

# JESUS CALMS THE STORM

Spot 8 differences between the two pictures.



## ACROSS

1. A period of twenty-four hours
5. A body of water that is surrounded by land
6. To have a feeling of fear
8. A relatively small craft which travels on water
9. A raised movement of water rolling across the surface of the sea

## DOWN

1. The original followers of Jesus
2. A violent weather condition with strong winds and heavy rain
3. A high degree of trust or confidence in someone
4. To be calm, without much activity
7. To die by being under water and unable to breathe

PEACE	STORM	DAY	DROWN	AFRAID
DISCIPLES	LAKE	BOAT	WAVE	FAITH



## Jesus Calms the Storm

He got up, rebuked the wind and said to the waves, "Quiet! Be still!" Then the wind died down and it was completely calm. Mark 4:39

Each number represents a letter of the alphabet. Substitute the correct letter for the numbers to reveal the coded words.

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26
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2. 12-19-26-9 \_\_\_\_\_
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6. 12-17-6-13-11 \_\_\_\_\_
7. 9-14-22-12-26 \_\_\_\_\_
8. 8-22-17-24 \_\_\_\_\_

BOAT	WAVES	DROWN	FAITH
WIND	SWAMPED	CALM	OBEY



## OUR LADY OF LOURDES

PARISH OF SEVEN HILLS

"Still a wonderful place to pray & stay."

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**WEEKDAY MASS** Tuesday-Friday 8.00am  
**WEEKEND MASS** Saturday Vigil 6pm  
 Sunday 8am & 9.30am

**RECONCILIATION** Saturday 4.30-5.30pm  
**BAPTISMAL PREPARATION** 21st July 2021 7.30pm  
**BAPTISMS** 2nd & 4th Sunday 11am

## Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time

•Year B—20 June 2021•

All are welcome to join us for **Our Lady of Lourdes, Seven Hills, Sydney, NSW, Australia Facebook LIVE-STREAM WEEKEND MASSES** celebrated by Fr. Henry Huu Duc Tran on **Saturdays 6PM (Vigil), Sundays: 8AM, 9:30AM**  
<https://www.facebook.com/LOL7Hills/>

## REMINDER

### KEEP COVID SAFE

We must continue to:



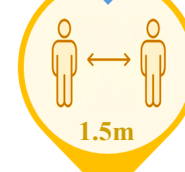
### MASKS

Masks are optional, but strongly advised.



### SANITISE

Use hand sanitizer upon entry and exit.



### DISTANCE

Please maintain social distancing at all times. Including when lining up for Holy Communion.



### SIGN IN

By Law, EVERYONE must SIGN IN. If the church has reached the MAX. capacity of 150 people, please proceed to Hall.



### MARKED SEATING

Please sit behind the WHITE TAPE or in family designated areas.

**IF YOU ARE EXPERIENCING ANY FLU LIKE SYMPTOMS PLEASE STAY HOME AS THE MASS IS STILL AVAILABLE ON LIVE-STREAM THROUGH OUR OLOL FACEBOOK PAGE.**

PLEASE HELP US KEEP OUR PARISHIONERS AND VISITORS TO THE CHURCH SAFE.

### Let us Pray for the Sick

Chula Abey, Leonila Ahillon, George Alagiah, David Barrow, David Benjamin, John Bourke, Lina Cabaero, Barrie Chamberlain, Gabriel Chung, Myrna G Cruz, Paul Daniel, Melvin Fernandes, Ronald Gomez, Milroy Gunewardena, Anthony Janicska, Wendy & Klaus, Anslan Lawrence, Angelina Lee, Spencer Leon, Cynthia Lopez, Carmenu M. Gerard Marcello, Marie Marchand, Maria V, Mark McGilligan, Blago & Dragica Milicevic, Laurel Morris, Anna Mun, Ananda Nayana, Patricia Oreo, Lekisha Grace Panlilio, Roger & Kimberley Payoe, Wiranjan Peiris, Salome Pillay, Debra Price, Camy Ratnam, Sandra Rosewom, Susantha Seranayake, Bernie Sivapatham, Rose Stambouliah, Pummalin Sumcad, Denis Symon, Lourdes Tibig, Sue Tipaldo, Natalie Woodward.

