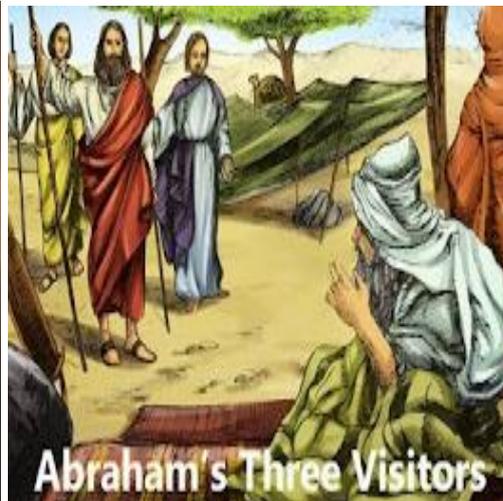




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Sunday, 16th JULY 2022 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Friday, 22nd JULY 2022 St Mary Magdalene



SUNDAY MASSES:	Vigil Saturday	5:00 pm
	Sunday	8:00am, 10am
WEEKDAY MASSES:	Tuesday to Saturday	9.15am
ROSARY:	Tuesday to Saturday	8.30am
RECONCILIATION:	After daily mass and by appointment	
BAPTISMS:	By appointment, Sundays after 10am mass	
WEDDINGS:	By appointment (minimum of six months' notice required)	
ANOINTING MASS:	2 nd Saturday of the month March, June and September	
PARISH SECRETARY:	Tuesday & Friday	9am to 3pm
	(Mass Intentions & news items for the bulletin must be left at Presbytery by 12pm Wednesday)	

This Church is equipped with an induction loop for the hearing impaired

REMEMBERING OUR FRIENDS AND RELATIVES

Recently Deceased:

Anniversaries:

We remember the faithful departed Dominic Wang, Maria Huang, Maria Xue, John Sun, Maria Zhen, Elsa De Souza, Vivian Zerafa, Carol Childs, Enrique Julien Diez, Scott Hession, Brian Sherd, John Evans, Geneive El-Zeinaty

“May their souls through the mercy of God, rest in peace.”

Prayers for: Sun’s family Jan Chen, Honfan Chen, Qin Sun, Joe Wang, John Wang

“Mother of God, Health of the sick, Refuge of sinners, Comforter of the afflicted. Pray for them”

ROSTER: 4th Week

<u>Time</u>	<u>Readers</u>	<u>Acolyte</u>	<u>Altar Servers</u>
Saturday 5pm	Denise Hall Mary Dias	Tony Allan	
Sunday 8am	Mary Kaist Barbara Mucha	Ruben Baluyot	
Sunday 10am	Karen Abbod Joey Wang- Shi	Cheston La’Porte Radley La’Porte	Chuma brothers

Nominate your Parish Hero! For the past 100 years, our parishes have been the cornerstones of local Australian communities. It’s those special people that help make our nation thrive. As we move into the 21st century, who are the people in your parish that stand out and make our community what it is today? Tell us their story and why they deserve to be recognized as a Parish Hero. Email: parishhero@catholicweekly.com.au

Parish Renewal Conference 2022 You are warmly invited to join with Sydney’s faithful for a day and a half, as we gather in person for the inaugural Parish Renewal Conference. This will be an opportunity to hear stellar speakers, pray together and share ideas on renewing our parishes. Register today at gomakedisciples.org.au so that together we can strengthen parish life! St Mary’s Cathedral **Precinct Friday, 19th August 6-9pm and Saturday, 20th August, 9am – 5.15pm \$25 per person** for parishioners in the Archdiocese of Sydney. Tickets are heavily subsidized by the Sydney Centre for Evangelisation.

Ignite Conference 2022 Thursday 29 September- Sunday 2 October Freeman College Bonnyrigg. This popular conference was postponed in 2020 and 2021 due to COVID-lockdowns, but is back this year, featuring the Holy Sacraments of Mass, Reconciliation and Adoration, inspiring speakers, workshops and dynamic music. Speakers will include Archbishop Anthony Fisher OP, Fr Rob Galea and Therese Mills MGL. \$100 Discount available for the first 50 young adults who register or volunteer from the Archdiocese of Sydney. EMAIL: John.nguyen@sydneycatholic.org for the Discount Code. Read more about the conference online: <https://igniteconference.com.au/>

Foster carers urgently needed

Right now, there are children and young people without a safe place to call home. We urgently need people who can provide immediate care.

We need all types of carers - emergency, respite, short-term and long-term.

To find out how you can help contact our team on 13 18 19.

Family Spirit
FamilySpirit.org

✉ admin@familyspirit.org

🕒 9am – 5pm Monday – Friday

Planned Giving Envelopes There are still quite a few Giving Envelopes at the front of the church awaiting collection. It is important for the parish that we get the envelopes distributed. If you wish to be a part of the Planned Giving, please fill out the form at the front of the church or contact the office. We appreciate your generous gifts expressed in this way.

SUNDAY'S READINGS

First Reading Genesis 18:1-10 Lord, do not bypass your servant

The Lord appeared to Abraham at the Oak of Mamre while he was sitting by the entrance of the tent during the hottest part of the day. He looked up, and there he saw three men standing near him. As soon as he saw them he ran from the entrance of the tent to meet them, and bowed to the ground. 'My lord,' he said 'I beg you, if I find favour with you, kindly do not pass your servant by. A little water shall be brought; you shall wash your feet and lie down under the tree. Let me fetch a little bread and you shall refresh yourselves before going further. That is why you have come in your servant's direction.' They replied, 'Do as you say.'

