



19th Sunday in Ordinary Time: 13 August 2017

Parishes Of St Augustine & St Joseph

Bulletin

BALMAIN/ROZELLE PARISH TEAM

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Mass Times

Saturday 5:00pm vigil

Sunday 9:00am 6:00pm

Monday 7:30am Communion Service

Tuesday 7:30am

Wednesday 7:30am Communion Service

Thursday 7:30am

Friday 7:30am

Saturday No mass

Reconciliation Saturday 4.30pm

Adoration 1st Friday of the month

Anointing Mass 2nd Friday of the month

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Mass Times

Sunday 10:30am

Monday 7:00am Communion Service

Tuesday 7:00am Communion Service

Wednesday 7:00am

Thursday 7:00am Communion Service

Friday 7:00am Communion Service

Saturday No mass

Adoration 1st Wednesday of the month

Anointing Mass 2nd Wednesday of the month

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Today's Gospel passage presents us with two miracles, namely, the episode of Jesus walking on the water and calming the storm. 'Jesus walks on the water' is one of the strangest stories in the whole of bible. The disciples were terrified to see Him walking on the water, without knowing that it was their Lord. But Peter recognized Him at the words "Take heart, it is I; have no fear." The impetuous Peter challenges Jesus, "Lord, if it is you, bid me come to you on the water." Jesus, fulfilled his desire to walk on the water and Peter began to walk. But, he is overcome by fear as he began to sink. He turns towards the Lord and cries: "Lord, save me." And the Lord held him by the hand and saved him, but with a rebuke: "man of little faith, why did you doubt?"

A close reflection this passage will enable us to identify ourselves as a 'man or woman of little faith'. Jesus doesn't reprimand us because our faith is weak; but He wants to progress and grow in faith.

Jesus, invites us to come to the water; not to be afraid. It's about trusting in Jesus, when there is nothing else. In time of death, the call is to trust in God's promise, because He is the way and the truth.

Sometimes we too may have to pray like Peter: 'Lord, save me.' 'Help my little faith'. We should cling on to Jesus in faith amidst the stormy seas of life and that will give us joy, peace and hope in the midst of difficulties; and if we are attentive we would hear Him say: "Have no fear, I'm with you".

Today's Readings:

FIRST READING

1 Kgs 19:9.11-13

A reading from the first book of the Kings

Go out and stand on the mountain before the Lord God.

When Elijah reached Horeb, the mountain of God, he went into the cave and spent the night in it. Then he was told, 'Go out and stand on the mountain before the Lord.' Then the Lord himself went by. There came a mighty wind, so strong it tore the mountains and shattered the rocks before the Lord. But the Lord was not in the wind. After the wind came an earthquake. But the Lord was not in the earthquake. After the earthquake came a fire. But the Lord was not in the fire. And after the fire there came the sound of a gentle breeze. And when Elijah heard this, he covered his face with his cloak and went out and stood at the entrance of the cave..... *The word of the Lord.*

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps 84:9-14. R. v.8

(R.) Lord, show us your mercy and love, and grant us your salvation.

1. I will hear what the Lord God has to say, a voice that speaks of peace. His help is near for those who fear him and his glory will dwell in our land. (R.)
2. Mercy and faithfulness have met; justice and peace have embraced. Faithfulness shall spring from the earth and justice look down from heaven. (R.)
3. The Lord will make us prosper and our earth shall yield its fruit. Justice shall march before him and peace shall follow his steps. (R.)

SECOND READING

Rom 9:1-5

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Romans

I would willingly be condemned if it could help my people.

What I want to say is no pretence; I say it in union with Christ – it is the truth – my conscience in union with the Holy Spirit assures me of it too. What I want to say is this: my sorrow is so great, my mental anguish so endless, I would willingly be condemned and be cut off from Christ if it could help my brothers of Israel, my

own flesh and blood. They were adopted as sons, they were given the glory and the covenants; the Law and the ritual were drawn up for them, and the promises were made to them. They are descended from the patriarchs and from their flesh and blood came Christ who is above all, God for ever blessed! Amen..... *The word of the Lord.*

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

Alleluia, alleluia!

I hope in the Lord, I trust in his word.

Alleluia!

GOSPEL

Mt 14:22-33

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew

Command me to come to you over the water.