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:** Pamela Cythina Ambrose, Rosario Arzaga, Emma Bellissimo, Armando Catania, Aloyseon Corera, Charles Do, Sean Durkan, Nilesh Evans, Cruz Fernandez, Teresita G Garganteil, Travis Gerreyn, Robert Gray, Jeffrey Hunter, 'Raj' Selvam Irudayaraj, Shani Jayatilake, Apolinar Jorge, Noly Diaz Limbawan, Modesta Lorenzo, Mary Mifsud, Nancy Mulholland, Lirio Napud, Leonardo Naldoza, Lirio Napud, Ramon Nismal, Neil Nuevaespana, Custodio Palms Jr, Rena Rose Pinto, Dale Rohe, Mary Said, Mary Silva, Peter Van Giao Nguyen, Domingo Villarta, Francisco Nieves, Virgilio Noveros.

**Anniversaries:** Carmen Attard, Cecil Beed, Maurice Camenzuli, Carmela Carbone, Attilio Cavallaro, Philomena Corera, Maria Thuc Trinh Dang, Alejandra Y. Dayrit, Sam De Pattista, Rita DeSilva, Marcel Diab, Teodoro Garcia, Tarcisco "Archie" & Helen Gatt, Saviour Steve Gauci, Alice & Joseph George, Joseph Binh Chanh Lam, Sheena Landagan, Salvatore, Luigi & Lorenzo op. Loria, Antonio, Alberto, Francesco & Giuseppe Mancina, Beryl McKerlich, Albert Moroney, Anton Motha, Paul Mula, Caytan Mula, Mary Muscat, Eamon OSullivan, Lakshman Perera, Cornelio & Iluminada Rondario, Alexis & Chantal Sauzier, Floriana Serna, Mary Silva, Pauline Soares, S Susainathan, Peter Van Nhon Tran.

**Remembrance:** France Angseesing, Roy, Mary & Des Barney, Peter & Helen Bonnici, Sam Borg, Dayrit family, Ngan Siu Eng, Rose Fernandes, Michael Gachia, Sharon & John Lawrence, Apolinar & Felina Maglaya, Pauline Meilak, Joe and Anne Menezes, Lourda Motha, Stephen & Louis Mula, Muscat family, Pineda Family, Roseline Ratnam, Yabut family.

### Planned Giving Program

On behalf of the Parish Community, I would like to thank you so much for your ongoing support, which has been very vital to keep our Parish going strong. Projects completed include the Hall Kitchen renovation, Parish Meeting Room painting, Parish Office and Meeting Room Roof painted, Church roof cleaned and ceiling repaired and painted.

### ON-LINE BANK DONATIONS

**BSB: 067 950;**  
**Account Number 000552;**  
**Account Name: Seven Hills Catholic Church.**  
 (please include your NAME and ENVELOPE NUMBER in the reference description, or write DONATION if you haven't joined the Planned Giving Prog.

### IN-PERSON BANK DEPOSIT (at a Bank Institute/Branch)

Seven Hills Catholic Church  
**BSB: 062 315**  
**Acc Id # - 00901486**  
**AGENT # - 660**  
*Your generosity is greatly appreciated.*



FIRST READING

A reading from the book of Job 38:1. 8-11

From the heart of the tempest the Lord gave Job his answer. He said: Who pent up the sea behind closed doors when it leapt tumultuous out of the womb, when I wrapped it in a robe of mist and made black clouds its swaddling bands; when I marked the bounds it was not to cross and made it fast with a bolted gate? Come thus far, I said, and no farther: here your proud waves shall break.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

(R.) Give thanks to the Lord, his love is everlasting.

Some sailed to the sea in ships  
to trade on the mighty waters.  
These men have seen the Lord’s deeds,  
the wonders he does in the deep. (R.)

For he spoke; he summoned the gale,  
tossing the waves of the sea  
up to heaven and back into the deep;  
the soul melted away in their distress (R.)

