



**ST FRANCIS XAVIER LURNEA  
2ND SUNDAY (DIVINE MERCY) OF EASTER  
- YEAR C 2ND & 3RD APRIL 2016**

**Jubilee Year of Mercy - Dec. 8, 2015 - Nov. 20, 2016**

Be merciful, just as your Father is merciful. Luke 6:36

“Mercy is the very foundation of the Church’s life.”

“The Church’s very credibility is seen in how she shows merciful and compassionate love.” Pope Francis

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**Office Hours:**

Tuesday to Friday  
9.30am – 5.30pm

*Bulletin notices to be in by Thurs. 12pm.  
(Please type/print your message clearly).*



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**Weekend Mass Times:**

Saturday Vigil.....5.00pm  
Sunday.....8.00am, 9.30am &  
.....6.00pm

**Weekday Mass Times:**

(See bulletin for changes)

**Reconciliation:**

Saturday.....4.00pm - 4.30pm

**Baptisms:** By Appointment

1st & 3rd Sundays of the month at 11.00am

**Marriages:** By Appointment

**St Vincent De Paul** 9823 1222

**Care Group**

Anne Hobbs: 9601 - 7061

We acknowledge the traditional owners and custodians of the land on which we stand. We walk on a land once occupied by the Darug Clan, the Cabrogal, a sub group of the Gandangara tribe who lived in this area for over 30,000 years.

May we continue to love and respect the land as they have.

## *Divine Mercy*

*The Chaplet of Divine Mercy*

*The prayer has been given to Sr Faustina by Jesus when she felt helpless in presence of an Angel, the executor of divine wrath. It is a prayer to appease God’s wrath.*

*The Chaplet is to be said on the Rosary beads:*

Our Father,  
Hail Mary,  
The Apostles' Creed

*On the large beads:*

Eternal Father, I offer You the Body and Blood, Soul and Divinity of your dearly beloved Son, Our Lord Jesus Christ, in atonement for our sins and those of the whole world.

*On the small beads:*

For the sake of His sorrowful Passion have mercy on us and on the whole world.

*Conclude with:*

Holy God, Holy Might One, Holy Immortal One, have mercy on us and on the whole world. (*Three times*)



### Weekday Mass Times

<b>Monday</b>	- No Mass
<b>Tuesday</b>	- 9:00am Mass
<b>Wednesday</b>	- 9:00am Mass
<b>Thursday</b>	- 9:00am Mass
<b>Friday</b>	- 9:00am Mass

### Parish Office

From the 30th March till the 26th April, the Parish office will open on Tuesday's and Thursday's ONLY as Mary-Ann will be on annual leave. Maria Awad will attend to the office on these days. For emergencies please call the Parish mobile on 0420 800 194 or leave a message on 9607 8760.



### Baptisms

Welcome to the Faith Community,

*Nicholas Quang Chu  
Zain Sulaiman Aringo  
Alfie Joseph Giles Biviano  
Sofia Hanna*

who are being Baptised this weekend.  
Congratulations to their parents and extended family.  
God Bless you all.

### Parish Council Elections

Nominations are being called for Parish Councillors. In line with the Parish Constitution, half the Council is spilled every 18 months. This means that there are 4 positions on the Council that are open to election.

The election will take place **4-5 June** at each Mass. Nominations from interested Parishioners should be directed to the Parish Office via email at [admin@sfxlurnea.org.au](mailto:admin@sfxlurnea.org.au)

Nominations to include a short account of why you want to be on the Council and a picture of yourself.

Other Important dates:

- **29 May** - Parish Meeting (AGM) after 9.30am Mass
- **22 June** - First meeting of new Council.

### Mass & Blessing for people with Autism

In celebration of Autism Awareness Month and to honour all those in our community with autism, the Catholic Archdiocese of Sydney and the Autism Advisory and Support Service invite you to a Mass and Blessing for People with Autism. The Mass will be held at St Mary's Cathedral, **Sunday 17 April, 2pm**, celebrated by Most Rev Terry Brady, Auxiliary Bishop. RSVP by 11 April 9307 8403 [lifemarriagefamily@sydneycatholic.org](mailto:lifemarriagefamily@sydneycatholic.org).

### Carpark Closure

From the 11th April till the 20th April the ramp to the top carpark will be under construction as a new ramp will be concreted. You will be able to still access top carpark via Wonga Road.

*We apologise for any inconvenience.*

### Walk with Christ Postponed

Due to complications associated with the Light Rail works in the CBD, the decision has been taken to postpone the annual Eucharistic Procession, Walk with Christ, to a time close to the Feast of Christ the King (Sunday 20 November). This will allow us to close the Year of Mercy. We are extremely grateful for the efforts of the personnel at Sydney's Transport Management Centre for the collaborative way in which they have engaged with us and we are hopeful of resolving a suitable route for November.