Jesus made the disciples get into the boat and go on ahead to the other side while he would send the crowds away. After sending the crowds away he went up into the hills by himself to pray. When evening came, he was there alone, while the boat, by now far out on the lake, was battling with a heavy sea, for there was a head-wind. In the fourth watch of the night he went towards them, walking on the lake, and when the disciples saw him walking on the lake they were terrified. 'It is a ghost' they said, and cried out in fear. But at once Jesus called out to them, saying, 'Courage! It is I! Do not be afraid.' It was Peter who answered. 'Lord,' he said 'if it is you, tell me to come to you across the water.' 'Come' said Jesus. Then Peter got out of the boat and started walking towards Jesus across the water, but as soon as he felt the force of the wind, he took fright and began to sink. 'Lord! Save me!' he cried. Jesus put out his hand at once and held him. 'Man of little faith,' he said 'why did you doubt?' And as they got into the boat the wind dropped. The men in the boat bowed down before him and said, 'Truly, you are the Son of God.'



Parish Liturgy Volunteers Roster - please arrange with someone else if you cannot fulfil your rostered role

13 Aug	Acolyte	Altar Service	1 st Readers	2 nd Reader	Commentator	Welcomer
Vigil	Stephen Parmeter	G Boyle	Margot Dwyer	Peter Boyle	Caroline Panousis	Longworth Family
9am	Ben Burgess	L Milevskiy	Dominic Moon	Jocelyn Morris	Greg Stewart	Maureen Robinson
6pm	Richard Kenna	I Huetters, S Twill	Michael Kennedy	Jason Twill	Bernadette Fisk	Huetters family
20 Aug						
Vigil	Stephen Parmeter	C Mayo, L Stanley	Sinead Dwyer	Kat Mayo	Therese Andres	Nethery Family
9am	E Halili & D Allen	C Halili	Patricia Burke	Jocelyn Morris	Christine A-White	Shayne L-Moon
6pm	Richard Kenna	M Miccoli, L O'Callaghan	Linda Gilligan	Carmel O'Neil	Faye Fitzgibbon	J & K Dickie



First Eucharist Dates

Ceremonies: 19/20 August at both St Joseph's & St Augustine's
17 August: Spirituality Day at Rozelle



First Reconciliation Dates Information Night:

7 September at St Augustine's
First Reconciliation Ceremonies:
18 November at St Augustine's
and St Joseph's



CHILDREN'S LITURGY:

Every Sunday at 9am Mass – all children under 10 years are welcome.



Call us on 9810 1157 if there is someone who is housebound and would like to have a pastoral visit.

The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary- 15 August 2017

Masses: 7.30 am, 9.15 am (with the School) 7 6.30pm

Parish Finance Committee meeting is on Tuesday 15 August @ 7:30pm.



St Augustine of Hippo's Day

Join in one or more of the celebratory events planned for the weekend 26/27 August.

Children's colouring competition
(available at the back of the church)

Vigil Mass: cheese, cheers & colouring competition viewing

9am Mass: Parish morning tea and colouring competition winners

6pm Mass: Parish meal at the Gladstone Park Bowling Club



Organ Recital & Supper : 8 September All funds raised will go towards the Church Restoration Fund

Stunning music performed on the historic William Hill pipe organ by Amy Johansen, Sydney University Organist, followed by a candle lit supper in our historic old church.

Tickets for Recital at:

http://www.sydneyconsort.com.au/concert_4.html

Tickets for Supper at:

<https://www.trybooking.com/book/event?eid=306475&>

Christian Life Community (CLC) is an international organisation of lay Christians who have adopted an Ignatian model of spiritual life with Members being encouraged to bring Gospel values into all aspects of today's world. For over 20 years we have had such a group in the Parish but owing to varying circumstances this group has had to end. However, if there is sufficient interest, we would like to form a new CLC group in the Parish. More information can be obtained by contacting either Jill Dutton (9555 8418) or Lois Blakemore (8084 3695)

CHARITABLE WORKS FUND APPEAL

Thank you for opening your hearts and supporting the CWF Appeal. We collected \$1,292.70 towards our target of \$15,000. The Appeal is still open for those who would like to contribute towards CWF's work in our local communities, providing spiritual and practical support where it is needed most.