Then they cried to the Lord in their need  
and he rescued them from their distress.  
He stilled the storm to a whisper:  
all the waves of the sea were hushed. (R.)

They rejoiced because of the calm  
and he led them to the haven they desired.  
Let them thank the Lord for his love,  
the wonders he does for men. (R.)

SECOND READING

A reading from the second letter of St Paul to the Corinthians 5:14-17

The love of Christ overwhelms us when we reflect that if one man has died for all, then all men should be dead; and the reason he died for all was so that living men should live no longer for themselves, but for him who died and was raised to life for them. From now onwards, therefore, we do not judge anyone by the standards of the flesh. Even if we did once know Christ in the flesh, that is not how we know him now. And for anyone who is in Christ, there is a new creation; the old creation has gone, and now the new one is here.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!  
A great prophet has appeared among us;  
God has visited his people.  
Alleluia!



GOSPEL

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark 4:35-41

With the coming of evening, Jesus said to his disciples, ‘Let us cross over to the other side.’ And leaving the crowd behind they took him, just as he was, in the boat; and there were other boats with him. Then it began to blow a gale and the waves were breaking into the boat so that it was almost swamped. But he was in the stern, his head on the cushion, asleep. They woke him and said to him, ‘Master, do you not care? We are going down!’ And he woke up and rebuked the wind and said to the sea, ‘Quiet now! Be calm!’ And the wind dropped, and all was calm again. Then he said to them, ‘Why are you so frightened? How is it that you have no faith?’ They were filled with awe and said to one another, ‘Who can this be? Even the wind and the sea obey him.’

PRAYER FOR SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

My Jesus, I believe that you are truly present in the  
Most Blessed Sacrament of the altar.

I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul.  
Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally,  
come at least spiritually into my heart.

I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You.  
Never permit me to be separated from you. Amen



POPE URGES INCLUSIVE AND SUSTAINABLE FOOD SYSTEMS

By Robin Gomes

Pope Francis has pledged the support of the Holy See and the Catholic Church for the United Nations Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO) in its “dedication to a more just world, at the service of our defenseless and needy brothers and sisters”. He urged special attention for the poor rural food producers, who are more likely to suffer from malnutrition and hunger.

The Pope made the remarks on Monday in a message to Michal Kurtyka, the Polish Minister of Climate and Environment, who is chairing FAO’s 42nd Conference at its headquarters in Rome, June 14-18. While reviewing the state of food and agriculture in the world, the virtual session has as its overall theme, “Agriculture Food Systems Transformation: From Strategy to Action”.

Creating inclusive and sustainable food systems

FAO coordinates international efforts to defeat hunger and improve nutrition and food security. The Pope said that this task assumes a special prominence during the Covid-19 pandemic, as “many of our brothers and sisters still do not have access to the food they need, either in quantity or quality”. Last year, he noted, the number of these people was the highest in the last five years. With conflicts, extreme weather events, economic crises, together with the current health crisis, the future could be worse. Hence, policies capable of tackling the structural causes of these growing vulnerabilities need to be adopted. In this regard, a circular economy, which guarantees resources for all, including future generations, and promotes the use of renewable energies, will help create resilient, inclusive and sustainable food systems that will provide healthy and affordable diets for everyone. However, the fundamental factor in recovering from the crisis that is ravaging us is an economy tailored to mankind, not subject only to profit, but anchored in the common good, friendly to ethics and respectful of the environment.

Farming and rural communities

The reconstruction of post-pandemic economies should take into account the valuable role of family farming and rural communities. The Pope lamented that those who produce food are the ones who suffer from the lack or scarcity of food. “Three-quarters of the world’s poor”, he said, “live in rural areas and depend primarily on agriculture for their livelihoods”. However, due to lack of access to markets, land ownership, financial resources, infrastructure and technologies, they are most vulnerable to food insecurity.

Pope Francis expressed appreciation for the international community’s effort to enable individual countries achieve food autonomy while preserving local ecosystems and biodiversity. He urged innovative ways to support and help small producers improve their capacities and resilience.

