

Acolytes, Ministers, Readers and Altar Servers, please remember to arrive ready 10 minutes before the beginning of Mass.

29 February / 1 March	
Acolytes	Vigil: John Jordan 8am: Terry Jordan 9.30am Ian Epondulan
Ministers	Vigil: Abel Do Rosario, Edith Gartner 8am: Lorrain Fernandes, Louis Fernandes 9.30am Paul Gow, Ramzee Michael
Readers	Vigil: Alison Punch, Marinela Simic 8am: Andrew Millar, Pepito Ferriols 9.30am: Ryan Epondulan, Megan Michael
Altar Servers	Vigil: Caron Cyril, Jesseline Franco, Jayden Rambukwella 8am: Amelia Herczeg, Joshua Herczeg 9.30am: Makayla Dalmati, Rynan Michael, Jerard Sarmiento
Musicians	Vigil: Perry's Angels 8am: Perry's Angels 9.30am: Maria Balatbat
Children's Liturgy	8th March Von & Alison
Rosary	1 March Milicevic Family 10 Grantham Rd, Seven Hills
Flowers	Fenty & Mimi
Bookshop	Vigil: Volunteer 8am: Suzy Nemorin 9.30am: Edmund
Morning Tea	9.30am Florida & Friends
Church cleaning	4 March Carole, Lourdes, Anna a& Suzy
Welcomers	Vigil: Ernie Gartner, Ram Ugre, Volunteer 8am: Rita Rita Paolini, Benno Motha, Annette Peatman 9.30am: Erika Hien, Maria Michael, Volunteer

7 March / 8 March	
Acolytes	Vigil: Abel Do Rosario 8am: Gerard Marcello 9.30am Killifi Huihui
Ministers	Vigil: Mariane Descombes, Jemma Sarmiento 8am: Fennie Balatbat, Lorraine Fernandes 9.30am: Noel Emmanuel, Ian Epondulan
Readers	Vigil: Crystal Menezes, Stefanie Menezes 8am: Pepito Ferriols, Maricel Santos 9.30am: Ryan Epondulan, Janine Nonato
Altar Servers	Vigil: Alexa Bagatella, Shaun Baptist, Noah Ebb, Thomas Osbourne, Zachary Osbourne 8am: Karuniya Maruthanayagam, Ethan Neish, Jayda-Leigh Neish 9.30am: Carl Gallema, Marc Gallema, Rachel Lobo, Ashley-Louise Ten, Daniel Tenn
Musicians	Vigil: Perry's Angels 8am: Perry's Angels 9.30am: Maria Balatbat
Children's Liturgy	15th March Judith, Mariane & David
Rosary	8 March Menezes Family 39 Winnipeg St, Seven Hills
Flowers	Lucinda & Orlindo
Bookshop	Vigil: Marianela 8am: Edith 9.30am: Fenty Saputra
Morning Tea	9.30am Malayalee Community
Church cleaning	12 March Tongan Choir
Welcomers	Vigil: David Christian, Karen Eleazar, Judith Deloso 8am: Rita Rita Paolini, Annette Peatman, Joyce Hillbrick 9.30am: Adrian Walker, Lena Falzon, VOLUNTEER

St Patrick's Cathedral Relics of St Thérèse of Lisieux Visit: 4 March

As part of a four month pilgrimage in Australia, the relics of St Thérèse of Lisieux and her parents, Saints Louis and Zélie Martin, will visit St Patrick's Cathedral, Parramatta for overnight veneration from 9.30pm on Wednesday March 4. The relics are expected to leave the Cathedral the following day for the Diocese of Broken Bay at 6.15am. Books and various items will be available for purchase.

NAGLE COLLEGE, BLACKTOWN -OPENING EVENING Tuesday 10 March 4.00-7:30pm

Nagle College, Blacktown will be holding their Open Evening for Year 7, 2021 on Tuesday 10 March from 4.00 pm till 7.30 pm. Enrolment packages will be available on the evening and tours of the College will be conducted. Prospective parents and students are warmly invited to attend.



College Open Night **Patrician Brothers' College**, Blacktown 100 Flushcombe Road, Blacktown Wednesday 18 March 2020 at 7pm Everyone Welcome!

