

PARISH YOUTH

Save the Date

JULY 25, 2026, SAINT IGNATIUS COLLEGE

POWERUP 2026

ABOUT

From 2pm-9pm, hosted by COYYA, Power Up 2026 will facilitate an afternoon of engaging workshops on a variety of topics, Vigil Mass, live music and food!

2:00pm - Welcome & Workshops

6:00pm - Vigil Mass (celebrated by Fr Mark Sexton)

7:00pm - Food & Music (into Praise and Worship)

9:00pm - Finish

Registration (including cost of all food and drinks) are free. Bookings are essential!



Workshops

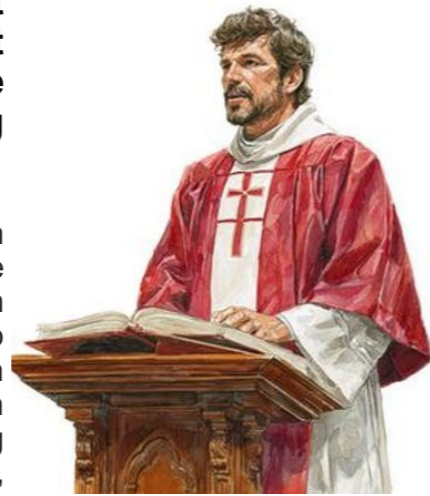


PRAISE AND WORSHIP



Did you know that lay people are not permitted to give the homily during a Catholic Mass?

Recently, the German Bishops' Conference requested permission from the Vatican to allow qualified lay men and women to preach the homily during Mass. The Vatican, through the Dicastery for Divine Worship and the Discipline of the Sacraments, declined the request, reaffirming the Church's longstanding teaching that the homily during the Eucharistic celebration is reserved to ordained ministers like bishops, priests, and deacons. The Vatican explained that this is not merely a disciplinary rule but is rooted in the very nature of the liturgy and the sacrament of Holy Orders.



1. The homily is an integral part of the Sacred Liturgy. It is not simply a speech or reflection but a liturgical act within the celebration of the Eucharist. Therefore, it has a unique role in the Church's worship.
2. The homily is intrinsically connected to the proclamation of the Gospel. The Church teaches that the homily flows directly from the Word of God proclaimed in the liturgy and forms part of the Liturgy of the Word.
3. Preaching the homily is an exercise of the teaching office entrusted through Holy Orders. Through ordination, bishops, priests, and deacons receive a particular responsibility to teach in the name of the Church. The homily is one expression of this sacred ministry.
4. The ordained minister acts in a unique sacramental role within the Mass. During the Eucharistic celebration, the priest acts in persona Christi ("in the person of Christ"). The homily is closely linked to this sacramental ministry and cannot be separated from it.
5. Lay people have many important opportunities to evangelize and teach outside the homily. The Church encourages lay faithful to proclaim the Gospel through catechesis, Bible studies, retreats, testimonies, prayer services, and other forms of ministry. Their mission is vital, even though the homily at Mass remains reserved to ordained ministers.

Can lay people preach in the Church?

Yes. Lay people may teach, give talks, lead catechesis, share testimonies, and preach in various settings permitted by Church law. However, the homily during the celebration of the Mass is reserved to bishops, priests and deacons.



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14th SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME YEAR A — July 05, 2026

ENJOY THE LOVE OF GOD

Today's gospel reading from Matthew – filled with light and joy. At this moment, it is good to distinguish two terms: happiness and joy. For example, I will be happy when I am able to eat pizza again, or when I will see my friends soon. But a moment of happiness isn't always lasting. After I eat pizza, there is still an empty space in my heart that I know all the pizzas of the world cannot fill. Even if I spend the entire day with my friends, I know it is not enough for me.

Joy, on the other hand, lasts because it is not dependent on certain



things or people, but it is a state of peace and contentment of the heart. Not everyone who is joyful smiles, just as not everyone who smiles is actually joyful. Jesus in our Gospel experiences this pure joy and

gives thanks to the Father for allowing his disciples and us today to know the path towards true joy: the presence of God in our lives.

