

he handed them to his disciples who gave them to the crowds. They all ate as much as they wanted, and they collected the scraps remaining, twelve baskets full. Those who ate numbered about five thousand men, to say nothing of women and children.

### Communion Antiphon

I am the bread of life, says the Lord; whoever comes to me will not hunger and whoever believes in me will not thirst.

### Family Drug Support

This is a caring non-religious organization which provided non-judgmental, non-directive support and information to families and friends of drug users across Australia. Telephone Support Line 24hrs/7day a week: 1300 368 186. Please see brochures in the Church foyer.



### We Remember

We recall how on August 6 1945, 75 years ago now, an atomic bomb was dropped on the Japanese city of Hiroshima, incinerating 140,000 men, women & children. Then on August 9 1945, a second atomic bomb killed 74,000 men, women & children in Nagasaki. We remember also the many thousands of Japanese who lost their lives in the Earthquake/Tsunami/Nuclear Disaster on 11<sup>th</sup> March 2011. *May they rest in peace.*

### A Message from the Archdiocese of Sydney

Abuse is a crime. The appropriate people to deal with a crime 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](mailto: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.

**Our Lady of Lourdes Church:** 280 Homer St, Earlwood, NSW. 2206

**St Bernadette's Church:** Corner William St & Bexley Rd.

**Our Lady of Lourdes Primary School:** Ph: 9559 2556 Principal: Dermott O'Neill

**Society of Our Lady of Lourdes:** Ph: 9559 2171 (Mon & Fri 10am to 1pm)

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### Picture yourself as a foster carer?



Family Spirit are seeking safe and stable homes for children for up to 6 months or longer. To learn more about becoming a carer we are offering individual online information sessions at a time that suits you. To book a one on one appointment call **CCareline 13 18 19**. [connect@familyspirit.org](mailto:connect@familyspirit.org) 8am – 6pm, Monday – Friday

### Hope Campaign

St Martha's Parish Strathfield is asking for help promoting its Hope Campaign to encourage everyone to spread and carry Hope during these uncertain times. See: <https://www.catholicweekly.com.au/even-in-lockdown-st-marthas-keeps-busy/> Any assistance that you could provide to help us promote Hope would be greatly appreciated. Contact Nicolle Mazzaferro on 0421 959 636.



### CatholicCare outreach to the lonely

CatholicCare, through its CCareline 13 18 19 number and the Parish Volunteer Program in partnership with the Archdiocese of Sydney, is working together as the 'hands and feet of Christ in the community' reaching out to those most in need in our parishes and beyond. To register or learn more about the Parish Volunteer Program call CCareline on 13 18 19.



### Next week 19th Sunday in Ordinary Time

**Readings :** 1st: 1 Kg 19:11-13 **Psalm: 84**

**2nd: Rom 9:1-5; Gospel: Mt 14:22-33**

**LOURDES PARISH**



**EARLWOOD**

**Fr. Patrick Njenga** Parish Administrator **Fr. Miguel Perez Campos** Assistant Priest  
**Fr. Adrian Pittarello** Italian Chaplain Ph: 80681595  
**Office Hours:** Cinzia - Tues to Thurs 9am to 1pm Maria - Tues to Wed 9am to 2.30pm  
**Parish Office:** 9558 1254 **Email:** [secretary@lourdesparish.com.au](mailto:secretary@lourdesparish.com.au)

**WEEK 31 18TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (A) 1/2 AUGUST 2020**

### Entrance Antiphon

O God, come to my assistance;  
O Lord, make haste to help me!  
You are my rescuer, my help;  
O Lord, do not delay.

### First Reading Is 55:1-3

Thus says the Lord: Oh, come to the water all you who are thirsty; though you have no money, come! Buy corn without money, and eat, and, at no cost, wine and milk. Why spend money on what is not bread, your wages on what fails to satisfy? Listen, listen to me and you will have good things to eat and rich food to enjoy. Pay attention, come to me; listen, and your soul will live. With you I will make an everlasting covenant out of the favours promised to David.

**Responsorial Psalm Ps 144:8-9. 15-18. R. v.16**  
**(R.) The hand of the Lord feeds us: he answers all our needs.**

The Lord is kind and full of compassion, slow to anger, abounding in love. How good is the Lord to all, compassionate to all his creatures. **(R.)**

The eyes of all creatures look to you and you give them their food in due time You open wide your hand, grant the desires of all who live. **(R.)**

The Lord is just in all his ways and loving in all his deeds. He is close to all who call him, call on him from their hearts. **(R.)**

### Second Reading Rom 8:35, 37-39

Nothing can come between us and the love of Christ, even if we are troubled or worried, or being persecuted, or lacking food or clothes, or being threatened or even attacked. These are the trials through which we triumph, by the power of him who loved us. For I am certain of this: neither death nor life, no angel, no prince, nothing that exists, nothing still to come, not any power, or height or depth, nor any created thing, can ever come between us and the love of God made visible in Christ Jesus our Lord.

### Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!  
No one lives on bread alone, but on every word that comes from the mouth of God. Alleluia!