Fraternity vs virus of indifference

As the world prepares to re-launch after the pandemic, Pope Francis said it is fundamental to promote a culture of care against the individualistic and aggressive tendency to discard, which is very present in our societies. “While a few sow tensions, confrontations and falsehoods”, he said, “we, on the other hand, are invited to patiently and decisively build a culture of peace, which is directed towards initiatives that embrace all aspects of human life and help us to reject the virus of indifference”.

Pope Francis said mere outlining of programs is not enough. Tangible gestures are needed that have as their point of reference the common belonging to the human family and the fostering of fraternity. Gestures that facilitate the creation of a society that promotes education, dialogue and equity.

He urged that all welcome the current trial as an opportunity to prepare for a future for all without discarding anyone, warning, “without an all-embracing vision, there will be no future for anyone”.

The Conference is FAO’s supreme governing body whose main functions are to determine the policies of the Organization, approve the budget, and make recommendations to members and international organizations.

POPE FRANCIS AT ANGELUS: DISCOVER THE PResence OF GOD IN OUR LIVES

By Vatican News staff writer

Speaking to pilgrims gathered in Saint Peter’s Square for the Sunday Angelus, Pope Francis reflected on the day’s Gospel: the two parables Jesus tells that open up an understanding of the mystery of God and how human events unfold. The parables show us that everyday life, which sometimes may seem monotonous or difficult, is always “inhabited by God’s hidden presence”, he noted, and it takes our attentive eyes to be able “to seek and find God in all things”.

God at work in our lives

Recalling how Jesus compares the Kingdom of God, His presence dwelling in the heart of all things, to the tiny mustard seed which becomes the tallest of trees, Pope Francis noted that is how God works in our lives and the world. The challenge is that our busy lives can sometimes prevent us from seeing this reality - but “God is at work, like a good little seed that silently and slowly germinates” to become “a lush tree, which gives life and rest to everyone”. He went on to say that the seeds of our good works may seem small by comparison, “yet all that is good pertains to God”, and good “always grows in a humble, hidden, often invisible way”.

Discover God’s presence

This parable should give us confidence, the Pope said, despite the many times in life when we might be discouraged by thinking, mistakenly, that good is weak and evil is having the last word. At the same time, he said we should not be overcome with doubts either, even if we work hard and the desired results or changes never happen. The Gospel calls on us continually to look at ourselves and reality with eyes wide open that can see beyond appearances and “discover the presence of Gods humble love is always at work in the soil of our life and that of history”, the Pope observed, underscoring that with this confidence we have “the strength to go forward every day, patiently, sowing the good that will bear fruit”. This attitude and approach is what is needed to recover from the pandemic, he said, the confidence of “being in God’s hands” in order to rebuild, start again with “patience and perseverance”.

God’s action in our lives

The Pope also observed that we need to be aware even in the Church of the “weeds of doubt” seen with the crisis of faith and various projects or initiatives that do not seem to work out. The help here, he said, is to always remember that the results of sowing does not depend on us; rather, “they depend on the action of God” and it is our concern simply “to sow, with love, dedication, patience”. The force of the seed is divine, he noted, while the other parable in today’s Gospel explains how the farmer sows the seed and is amazed at how it “grows spontaneously, day and night, when he least expects it”, showing “there is always hope”, even in the most infertile soil. In conclusion, the Pope prayed that Our Lady, the Lord’s humble handmaid, might “teach us to see the greatness of God who works in the little things”, to remain hopeful and trusting in Him every day.

POPE FRANCIS AT AUDIENCE: ON THE CROSS JESUS PRAYED FOR EACH OF US

By Christopher Wells

As he concluded his catechetical cycle on prayer – which began over a year ago, in May 2020 – Pope Francis said “the most beautiful thing to remember” is “the grace that we do not only pray, but that, so to speak, we have been ‘prayed for,’ we have already been received in Jesus’s dialogue with the Father, in communion with the Holy Spirit.” Prayer, the Pope said, “is one of the most evident features in Jesus’ life... because the dialogue with the Father was the incandescent core of His whole existence.”

