

"He is the radiance of the glory of God and the exact imprint of his nature, and he upholds the universe by the word of his power."
- Hebrews 1:3

MASS TIMES		
	Mater Dei	St. Raphael
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
Friday - 7:30 pm — 8:30 pm
Saturday - 4pm — 4:45pm


Please Pray for:

Also pray for: Holy Souls in Purgatory
Mass Offered: Elias Haddad, Jeffrey Bishop
Recently Deceased: Mabel Griffiths
Sick: Robert Sinclair, Paul McCann, Brian Wilkes, Dr Mark Carlton, Diane Edwards, Linda Church, Alberto Viera, Kylie Lynch, Mick Vujosev

RCIA **Wednesday 27th Nov, 2019**
Topic: 'Importance of the Mass'
Meet in St Raphael's Meeting Room at 7:30PM. Please contact Graeme Dorahy on 0421 420 497. All are welcome.

Annual Lourdes Day Mass 7 Dec 2019 of the Order of Malta will be celebrated by His Grace, Archbishop Fisher and the Chaplains of the Order at 10am in St Mary's Cathedral.

COLLECTIONS LAST WEEKEND		
TYPE	St Raphael's	Mater Dei
First	294.50	342.95
Second: loose	212.65	380.00
Envelopes	490.00	285.00



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Ministry 23rd Nov & 24th Nov (4th Sun)	St. Raphael's		Mater Dei	
	5.00pm	8.30am	6.15pm V	10.00am
Acolytes	Greg Driver	Norman Yenson	No Vigil Mass at MD due to combined Mass at St Raphael's at 5pm followed by Get together	Graeme Dorahy
EMHC	Susi Fabbro	Kathy, Rosmary, Florence		Marguerite Derrig
Readers	Saab Family	Wendy Lau JP		Lucy Mitry Phil Monaghan
Children's Liturgy				Diana Baladi
Music	Michele	Norma		Normalita
Ministry 30th Nov & 1st Dec (1st Sun)	St. Raphael's		Mater Dei	
	5.00pm	8.30am	6.15pm V	10.00am
Acolytes	Greg Driver	Max, Michael B	Tony Oscuro	Paul Watson
EMHC	Susi Fabbro	Annie, Rosie		Marguerite Derrig
Readers	Lovat Family	Zakhem Family Justin	Volunteer Frances Oscuro	Family Mass
Children's Liturgy				Mary-Clare

Please arrange for a replacement if you are unable to serve - Michael Fernandes 0437 517 758

SCAM ALERT
We have been made aware of another scam that is targeting some of our parishes. The scammer is posing as our Parish Priest and is sending sincere and convincing emails to parishioners and staff requesting them to make small donations to him in terms of gift cards and vouchers.
Please be alert and aware of this fraud and avoid being scammed.

Lights of Christmas Celebrate the 10th Anniversary of the Lights of Christmas at St Mary's Cathedral with a special Opening Night Concert featuring Friar Alessandro, the Voice from Assisi, and internationally acclaimed Australian pianist Vivian Choi.

A wonderful free community event starting Thursday, 5 December with the Opening Night Concert from 7.30pm.
A Sydney tradition, the Lights of Christmas runs every night until Christmas featuring a range of choirs.

A message from the Archdiocese of Sydney 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 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 a legal obligation to report crimes to the police.

Safeguarding Policy displayed in both the Churches' entrances/foyers.

Home Rosary St Raphael (7:30PM)
25-11-19 Norman & Florence Yenson
44 Queens Rd, Connells Pt
02-12-19 St George Deanery Prayer Group
St Bernadette Church
10 Argyle St, Carlton

Home Rosary Mater Dei (7:30PM)
26-11-19 Rita and Michael Marra
7 Crawford St, Blakehurst
03-12-19 Josie and Denis Kocina
45 Townson St, Blakehurst

At the Procession of Christ the King, a mum received a funny piece of advice from her son. After getting tired of struggling with her strong-willed little son, she looked him in the eye and asked a question feeling sure would bring him in line: 'Thomas, who is in charge here?' Not missing a beat, he replied, 'Jesus is, and not you mum.'