In the next part of the Gospel passage, Jesus promises 'rest' for all who come to Him, recalls the times he took his disciples aside to encourage them, and gives hope for us who are overwhelmed and discouraged by today's difficult situations and problems to come to Him. We will truly find our encouragement in the joy brought by our living faith in Christ.

It is hard to find joy and rest in this world because we live in so much pride, worry, and enlarge what should be insignificant things and minimize the things that truly matter: God's love for us and our response to that love freely given to us. This is why Jesus gives us the key to what He promises us today: be humble and simple, like little children, so that we will not be trapped in our own complications, and simply enjoy the love of God that is set before us.

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MASSES SCHEDULE

Weekdays

8:15am—Monday—Friday

Saturday

8:00am—Italian

4:30pm—Spanish (Ant Sunday Mass)

6:00pm—English (Ant Sunday Mass)

Sundays

9:00am—English

10:30am—Italian

6:00pm—English

3:00pm—Albanian—2nd Sun

3:00pm—Filipino— 3rd Sun

Baptism—11:45am—Sunday

Confession- 8:30-9:00am—Saturday

Adoration- 7:00pm—Saturday



"True Christians are not those who say every day with their lips: Lord your kingdom come; rather those who employ all possible means, so that this kingdom may spread and become permanent on earth."

John B. Scalabrini, Pastoral Letter, 4-11-1877

SCRIPTURE READINGS

1st Reading — Zech 9: 9-10

From the book of the prophet Zechariah

The Lord says this: 'Rejoice heart and soul, daughter of Zion! Shout with gladness, daughter of Jerusalem! See now, your king comes to you; he is victorious, he is triumphant, humble and riding on a donkey, on a colt, the foal of a donkey. He will banish chariots from Ephraim and horses from Jerusalem; the bow of war will be banished. He will proclaim peace for the nations. His empire shall stretch from sea to sea, from the River to the ends of the earth.'

The Word of the Lord

Responsorial Psalm

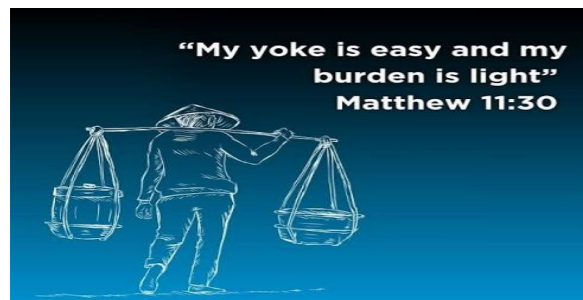
R: *I will praise your name for ever, my king and my God.*

I will give you glory, O God my King, I will bless your name for ever. I will bless you day after day and praise your name for ever. **R.**

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. **R.**

The Lord is faithful in all his words and loving in all his deeds. The Lord supports all who fall and raises all who are bowed down. **R.**



2nd Reading — Rom 8: 9, 11-13

From the letter of Paul to the Romans.

Your interests are not in the unspiritual, but in the spiritual, since the Spirit of God has made his home in you. In fact, unless you possessed the Spirit of Christ you would not belong to him, and if the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead is living in you, then he who raised Jesus from the dead will give life to your own mortal bodies through his Spirit living in you. So then, my brothers, there is no necessity for us to obey our unspiritual selves or to live unspiritual lives. If you do live in that way, you are doomed to die; but if by the Spirit you put an end to the misdeeds of the body you will live.

The Word of the Lord

Alleluia, alleluia!

Blessed are you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth; you have revealed to little ones the mysteries of the kingdom.

Alleluia!

Gospel — Mt 11: 25-30

From the holy Gospel according to Matthew.