**New Counters roster available from the Sacristy. Please take one as the roster has changed.**

### CLANCY CATHOLIC COLLEGE

ENROLLING NOW FOR YEAR 7, 2017

A reminder to families that the College is now accepting applications for Year 7 2017. Applications must be submitted by Friday 6 May 2017.

If you have any questions regarding enrolments, please contact the College Administration on 8783 6000.

### Conclusion of the Year of Consecrated Life.

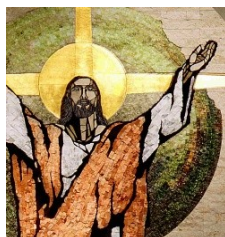
A Mass to make the conclusion of the Year of Consecrated Life will be held at St Mary's Cathedral, **Saturday 9 April, 10.30am**. All are invited to attend this special Mass to give thanks for the gift of Consecrated Life and the contribution of religious women and men to the Archdiocese of Sydney.

### Women's Day Retreat

A day to find out more about consecrated life and vocation discernment with time for personal prayer and reflection as well as meeting and chatting with other young women and consecrated women. The retreat will be held **Saturday 30 April, from 9.30am**. JPII Student Centre, 150 City Road, Darlinghurst. For single women (18 - 35). RSVP by 25 April [www.vocationcentre.org.au](http://www.vocationcentre.org.au).

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*May the souls of the faithful departed rest in peace.*

**Recently Deceased**

Rex Bamba  
Beryl Hudson  
Cecilia Ponce  
Presentacion Roncales  
Joshua Szczudlo

**Anniversary**

Russel Bamba

**Deceased**

Sarina Cutrupi  
Fortunata & Rocco Iorfino  
Pasquale Pantaleo  
Francesca & Rocco Pantaleo  
Ashley Pereira

**We pray for those who are sick, especially:**

Archbishop Anthony Fisher OP	Baby An Phuc Nguyen
Fr Bill Davis	Kelvin Huitt
Pat Lord	Joyce Mifsud
Margaret McKenna	Saulius David Balsys
Lauren Channon	Mavis Freeburn
Noah Rewa	Gianno Punla
Joseph Fakhoury	Illuminada S. Ortanez
Patricia Kearns	Basil Maynard
Dominic Mullen	Patrick Carlsen
John Bell	Mary Azzopardi
	Michael McKelvie

*Names will be removed after 2 months, unless office is notified.*

***Second Sunday of Easter - Year C - 2nd & 3rd April 2016***

	<b>SATURDAY 5pm</b>	<b>8.00am</b>	<b>SUNDAY 9.30am</b>	<b>6.00pm</b>
<b>Reader Psalm</b>	Tony Crescini Catherine Coleman	Shirley Heffernan	Charlotte Hon Jacinta Lemalu	Tracie Richardson
<b>Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion</b>	Margaret Bell Mary Dalli Chris Walker Merwyn Monteiro Olga Sipek Donald Lobo	Carol Campanella Karen Misquitta Volunteer Minister Volunteer Minister	Rosa Zappia Rosetta Zaccagnini Neta Griffith Eugene Alphonso Yvonne Alphonso Volunteer Minister	Joe Andary Laura Andary Deborah Absalom Volunteer Minister
<b>Altar Servers</b>	Jonathon Giso Julian Giso Kiara Liu Darren Liu	Anthony Bui	Joshua Bui Stephanie Anderson Phillip Roncevic Alyssa Harris	Liam Flanagan
<b>Acolytes</b>	John Nickel	Joe Mancini	Tony Keir	Annette Flanagan
<b>Altar Society</b>	Souad Dagher, Malein Abou Fram			
<b>Counters</b>	Doreen & Catherine Coleman, Evelyn Ticsay			
<b>Children's Liturgy</b>	No Children's Liturgy this week.			

***Third Sunday of Easter - Year C - 9th & 10th April 2016***

	<b>SATURDAY 5pm</b>	<b>8am</b>	<b>SUNDAY 9.30am</b>	<b>6pm</b>
<b>Reader Psalm</b>	Victor Tran	Estelle Standley	Melinda Melham Kayley Melham	Frank Agostino
<b>Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion</b>	Agnelo Andrade Rosa Andrade Jean Brendish Mary Grace Francisco Garry Lejarde Volunteer Minister	Jane Colley Antoinette Moussallem Volunteer Minister Volunteer Minister Volunteer Minister Volunteer Minister	Charlie Casha Jacinta Lemalu Janice Tran Volunteer Minister Volunteer Minister	Therese Doan Judith Paglia Mark Flanagan Mary Grace Isidoro
<b>Altar Servers</b>	Lucas Tran Aiden Andrade Christina Acitelli	Anthony Bui	Luca Abel Lawrence Abel Alannah Alam Alyse Alam	Jordan Varghese Kirsten Bilog
<b>Acolytes</b>	Graeme Freeburn	Martin Manche	Phil Coleman	Martin Ryan
<b>Altar Society</b>	Miranti Vidigal, Rose Fernandez & Charlie Casha			
<b>Counters</b>	Stephen & Therese Puskas			
<b>Children's Liturgy</b>	Michelle Keir, Maria Caridi & Janice Tran			

