade

You are invited once again to join us for an enjoyable afternoon featuring lovely clothes, bubbles, nice food and a great, friendly atmosphere.

WHEN: Saturday August 12th

WHERE: SJA School Hall

TIME: commencing 1pm

Tickets \$10 on sale after all Masses from next weekend.

Seasons of Renewal: Ordinary Time

Ordinary Time is an extraordinary opportunity to invite others into friendship with Christ in the midst of the everyday. Be equipped to welcome family, friends, colleagues, and neighbours to your parish, by joining the Parish Renewal Team online for a practical and encouraging presentation and discussion. All welcome!

Dates and Times:

- Thursday 20 July, 2 – 3 pm
- Thursday 27 July, 7:30 – 8:30 pm
- Tuesday 1 August, 10 – 11 am

To register, visit the [events page](#)

celebrate our Grandparents

Invite your grandparents to celebrate Mass together!

Honouring the important role of grandparents in the lives of our families.



SUNDAY JULY 30th

9 AM MASS

Giving God thanks for our grandparents

JOIN US

St Joan of Arc Catholic Church
97 Dalhousie St, Haberfield

Grandparents, if you grandchildren don't go to any of the local schools, invite them to celebrate Mass together by inviting them to the above event.

Sacramental Programs 2023 Holy Communion



Enrolments are now open for those children in year 3 and above who are baptized and have made their First Reconciliation. Please complete the online form by clicking the link <https://forms.gle/5QRyoqtr2fFYTTeM7> or visit the parish website for link to online form and other details.

- Commitment Mass – Sunday 15th October (9am)
- Session dates – Wednesdays 18th & 25th October, 8th & 15th November (7pm)
- Celebrations Sunday 19th & 26th November (11am) *Choice to be made by families which day & time is preferable and limit to be estimated depending on number of candidates*

Enrolments close Friday Midday 28th July.

REFLECTION

“Imagine a sower going out to sow.”

Talk of climate change has made us all more aware of how the weather affects our lives, in a way that farmers have always been. What we have come to learn is that there is a key relationship between rain and what happens to the earth – and to us. Floods can be devastating, but a drought is a terrible thing. In recent times, after years of failed rains, the people of Kenya, Somalia and Ethiopia have faced catastrophe with conditions akin to famine in the worst-hit areas. But as well as the rains, good harvests depend on the condition of the earth where seeds are planted. Gardeners, as well as farmers, know that, and there’s a whole industry of gardening aids to help the soil, from composts to liquid feeds and weedkillers.

Today’s Gospel reading highlights a timeless truth about people – that they love stories, and a narrative can communicate a message far more powerfully than abstract thought. Jesus was a master storyteller and often used parables to teach people. On this occasion, like the prophet Isaiah in the first reading, he uses what is essential to people for their survival – the conditions for growing crops – to make his point. He knows that people aren’t always good listeners. He has to find a way to get across vital teaching.

What he is saying here is that it is not the quality of your basic material (the seeds), or the weather (whether it rains or not) that matters – it is where the seeds are planted that really counts. We often use metaphors about seeds in our everyday language – for example, we speak of sowing an idea, or sowing seeds of doubt – and here the seeds are what God offers us by way of faith. But what happens to that faith is down to where the seed is planted. The seed that falls by the path has no earth in which to grow – something falling by the wayside will not grow at all. Matthew records that Jesus explains that this is one that has turned away from God’s love. There are other pitfalls ahead, Jesus explains, if the seed falls where there are patches of rock. As any gardener knows, if seed is to germinate, it needs good quality soil where the roots will take hold. This is akin to someone whose response to God is superficial: they are full of good intentions, but if they encounter any problem, they are gone. The roots that are grown enable a plant to endure; but without roots, it will not last. Even more vivid is the account of the seed among the thorns: this is like someone entangled in what the world tempts us with. But a seed in rich soil will flourish, just as will a person who hears the word of God, listens and understands it.

We might have all kinds of technologies and more advanced thinking to help grow crops nowadays, but human nature hasn’t changed. The analogy Jesus offers between the seed and the conditions in which it might thrive, or die, is just as valid now. God is the sower of the seed of faith, but it is down to us as to what happens next. We are the ground in which the seed will flourish or fail and it’s up to us to see that our faith grows and develops. Of course there is help available if we seek it out, from our own prayers and those of others, as well as the support that the Church can give. But we have to be ready to focus on God and on caring for our faith. Becoming distracted by the temptations of the world, whether it’s drink, drugs, possessions, or just too much focus on our own pleasure, will not help us grow in faith. And being too caught up in work, or

our own anxieties – not trusting in God – will also cause us to lose heart and become separated from God.

So the key is: how do we ensure we become like rich soil, where our faith will bear fruit? A start is being here at Mass. Gardeners talk about cultivation: if we cultivate the habit of listening to God regularly through prayer, through attending Mass, and loving one another and those in need, then we will be enriched and faith will grow. Faith is not something that happens once and lasts for all time: it needs us to constantly be converted to God.