Jesus exclaimed, 'I bless you, Father, Lord of heaven and of earth, for hiding these things from the learned and the clever and revealing them to mere children. Yes, Father, for that is what it pleased you to do. Everything has been entrusted to me by my Father; and no one knows the Son except the Father, just as no one knows the Father except the Son and those to whom the Son chooses to reveal him. 'Come to me, all you who labour and are overburdened, and I will give you rest. Shoulder my yoke and learn from me, for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. Yes, my yoke is easy and my burden light.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

ARCHDIOCESAN NEWS



Caritas Australia End of Financial Year Appeal

Caritas Australia invites you to help families facing conflict, hunger and displacement. Your support is needed to get critical aid into countries like Sudan, which is facing the largest humanitarian crisis in the world today. More than 30 million people are in urgent need of assistance, the healthcare system has collapsed, and families are facing chronic food insecurity. Make a donation today at: <https://www.caritas.org.au/make-hunger-history>

Theology at the Bar

Faith, ideas & conversation. Come along, all welcome. Guest Speaker: Fr Mannes Tellis

Date: Wed 8 July
Venue: Ern Malley Bar
Magill Rd
Stepney, SA
Time: 6:30pm



Snacks, toasties and drinks available at the bar.

Adelaide Fire Weekend—Sat 11 July 9am-9pm & Sun 12 July 9am-2pm

Deepen in the Holy Spirit and gather with a vibrant Catholic community over two days of talks from interstate speakers, charismatics praise and worship, masses, the Sacrament of Reconciliation, adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and fellowship. Youth, young adults, families and all are welcome!

Venue: Blackfriars Priory School, Prospect

Suggested donation (cover all meals, event costs and children retreat): \$39 school students, \$49 concession, \$59 adults, pre-schoolers free, family discounts available.

<https://app.tickets.org.au/afw/26>

RCIA Team Training Series

The Community life and Worship Team warmly invites parish RCIA team members and anyone involved in accompanying those exploring the Catholic faith to join our 5 weeks RCIA Team Training Series beginning Tuesday, July 7 or Thursday July 9 online. Together, we will explore best practice, share experience, and reflect on how we can continue to welcome accompany those seeking Christ within our parish communities. Registration is required. Any enquiries call 82108130

PARISH CALENDAR

Sat 04/07	4:30 PM	Laureano Rodriguez
	6:00 PM	Guido Di Fabio
Sun 05/07	9:00 AM	Nikoll Ducaj, Immaculada Postrano, Victor Robert
	10:30 AM	Anna Carrera, Eduardo Castelluzzo, Vincenzo & Ottavio Tassone, Mariantonio Aloï, Aloï DFM, Domenico Carrera, Rosangela Tassone, Carrera & Tassone DFM, Incoronata Mennillo, Antonio Mennillo, Lena & Nicola Roscioli
	6:00 PM	English Mass
Mon 06/07	8:15 AM	Guido Di Fabio
	7:00 PM	Mass in Spanish
Tue 07/07	8:15 AM	Italian Mass
	7:00 PM	Baptismal Information Input
Wed 08/07	8:15 AM	English Mass
Thu 09/07	8:15 AM	English Mass
Fri 10/07	8:15 AM	Helena Lech
	5:00 PM	Holy Rosary
	6:00 PM	Mem Mass (+Bernardo Garcia Torres)
Sat 11/07	8:00 AM	Italian Mass

MINISTRY ROSTERS

July 05, 2026	Lectors	EOCM
6:00pm (Sat)	Leila Veras Teresa Jimenea	Tomas Jimenea Rosa Mazzone
9:00am	Aberto Logozzo Loel Ojerio	Francesca Boffo Rosa Brunello
10:30am Italian	Albina Perre Vito Zerella	Cecilia Mazzone G & L Farinola
6:00pm	Youth Readers	Jorge Contreras Teresa Cimmino

July 12, 2026	Lectors	EOCM
6:00pm (Sat)	Nives Kresevic Maria Scarsella	Phil Della-Pietra Jenny DeGennaro
9:00am	Lucita Cabangal Christine George	Charles Zammit Teresa Candeloro
10:30am Italian	Nicholas Farinola Anthony Farinola	Tonin Pecaj, Nella Santo, F. Colangelo
6:00pm	Precious Galgo Teresa Bunting	Ludwina Tan Rosemary Velardo

COLLECTION (28/06/26)

1st Collection	2nd Collection	Holy Father's Appeal	Total
\$2,284.00	\$2,140.00	\$666.00	\$5,090.00