Core of Christian proclamation

Although Jesus prayed throughout His earthly life, said the Pope, His prayer became even more intense in the days and hours leading to His Passion and Death, the “central core” of the Christian proclamation, which shed light on the whole of Jesus’ life. Jesus “was not a philanthropist who took care of human suffering and illness: He was and is much more,” the Pope said. Jesus offers us “total salvation, messianic salvation, that gives hope in the definitive victory of life over death.” And so, Pope Francis added, “in the last days of His final Passover, we find Jesus fully emersed in prayer”: In the agony in the Garden of Gethsemane, where He confidently addressed God as 'Abba,' Father, a word expressing intimacy and trust; and on the Cross, “obscurely shrouded in the silence of God,” where once again He calls on God the Father.

Cross fulfills Father's gift

On the Cross, said Pope Francis, “the gift of the Father is accomplished — who offers love. That is, our salvation is accomplished.” When Jesus cried out to God on the Cross, saying, "Father, into your hands I commend my spirit," the Pope explained, He offered "everything. Everything is prayer, in the three hours of the Cross." Jesus' prayer, the Pope said, "is intense, the prayer of Jesus is unique and also becomes the model for our prayer." Pope Francis insisted, "Jesus prayed for everyone, He also prayed for me, for each one of you. Each one of us can say: 'Jesus prayed for me on the Cross.' He prayed. Jesus can say to each one of us: 'I prayed for you, at the Last Supper, and on the wood of the Cross.'"

We are never alone

Pope Francis said we must "keep this in our heart, we must never forget" that Jesus prayed for each of us personally. "We were willed by Jesus Christ, and even in the hour of his Passion, Death, and Resurrection, everything was offered for us." So, the Pope concluded, "with prayer and with life, all that is left for us is to have courage, hope, and with this courage and hope to experience strongly the prayer of Jesus and go forward: so that our life might give glory to God in the awareness that He prays for me to the Father, that Jesus prays for me."



FROM FR. HENRY DUC

Dear Friends,

From what I have heard and seen, Sihanoukville is a very busy place in Cambodia as its Casino city, and completely different to the humble and sleepy town known as Kom Pong Som, where I took refuge for two nights in a fishing village mixing and mingling with Vietnamese fishermen camping on the beach, while waiting for the call to embark on the escape boat.

When the time came, I was taken to a nearby village by car at the twilight of the day, squeezed inside the house, owned by the person whose niece and two young daughters were about to join me in the trip, and finally boarded a small fishing boat at the early hour of the next day with eleven others on board.

It was a stroke of divine mercy for our group that day, that when our boat was spotted by the coast-guards patrolling the area, and began to go after us, a storm took place just in time to make the sea more choppy and blurry, slowing down their boat considerably, and on top of that, the starting of the extra engine on our boat also gave us the edge over the effort of our chasers, consequently the distance between our boat and theirs became further and further, till they gave up the pursue and left us alone to follow our dream to reach the free shore.

Far from seeing storms as their allies, fishermen would consider them as threats to their livelihood and their own lives. So it was quite normal to see why the disciples got so panicky, while they were on board of their primitive boat crossing the Sea of Galilee during the violent storm.

In contrast to the panicking state of the disciples, Jesus kept resting like nothing had ever happened around him, till he was woken up by his frightened companions, pleading him to save them from the anger of the sea.

Jesus then woke up and ordered the storm to stop, and everything happened accordingly. More significantly, he made the disciples think hard of their state of faith by challenging them with two questions about (1) why they were so scared of the storm despite of his presence, and (2) why they remained faithless though they had opportunities to witness his divine power, to which the disciples made no attempt to respond.

Jesus’ intention here, perhaps, is to allow his disciples to see his power over the force of nature, which belongs to no one, but the Divine, and through that the disciples were convinced that Jesus was the Son of God as he had claimed.

