



# ST. ALOYSIUS GONZAGA CATHOLIC PARISH OF CRONULLA

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*Incorporating:* Our Lady of the Way Church, Bundeena

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AS A COMMUNITY WE SERVE GOD



## FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER, YEAR C

### Prayer of the Church: Psalter Week 1

#### Entrance Antiphon:

O sing a new song to the Lord, for he has worked wonders; in the sight of the nations he has shown his deliverance, alleluia.

#### First Reading: Acts 14:21-27

#### Responsorial Psalm:

I will praise your name for ever, my king and my God.

#### Second Reading: Revelation 21:1-5

#### Gospel Acclamation:

**Alleluia, alleluia!** I give you a new commandment: love one another as I have loved you. **Alleluia!**

#### Gospel: John 13:31-35

#### Communion Antiphon:

I am the true vine and you are the branches, says the Lord. Whoever remains in me, and I in him, bears fruit in plenty, alleluia.

### Congratulations To



**BAPTISM**

**Levi Shooter, Thomas D'Agostino, Lea Fritzsthe and William Mathers** whom we welcome to our Catholic community this weekend. Through his Baptism we pray they will love and serve the Lord always.

Please be aware that all relevant Archdiocese Policy, Protocols and guidelines for safeguarding children, are public documents and are available on the Sydney Archdiocese website.

### Weekly Reflection

As Eastertide continues, we can take fresh heart that we are part of God's glorious plan to bring about a new creation. Jesus's new commandment to love one another as he loves us is the key to transforming the world. The exhilarating mission of Paul and Barnabas in the First Reading helps us to see what can be achieved when we allow God to work within us, even as we endure hardships on the way. The Psalm calls us to sing with the whole creation of God's mighty deeds; his glory, his goodness and his compassion for us. The vision of the heavenly Jerusalem in the Second Reading promises a new creation where the bond between God and his people is fully restored. In the Gospel, Father and Son are together glorified as Jesus prepares to leave this world. Now Jesus gives his friends a new charge: to love one another as he loves us, so we can be recognised as his disciples. This week I might pray to love others more and more as Jesus loves us, so that I can help play my own part in making all things new.

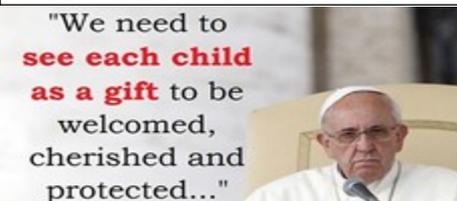
#### REFLECTION

As I come to prayer, I can trust that the Lord is here, waiting for me. I ask for the guidance of the Holy Spirit as I take time to become open and still. I read the text slowly, reverently, a few times. I may like to imagine myself standing alongside St John, witnessing this great act of beauty and transformation. What feelings and thoughts begin to stir within me? I pause awhile, simply resting in God's loving presence. I listen to God promising to make his home among us; to be with us always. Where am I most aware of his loving presence this day ... perhaps in my own home, my community, my church ... in those around me? And how might others be aware of God dwelling within me? I ask the Lord to help me see through his eyes. I ponder what things might need 'making new' both within me and all around me in this Easter season of hope. I ask the Lord to show me ... and to help me see how he is calling me to labour with him in this work of renewal. I speak to him of what is in my heart, and ask for any graces that I need, confident of his love. Before I end my prayer, I bring before the Lord anyone whose tears need to be wiped away today, whether known to me or in the wider world. When I am ready, I draw my prayer to a close with my own words of gratitude, and make a slow sign of the cross.

#### GOSPEL REFLECTION

I take time to come to stillness in the way that suits me best, conscious of stepping into this holy space before the Lord. I ask God to help me respond to him today with openness and generosity. I read these words from St John slowly, taking time to savour them. Maybe it helps to imagine myself sitting with Jesus and his friends at supper, as he speaks of his imminent departure. Perhaps I hear him addressing me, too, as one of his beloved 'little children' ... or perhaps I simply rest quietly in these words of glory and love. How do I want to respond to Jesus, my Lord, who is fully human, yet fully divine? Jesus calls his friends to love in a radical new way, with the self-giving love that he himself embodies. How do I feel to be entrusted with this? Inspired? ... challenged? ... privileged ... or ...? Maybe I think of people I admire who seem able to radiate this radical love of Jesus. What does it mean to live my life so others can see me as a disciple of Jesus? I share my deepest thoughts with the Lord as I would with a trusted friend, asking for whatever grace I need. In time, I gently end my time of prayer, perhaps with the words 'Glory be to the Father ...', as I ask the Lord to deepen his life within me.

Prepared by St Beuno's Outreach in the Diocese of Wrexham



## Friendship across the sea

The St Aloysius Parish Community Cronulla  
linked in friendship with  
St Joseph Parish Hato Udo Timor Leste





### First reading: Acts 14:21-27 ::::

*They assembled the church and gave an account of all that God had done with them.*

Paul and Barnabas went back through Lystra and Iconium to Antioch. They put fresh heart into the disciples, encouraging them to persevere in the faith. 'We all have to experience many hardships' they said 'before we enter the kingdom of God.' In each of these churches they appointed elders, and with prayer and fasting they commended them to the Lord in whom they had come to believe.