Abraham hastened to the tent to find Sarah.' 'Hurry,' he said 'knead three bushels of flour and make loaves.' Then running to the cattle Abraham took a fine and tender calf and gave it to the servant, who hurried to prepare it. Then taking cream, milk and the calf he had prepared, he laid all before them, and they ate while he remained standing near them under the tree.

'Where is your wife Sarah?' they asked him. 'She is in the tent' he replied. Then his guest said, 'I shall visit you again next year without fail, and your wife will then have a son.'

Responsorial Psalm 14(15):2-5

R: The just will live in the presence of the Lord.

Second Reading Colossians 1:24-28 The mystery hidden for centuries has now been revealed to his saints.

It makes me happy to suffer for you, as I am suffering now, and in my own body to do what I can to make up all that has still to be undergone by Christ for the sake of his body, the Church. I became the servant of the Church when God made me responsible for delivering God's message to you, the message which was a mystery hidden for generations and centuries and has now been revealed to his saints. It was God's purpose to reveal it to them and to show all the rich glory of this mystery to pagans. The mystery is Christ among you, your hope of glory: this is the Christ we proclaim, this is the wisdom in which we thoroughly train everyone and instruct everyone, to make them all perfect in Christ.

Gospel Acclamation Luke 8:15

Alleluia, alleluia! Happy are they who have kept the word with a generous heart and yield a harvest through perseverance. **Alleluia!**

Gospel Luke 10: 38-42 Martha took up the duties in the house. Mary chose the better part.

Jesus came to a village, and a woman named Martha welcomed him into her house. She had a sister called Mary, who sat down at the Lord's feet and listened to him speaking. Now Martha who was distracted with all the serving said, 'Lord, do you not care that my sister is leaving me to do the serving all by myself?

Please tell her to help me.' But the Lord answered: 'Martha, Martha,' he said 'you worry and fret about so many things, and yet few are needed, indeed only one. It is Mary who has chosen the better part; it is not to be taken from her.'

16TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Most of us at one time or another have experienced the fret and fuss of a Martha and Mary clash of temperament in the home. The hardworking Martha gets irritated with the idling Mary and on the spur of the moment says out straight what is in her mind. She thinks that her sister should be engaged in something more important than listening to Jesus. The problem with this Gospel story is that we are not all at ease with Christ's comment; Mary's behaviour seems so unfair. The kitchen dosser gets the praise and is commended by the Lord for having chosen the better part. It comes across as a picture of blatant injustice and our sympathy is with the long-suffering Martha. St Teresa said: 'If Martha had imitated Mary, Christ would have gone without his dinner.' We are left wondering just how does the Martha-Mary story fit into our lives and what exactly the Lord is saying to us through it.

Perhaps we might get a better insight into the incident if we remember that at this time Jesus was on his way to Jerusalem and, with the cross before him, all he wanted was a break from the crowds. He calls in to his friends Martha and Mary, not to avail of lavish hospitality, but for a brief rest, to leave behind his cares and concerns. Mary chose the better part because she took time to listen and to give her undivided attention to Jesus. She understood his needs at that moment, realising that time spent in the Lord's company was more important than fussing around making him comfortable. The problem with us is that we are often so busy doing the work of the Lord in the good deeds which we perform for our neighbour, that we forget the Lord of the work – who is the motivation for acts of Christian charity.

The gospel is telling us that no matter how busy we are, we should take time to sit quietly and find the Lord in our world of work and to be guided by him. It is easy to get our priorities wrong because all our working moments are busy ones with little time for sitting at the feet of Jesus, reflecting on our lives. The danger is that if we do not take time to listen to the word of God and to pray, we become slaves of our duties. We rush about and yet the important things can be forgotten and remain undone. One of the great difficulties in life is that we neglect people because we do not have the time to sit down and listen to them. Our approach is often based on what we can do for others, how we can smother them in kindness, whereas, what they are really looking for is our company. Time spent visiting a lonely soul can also be time spent in the company of God. For what we do to others we do to Christ. All the everyday happenings of life are part of our religious lives and provide an opportunity for working out our salvation.

A MESSAGE REGARDING SAFEGUARDING ISSUES

A copy of the Safeguarding Policy has been uploaded to the website of St John of God and a copy will also be attached to our notice board. If anyone would like a copy of the Safeguarding Policy, one can be provided to you upon request. As part of the Safeguarding procedures, the Parish is now making available a suggestion box especially for children and young people in order that we take into consideration their thoughts, feelings, and suggestions in a more proactive way. The Suggestion Box is placed in the church foyer.

Also, as part of the Safeguarding procedures, it is available for parents, guardians and the general community a protocol 'Managing Safeguarding Complaints'. We value the process in moving forward positively in relation to all Safeguarding measures. If you have any concerns or queries, please do not hesitate to contact the Parish Priest. **Child sexual abuse is a crime.** The appropriate people to deal with crimes 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 You may also want to speak to your Parish Priest who will be able to provide support and guidance. The Archdiocese has legal obligation to report crimes to the police.

We acknowledge the Watergora people of the Darug Nation, the Traditional Custodians of the land on which St John of God church stands. We pay our respects to the past, present and emerging Watergora generations