

St Teresa of Avila: The Way of Perfection
Presented by Bishop David Walker at The Centre
for Christian Spirituality, Randwick

**Dates: Wednesday's 1, 8, 15 July 2015, 7.00-
8.30pm.**

**Course Cost: \$30 Limited Spaces- Bookings Es-
sential. To register: <http://trybooking.com/>**

Annual Marriage Mass & Renewal of Vows

The Marriage Mass and Renewal of Vows will take place on Sunday,
12th July at

St Mary's Cathedral, Sydney, at 10.30 am. All married couples are
welcome. Mass will be celebrated by the Most Reverend Archbishop
Anthony Fisher OP. Married couples wishing to attend to renew their
vows should register with the Life, Marriage and Family Centre on
9307 8404 or LMFEvents@sydneycatholic.org. Registered couples cel-
ebrating 50th, 55th, 60th, or 65th wedding anniversaries will also re-
ceive a special certificate from Archbishop Fisher.

Winter Wine Fest – 18th June
Ethica Accessories invites you
to a Winter Wine Fest at St
Mary's Church, Ridge Street,
North Sydney on June 18th
from 7 – 9 pm.

Entry: \$20 includes mulled
wine and antipasto.

Bookings:
www.trybooking.com/HVEQ,
tel 8912 2716 or
www.ethica.org.au

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**Please provide the parish
secretary with a funny each
week for the bulletin.**

*Immaculate Heart
of Mary*



Lord you place deep in our hearts the
love of Mary Help of Christians.

Through her prayers grant
wisdom to our leaders and
integrity to our citizens.

Under her protection may
Australia be granted harmony, justice
and peace. We ask this through Christ
our Lord. Amen.



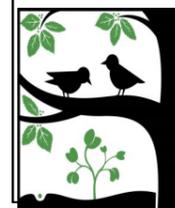
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Queen of the Most Holy Ro-
sary (QMHR) Charitable Or-
ganisation aims is to help
those in need spiritually,
emotionally and financially
whether the situation is to
arise in our home country,
Australia or abroad. QMHR is
holding our annual fundrais-
ing event on Sunday 26th
July 2105. Location: Imperial
Paradiso reception centre, 58
Spencer street Fairfield,
(Parking spencer lane entry
after 6pm). Cost:\$150 per
person which includes Mez-
za, Dinner, Beer, Wine&Soft
drinks. Time:
6pm, Dress: Formal. 100% of
profits will be donated to
Missionaries of the Poor. For
ticket purchases or donations
please contact Rita on



Parishes of

Eleventh Sunday in
Ordinary Time— Year B

Mater Dei Blakehurst &

St Raphaels

BULLETIN

14th June 2015

Entrance Antiphon

O Lord, hear my voice, for I have called
to you; be my help.

Do not abandon or forsake me,
O God, my Saviour!

First Reading: Mk 4:26-34

Responsorial Psalm: Ps 91:2-3. 13-16. R.
see v.2

**R. Lord it is good to give thanks to
you.**

It is good to give thanks to the
Lord to make music to your name,
O Most High, to proclaim your love
in the morning and your truth in
the watches of the night. **R.**

The just will flourish like the palm-
Tree and grow like a Lebanon
cedar. **R.**

Planted in the house of the Lord
they will flourish in the courts of
our God, still bearing fruit when t
hey are old, still full of sap, still
green, to proclaim that the Lord is
just. In him, my rock, there is no
wrong. **R.**

Second Reading: 2 Cor 5:6-10

Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, alleluia!

The seed is the word of God,
Christ is the sower;
all who come to him will live for
ever.

Alleluia!

Gospel: Mk 4:26-34

Communion antiphon:

Holy Father, keep in your name
those you have given me,
that they may be one as we are
one, says the Lord.

Reflection: By Fr Michael Tate:

**A peasant in Galilee would hope for a return of 7:1
when sowing seed for a crop. So when Jesus pictures
the Kingdom of God as a wonderful harvest (returning
100:1 as he put it in another parable), his peasant lis-
teners would envisage a future without hunger, with-
out servitude to rapacious landlords and money-
lenders. A true liberation (such as Mary sang of in the
Magnificat)!**

**Naturally, they and we want to know when this new
way of life, this fulfilling of the Kingdom of God, will
come about. Our Lord replies: 'Be patient. Your job is
to sow the seed. Something will happen out of all pro-
portion to your part in the process, just like the dispro-
portion of the mustard seed to a mustard bush' (which
he exaggerates into a tree sheltering birds).**

**God's creative power worked in the depths of stony
ground to raise up the Gospel Seed who is Jesus Christ.
From that, a community has grown which, at its best,
leads to a fair and just distribution of the world's re-
sources, as Pope Francis insists is a major test of au-
thenticity of our claim to be Christian.**

**We could take a moment to pray for the courage to
sow the seed of the Gospel whenever an opportunity
presents itself, and the patience to await the germi-
nating power of the Resurrection to create the Tree of
Life such that all peoples 'can shelter in its shade'.**

*UNITED IN FAITH, GUIDED BY THE HOLY SPIRIT NOURISHED
BY THE EUCHARIST, COMMITTED TO PROCLAIMING THE
GOSPEL. WE STRIVE TO LIVE AS GOD ASKS*

"to act justly, to love tenderly and to walk humbly with your God" (Micah

6:8)

MASS TIMES		
	Mater Dei	St.Raphael's
Saturday	6.15pm	5.00pm
Sunday	10.00am	8.30am
Tuesday	8.00am	
Wednesday	8.00am	
Thursday		9.15am
Friday	8.00am	9.00am
RECONCILIATION: (also by appointment)		
Saturday		4.30pm

EXPOSITION		
Saturday	from	4.00pm

Legions of Mary
MD: Meets 10am every Monday morning in the Piety Stall at Mater Dei.
St R's Rosary and Meeting every Friday at 9:30 am downstairs in the Hall.
St Vincent de Paul Society
 Meets second Tuesday of each month in the Kennedy Centre at Mater Dei at 7.30 pm.