The Living Word

Saints Days/Coming Events

Saturday	22th July 2023	St Mary Magdalene
Sunday	23rd July 2023	World Day of Grandparent and the Elderly Bible Sunday
Sunday	30th July 2023	9am - Bring your grandparents to Mass
Saturday	5th August 2023 10am	Mass of Anointing followed by morning tea
Saturday & Sunday	5th & 6th August	Charitable Works Fund Appeal

-SACRAMENTS-

For information on BAPTISM, FIRST RECONCILIATION, FIRST HOLY COMMUNION, CONFIRMATION, MARRIAGE, ANOINTING OF THE SICK - EUCHARIST TO THE HOUSEBOUND please visit the parish website for details.

Recently Deceased:

Fr Michael Mullins SM, Juan Vargas, Lisa Jennifer Amodio, Giorgina Perricelli, Sr Joan McBride SM, Liliti Sii Kaufusi, Giuseppa Vallelonga, Bruno Brescia, Doreen Parkinson, Santo D'Arrigo, Cesare Maresso, Mario Rinaudo, Martin Carey, Robert Harrington.

Please note: Names of recently deceased will remain for a 3 month period before being removed.

Rest in Peace: Angelo Testa, Salvatore Giarratano, Joe Di Marti, Mary Attard, Luciano Frisone, Elisa Procopio, Salvatore Procopio, Monika Fisi'ihoi, Domenico Nicita, Kaliammah Subramaniam, Grazia Scuderi, Saverio Mafodda, Valentina Mannino, Antonio Cardillo, Helen Bedirian, Luigino De Domeneghi, Rofayla Daoud, Michael & Mary Kayrooz & families, Rocco Delfino, Rosa Delfino, Domenico Nicita, Iolanda Caruso, Domenico Catalano, Ilario Furlan, Carmela Catania, Salvatore Catania Concetta Cardillo, Maria Oppedisano, Anna Rosa Angilletta, Cosimo Angilletta, Joe Angilletta, Frank & Immacolata Angilletta, Giuseppe Aversa, Domenico & Olimpia Spadaro, Lawrence Wong, Pietro Banno, Jack McEnally, Domenico Banno, Lucy The, Jim Tuite, Sarina Torrisi, Lattari & Aversa families, John & Moya Phillips, Mons Dino Fragiaco, Fr Frank Furfaro & All Souls in Purgatory.

In your love and concern please pray for the following ill members of our community:

Glen Dixon, Venu Uthappa, Roberto Tramarin, Vittoria Lavecchia, Anna Attard, Rosa Santos, Elisha Lau, Aitken Family, Liz Smith, Pat Rankine, Jerry Andre, Donna Neeley, Adeline Ashing, Annelise Buda, Giovanni Luci, Stephan Ferenc, Giancarlo Buda, Mario Bianco, Jozo Tadic

In keeping with the Privacy Act names cannot be published in our Parish Bulletin without the permission of the persons themselves or their next of kin. Please specify on your Mass Envelope your intention to include the person's name in this Bulletin or contact the Parish Office on 9798 6657



A message from the Archdiocese of Sydney

Child sexual abuse is a crime. The appropriate people to deal with crimes are the police. If you, or anyone you know have been abused, please contact the police. Alternatively, you can contact the Safeguarding and Ministerial Integrity Office at (02) 9390 5810 or safeguardingenquiries@sydneycatholic.org. You may also want to speak to your Parish Priest who will be able to provide support and guidance. The Archdiocese has a legal obligation to report crimes to the police.

FAMILY PLAYGROUP

At St Joan of Arc School, Haberfield

COME AND JOIN US!
MONDAYS DURING SCHOOL TERMS

9:15AM - 10AM

88 DALHOUSIE ST., HABERFIELD

FIRST SESSION MONDAY 24/7 -

"LOOKING AFTER YOUR PETS" WITH
OUR LOCAL VET

FRIENDSHIP & COMMUNITY

CREATIVE ACTIVITIES

SPECIAL VISITORS

SNACKS

WHY PLAY WITH US?

- Meet new friends
- Interact with specialists in the community
- Hands on activities based on a different theme each week
- Learn about skills to help your child transition to Kinder
- Access to expert knowledge on K-6 education
- Open to anyone with children aged 3-5 years
- Contact 9798 9780 for more information

FOLLOW US ON FACEBOOK



Do you have gifts in graphic design?

As our parish continues to grow and share our faith with the wider community, the parish team is seeking a volunteer who has a talent for graphic design to offer 4-5 hours a month preparing assets to support the different areas of the parish.

This is a great opportunity to help promote the great things happening in our parish to a wider audience. If this is a gift that you are able to share with the community, please contact Maria Condello on 9798 6657 or Pastoral.Associate@stjoanofarc.org.au to chat further.

Thank you....

Marea Dorman, our organiser of the Cancer Council's Biggest Morning Tea recently received an email thanking the community as our fundraising efforts helped to contribute to the below amount.

Thank you again to all who helped make the event possible and helping to raise money for much needed cancer research.

MOCs/Readers

The new roster commenced on July 1st. If you do not have it please contact Rhonda.
Thanks

Happy Birthday

One of our long term parishioners Gerry McInerney celebrates his 90th birthday on 15 July.

Warmest congratulations Gerry & best wishes from your friends at St Joan of Arc.



CAMPFIRE NIGHT

Saturday 22nd July 5.30pm- 9pm

BBQ Campfire Songs Games
Glow sticks/Sparklers
Marshmallows

Mask wearing is strongly encouraged at Mass to prevent the spread of COVID and FLU symptoms.