<http://www.patsblacktown.catholic.edu.au/>

MARCH 2020		
1	Four2Eight	10.45am
2	St Vincent De Paul	7pm
3	Young Adults	6pm
4	Tai Chi	10.30am
5	Christ Community Prayer Group	9am
5	Healing Mass	8am
5	Legion of Mary	1.30pm
6	Stations of the Cross	7.30pm

POSITIONS VACANT CHURCH CLEANING

Volunteers are needed to help with the church cleaning for one hour on the third Wednesday of the month starting at 8.45 am. Please fill out form at the back of church or call the Parish Office 96222920.



TAI CHI & QiGONG for health and well being Wednesday 10:30-11.30am in the Parish Meeting Room. Cost:\$10.



OUR LADY OF LOURDES

PARISH OF SEVEN HILLS

"Still a wonderful place to pray & stay."

Parish Priest: Fr Henry Huu Duc Tran
Pastoral Care of the Sick: Bathista Emmanuel 0405833655
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Parish Office Email: secretary@olol7hills.org.au
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Catechist Coordinator: Mr Bob McNally 96241015

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Telephone: 9622 2920
Parish Website: www.olol7hills.org.au
Parish School: Our Lady of Lourdes
Principal: Ms Keiran Byrnes
Parish Church: 7 Grantham Rd, Seven Hills 2147
Postal address: PO Box 944, Seven Hills 1730

First Sunday of Lent Year A

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WEEKEND MASS Saturday Vigil 6pm
Sunday 8am & 9.30am

WEEKDAY MASS Tues - Friday 8am

PRAYER AND WORSHIP SERVICE Monday & Saturday 8am

RECONCILIATION Saturday 4.30pm-5.30pm

Church Open Monday-Friday 8.30am-3pm (for prayer and reflection)

HEALING MASS & ANOINTING OF SICK 1st Thursday of the month at 8am. **5th March 2020**

BAPTISMAL PREPARATION 18th March 2020 at 7:30pm

YOUTH MASS 1st Sunday of the month at 9.30am.

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament & Novena to Our Lady of Lourdes Every Friday after 8am Mass until 9am

Stations of the Cross Friday 6 March 7.30pm

A Blessing for Children is available at all Masses

READINGS 01/03/2020
1st Reading : Genesis 2:7-9, 3;1-7
2nd Reading : Romans 5:12-19
Gospel : Matthew 4:1-11
Creation of our first parents, and sin. Where sin increased, there grace abounded all the more. Jesus fasted for forty days and nights.

READINGS 10/3/2020
1st Reading : Genesis 12:1-4
2nd Reading : 2 Timothy 1:8-10
Gospel : Matthew 17:1-9
The call of Abraham, the father of God's people. God has saved us, and called us to be holy. His face shone like the sun.

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON: *When he calls on me I will answer him; I will deliver him and give him glory, I will grant him length of days.*

OPENING PRAYER: *Grant, Almighty God, through the yearly observances of holy Lent, that we may grow in understanding of the riches hidden in Christ and by worthy conduct pursue their effects. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen*

RESPONSE TO PSALM: *Be merciful, O Lord, for we have sinned.*

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: *Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, King of endless glory! No one lives on bread alone, but on every word that comes from the mouth of God. Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory!*

COMMUNION ANTIPHON: *One does not live on bread alone, but by every word that comes forth from the mouth of God.*

ARE YOU NEW TO OUR PARISH? WELCOME!

If you would like to register with our parish or receive a visit from Fr Henry or a parishioner, please give your name and contact number to Fr Henry after Mass or contact the parish office on 9622 2920

or email secretary@olol7hills.org.au. We look forward to hearing from you!



Let us Pray for the Sick

Leonila Ahillon, Cristina Apolinario, David Barrow, John Bourke, Barrie Chamberlain, Gabriel Chung, Myrna G Cruz, Maureen Daley, Paul Daniel, John Doraisamy, Andrew Fedrigo, Anthony Janicska, Wendy & Klaus, Lawrence Family, Maria V, Blago Milicevic, Laurel Morris, Patricia Oreo, Lekisha Grace & Rommel Panlilio, Roger & Kimberley Payoe, Debra Price, Susanth Sennayake, Ernie Siyapatham, Rose Stambouliah, Josette Sultana, Denis Symon, Sue Tipaldo.

If you would like to add to our Sick List or know of any Parishioner that is unwell please contact Father Henry or the Parish Office on 9622 2920. We can also arrange for Holy Communion or a visit if required.