### Gospel Mt 14:13-21

When Jesus received the news of John the Baptist's death he withdrew by boat to a lonely place where they could be by themselves. But the people heard of this and, leaving the towns, went after him on foot. So as he stepped ashore he saw a large crowd; and he took pity on them and healed their sick. When evening came, the disciples went to him and said, 'This is a lonely place, and the time has slipped by; so send the people away, and they can go to the villages to buy themselves some food.' Jesus replied, 'There is no need for them to go: give them something to eat yourselves.' But they answered, 'All we have with us is five loaves and two fish.' 'Bring them here to me,' he said. He gave orders that the people were to sit down on the grass; then he took the five loaves and the two fish, raised his eyes to heaven and said the blessing. And breaking the loaves

### Mass Weekends:

**Saturday 5.00pm OLOL, 6.30pm Bernadette's**  
**Sunday 8.00am Bernadette's, 9.30am OLOL**  
**Children's Liturgy:** during 9.30am Mass  
**10.45am (Italian). 6pm** Maronite Mass in English.  
**Reconciliation:** Saturday 4- 4.45pm OLOL

### Mass Weekdays:

**St. Bernadette** Tue 6.30 pm, Fri 6.30am  
**OLOL:** Wed 8.30am, Thurs 8.30am, Friday 9am  
**Baptisms:** 12noon 2nd & 4th Sundays at OLOL  
11am 3rd Sunday at St Bernadette's  
**Reconciliation:** Saturday 6 - 6.20pm **St. Bernadette's**

### Rosary Statue

Paulette Mardini.



### Grotto Rosary

Rosary every Mon & Fri at Grotto at 10am.

### Eucharistic Adoration & Holy Rosary

Please join us for **Holy Hour on Fridays 6:30-7:30pm at Our Lady's Church**. "Watch and pray so that you will not fall into temptation. The spirit is willing, but the flesh is weak." (Mt. 26:41)



### First Friday Mass at Grotto

The Society of Our Lady of Lourdes would like to invite parishioners from Lourdes Parish to join us on Friday 7 August for 1st Friday Mass at 10.30am. The recitation of the Rosary will commence at 10am. All welcome.



### Weekend Readers' Roster OLOL

The new weekend reader's roster for July to December 2020 is now available. Please collect your copy from the Sacristy.



### Booking Again

Booking for weekend Masses has been reinstated due to COVID-19 restrictions changing again. You need to book in by ringing the Parish Office on 9558 1254 on Tues, Wed or Thurs mornings.



### COVIDSAFE church COVID Restrictions

COVID-19 restrictions have changed again from July 24, church attendance numbers are limited to 100, providing there is a four square metre space around each person, with the exception of people from the same household. So this means OLOL can have 100 but St Bernadette's can only have 65. All parishes must ensure that their churches are not left unattended when their doors are open and they must keep written records with names and contact details of everyone who comes into the church at any time and these records must be kept for at least 4 weeks.

**Note that** collection plates are not allowed to be handled. So we have a leaving collection at the church door only. Also singing is not permitted and Parish Bulletins cannot be re-handled or re-used.

### Congratulations

Congratulations to Fr Miguel who celebrates his 1st Anniversary of Ordination on 3rd August 2020. We thank him for his ministry to us all. We thank all parishioners of St Bernadette's Church for their generous response.



### LOLOL Kneelers

Our kneelers need a facelift. If you would like to sponsor a kneeler you are most welcome to do so.



### Wrap with Love Thank You

Combining the efforts of both Church Communities of Clemton Park and Earlwood, **125 rugs** in total were handed over during the week to 'Wrap with Love'. **What an incredible result!** Additional thanks to Dawn Harrison, Frances Dwyer, Margaret Friend & Kath Morrison. A final THANK YOU to all who were involved with this great project. 'Wrap with love' operates all the year-round receiving rugs. So, all our dedicated knitters & crocheters can get started straight away in time for next year. Our rugs will be included in a consignment being prepared for **The Purple House, a Kidney Dialysis Centre for Aboriginal Australians in Central Australia**. So, it is really an amazing Ministry to the Poor of the world. Visit: [www.wrapwithlove.org](http://www.wrapwithlove.org).



### Charitable Works Fund (CWF)

The First CWF Appeal for the new Financial Year was scheduled for this weekend 1st/2nd Aug. Envelopes are available at the Church Door Thank you for your continued generosity to this Appeal. Donations 100% Tax Deductible.



### Mary MacKillop Feast Day

Due to COVID-19 Feast Day Celebrations will NOT be held on 8th August at Mary MacKillop Place 7-11 Mount St North Sydney. There will be a 10.00am Mass in the Chapel, which will be live-streamed followed by a time of prayer at the tomb. Details available on: [marymackillopplace@mmp.org.au](mailto:marymackillopplace@mmp.org.au)

### Feast of Assumption

Note that Saturday 15th August is the Feast of Our Lady's Assumption. This is a Holy Day of Obligation and Mass Times will be: Clemton Park: 9.00am.