## 2ND SUNDAY OF EASTER - YEAR C

### ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

Like newborn infants, you must long for the pure, spiritual milk, that in him you may grow to salvation, alleluia.

### FIRST READING

#### **A reading from the Acts of the Apostles**

The faithful all used to meet by common consent in the Portico of Solomon. No one else ever dared to join them, but the people were loud in their praise and the numbers of men and women who came to believe in the Lord increased steadily. So many signs and wonders were worked among the people at the hands of the apostles that the sick were even taken out into the streets and laid on beds and sleeping-mats in the hope that at least the shadow of Peter might fall across some of them as he went past. People even came crowding in from the towns round about Jerusalem, bringing with them their sick and those tormented by unclean spirits, and all of them were cured.

The word of the Lord.

### RESPONSORIAL PSALM

#### **Response: Give thanks to the Lord for he is good.**

1. Let the sons of Israel say:  
‘His love has no end.’  
Let the sons of Aaron say:  
‘His love has no end.’  
Let those who fear the Lord say:  
‘His love has no end.’ **(R.)**
2. The stone which the builders rejected  
has become the corner stone.  
This is the work of the Lord,  
a marvel in our eyes.  
This day was made by the Lord;  
we rejoice and are glad. **(R.)**
3. O Lord, grant us salvation;  
O Lord grant success.  
Blessed in the name of the Lord  
is he who comes.  
We bless you from the house of the Lord;  
the true God is our light. **(R.)**

### SECOND READING

#### **A reading from the book of the Apocalypse**

My name is John, and through our union in Jesus I am your brother and share your sufferings, your kingdom, and all you endure. I was on the island of Patmos for having preached God’s word and witnessed for Jesus; it was the Lord’s day and the Spirit possessed me, and I heard a voice behind me, shouting like a trumpet, ‘Write down all that you see in a book.’ I turned round to see who had spoken to me, and when I turned I saw seven golden lamp-stands and, surrounded by them a figure

like a Son of man, dressed in a long robe tied at the waist with a golden girdle.

When I saw him I fell in a dead faint at his feet, but he touched me with his right hand and said, ‘Do not be afraid; it is I, the First and the Last; I am the Living One. I was dead and now I am to live for ever and ever, and I hold the keys of death and of the underworld. Now write down all that you see of present happenings and things that are still to come.’

The word of the Lord.

### GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

#### **Alleluia, alleluia!**

You believe in me, Thomas, because you have seen me; happy those who have not seen me, but still believe!

#### **Alleluia!**

### GOSPEL

#### **A reading from the holy Gospel according to John**

In the evening of that same day, the first day of the week, the doors were closed in the room where the disciples were, for fear of the Jews. Jesus came and stood among them. He said to them, ‘Peace be with you,’ and showed them his hands and his side. The disciples were filled with joy when they saw the Lord, and he said to them again, ‘Peace be with you. ‘As the Father sent me, so am I sending you.’ After saying this he breathed on them and said: ‘Receive the Holy Spirit. For those whose sins you forgive, they are forgiven; for those whose sins you retain, they are retained.’

Thomas, called the Twin, who was one of the Twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. When the disciples said, ‘We have seen the Lord’, he answered, ‘Unless I see the holes that the nails made in his hands and can put my finger into the holes they made, and unless I can put my hand into his side, I refuse to believe.’ Eight days later the disciples were in the house again and Thomas was with them. The doors were closed, but Jesus came in and stood among them. ‘Peace be with you’ he said. Then he spoke to Thomas, ‘Put your finger here; look, here are my hands. Give me your hand; put it into my side. Doubt no longer but believe.’ Thomas replied, ‘My Lord and my God!’ Jesus said to him: ‘You believe because you can see me. Happy are those who have not seen and yet believe.’

There were many other signs that Jesus worked and the disciples saw, but they are not recorded in this book. These are recorded so that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that believing this you may have life through his name.

The Gospel of the Lord.

### Communion Antiphon

Bring your hand and feel the place of the nails, and do not be unbelieving but believing, alleluia.

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