Interestingly, some writers in the Old Testament used a body of water to symbolize the dwelling place of evil spirits and wind to stand for their power. So, Jesus through his intervention to stop the wind and calm the rough sea seemed to convey the message that he is more powerful than the devil. All in all, Jesus has more than just over the forces of nature, he is capable of defeating both the devil and his works, namely sins.

More significantly, the sea also serves as the world where we live and our lives are just like all sorts of boats crossing its waters, which sometimes might become choppy and unfriendly due to the troubles and difficulties we each encounter every day. We might have some comfort and confidence in this same Gospel account, for it appears to remind us that the powerful Son of God is with us on our boats and always prepared to take action to keep us safe. All we need to do is to have faith and trust in him.

Let us ask the Lord to be mindful of his ever presence in our lives, and have the confidence to turn to him in prayers, especially in our time of need.

Have a trust-filled week.

Fr Henry

PARISH NEWS...

THANK YOU FOR THE EAST TIMOR FLOOD APPEAL

Thanks to a later top-up last week, a total of \$3,206.80 was transferred to Fr Luan Le, co-ordinator of the appeal, and on his behalf, I would like to thank all our parishioners, school children and their families for your generous to help raise funds for people in the Hatubesilolo community in East Timor, who have been facing the shortage of food due to the recent flood in their local area.

LITURGICAL MINISTRY FORMATION COURSES 2021

Sessions are held Mondays 7.00pm at the Institute for Mission in Blacktown. Compulsory Introductory Session starts 2 August. Please collect a form from the entrance door to the Church. RSVP 23 July  
anne.alimangohan@parracatholic.org

PRAYER OF PETITION

O 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 defense in temptation, our refuge in danger, and our consolation and support in the hour of our death.  
Amen.

**NEW PLANNED GIVING ENVELOPES** are now available to collect from the rear of the Church. If you require a (non-tax deductible) receipt for the year ending June 2021, please leave your name on the form at rear of the Church or contact the Parish Office. These will be available for collection at the end of July.

We thank all parishioners for their ongoing generosity in supporting our Parish.

If you would like to be part of the Planned Giving Program, forms are available at the entrance door or by contacting the Parish Office. Contributions can be made through;

- *Parish envelopes*
- *Parish envelopes (online) using credit card*
- *weekly or monthly contributions from your credit card by direct debit (the preferred option)*

**FIRST AND SECOND COLLECTIONS** The first collection (Matt’s Point– tap & go) is for the support of priests here and throughout the diocese.

The second collection (Planned Giving envelopes) is used for the upkeep of the Parish including repairs and maintenance of the buildings, church requisites (candles, hosts, altar wine etc), sacramental programs, payment of the utilities, catechist resources and administration costs including wages.





## FROM POPE FRANCIS

### CHAPTER FOUR: The strength and gift of women

99. In the Amazon region, there are communities that have long preserved and handed on the faith even though no priest has come their way, even for decades. This could happen because of the presence of strong and generous women who, undoubtedly called and prompted by the Holy Spirit, baptized, catechized, prayed and acted as missionaries. For centuries, women have kept the Church alive in those places through their remarkable devotion and deep faith. Some of them, speaking at the Synod, moved us profoundly by their testimony.

100. This summons us to broaden our vision, lest we restrict our understanding of the Church to her functional structures. Such a reductionism would lead us to believe that women would be granted a greater status and participation in the Church only if they were admitted to Holy Orders. But that approach would in fact narrow our vision; it would lead us to clericalize women, diminish the great value of what they have already accomplished, and subtly make their indispensable contribution less effective.

101. Jesus Christ appears as the Spouse of the community that celebrates the Eucharist through the figure of a man who presides as a sign of the one Priest. This dialogue between the Spouse and his Bride, which arises in adoration and sanctifies the community, should not trap us in partial conceptions of power in the Church. The Lord chose to reveal his power and his love through two human faces: the face of his divine Son made man and the face of a creature, a woman, Mary. Women make their contribution to the Church in a way that is properly theirs, by making present the tender strength of Mary, the Mother. As a result, we do not limit ourselves to a functional approach, but enter instead into the inmost structure of the Church. In this way, we will fundamentally realize why, without women, the Church breaks down, and how many communities in the Amazon would have collapsed, had women not been there to sustain them, keep them together and care for them. This shows the kind of power that is typically theirs.

