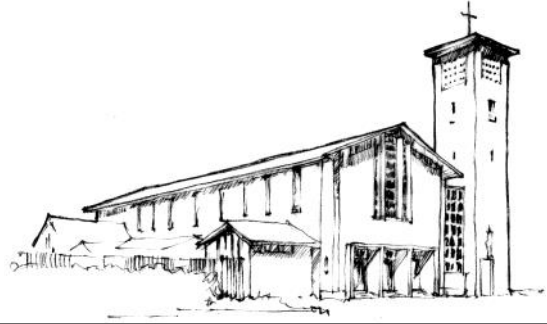


Welcome to

St Joan of Arc Parish Haberfield



TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME YEAR A 3 September 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

HAPPY FATHER'S DAY

to all the DADs of the Parish.

May our heavenly Father bless you all.



FATHER'S DAY APPEAL
Sunday 3 September 2023

Donate at www.ourfaithourworks/prf
use the parish envelope or the QR code

PRIESTS'
RETIREMENT
FOUNDATION



Next weekend, 9/10 September, the Catholic Church in Australia marks Safeguarding Sunday, on which we pray for those who have been abused, their families and supporters. We recognise and apologise for the harm done by priests, religious and lay people in Church settings. Rebuilding trust and confidence in the Church requires constant work and vigilance. We recommit to cultural change that will help the Church be a place that builds and supports safe communities for all people.

You can find out more about the Church's work in this area at:

www.catholic.au/s/article/safeguardingsunday2023

And the work of the Sydney Church at:

<https://www.sydneycatholic.org/safeguarding-and-child-protection/>

Look back over the last 5 weeks of our Bulletin you can read again about how St Joan of Arc Parish is implementing the policies of the Church. The current article is on the back page of this bulletin.

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."

Referendum Date—Saturday 14 October
WILL YOU BE READY TO VOTE??

What's THE VOICE all about??

Here are some resources to help see this as Catholic Christians:

Australian Catholic Bishops Office for Justice, Ecology and Peace. Link: <https://socialjustice.catholic.org.au/2023/07/20/update-on-the-voice-referendum/>

[Bishop Vincent Long - Social Justice Statement 2023-24 Launch Address](#) – In this 8 minute video Bishop Long links Catholic Social Teaching with the 2023-24 Social Justice Statement – **Listen, Learn, Love**. It is a very engaging video that links so many important teachings and ideas.

There is also an article in *The Catholic Weekly* [The false claims of the No Campaign](#)

Catholic Social Services Webinar Series *Indigenous Voice to Parliament: Moments for healing this country*

- Session 1 – Professor Melissa Castan and Sherry Balcombe > *What is the Voice to Parliament all about?:* <https://youtu.be/bRdG8Mgcl64>
- Session 2 – Fr Frank Brennan SJ > *The Church, Catholic Social Teaching and engagement with First Nations Peoples :* <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=bGU8GdOI-c4>
- Session 3 – Uncle Ron Briggs, Esmail Manahan & Cr Anne Dennis > *First Nations Voices: A Panel Discussion:* <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=aG7bRfOQozc>

St Columba' Social Justice Group

St Columba's Parish North Leichhardt

Kitchen Table Conversation around [The Voice](#)

Wednesday 27 September 7:30-9:00pm in the Parish Hall.

Sr Marion Gambin rsj, - Facilitator.

Welcome & Events Committee AGM

This meeting will take place on

Tuesday 19th September @ 7pm

in the Presbytery or via zoom.

Election of office bearers

will take place at this meeting. **Please**

contact Rhonda for the zoom link

(9798 8273). Thank you

PIETY STORE

Our Store is situated inside the front door of the Church on the Presbytery side. It is open often before and always after each Weekend Mass (unless something unforeseen prevents this).

We have several new gift items for children making their First Holy Communion in the Piety Stall as well as a variety of other Religious goods including Rosaries, Bibles, Books etc. Gifts for Confirmation, Baptism and other occasions are available too.

