



GREEK ORTHODOX ARCHDIOCESE OF AUSTRALIA
ST STYLIANOS NEWSLETTER

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HOLY WEEK 2011

Dear Parishioners,

What a blessing to have the opportunity to go through Great Lent and Holy Week once again all together as a Parish. It is great that we have School holidays for Holy Week and that our Easters are together this year. This will hopefully make it easier to attend Services. The emphasis is on us not to be complacent about our Faith. Let's get involved. We really do need your support and participation in the everyday Services and development of the Parish. We all have an important part to play.

During Great Lent, we experience a sense of "Joyful Sadness": we prepare ourselves through prayerful struggle, fasting, repentance and confession in order to restore our life so that we can experience the joy of the Resurrection which is a foretaste here and now of eternal life. Living in a Christian Community makes all the difference.

Let's all continue to participate in the Sacraments and in particular Holy Communion regularly so that we can receive God's grace and be partakers of Divine Nature. Let's strive to become holy and put the selfishness of the world and our egos aside.

One can ask where are we heading? More wars, more poverty, more earthquakes, more nuclear disasters... These are indications of a world in pain. The Lord says to us: "Do not be afraid I am with you". Our Prayers need to focus on all these people in need, sickness pain and suffering. We pray that God will enlighten the young, strengthen the elderly, guide singles and embrace married couples to love each other and help others. All this we ask for the Salvation of us all.

May God help and enlighten you and your family.

BELOW WE HAVE LISTED THE VARIOUS ACTIVITIES IN OUR PARISH. PLEASE TAKE ADVANTAGE OF THESE.

We pray you have a Blessed Pascha - CHRIST IS RISEN.

Fr Constantine Varipatis - Parish Priest

ACTIVITIES OF PARISH

1) SUNDAY SCHOOL

Every Sunday Morning. Meet 9.30 am at Church. It is great fun with many new things to learn and experience in 2011.

2) GREEK SCHOOL

This is going strong for all Primary age groups at Gynea and Menai areas along with classes at Newington & Trinity Grammar. Adult classes may be held if there is enough expressions of interest.

3) TEENAGE FELLOWSHIP

The Teenage fellowship is held every Saturday at 4.30 pm in the Church Hall. This is a very popular fellowship with a lot of fun and games.

4) ADULT FELLOWSHIP

Every **Wednesday** at 7.30 pm in the Church Hall. Starts back on the 4th of May.

5) SCOUTS AND CUBS

Scouts and Cubs meet every Friday evening at 6.30 pm in the Hall. These are Greek Orthodox Groups. We have trained leaders. Also Fr Constantine is Chaplain. This is something of great benefit for our young people.

6) ΟΜΑΔΑ ΗΑΙΚΙΩΜΕΝΩΝ - SENIOR CITIZENS GROUP

Our Senior's group is every Tuesday at 9.30am with Prayer (usually Paraklisis). After this we have our morning tea and activities. The seniors have a great time.

7) BYZANTINE MUSIC LESSONS

Philip Kariatlis is doing lessons for our children on Friday Evening at the Church.

8) PLAY GROUP

Play group is every Thursday at 10.00am in the Church Hall. All Kids and Parents are welcome.

9) SCRIPTURE TEACHERS

Teaching the word of God is a great blessing for us all. We need parents who are prepared to dedicate an hour a week to teaching our children.