[Pope Francis, *Post-Synodal Apostolic Exhortation QUERIDA AMAZONIA—to the people of God and to all persons of good will.*]



### Pope Francis' Prayer to Mary during the coronavirus pandemic

O Mary, you always shine on our path as a sign of salvation and of hope.  
We entrust ourselves to you, Health of the Sick, who at the cross took part in Jesus' pain, keeping your faith firm.

You, Salvation of all People, know what we need, and we are sure you will provide so that,  
as in Cana of Galilee, we may return to joy and to feasting after this time of trial.

Help us, Mother of Divine Love, to conform to the will of the Father and to do as we are told by Jesus,  
who has taken upon himself our sufferings and carried our sorrows to lead us, through the cross,  
to the joy of the resurrection. *Amen.*

Under your protection, we seek refuge, Holy Mother of God.

Do not disdain the entreaties of we who are in trial, but deliver us from every danger,

### Our Lady of Lourdes

Ever immaculate Virgin, Mother of mercy,  
health of the sick, refuge of sinners,  
comfort of the afflicted, you know my needs,  
my troubles, my sufferings; cast on me a look of pity.  
By appearing in the grotto of Lourdes,  
you were pleased to make it a privileged sanctuary,  
from which you dispense your favours,  
and already many sufferers have obtained the cure of their  
infirmities, both spiritual and physical.  
I come, therefore, with the most unbounded confidence to  
implore your maternal intercession.  
Obtain most loving mother, my requests,  
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord.  
*Amen.*

	June 2021	
21	St Vincent De Paul Meeting	7pm
24	Christ Community Prayer Group	9.00am
24	Legion of Mary	1.30pm
24	Finance Committee meeting	8.00pm
25	End School Term 2	

### HAVE YOU VISITED OUR PARISH WEBSITE LATELY??

Our parish website is updated regularly with news and upcoming events - everything from youth news to social justice to Live-stream Mass times, bulletins, and much more - a great way to stay up to date with what's on in our parish! Visit [www.olol7hills.org.au](http://www.olol7hills.org.au)



## DIOCESAN NEWS

### PASTORAL MINISTRY NETWORK OCEANIA

**WEBINAR: 22 June** The Pastoral Ministry Network, formerly NAPPA, is hosting an online Oceania webinar on 'Being People of Invitation: Creative ways to connect, invite and engage' on Tuesday 22 June from 11am to 12.15pm AEST. The webinar will be sharing best practice, in our baptismal call to connect and invite others to share in the Good News. To register, visit <https://tinyurl.com/BeingPeopleofInvitation22june>

### KANIMBLA STRING QUARTET CONCERT AT ST FINBAR'S: 27 June

On Sunday 27 June at 2pm, St Finbar's Parish, Glenbrook, proudly welcomes Kanimbla String Quartet, a string quartet based in the Blue Mountains. They enjoy performing a wide range of music, from classical repertoire to modern compositions, including local upcoming composers. Light refreshments will follow the concert. Entry is \$20 cash only per adults, with accompanying children free. All are very welcome.

### PASSION FOR THE EARTH RETREAT 6 – 8 July

You are invited to attend a *Laudato Si'* camp for adults at the Wooglemai Environmental Education Centre in Oakdale, NSW, from 6 to 8 July. The program explores the way to Ecological Conversion, drawing on the Theology and Science of the changes emerging from Pope Francis' teachings. The retreat is \$95 for adults and \$75 for students. For a camp brochure or enquiries, please contact Br Frank Richardson fms on 0429 595 231 or [antiphon1@gmail.com](mailto:antiphon1@gmail.com)

### CYP LIFTED Retreat "Stay with Us": 2 – 4 July

Young adults of our diocese are invited to join Catholic Youth Parramatta at this year's annual retreat. Take some time away from the busyness of everyday life. Get ready for a weekend of new friendships, great food, solid talks and times of quiet and prayer. For 18- to 35-year-olds, \$100 per person. Register at [parracatholic.org/cyp-lifted-retreat](http://parracatholic.org/cyp-lifted-retreat)