(Credit cards accepted—MC/Visa)

Aid to the Church in Need

Aid to the Church in Need is running an emergency campaign for Pakistan. Recently up to 24 churches, hundreds of Christian homes and a Christian cemetery were targeted in an attack in Pakistan which was sparked by reports of blasphemy allegations against two Christians accused of desecrating the Qur'an. ACN is working with project partners on the ground to aid the current needs of the Christian people. To learn more and to make an offering visit www.aidtochurch.org/pakistanappeal or scan the QR code.



SOMEONE WILL LISTEN TO YOU

Tell a trusted adult if you or another child is feeling hurt, worried, anxious or embarrassed.

An adult will:

LISTEN to what you have to say

They will help you feel **SAFE**

They will **TELL** people who will be able to help you



Your safety comes first! Remember to speak to a trusted adult such as a parent or teacher.

Kids Helpline: 1800 551 800 | kidshelpline.com.au



CATHOLIC ARCHDIOCESE OF SYDNEY



Safeguarding Week

4 September
to
10 September

Safeguarding Adults at Risk



“Even the weakest and most vulnerable, the sick, the old, the unborn and the poor, are masterpieces of God's creation, made in his own image, destined to live for ever, and deserving of the utmost reverence and respect.”

Pope Francis

REFLECTION

“Anyone who loses his life for my sake will find it.”

The “pig and chicken” principle has been quoted by people in many diverse fields of human endeavour, to encourage total dedication to a cause – whether it be Scott Morrison, when Australian Prime Minister, asking for commitment to his political agenda, or coach Mike Leach encouraging players to give 100 per cent for his American Football team. The principle is based on the fable of the pig and the chicken who were discussing the possibility of opening a restaurant. “We could call it: ‘Bacon and Eggs’,” says the chicken. “Each of us could make our own unique contribution to the menu.” The pig considers it for a brief moment: “The problem with that,” he says, “is that you’d only be involved, but I’d have to be totally committed.”

Gospel Teaching

Jesus says: “If anyone wants to be a follower of mine, let him renounce himself and take up his cross and follow me.” What he is asking for is more than simply being involved in his project, but total dedication, even to the point of self-sacrifice. It seems a strange strategy for attracting followers. And indeed, the Gospels tell us that many potential disciples did walk away from Jesus. He asks people not simply to make a one-off decision for him, but rather to walk the walk and not simply talk the talk. He is asking for genuine disciples, not fair-weather admirers. That initial decision for him has to be translated into lifelong and total dedication, even when the consequences are painful.

We see this dynamic played out in the life of the prophet Jeremiah in the first reading. The full reality of his decision to follow God’s calling by becoming the Lord’s prophet is starting to hit home for Jeremiah. His decision has led to humiliation, rejection, imprisonment, even danger of death. Costly discipleship indeed. And yet it almost seems as if Jeremiah has no choice – not because God has forced him, but rather because Jeremiah feels seduced by God, he can’t forget the Lord. Even when he is sick of God and all the demands the Lord makes on him, there is nevertheless something so utterly attractive about God, something enthralling, a fire burning in his heart, as Jeremiah says, that he cannot resist.

Jesus states quite bluntly that following him will cost. Taking up the cross is not a one-off decision, but a way of life, a way of living life. As St Paul tells the Christians in Rome, it involves changing our mind,

putting on the mind of Christ, who came not to be served but to serve and to offer his life as a ransom for many. For Paul, it means changing our behaviour, and offering our bodies, our whole lives, as a sacrifice which is pleasing to God. Perhaps Peter tried to stop Jesus going to the cross not simply because he cared for Jesus, but because he guessed that where Jesus went, he would have to follow. Jesus’ response to Peter is also an invitation to every would-be follower: “Get behind me.” In other words, “Take your place as my disciple, my follower. Follow me on the road to the cross, and I promise you life, joy and fulfilment.”

