



# ST FRANCIS XAVIER LURNEA

## SECOND SUNDAY IN LENT - YEAR A 15TH & 16TH MARCH 2014

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.

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Tuesday to Friday  
9.30am – 5.30pm  
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(Please type or 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

**Marriages:** By Appointment

**Prayer Group:**  
Thursdays..... 7.30pm—8.15pm

**Care Group & St Vincent De Paul**  
Krystyna Whittaker: 0410 575 245

If you would like to contribute to the  
Parish Planned Giving  
please speak to Fr Thu or Parish Secretary.

### Prayer & Reflection

Jesus was transfigured on the mountain.  
We too can have moments of transfiguration.  
Sometimes a blessedness comes down around us,  
a glory falls upon us from God, and life is sweet.  
In his love for us, God allows us to taste on earth  
the joys of the world to come.

Lord, give us confidence in your unchanging love for us.  
Help us to follow you with courage,  
and lead us to the glory that never fades.

*May you never forget that we are  
but pilgrims on the earth,  
and that our true home is in heaven.  
May you live lives that are worthy of the glory  
to which you are called.  
And may the peace of God,  
which passes all understanding,  
guard your hearts and minds  
in Christ Jesus our Lord.*



### Weekday Mass Times

- Monday** - No Mass
- Tuesday** - 9.00am Mass
- Wednesday** - 9.00am Mass
- Thursday** - 9.00am SCOS Year 1 - Liturgy of the Word.
- Friday** - 9.00am Mass  
- 7.00pm Stations of the Cross

*"Parish Fundraiser"*  
2014 Parish Business Directory

St Francis Xavier's Parish has many talented, hard working parishioners, who have their own business. Why not use this to the advantage of the Parish and also yourselves.

By opening up a Business directory, we encourage all local and outside businesses to advertise.

There will be an annual fee depending on the size of your advertisement with either a full, half or quarter page.

What a wonderful blessing to make your Parish and business thrive.

To show your interest please contact Mary-Ann at the parish office for more info on 9607 8760.

**NO PARKING  
ON THE THOROUGHFARE.**

Please do not block the driveway or thoroughfare of the Church car park when you come to Mass. Please respect and consider the safety of other fellow parishioners. Thankyou.

*Working with Children Check*

All parish volunteers need to do a Working with Children Check. Please contact the Parish Office and more details will be given to you or you can go online and apply:

<http://www.kids.nsw.gov.au/Working-with-children/New-Working-with-Children-Check>

Once this is done please forward to the Parish Office.

*Care Group News*

*Chitty Chat Group*

**St Patrick's Day "Frustration Cards Day"**

**Friday 21 March 2014** In Parish Centre,

Time: **10:00am - 1:00pm**

Cost: **Gold Coin Donation** ALL WELCOME

*Apostolic Administrator*

In the time of waiting for our new Archbishop to be appointed by Pope Francis, Bishop Peter Comensoli, Auxiliary Bishop in the Archdiocese is to be appointed as the Apostolic Administrator of the Archdiocese. The Role of the Administrator is a care taker who is keeping the day-to-day running of the Archdiocese until a new Archbishop is appointed. Please pray for Auxiliary Bishops Peter Comensoli and Terence Brady and for the selection of the new Archbishop.

*Catechist Retreat*

A Catechist Retreat Afternoon will be held in the Church on **Saturday 29th March**, beginning with Mass at 1pm followed by Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and concluding with an opportunity for Reconciliation from 4pm. All catechists, their prayer partners and parishioners welcome

*The wisdom of the Blessed:  
John XXII and John Paul II*

**April 4 – 6**

A preparation for the their canonization on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Easter. Fr Gabriel Maliakkal OCD and Sr Nory Ordiz CM

**Where: Mt Carmel Retreat Centre,  
247 St Andrews Road, Varroville**

**Cost: \$220**

Enquiries: 02 8795 3400,  
[retreats@carmelite.com](mailto:retreats@carmelite.com)

*Project Compassion*

Project Compassion boxes and envelopes are now available. Please take one and support Caritas Australia. God Bless.

*Stations of the Cross*

Stations of the Cross will be held on **Fridays at 7.00pm** during Lent, starting from the **14th March until the 11th April**. Please join us. All Welcome.

*Farewell Mass for His Eminence,  
Cardinal George Pell*

**Thursday 27 March, 2014**

**7.30pm (doors open from 7.00pm)**

St Mary's Cathedral, Sydney

Please join us as we farewell His Eminence, Cardinal George Pell and give thanks for his service as the Archbishop of Sydney.

All are warmly invited.

*Church - Anniversary of Death  
Remembrance Book*

Please do not write in this display book as we have a calligraphist who places all anniversaries of the deceased in our parish in it professionally. Thank you.

**Funeral  
Announcement**

The funeral for **Angela Cali** will be held on Friday 21st March at 10.30am.  
May her soul rest in peace.