Please Pray for:
Recently Deceased: All souls in Purgatory, Neville Rumble, Sister Helen Leary, Natale, Pelle, Enrique Prego, Domenico Cardillo, Edward Zacaroploulos, Peter-Maria-Joseph/Antony/Ana /Colin Asheford, Amerigo Di Cicco, Catherine Lin Siew Ngik,
Sick: Mary Mullens, Joanne McRea, Sue McDermott, Maria Lefroy, Andreas Grannakouras, Jack & Sylvia Wood, Brian Waterman Sr Vianney Hatton, Neuyen, T Houg.

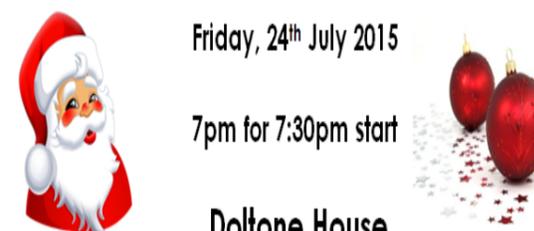
CANTORS WANTED! St Mary's Cathedral has three Masses every weekend led by a solo cantor. This is a vital part of the Cathedral's liturgy and is carried out by volunteer singers. If you think you would like to serve the Cathedral in this important role as part of our team of cantors please contact the music department on 9220 0481 or music@stmaryscathedral.org.au. We are looking for people who have good voices and are keen to be involved with the liturgical life of the Cathedral. A

"Move to the Eastern Suburbs...Daceyville (Kingsford) Parish of the Archdiocese of Sydney has available a
 1-bedroom unit in their Foley Gardens Retirement Village. Close to Prince of Wales hospital and amenities.
 Please ring Parish Office on 02 9349 1292

Home Rosary:
Mater Dei: Tuesdays
 16-6-2015 Josie and Denis Kocina
 45 Townson street Blakehurst. **8.00 P.M**
St Rapahels:
 15-06-2015 Kate Petkovic
 56 Bristol Rd, Hurstville

ARE YOU COMING TO THE COMBINED Parish DINNER DANCE: Please confirm your tables and pay at the parish office.

Mater Dei Parish and St Raphael's Parish
 Invite you to their annual Parish Dinner

Christmas in July
 Friday, 24th July 2015
 7pm for 7:30pm start

Doltone House
 223 Belgrave Esplanade, Sylvania Waters
 Cost: \$75 per person
 Includes 3 course meal, beer wine and soft drinks, coffee/Tea
 DJ Included
 Dress: Christmas colours
 RSVP: 3rd July 2015

CATHOLIC ADULT EDUCATION CENTRE, LIDCOMBE - COURSES ON THE BIBLE. "Join Kylie Cullen from the Verbum Dei Missionary Fraternity as she helps us to **Discover the Prophets** and **Open the New Testament.**" Tuesday, 14 July to 01 September 2014. Discovering the Prophets (**6.30-8.00pm**) and Opening the New Testament (**8.15-9.45pm**). \$110 for one course or \$200 for both courses. 3 Keating St Lidcombe. **Enquiries** - (02) 9646 9010,



Saint Anthony of Padua
 Feast Day: June 13
 Saint Anthony, patron saint of Padua, (born Fernando Martins de Bulhões; 15 August 1195 – 13 June 1231), also known as Anthony of Lisbon, was a Portuguese Catholic priest and friar of the Franciscan Order. He was born and raised by a wealthy family in Lisbon and died in Padua, Italy. Noted by his contemporaries for his forceful preaching and expert knowledge of scripture, he was the second-most-quickly canonized saint after Peter of Verona. He was proclaimed a Doctor of the Church on 16 January 1946. He is typically depicted with a book and the Infant Child Jesus, to whom he miraculously appeared, and is commonly referred to today as the "finder of lost articles." St Anthony is venerated all over the world as the Patron Saint for lost articles, and is credited with many miracles involving lost people, lost things and even lost spiritual goods. Prepared by: Luke Auciello

ST VINCENT DE PAUL HELPS PEOPLE
VINNES WINTER APPEAL
Winter is well and truly here and Vinnes are now appealing for donations to help the many people who are doing it tough in our community and the wider community. Please give what you can. Your kind generosity is much appreciated.
Please use the envelopes on the seats for your donations. You can take the envelopes home and bring them back next week if you like.

MARIST Q & A: Ever wondered what it is like to live in community as a sister, brother or religious priest? Young people who are thinking of religious life and priesthood are invited to come along to get some answers to their questions. A panel of Marists (brothers, sisters and priests) will be available to respond to the questions raised. Soup, bread rolls and coffee/tea will be available. The first session will take place from 6.30pm on 16 June in the Crypt at St Patrick's, 20 Grosvenor Street, The Rocks. Please ring 9254 9855

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For the kind attention of all the Parishioners:
 If you are currently a direct credit card giver please update your information by filling out a Authority form which will be located in the foyers of both the churches and returning it to the parish office.
 Thankyou, Jenny Parish Secretary

 Both Churches have a hearing loop installed: switch your hearing aid to "F coil".
 Please pray for the work of this Council which has been set up as part of the Church's response to the Royal Commission into Institutional Responses to Child Sexual Abuse. Please pray especially, too, for the victims of child sexual abuse by dergy, religious and Church employees.