19/20 June 2021			26/27 June 2021		
Acolytes	Vigil: 8am: 9.30am	Derick Soares Terry Jordan Ramzee Michael	Acolytes	Vigil: 8am: 9.30am	Abel Do Rosario Terry Jordan Eugene Miu
Ministers	Vigil: 8am: 9.30am	Jemma Sarmiento, Rosey Soares Michael Mifsud, Suzy Nemorin James Dinning, Maria Michael	Ministers	Vigil: 8am: 9.30am	Stefanie Menezes, Crystal Menezes Faylene Kennedy, Maricel Santos Paul Gow, Adrian Walker
Readers	Vigil: 8am: 9.30am	Catherine Rodrigues, Marinela Simic Nina Armambulo, Maricel Santos Ian Epondulan, Megan Michael	Readers	Vigil: 8am: 9.30am	Noreen Do Rosario, Alison Punch Benno Motha, Erika Hien Mercy Aquino, Noel Emmanuel
Altar Servers	Vigil: 8am: 9.30am	Dominic Sant, Saoirse Costello, Sebastian Costello. Sean Park, Diana Park, Philip Park Rynan Michael, Gabrielle Wanandy, Florencia Wanandy.	Altar Servers	Vigil: 8am: 9.30am	Edvin Grover, Jesseline Franco, Caron Cyril Zachary Osborne, Thomas Osborne, VOLUNTEER Daniel Tenn, Jerard Sarmiento, Rachael Lobo
Morning Tea	Parish Council		Morning Tea	Ian and team	
Flowers	Fennie and Angela		Flowers	Annette and Mary B	
Church cleaning	23 June	Sue Abela, Jessie Borg, Anne McNally	Church cleaning	3 July	Judith Deloso, Michelle Touma, Adrian Walker
Welcomers	Vigil: 8am: 9.30am	Peatman Joyce Hillbrick Kathy Chamberlain, Lena Falzon	Welcomers	Vigil: 8am: 9.30am	Mary Bonnici Rita Paolini Kathy Chamberlain, Lena Falzon

## DIOCESAN NEWS

### ST VINCENT PALLOTTI SCHOLARSHIP TRUST

The St Vincent Pallotti Scholarship Trust offers scholarships to enable lay people to further their understanding and skills in leadership/ministry or a specialised activity, such as promoting faith enhancement, social justice and pastoral care. More information and Applications Forms are available on our website <https://pallottine.org.au/scholarships/st-vincent-pallotti-scholar-shipfor-lay-ministry.html>. Applications close 30 July 2021.

### GET VACCINATED FOR THE COMMON GOOD

Vaccination against COVID-19 is a morally good thing, providing protection for the person vaccinated and the wider community. Pope Francis and the Australian Bishops have advised that it is morally permissible to receive any vaccine made available. More information is available at <https://www.catholic.org.au/coronavirus>

### DIVINE RETREAT CENTRE ONE DAY WORSHIP PILGRIMAGE: 27 June

The Divine Retreat Centre in Somersby, NSW is holding a one-day worship pilgrimage on Sunday 27 June from 9am to 4pm. The retreat will include praise and worship, adoration, Way of the Cross and Mass. Bookings are required with limited numbers available. Please call (02) 4372 1598 or email [drcre-treayrego@gmail.com](mailto:drcre-treayrego@gmail.com) to confirm attendance. Visit [www.divineretreatcentre.org.au](http://www.divineretreatcentre.org.au) for more information.

### CATHOLIC OUTLOOK MAGAZINE BOOK GIVEAWAY

With thanks to Catholic Healthcare, the Winter 2021 edition of the *Catholic Outlook* Magazine is giving away three copies of the wonderful book "Sharing the Wisdom of Time by Pope Francis and Friends" just in time for the World Day of Grandparents and the Elderly. Entries are now open until **15 July 2021**. Pick up your copy of Catholic Outlook to get details of how to enter today!