They passed through Pisidia and reached Pamphylia. Then after proclaiming the word at Perga they went down to Attalia and from there sailed for Antioch, where they had originally been commended to the grace of God for the work they had now completed.

On their arrival they assembled the church and gave an account of all that God had done with them, and how he had opened the door of faith to the pagans.

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

### Responsorial Psalm: Ps 144:8-13 ::::

**R. I will praise your name for ever, my king and my God.**

The Lord is kind and full of compassion, slow to anger, abounding in love. How good is the Lord to all, compassionate to all his creatures. **R.**

All your creatures shall thank you, O Lord, and your friends shall repeat their blessing. They shall speak of the glory of your reign and declare your might, O God, to make known to men your mighty deeds and the glorious splendour of your reign. **R.**

Yours is an everlasting kingdom; your rule lasts from age to age. **R.**

### Second Reading: Revelation 21:1-5 ::::

*He will wipe away all the tears from their eyes.*

I, John, saw a new heaven and a new earth; the first heaven and the first earth had disappeared now, and there was no longer any sea. I saw the holy city, and the new Jerusalem, coming down from God out of heaven, as beautiful as a bride all dressed for her husband. Then I heard a loud voice call from the throne, 'You see this city? Here God lives among men. He will make his home among them; they shall be his people, and he will be their God; his name is God-with-them. He will wipe away all tears from their eyes; there will be no more death, and no more mourning or sadness. The world of the past has gone.'

Then the One sitting on the throne spoke: 'Now I am making the whole of creation new'.

The word of the Lord.  
**Thanks be to God.**

### Gospel: John 13:31-35 ::::

*I give you a new commandment: love one another.*

When Judas had gone Jesus said: 'Now has the Son of Man been glorified, and in him God has been glorified. If God has been glorified in him, God will in turn glorify him in himself, and will glorify him very soon. My little children, I shall not be with you much longer. I give you a new commandment: love one another; just as I have loved you, you also must love one another. By this love you have for one another, everyone will know that you are my disciples'.

The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

**If anyone can help with readers and communion ministers, especially at the 10am Mass, could they contact Kim in the office?**

### Confirmation Dates 2019

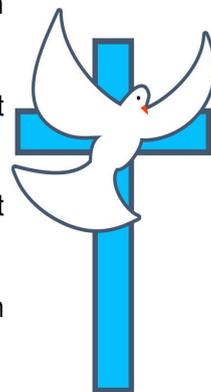
Commitment Mass Trinity Sunday 16th June 6pm

Session 1: 3rd September 6.30pm St Aloysius Church

Session 2: 10th September 6.30pm St Aloysius Church

Retreat Day: 18th September 9am—3pm Thornton Hall

Sacrament of Confirmation: 20th September 7pm.



**New rosters are now printed and available in the church foyer for readers and Communion ministers.**

### A message from the Archdiocese of Sydney ::::

Abuse is a crime. The appropriate people to deal with a crime 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](mailto: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.

### This week in the Catholic Weekly ::::

- \* Jean Vanier: A hero for life
- \* From fire by Water - A tale of conversion
- \* MONICA DOUMIT: Is 'Father' Father?
- \* Mercy to the forgotten
- \* Movie review: Pokemon Detective Pikachu
- \* New rules for investigating abuse

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## Calendar for the Coming Week

<b>Monday:</b>	Parish Office closed. <b>St Vincent de Paul Day Conference:</b> 10.00am at the Chapel.
<b>Tuesday:</b>	<b>Legion of Mary:</b> 4.00pm at the Chapel.
<b>Wednesday:</b>	<b>Care and Concern coffee:</b> 10.00am at Monro Park. <b>Playgroup:</b> 10.00am at Thornton Hall.
<b>Thursday:</b>	<b>Social Justice meeting:</b> 5.30pm at the Chapel.
<b>Friday:</b>	No notice.
<b>Saturday:</b>	<b>Care and Concern Friendship Dinner:</b> 6.00pm at Thornton Hall.

### Father Tom Farewell Mass Sunday 30th June 10am ::::

Please save the date in your diaries, Sunday 30th June at the 10am Mass, we will farewell Father Tom as he leaves for his new appointment at San Souci.

We invite all our Parish Community to join with us in celebrating this Mass and pray in Thanksgiving for Father Tom and his time here at St Aloysius Cronulla as Parish Priest.

After Mass lets all gather in Thornton Hall for a farewell light luncheon, we ask you all to bring along your favourite cakes, sandwiches, sausages rolls, drinks etc.

### St Vincent de Paul night Winter Appeal ::::



We will be conducting our annual Winter appeal at the parish masses next weekend 25th and 26th May 2019. Your donations will go towards assisting the many struggling families in our community. Donations over \$2 are tax deductible. Envelopes will be available on the pews during mass which can then be placed in the buckets that our conference members will be holding in the foyer at the end of the weekend masses. We appreciate your constant support and generosity which enables us to assist those in need. Please contact Vicki Rolland on 0414523449 for further details.

