Catholic Parishes of St. Andrew's Malabar & St. Agnes' Matraville

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SUNDAY MASSES Malabar

Vigil Sat. 5pm Sunday 9am

Weekday Masses: 9.10am Tues, Wed, Fri, Sat

RECONCILIATION:

Sat 4.30 - 4.45pm (fortnightly as of 6th Feb) Also available by appointment.

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SUNDAY MASSES Matraville

Vigil Sat. 5.30pm Sunday 10am

Weekday Masses: 7 am Tues, Wed, Fri 9.10am Thurs RECONCILIATION:

Sat. 5pm - 5.15pm (fortnightly as of 13th Feb) School: 9311 1995

1st SUNDAY OF LENT

Go Make Disciples,
The Mission Plan for the Archdiocese of Sydney

Please pray for the Faithful Departed:

Recently deceased: Patricia Flynn, Leanne McKenzie, Nathhie McDermot, Lavina Matchin, Branko Roso, Maria Lucia Gafa & Tessie Caruana

Anniversary: Fr Adrian Meany MSC, John London ,May Somerville, Barbara O'Brien, Domenica Scarfo, Winnie Blythe, Carmel Donovan, Kevin Kilbane, Kathleen & Patrick McAleer, Mehall & Maureen Kilbane, Terry McDermot, Jenny Moy, Yolande & Robert Aquilina, George & Nicole Absy, Alfred & Helena Gainge, Robert & Helena Dwyer.

According to Government regulations and out of respect for others, wearing a mask is mandatory in places of worship.



From my desk

Greetings one and all, I wish at this stage to thank you all for making me so welcomed here at St Andrew's/St Agnes'. Sorry for the mishap regarding Ash Wednesday Masses and restrictions RE COVID and children Masses. This Sunda, y is our 1st Sunday of Lent and St Mark's Gospel has Jesus after his baptism going into the wildness and being tempted. Our lives can be described at times a wilderness and even temptation is a struggle at times. At this time, Lent gives us the opportunity to see where we can be good ambassadors of Christ. Let us not lose this opportunity to deepen our belief and love of God, by bettering our relationship with others.

Many thanks to those parents who attended the Reconciliation Parent information night last Thursday evening. Please return the form, as we need to organise a Mass of commitment.

As many of you will be aware, at St Andrew's and St Agnes', there is much need of maintenance. I am striving to look at these matters, they need to be attended to, as they are work, health & safety issues.

This Wednesday at 7pm in St Andrew's Hall Malabar there will be a meeting on the Easter Week & Triduum for the key persons from St Andrew's and St Agnes'.

This Thursday at 7pm there will be meeting of St Andrew's Finance Committee in St Andrew's Hall.

Don't forgot to pick up your Projection Compassion boxes and envelopes. You can place any of your envelopes each week in any of the baskets. God bless you all,

Fr John M. Knight KCHS
Parish Priest

PROJECT COMPASSION

enables us to observe Lent in a practical way by supporting Caritas's work among the needy people of the world.



St Agnes' and St Andrew's are registered as COVID Safe Those who are unwell or at high risk are asked not attend.

Please observe signs on the pews.

Please keep the physical distance of 1.5 metres (2 arms lengths) at all times.

When coming to Holy Communion or placing your donation,

please form one line & keep to the centre of the aisle and go back along the side aisles.

Who's Celebrating Where?

Fr John – St Agnes' Fr John – St Andrew's This Weekend Next Weekend Fr Paul – St Andrew's Fr Paul – St Agnes' eight people 'by water', and when God was still waiting patiently, that these spirits refused to believe. That water is a type of the baptism which saves you now, and which is not the washing off of physical dirt but a pledge made to God from a good conscience, through the resurrection of Jesus Christ, who has entered heaven and is at God's right hand, now that he has made the angels and Dominations and Powers his subjects.

The word of the Lord.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Mt 4: 4

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory! / No one lives on bread alone, / but on every word that comes from the mouth of God. / Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory!

GOSPEL

Mk 1: 12-15

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark

He was tempted by Satan, and the angels looked after him.

The Spirit drove Jesus out into the wilderness and he remained there for forty days, and was tempted by Satan. He was with the wild beasts, and the angels looked after him.

After John had been arrested, Jesus went into Galilee. There he proclaimed the Good News from God. 'The time has come' he said 'and the kingdom of God is close at hand. Repent, and believe the Good News.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

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1ST SUNDAY OF LENT / B

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JOURNEYING WITH THE LORD

It is said that it's better to travel hopefully than to arrive. One element of the truth that underlies this saying is that it is the nature of life that we are continually on the move, that there is always another stage of the journey to be undertaken. As we begin this season of Lent the readings are filled with images of journeys, promises and hope. Noah's journey which began with trusting in the Lord's word and building an ark now comes to its conclusion. Having safely come to dry land another journey begins with a new word and promise of God's blessing and faithfulness towards all creation.

If it is true that we are called to walk towards the light it is also true that we are enabled to do so because God has already taken the first step towards us. Lent is a time when we rightly focus on the task of our on-going conversion but, lest we get discouraged, today's second reading and Gospel are timely reminders that we are not undertaking this journey alone. There is work to be done and Peter calls us to remember the responsibility that goes with our baptism. At the same time we are encouraged by the fact that Jesus has already gone where we hope to go and that not even the Dominations and Powers can really impede us. The testing that Jesus undergoes in the desert at the hands of Satan and his victory is a sign and promise that we too will overcome.

Christopher Monaghan CP

FIRST READING

Gen 9: 8-15

A reading from the book of Genesis

I will recall the covenant between myself and you ... the waters shall never again become a flood to destroy all flesh.

God spoke to Noah and his sons, 'See, I establish my Covenant with you, and with your descendants after you; also with every living creature to be found with you, birds, cattle and every wild beast with you: everything that came out of the ark, everything that lives on the earth. I establish my Covenant with you: no thing of flesh shall be swept away again by the waters of the flood. There shall be no flood to destroy the earth again.'

God said, 'Here is the sign of the Covenant I make between myself and you and every living creature with you for all generations: I set my bow in the clouds and it shall be a sign of the Covenant between me and the earth. When I gather the clouds over the earth and the bow appears in the clouds, I will recall the Covenant between myself and you and every living creature of every kind. And so the waters shall never again become a flood to destroy all things of flesh.'

The word of the Lord.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM Ps 24: 4-9. R. cf. v. 10

- R. Your ways, O Lord, are love and truth to those who keep your covenant.
- 1. Lord, make me know your ways. / Lord, teach me your paths. / Make me walk in your truth, and teach me: / for you are God my saviour. R.



- 2. Remember your mercy, Lord, / and the love you have shown from of old. / In your love remember me, / because of your goodness, O Lord. R.
- 3. The Lord is good and upright. / He shows the path to those who stray, / he guides the humble in the right path; / he teaches his way to the poor, R.

SECOND READING

1 Pet 3: 18-22

A reading from the first letter of St Peter The water of the flood is a type of the baptism which saves you now.

Christ himself, innocent though he was, died once for sins, died for the guilty, to lead us to God. In the body he was put to death, in the spirit he was raised to life, and, in the spirit, he went to preach to the spirits in prison. Now it was long ago, when Noah was still building that ark which saved only a small group of