**Golden Dollar Club  
March 2014**

1. P. Murphy
  2. Church
  3. T. Whitney
- No.14 Envelope can you please contact the Parish Office.**

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

Pat Lord, Siobhan O'Connor, Margaret McKenna, Jim S, Lauren Channon, Nathan Channon, Fr W. Davis, Gabrielle Zoric, Joe Moore, Patricia Nurifora, Noah Rewa, John Bell, Lucienne Baeta, Riley Maloney, Kayla Thompson, Josephine Caligiuri, Alida Salloum, Gabrielle Ford, Lorna Sotor, Lamy Boulos, Mathew Abu rizk, Amparo Clifford, Richielle Santos,



*We remember our deceased relatives and friends...*

**Recently Deceased**

Teresita Sheff  
Angela Cali  
Eva Yammouni

**Anniversaries**

Michael Richard  
Josephine Esperida  
Domenico Stambe  
Olimpia Rose Stambe  
Michele Pisano

**Deceased**

Louisa Alphonso

**Second Sunday of Lent - Year A - 15th & 16th March 2014**

	<b>SATURDAY 5pm</b>	<b>8.00am</b>	<b>SUNDAY 9.30am</b>	<b>6.00pm</b>
<b>Reader Psalm/Intercession</b>	Merwyn Monteiro Melwyn Monteiro	Jessica Marcellienus Justin Marcellienus	Domenic Acitelli Jacinta Lemalu	Greg Richardson Tracie Richardson
<b>Eucharistic Ministers</b>	Agnelo Andrade Rosa Andrade Jean Brendish Mary Grace Francisco Volunteer Minister Volunteer Minister	Carol Campanella Volunteer Minister Volunteer Minister Volunteer Minister Volunteer Minister	Angelo Romeo Maria Romeo Jacqueline Scully Garry Lejarde Frances Acitelli Charlie Casha	Karen Misquitta Therese Doan Volunteer Minister Volunteer Minister
<b>Altar Servers</b>	Volunteer Altar Servers	Volunteer Altar Servers	Volunteer Altar Servers	Volunteer Altar Servers
<b>Acolytes</b>	John Nickel	Graeme Freeburn	Martin Manche	Joe Mancini
<b>Altar Society</b>	Judith Paglia			
<b>Counters</b>	Krystyna Whittaker, Bibian Querubin			
<b>Children's Liturgy</b>	No Children's Liturgy this week end.			

**Third Sunday of Lent - Year A - 22nd & 23rd March 2014**

	<b>SATURDAY 5pm</b>	<b>8.00am</b>	<b>SUNDAY 9.30am</b>	<b>6.00pm</b>
<b>Reader Psalm/Intercession</b>	Solange Fegatilli Mary Grace Francisco	George Wright	Eugene Alphonso Manulele Minute	Kristina Williams Collette Davies
<b>Eucharistic Ministers</b>	Katrina Calabrese Vince Calabrese Tony Crescini Aida Crescini Volunteer Minister Volunteer Minister	Jane Colley Antoinette Moussallem Volunteer Minister Volunteer Minister Volunteer Minister	Alfia Busa Angie Clarkson Bev Strauss Lia Newhouse Melinda Melham Jane Scott	Tracie Richardson Greg Richardson Kristina Williams Volunteer Minister
<b>Altar Servers</b>	Volunteer Altar Servers	Volunteer Altar Servers	Volunteer Altar Servers	Volunteer Altar Servers
<b>Acolytes</b>	Martin Ryan	Graeme Freeburn	Tony Keir	Phil Coleman
<b>Altar Society</b>	Julie Bakarich			
<b>Counters</b>	Graeme Freeburn, Mathew Koyikalatho			
<b>Children's Liturgy</b>	Rosetta Zaccagnini, Tracie Richardson & Rochelle Hanania			

## *Second Sunday in Lent - Year A*

### **FIRST READING**

A reading from the book of Genesis Gn 12:1-4  
*The call of Abraham, the father of God's people.*

The Lord said to Abram, 'Leave your country, your family and your father's house, for the land I will show you. I will make you a great nation; I will bless you and make your name so famous that it will be used as a blessing.

'I will bless those who bless you:  
I will curse those who slight you.  
All the tribes of the earth  
shall bless themselves by you.'  
So Abram went as the Lord told him.

The word of the Lord.

### **RESPONSORIAL PSALM**

**RESPONSE: Lord, let your mercy be on us, as we place our trust in you.**

1. The word of the Lord is faithful and all his works to be trusted.  
The Lord loves justice and right and fills the earth with his love. **(R.)**
2. The Lord looks on those who revere him, on those who hope in his love, to rescue their souls from death, to keep them alive in famine. **(R.)**
3. Our soul is waiting for the Lord.  
The Lord is our help and our shield.  
May your love be upon us, O Lord, as we place all our hope in you. **(R.)**

### **SECOND READING**

A reading from the second letter of St Paul to Timothy 2 Tm 1:8-10

*God has saved us, and called us to be holy.*

With me, bear the hardships for the sake of the Good News, relying on the power of God who has saved us and called us to be holy – not because of anything we ourselves have done but for his own purpose and by his own grace.

This grace had already been granted to us, in Christ Jesus, before the beginning of time, but it has only been revealed by the Appearing of our saviour Christ Jesus. He abolished death, and he has proclaimed life and immortality through the Good News.

The word of the Lord.

### **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

**Glory and praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ!**

From the shining cloud the Father's voice is heard: this is my beloved Son, hear him.

**Glory and praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ!**

### **GOSPEL**

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew Mt 17:1-9

*His face shone like the sun.*

Jesus took with him Peter and James and his brother John and led them up a high mountain where they could be alone. There in their presence he was transfigured; his face shone like the sun and his clothes became as white as the light. Suddenly Moses and Elijah appeared to them; they were talking with him. Then Peter spoke to Jesus. 'Lord,' he said 'it is wonderful for us to be here; if you wish, I will make three tents here, one for you, one for Moses and one for Elijah.' He was still speaking when suddenly a bright cloud covered them with shadow, and from the cloud there came a voice which said, 'This is my Son, the Beloved; he enjoys my favour. Listen to him.' When they heard this, the disciples fell on their faces, overcome with fear. But Jesus came up and touched them. 'Stand up,' he said 'do not be afraid.' And when they raised their eyes they saw no one but only Jesus. As they came down from the mountain Jesus gave them this order. 'Tell no one about the vision until the Son of Man has risen from the dead.'

The Gospel of the Lord.



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