Let us Pray for the Deceased

Recently Deceased: Benito Albace, Frank Abela, Neville J Byrnes, Herman Chelliah, Shanti Fernando, Rosalinda Marcelo, Luciano Marcelo, Larry O'Connell, Bhanu Padmasiri, Margaret Radford, Nalini Ravindren, Martin Rego, Sem Mangahas Serna, Fung Chok Sze, Jim Vella, John Wallis, Lucille Alexandrine Wilson.

Anniversaries: Tom Morrisey, Rosie & David Alfonso, Brian Brooks, Elizabeth Caruana, Cini Family, Paul Comarmond, Emilia Coscurelli, Anna Barbara, Marcel Diab, Sinfarosa Dias, Barbara Dodd, Conception, Dominic & Monica D'Souza, Teresa Thran Thi Mai Dung, Joe Falzon, MA Fernando, VA Francis, Josephine Gomez, Mangiong Family, Paula Mula, Anton & Paul Mula, Joshep Ng, Sashin Patrick, Mile Perak, Sheela & Franklin, Rosemary Silva, George Stambouliah, Helen & John Tanti, Elena Zoratto.

Remembrance: Roy, Mary & Des Barney, Joe, Spiro, Charlie and Sam Borg, Cecilia Ceccatini, Paul & Simon Cyril, Bonosa Enfesto, Sharon & John Lawrence, Rosa Mancina, Pauline Meilak, Lourda Motha, Stephen & Louis Mula, Mary & Muscat Family, Felix, Adriana, Josephine, Charles, Mary & Muscat Family, Giustino Paludi, Nina & Vincenzo Paolini, Lakshman Perera, Roseline Ratnam, Joe Spiro, Amalia & Dominga Usman, Joy Vella, Alison Vella.

PRAYER FOR DEVOTION TO THE HOLY NAME

Oh Jesus, grant to me and those I love, as well as to all the faithful the grace of eternal salvation through your holy name. Bestow on us a most ardent love for you that will imprint your sacred name upon our hearts. May it be always in our minds and frequently on our lips, that it may be our defence in temptation, our refuge in danger, and our consolation and support in the hour of death, Amen.

MONEY MATTERS

Envelopes \$ 2234.00
Loose \$ 1060
TOTAL \$ 3294.00
WEEKLY TARGET: \$ 3500.00



PARISH PROJECTS

As part of our efforts to raise funds to meet the costs of Parish maintenance and improvements, all members of our parish are invited to join a Direct Debit program by donating the cost of a cup of coffee or a glass of beer either weekly, fortnightly or monthly for this good cause. Keep in mind that though we have some limited funds, we have to meet a long list of costs, including the Hall Kitchen renovation, Parish Meeting Room painting, pathway, our buildings and properties.

Please add a reference of "Donation". Banking details are below:

DIRECT DEPOSIT:
BSB: 067 950;
Account Number 000552;
Account Name: Seven Hills Catholic Church.

Your generosity is greatly appreciated.

FROM POPE FRANCIS

CHAPTER SIX

Young people with roots—continued

Along with the stratagems of a false cult of youth and appearance, we are also witnessing attempts to promote a spirituality without God, an affectivity without community or concern for those who suffer, a fear of the poor, viewed as dangerous, and a variety of claims to offer a future paradise that nonetheless seems increasingly distant. I do not want to offer you any such thing, and with great love I urge you not to let yourselves be taken in by this ideology. It will not make you any younger, but enslave you instead. I propose another way, one born of freedom, enthusiasm, creativity and new horizons, while at the same time cultivating the roots that nourish and sustain us.

In this regard, I would note that "many Synod Fathers coming from non-Western contexts pointed out that in their countries globalization is bringing with it forms of cultural colonization that sever young people from their cultural and religious roots. The Church needs to make a commitment to accompanying these young people, so that in the process they do not lose sight of the most precious features of their identity".

Today, in fact, we see a tendency to "homogenize" young people, blurring what is distinctive about their origins and backgrounds, and turning them into a new line of malleable goods. This produces a cultural devastation that is just as serious as the disappearance of species of animals and plants. For this reason, in addressing young indigenous people gathered in Panama, I encouraged them to "care for your roots, because from the roots comes the strength that is going to make you grow, flourish and bear fruit". [Pope Francis, apostolic exhortation, **CHRISTUS VIVIT —to the young people and the entire people of God**]



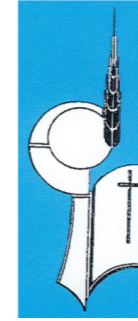
and Pope Francis is very right when he has kept reminding us of the threatening presence of the devil in our world. However, he is not invincible and can be overcome and defeated by the power of God, and Jesus' victory today is a good example of that. Let us ask the Lord to help deepen and strengthen our faith, so that we may always remain faithful to him both in good and testing times.