The Living Word

Saints Days/Coming Events

Friday 8th September The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary

-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:

Francesca Castronovo, Rosaria (Sarina) Liotta, Giuseppe Trovato, Michele Mercurio, Salvatore Catania, Giuseppe Iacono, Sebastiano Montalto, Joseph Natoli, Fr Michael Mullins SM, Juan Vargas, Lisa Jennifer Amodio, Giorgina Perricelli, Sr Joan McBride SM, Liliti Siif Kaufusi, Giuseppa Vallelonga, Bruno Brescia, Doreen Parkinson.

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

Rest in Peace: Giuseppe Colantuono, Michael & Mary Kayrooz and Families, Marco Monaco, Nunzia Ferrara, Angelo Testa, Salvatore Giarratano, Joe Di Marti, Mary Attard, Luciano Frisone, Elisa Procopio, Salvatore Procopio, Monika Fisi’ihoi, Domenico Nicita, Kaliasmah 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: Asela Savieti, 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.

Safeguarding- What should I know as a parent?



Is the Parish a 'child safe organisation'?

St Joan of Arc Haberfield Parish is committed to safeguarding children. Parish members teaching your child are trained in ways to protect and keep your child safe from harm. They understand and have signed the **Code of Conduct** for working with children and young people.

The Office of the Children's Guardian, in NSW, has checked and cleared our parish members to be able to work with children. The parish members have been issued a **Working With Children Check (WWCC)** clearance number.

Engaging a Tutor/Coach

If you **engage a tutor**, private trainer etc., you should ask for a Working With Children Check clearance number and verify the WWCC online.

It's the law that tutors or coaches who work with your children must have a **Working With Children Check**.



- 1** Tutors must have a current WWCC
- 2** Parents must verify the WWCC online
- 3** Got a clearance? You're good to go!

Children's modelling and acting

In NSW there are specific laws to protect the safety and wellbeing of children under the age of 15 years who are **employed** as actors, performers, and in door-to-door sales, and children under the age of 16 who are **employed as models**. The Office of the Children's Guardian is responsible for authorising employers of children. You can check the **Register of Authorised Employers** on the OCG website.

SAFE Series activity books/videos for Children

The Office of the Children's Guardian has developed the SAFE series of Children's activity books and videos containing personal **safety messages for children** that parents can utilise when explaining personal issues, such as to:

- Help your child identify the parts of their **body that are private**
- Help your child understand their **feelings**
- Encourage your child to think about **five people who they trust** to help them if they feel scared, sad or upset.

More details on all the above can be found at <https://ocg.nsw.gov.au/parents-and-carers>

For more information contact Tony Mediati pssso@stjoanofarc.org.au

Season of Alpha has begun in our parish - 9.30am on Monday mornings from 28th August 2023.

Alpha is a great opportunity to learn more about Jesus and the Christian faith. It's open to everyone and presented in a series of videos and discussions where we get to ask some of the big questions in a welcoming, safe, and friendly environment. So far, we've had over 60 people participate in Alpha, who've found it has helped grow their personal faith, as well as build friendships with others in our community.

This season will be particularly special, as Rhonda has kindly offered to host the sessions in her home, just a short stroll from the church. Starting at 9.30am each Monday we're hoping this time might suit parents of school aged children or others who found evening sessions difficult.

If you're curious, please come along—see one video and take part—then see what you think about continuing. It's totally free and there's no commitment. For more information and location, contact us on 0404 88 22 77 or alpha@stjoanofarc.org.au



Welcome & Events Committee

The Welcome & Events Committee is keen to welcome new members. We are the people who organise social functions for the Parish e.g. morning teas, fashion parade & Christmas Party and fund raise.

We would love some younger members of the Parish, both male and female, to join us. The task is not too difficult or very time consuming. **We meet on the fourth (4th) Tuesday of the month, between February and November.**

Elections for Office Bearers will take place in September. Talk to any of the Committee after Mass, you know us by face! and come and join us. Thank you