PILGRIMAGE FINAL MEETING will be held on Friday 18 August at 2pm at St Augustine's Presbytery, 3 Jane Street, where tickets will be issued, final itineraries and room plans detailed and the opportunity to have any questions answered. For those who cannot attend this session are requested to attend the one on Thursday 17 August at 6.30pm in the All Hallows Church Hall, Five Dock. For any information call Rajesh, Magi Holidays on 0422 215 855

Recently deceased: Francesco Trunzo, Madeleine Barbagallo, Rita Moses, John Joseph Casey, Kevin Leyden, Gail Anne Markland

Anniversaries: Clare Turner, Mary, Frank & Greg Quinn, Winifred Honeybrook, Miyo Yuric, Emanuel & Violet Camilleri, Gustavo Vejarano

Also for: Felice Dinicolamaria, Natalina Tedesco, Josephine Caleja, Josephine Poulter, Mijo Juric, Winfred & David Preece, Hazel & Bernie Olson, Domenica Cacciotti, Josephine Callega, Mabel, Kay & Cathy Miles, Elizabeth Aranibar Ayala, Fiona & Julian Horton, Bertie Clark, Raymond Talty, Violet & Emanuel Camilleri, Gustavo Vejarano, John, Jack & Jackie Lowe, Melinda Manikas, Charles Carter, Charlie, Rose, Jessica & Stephen James, Joe & Lawrence Borg, Vincent & Margaret Chambers, Sydney, Edna & Cecilia Edmonds, Anthony & Ron Barnes, William, Irene & Gertrude Briggs, Kathleen & Maxwell Harris, Bill Gallagher, Susan Hanchard, Mollie Monan, Joyce Shiner, John Bransby, Nuki Cosgrove

The sick: Joyce Clark, Chela Ledger, Steven Ireland, Malcolm Young, David Velasco, Gladis Hernandez, Maria Munez, Amanda Velasco, Patricia Vejarano, Paula Alzate, Des Schneider, Mary Houghton, Joyce Clark, Leila Dickson, Joshua Clark, David Fuller, Georgia Ray Kelly, Gabriel Chimilio.



Parish Pastoral Groups and Contacts

AUGUST

- 19/20 First Eucharist at
St Augustine's &
St Joseph's
- 26/27 Feast of St Augustine
Celebration

SEPTEMBER

- 7 Reconciliation
Information night at
St Augustine's
- 8 Organ recital & supper
- 14 Parish Pilgrimage
- 17 FJT School Mass at
St Joseph's

OCTOBER

- 4 Feast of St Francis
- 15 St Joseph's Rozelle
School Reunion
- 29 FJT School Mass at
St Augustine's

NOVEMBER

- 1 All Saint's Day
- 18 First Reconciliation at
St Augustine's &
St Joseph's

DECEMBER

- 24 Children's Christmas
Liturgy
- 25 Christmas Day

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JANUARY

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Graeme Curran: Secretary

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Luton White: Chairman
David Kelaher: Secretary

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Liturgy & Music Group:

Welcome Committee:

Men's activities:

Women's activities:

Youth Initiatives:

Can you help? If you are interested in joining and of the groups or feel that you can contribute in any way, contact us on 9810 1157 or balrozparishes@gmail.com
NB: Those who wish to volunteer for parish activities are encouraged to obtain a Working with Children Clearance. Applications can be made at <https://wwwcheck.cyp.nsw.gov.au/Applicants/Application#>

Sacrament of the Sick: We are happy to administer the Sacrament to those in need. The Eucharist will also be brought to those who are ill or housebound. Please notify the office on 9810 1157 if you would like to arrange a home visit.

Baptisms are held on the 2nd & 4th Sundays of the month. Baptismal Preparation session are held every 1st Tuesday of the month and parents must attend a session to confirm the Baptismal date. Please contact the Parish office to arrange.

Marriages require a minimum of six months' notice. Attendance at the Preparation class is compulsory.

MUSIC AT ST AUGUSTINE'S

Director of Music: David Hinder
St Augustine's Choir
Bel Canto Women's Choir



From Pope Francis:

"Being a Christian is not the result of an ethical choice or a lofty idea, but the encounter with an event, a person, which gives life a new horizon and a decisive direction."