ΠΡΟΓΡΑΜΜΑ ΜΕΓΑΛΗΣ ΕΒΔΟΜΑΔΟΣ 2011

17	ΚΥΡΙΑΚΗ	7.45 - 10.45 πμ 12.00 7.00 - 8.30 μμ	Κυριακή των Βαΐων Γεύμα Ψάρι μετά την Θ. Λειτουργία at C-SIDE Kyeemagh (near Airport tunnel) Ακολουθία του Νυμφίου
18	Μ.ΔΕΥΤΕΡΑ	8.00 - 9.30 πμ 7.00 - 8.30 μμ	Προηγιασμένη Θεία Λειτουργία Ακολουθία του Νυμφίου - Των 10 Παρθένων
19	Μ. ΤΡΙΤΗ	8.00 - 9.30 πμ 7.00 - 8.30 μμ	Προηγιασμένη Θεία Λειτουργία Ακολουθία του Νυμφίου -
20	Μ.ΤΕΤΑΡΤΗ	8.00 - 9.30 πμ 3.00 - 5.00 μμ 7.00 - 8.30 μμ	Προηγιασμένη Θεία Λειτουργία Άγιο Ευχέλαιο Ακολουθία του Νυμφίου
21	Μ.ΠΕΜΠΤΗ	5.45 - 8.00 πμ 6.30 - 10.00 μμ	Πρωινή Θεία Λειτουργία με Εσπερινό - Μυστικός Δείπνος Ακολουθία των Παθών του Κυρίου - τα Δώδεκα Ευαγγέλια
22	Μ.ΠΑΡΑΣΚΕΥΗ	7.00 - 9.00 πμ 3.00 - 5.00 μμ 7.00 - 10.00 μμ	Ακολουθία των Μεγάλων Ωρών Εσπερινός και Αποκαθήλωση Ακολουθία του Επιταφίου
23	Μ. ΣΑΒΒΑΤΟ	5.15- 8.30 πμ	Πρωινή Θεία Λειτουργία με Εσπερινό
24	ΚΥΡΙΑΚΗ ΤΟΥ ΠΑΣΧΑ	11.00 μμ Σαββ	Νυχτερινή Ακολουθία - Κανόνας του Μεγάλου Σαββάτου
		12.00 - 2.30 πμ 11.00πμ	ΤΟ ΑΓΙΟΝ ΠΑΣΧΑ - Η ΑΝΑΣΤΑΣΗ ΤΟΥ ΚΥΡΙΟΥ & Θ. ΛΕΙΤΟΥΡΓΙΑ Ο Εσπερινός της Αγάπης στην Αρχιεπισκοπή - Redfern
25	Δευτέρα	8.00 - 10.00 πμ	Γεωργίου Μεγαλομάρτυρος του Τροπαιοφόρου
26	Τρίτη	8.00 - 10.00 πμ	Μάρκου του Ευαγγελιστού και Ραφαήλ, Νικολάου και Ειρήνης

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17	PALM SUNDAY	7.45 - 10.45 am 12.00 7.00 - 8.30 pm	PALM SUNDAY Seafood Luncheon - after the Liturgy at C-SIDE Kyeemagh (near Airport tunnel) BRIDEGROOM SERVICE – St Joseph
18	HOLY MONDAY	8.00 - 9.30 am 7.00 - 8.30 pm	PRESANCTIFIED LITURGY BRIDEGROOM SERVICE – 10 Virgins
19	HOLY TUESDAY	8.00 - 9.30 am 7.00 - 8.30 pm	PRESANCTIFIED LITURGY BRIDEGROOM SERVICE – Hymn of Cassianis
20	HOLY WEDNESDAY	8.00 - 9.30 am 3.00 - 5.00 pm 7.00 - 8.30 pm	PRESANCTIFIED LITURGY HOLY UNCTION – a Healing Service BRIDEGROOM SERVICE - Last Supper
21	HOLY THURSDAY	5.45 - 8.00 am 6.30 - 10.00 pm	MORNING DIVINE LITURGY OF ST BASIL – - HOLY COMMUNION THE HOLY PASSION – 12 Gospels
22	HOLY FRIDAY	7.00 - 9.00 am 3.00 - 5.00 pm 7.00 - 10.00 pm	SERVICE OF THE GREAT HOURS VESPERS OF APOKATHILOSIS – Taking down from the Cross THE LAMENTATIONS (EPITAPHIOS)
23	HOLY SAT.	5.15 - 8.30 am	EARLY MORNING VESPERS & DIVINE LITURGY OF ST BASIL HOLY COMMUNION
24	SUNDAY OF PASCHA	11.00pm SATURDAY 12.00 - 2.30 am 11.00 am	MATINS OF THE RESURRECTION PASCAL LITURGY & HOLY COMMUNION Vespers of Love at Archdiocese - 242 Cleveland St, Redfern
25	Renewal Monday	8.00 - 10.00 am	St George the Great martyr
26	Renew al Tuesday	8.00 - 10.00 am	Evangelist Mark, Sts Raphael, Nicholas and Irene & “Portaitissa” Icon