### St Aloysius Social Justice Group ::::

#### *"Friendship across the Sea in Action"*

#### HatoUdo, Timor Leste, Education Scholarships

This weekend the SJG will have **FAIRTRADE** chocolates on sale to support our **High School Education Scholarships** for young people in HatoUdo. Your support is much appreciated. We can assure you all the funds raised through the sale of the chocolates assists third world farmers and the scholarship recipients. Some may also be used towards construction of the HatoUdo Bakery.

Donations are always welcome.



Dear friends,

Our Lady of Mercy College Burraneer is taking part in Australia's Biggest Morning Tea this year and we would love you to come along and join in the fun!

You will be helping us to raise money for Cancer Council; funding life-saving research, prevention programs and helping them to continue to support many of us in the OLMC community whose lives have been impacted by cancer.

We welcome all forms of donations on the day, be it cakes, slices, scones etc. or visit our event page below, where you can also make a \$ donation to help get the fundraising ball rolling.

Raffle prize donations would be gratefully appreciated and can be delivered to the College office.

\$5.00 entry Tickets are available at the College office or contact: [diane.white@syd.catholic.edu.au](mailto:diane.white@syd.catholic.edu.au)

We hope you will be able to join us for this very special event. All proceeds from our morning tea go directly to Cancer Council.

Thank you so much for your support and I hope you'll join us!  
Diane White @ OLMC Burraneer

## MY BIGGEST MORNING TEA IS

WHEN

Wednesday, 22nd May, 2019  
at: 10:00am

WHERE

OLMC Mercy Centre, 62-66 Dominic Street, Burraneer. NSW

Even if you can't make it, I hope you'll consider donating to help us meet our fundraising goal.

Remember, donations over \$2 are tax deductible.

**Ministerial Duties Next Weekend 25th and 26th May**

Masses Cronulla	Vigil Mass Saturday 5.00pm	8.00 am Sunday	10.00 am Sunday	6.00 pm Sunday	Bundeena Sunday 9.00am	Nursing Home
Acolyte						Carolyn E.
Communion Ministers	I. O'Neill N. Azar M. Remedios	P. Irwin M. Hennessy C. Marr G. Downes	F. O'Driscoll B. Slamon K. Croxson R. McCabe	R. Driscoll L. Ison M. Boyd T. Merlino		
Ministers Of the Word	C. Henry N. Azar	P. Irwin M. Hennessy	C. Henry R. McCabe	M. Boyd O. Wright	K. Plumer M. Baldwin	
Prayer of the Faithful	M. O'Connor	E. Molloy	F. O'Driscoll	I. Williams	M. Turner	
Children's Liturgy					<b>Church Work</b> Marie / John	
Cleaning (Saturday)	R. Butterfield Adam					
Parish Counting Groups	<b><u>This Week Group 7</u></b> P. & B. Watkins, J. O'Neill, A. Wagner, J. & T. Stokes		<b><u>Next Week Group 1</u></b> L. Overton, M. Staunton, C. & M. Sammut			

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 De La Salle, Caringbah ..... 9524 9133  
 De La Salle, Cronulla ..... 8522 1500

**Mass and other Liturgical Schedules****Sunday:**

**St Aloysius Church, Cronulla** Vigil Mass: Saturday 5.00pm. Sunday Masses: 8.00am, 10.00am, 6.00pm  
**Our Lady of the Way Church, Bundeena:** Sunday Mass 1st Sunday of the month

**Weekdays: This week:**

**St Aloysius Church, Cronulla:** Monday: **(No Mass)**  
**Mass** Tuesday to Friday: 7.00am **and** 9.30am  
**Mass** Saturday: 8.00am

**Sacrament of Penance** (Confession) **St Aloysius Church, Cronulla:** Sat 4.00pm (or on request)  
**Our Lady of the Way Church, Bundeena:** Before Sunday Mass.

**Baptisms:** By appointment. **Morning Prayer:** Before Weekday 7.00am Masses. **Rosary:** After the weekday Mass.

**Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and Benediction:** **To be advised.**

**Anointing of the Sick in Mass:** **To be advised.**

Anointing of the sick as required in the home or church. Please contact the Parish Centre.



We pray for Fr John Pearce and Ellen Tripoldi who died recently. We pray for Jean Collins, Sarah Dooley, Phyllis Mary Dwight, Maria Carbone and Jean & Jim Quinn whose anniversaries occur around this time.

Let us also remember our relatives and friends who have departed this life, especially Jim Downes, Reginald Buncombe, Brian Small, Josephine & Anthony Cozdina, Mick McMahon, Harold Newcombe, Joseph Anthony Casaceli, Helen Forbes, Mary Mullins and her sisters Monica and Julia, Paul & Jean Givney, Allan & Laurel Howarth and Megan Howarth.

**MAY THEIR SOULS AND ALL THE SOULS OF THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED REST IN PEACE**

Your Contribution to the Church is your appreciation for your Parish. To become a regular contributor please fill in this slip and return it to the Parish Office or place it on the Sunday Collection Plate.

*'It is in giving that we receive'*

**Planned Giving Envelope Request Form**

Name.....Telephone Number .....

Address .....