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Parishes of Mater Dei Blakehurst &

Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of St Raphael's South Hurstville

The Universe - Year C

BULLETIN

24th Nov 2019

Entrance Antiphon: Rv 5:12; 1:6

How worthy is the Lamb who was slain, to receive power and divinity, and wisdom and strength and honour. To him belong glory and power for ever and ever.

First Reading: 2 Sm 5:1-3

David is anointed King of Israel.

Responsorial Psalm: Ps 121:1-5. R. see v.2

(R.) Let us go rejoicing to the house of the Lord.

1. I rejoiced when I heard them say: 'Let us go to God's house.' And now our feet are standing within your gates, O Jerusalem. (R.)

2. Jerusalem is built as a city strongly compact. It is there that the tribes go up, the tribes of the Lord. (R.)

3. For Israel's law it is, there to praise the Lord's name. There were set the thrones of judgement of the house of David. (R.)

Second Reading: Col 1:12-20

We are reconciled in the blood of the cross.

Gospel Acclamation: Mk 11:9. 10

Alleluia, alleluia! Blessed is he who inherits the kingdom of David our Father; blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Alleluia!


Gospel: Lk 23:35-43

The Crucifixion.

Communion Antiphon: Ps 28:10-11

The Lord sits as King for ever. The Lord will bless his people with peace.

Catholic Church of St Raphael's, South Hurstville warmly welcomes



Vincent Di Marco
(child of Christopher & Filippa)
Congratulations to the family!

REFLECTION

If you memorise a tune or your 'times tables', you are said to 'know it by heart'. The sort of person who will always remember me is someone who 'knows me by heart'.

Here, a tortured criminal starts his plea: 'Jesus . . .'. This is one of only two instances where Jesus is addressed by his name which means 'The Lord saves'. The good thief went on: 'remember me when you come into Your Kingdom'. Jesus 'knows him by heart' and promises that He will remember him in Paradise.

This is an exercise of sovereignty which befits 'Christ the King'. This is all the Kingly power which you or I will ever need, but to confidently invoke it we need to position ourselves alongside Jesus, like the 'good thief'. We do this by our practical concern for the poor and by coming to Mass which re-memembers the Body of Christ.

We could pause for a moment to pray: 'Jesus, remember me, know me by heart, for when you do I will be in Paradise.'

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Historical Context - Christ the King The Feast of Christ the King was introduced to the liturgical calendar by Pope Pius XI in 1925. The establishment of the feast took place in a world that had suffered through the First World War and was unknowingly heading towards the Second World War. In this setting, the world was experiencing a dramatic growth in secularism and an even more dramatic growth in dictators who were rising to power in various states. The introduction of the feast was a call back from the secular and a call to remember Christ as having authority above and beyond any earthly leader.

ORDINATION TO THE DIACONATE

of **Roberto Keryakos**

Sunday 15 December 2019 at 2PM at St Raphael's Catholic Church,
82 George Street, South Hurstville

RSVP by November 29th to admin@materdei-straphael.org.au

Walk with Christ Please join your fellow Sydneysiders in the Walk with Christ annual **Eucharistic Procession** through the streets of Sydney on the Feast of Christ the King today, **24th November 2019** at **2.30pm**. Meet at the corner of Martin Place & Pitt Street at 2.30pm. The **Book of Life** will be carried during the procession.

All Parishioners are invited to attend the **Solemn Inauguration of Novena to Our Mother of Perpetual Succour** at 10:00AM Mass at Mater Dei Church on **Sunday, 8th December** - to be followed by refreshments in the Hall. No Morning Mass (8:30am) at St Raphael's Church that Sunday. Regular Novena begins from Wednesday, 11th December 2019 at 7:00 PM at Mater Dei and will continue every Wednesdays thereafter with Benediction or Mass. Prayer booklets for Novena will be available every Wednesday.

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 our God" (Micah 6:8)