Have a faith-filled week.
Fr. Henry

PARISH NEWS...

Fr. Henry's Silver Jubilee Dinner. Friday May 1st

Tickets are on sale after Mass for **\$30** each.
Tickets are LIMITED so we ask that
4x Tickets per family.
Enquiries please call Evelyn 0437 572636



PARISH RETREAT THANK YOU

Our Parish community would like to thank Fr John Sullivan so much for sparing his precious time to come and help us once again with our annual retreat, and our Parish staff and volunteers for their kind help to provide food and drinks.

TODAY — Four2Eight

■ **Junior Youth Group** for kids from year 4 – year 8 ■
Get together with friends from the parish for an hour of faith formation and Fun!!
Today—First Sunday of every month,
After the 9:30am Youth Mass. 10:45-12pm
In the Parish Meeting room

OUR PARISH 'TAP AND GO' SYSTEM

It has been a normal and popular practice in various parishes in our Parramatta Diocese and other ones in the country to have the TAP & GO system in place, known under different names in different churches. Anyway, whatever it is called, it mainly means to upgrade the way we make donations to the parish far easier, especially for those, who haven't yet joined our Enveloped Program. We are thinking of installing the system shortly with a five dollar limit at two different locations in the church: One at the main entrance, and the other at the side door to carpark. If you have a good suggestion for naming our system, call our Parish Office or email; secretary@olol7hills.org.au we look forward to hear from you.



OUR LADY OF LOURDES PRIMARY SCHOOL
OPEN DAY 2 March 9:30am-11:00am
T 8869 6800 www.ololshills.catholic.edu.au
We look forward to welcoming you to our school.

SINGERS needed to join 9.30am choir on the third Sunday of the month. For more information, call Chris Woodward on 0411 882 295



PROJECT COMPASSION BOX

Please remember to take home a Project Compassion Box as a tangible way to help us to show our care for the needy.

6 WEEKS OF LENT GIVE 6 THINGS

This Lent the **Jesuit Refugee Service** invites us to donate 1 item each week to give to refugees living in the community.

- Week 1: Basmati rice
- Week 2: Tuna in oil
- Week 3: Cooking oil
- Week 4: Salt
- Week 5: Tea
- Week 6: Sugar

Please leave donations in the St Vincent de Paul box at the back of the Church.

REPORT FROM OUR PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL MEETING

In our first Parish Pastoral Council meeting of the year, members of the Council had the opportunity to listen to various reports concerning the Plenary Council 2020, the Over 50s, the Men's group, the Youth ministry, the Finance Committee, and the Silver Jubilee Committee. With our Youth ministry, we focus on establishing two more Youth group: one for years 4 to 6, and the other for years 7 up to 12, and preparations for the new Altar Servers recruitment are also underway.

Our Finance Committee has been busy with the budget for some maintenance works to take place in and out our Parish Hall, Meeting Room and Parish Office.

The Silver Jubilee Committee has finalised its final step to distribute tickets for Fr Henry's Jubilee Mass and a formal Dinner on Friday 1st May, and there will be a Family celebration at the 9.30am Mass on Sunday 3rd May to be followed by outdoor festivities.

OUR PARISH PRACTICAL STEPS TO PREVENT THE CORONA VIRUS THREATS

As advised by the Church authority, our parish has begun to take these following steps:

- 1/ There is no exchange of peace during Mass,
- 2/ There is no Holy Water available at Church doors,
- 3/ There is no distribution of the Blood of Christ,
- 4/ and there is Communion by hands only.

Thank you so much for your understanding and co-operation in our efforts to keep our parish community safe

You Are Invited to the CENTRAL DEANERY FORUM

This is an important opportunity for parishioners to add further input to the Plenary Council and our Diocese on the future of the Church. Come along to express your key hopes for your parish and discuss the top priorities from all the suggestions made at this forum and help plan our future!

Saturday 7th March 2020.

9.30am for registration, 10am-4pm.
St Andrew the Apostle Parish, 40 Breakfast Rd. Marayong
Lunch and drinks provided
RSVP by 22 February:
email cenraldeanery3030@gmail.com