### Ordination of Tommy Sofatzis

From a small boy Tommy Sofatzis had been a parishioner of St Bernadette's Clemton Park. Tommy attended Mass & Sunday school every Sunday with his wonderful parents Gillian & Bill Sofatzis and his 6 brothers & sisters. Now many years later on Saturday 8th August 2020 at 10.30am he will be ordained a priest in St Mary's Cathedral by Bishop Richard Umbers DD- Also Tommy will celebrate one of his first Masses in St Bernadette's Church on Wed 12th Aug at 10.00am Because of limitation of numbers there will be a booking sheet for this Mass.



### Catholic Weekly

With all churches reopened for Mass across the Archdiocese of Sydney, the hard copy edition of the Catholic Weekly is available again in parishes this weekend for \$2.00. In this week's edition:



- *New Ambassador to the Vatican*
- *Bishop drought ends in Wagga Wagga*
- *Bethlehem College Ashfield design jerseys for Bulldogs' Indigenous Round*

Collect your Catholic Weekly as you leave Mass today and support our Archdiocesan newspaper.

### Aid to the Church In Need -Fundraiser

17 October 2020 marks the 10th anniversary of the canonisation of Australia's first Saint, Mary of the Cross MacKillop. In celebration, Aid to the Church in Need (ACN) Australia is proud to have commissioned a commemorative set of Rosary Beads. All proceeds from the sale of these beads will directly support needy religious sisters around the world who - like Mary MacKillop -continue to take care of all people in so many ways.



### Parent Line 1300 1300 52

Many families are in the midst of or are facing serious challenges in the wake of the COVID-19 pandemic and need extra support but don't know where to start. Parent Line can help parents by providing support and strategies to manage. Call us 7 days a week on 1300 1300 52.

### Please pray for the following:

**Rec Deceased:** Raul Gama 13/3), Genevieve James (24/6), Monica James (26/6), Peter Gallagher (29/6), Margaret Warham, Edmund O'Shea.



**Anniversaries** Sadie Stanton (6th, 20/7), Nora George (13/1); Patricia

Stanton (5th, 8/8), Antonio Silva (1mth, 10/8), Joseph Auilina (11th, 3/8), Elizabeth Colluccio, Lidia Taranto, Joseph Aquilina (11th Anniv), Daniel Canu (3mth, 16/4), Michael Dann (1/8).

**Also:** Manuel, Tiago, Samamnthia, Fatima & Joe Sousa, Avelino, Roberto & Dionizio Martines, Rosa & Concecaã dos Santos, Doreen Quinn, Joe Calaca, Delores Barakat, Annette Gatto, Derek Gilbert, Babs & Terry Rodrigues, Monica Brewer, Gillian Sofatzis, Pierino, Pasquale & Roberto Stanghieri, Vincenzo Zaccardelli, Mary & Karam Elkhouri, David Staunton, Regina & Katharina Liebig, Carmel Henwood, Sebastiano Salvato, Manuel De Nobrega, Carlo Favorito, Celie Channon, Dorothy Price, Joan Ashton, Giovanni & Maria Corrente, Giacomo Rosanella, Athol Cullen, Corrado Ardizzi, Antonio Camara, Sinacori & Salvato families, Spinola Family, Brian Davies, Michael & Flora Vartuli, Tony Miller & Maria Fung, Helen & Frederick Seeto, Joy Hockings, Anthony & Therese Bonnici, Joseph Sparrow, Lucy Elizabeth Sparrow, Christine Margaret Mary Sparrow, Edward Sparrow, John Sparrow, Pat & Lex Yule, Lillian Weaver, Ruth Yule, Frank & Kathleen O' Donoghue, James & Lesley Dalley, Nora & Joseph Collins, Andrea Canu, Domenico Antonio Mazzu, Sebastiana (Nella) & Francesco Di Stefano, Holy Souls. **May they rest in Peace.**

**Special Intentions:** Jose Gomes & family, Sister Elana, Sanjogta Sabharwal Blessings

**Sick:** Mary (Penny) & Max Houterman, Fred & Doris Mordocco, Shirley Rait, Kristian Seric (little boy hit by car), Maria Camara, Maria Porcu, Maria Robson, Dick & Judy Poole, Kiani & Tasha, Berry D'Rosario, Ema Halangahu, Alfonso Costantini, Roz Ko, Krystall Boujoukas, Joyce Cutuli, Emilio Canteli, Joseph, Mercedes & Teresa Artigas, Carlos Vivero, family & friends Artigas & Canteli Families, Fr Colin Mason, Jess Harrison, Lenny Parisi, Kiani & Malik Hage, Salvatore D'Amico, Baby Sarah Maria Robin, Baby Domenico Guarnieri, Giuseppe Ferlino, Marina Beeby, Rosina Cimino, Melanie Reardon, John Kellert, John O'Neill, Joe Touma, Maria Amarin, Mark & Joe Borg, Maureen Nuttal, Johanna Banaghan, Trent, Rosa Maria Santos, Nicole Camara, Baby Ruby Whittemore, Elaine Rowda, Sr Catherine Carroll, Val Crawford, Ken Hogan, June Lynch, Ida Gilio, Patsy O'Connor, Gladys Richardson, Baby Sebastian Valens, Mary Carroll, Candida Rossetti, Steve Channon, Betty McGee.