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<p>Catholic news: The Catholic Thing, National Catholic Reporter; EWTN; Crux, L'Osservatore Romano Vatican News. Pope Francis@Pontifex</p>	<p>The Liturgy Office has prepared a policy for Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion in the Archdiocese of Sydney. It can be found on our web-page at <a href="https://liturgy.sydneycatholic.org/wp-content/uploads/2023/10/EMHC-in-Sydney-final-and-approved-5-Oct-2023.pdf">https://liturgy.sydneycatholic.org/wp-content/uploads/2023/10/EMHC-in-Sydney-final-and-approved-5-Oct-2023.pdf</a>.</p>		<p>We express our sympathy to Brain Smith at the loss of his last Sister. May She Rest in Peace.</p>	 <p>Knox Public Lecture 2023 presented by Dr Susan Connelly RSJ Truth and Peace: Timeless Twins 28 November 7.30pm Live video stream via Zoom. "Truth and Peace: Timeless Twins" Presented by Dr Susan Connelly RSJ. To book scan the QR code or <a href="http://trybooking.com/CMYVM">trybooking.com/CMYVM</a></p>
<p>On Sundays after 8am Mass there is cuppa.</p>		<p>The Catholic Archdiocese of Sydney invites groups of school students (years 9-12) and young adults to the inaugural youth conference 7-8 December at Rosebank College, Five Dock. Please scan QR code.</p>	<p>26<sup>th</sup> November, Solemnity of Jesus Christ, King of the Universe.</p> <p>On this, last Sunday of the Liturgical Year (A) we are all invited to join Volunteers of various Ministries in particular our Catechists at 11am for lunch in the parish hall. Please bring a savoury plate to share with one another. There will be a lot of fun and certainly we all will have an opportunity to chat and socialise with one another.</p> <p>A lot of lucky-door prizes, guessing competition and much more...</p>	
<p>We acknowledge the Gweagal People, the traditional Custodians of this land.</p>	<p>November Mass Intentions envelopes are available from this weekend. Please return them and place in the collection box at the altar. Next month we will offer our prayers exclusively for our Faithful Departed.</p>		 <p>Collection of the used stamps for Mary Mackillop Today (MMT) to raise needed funds to contest poverty (Papua New Guinea, Timor-Lests ...). Please trim stamp off leaving a generous margin of envelop all around stamp. A box is provided in the church for this purpose. More information: John Altham, m: 0455 205 804</p>	<p>Aid to the Church in Need Australia</p> 
<p>St. Joseph's Como cares for safeguarding children. Safeguarding Office at 9390 5810 or <a href="mailto:safeguarding-enquiries@sydneycatholic.org">safeguarding-enquiries@sydneycatholic.org</a>.</p>	<p>Please contribute to non-perishable goods / food for <b>Christmas Hampers</b> Appeal. A collection box is placed at the church entrance. Thank you so much for your generosity. Christmas Season Appeal will be on 6<sup>th</sup>&amp;7<sup>th</sup> Jan.</p>	<p>Are Extraterrestrials compatible with Christianity ?</p>	<p>Parish Renewal Team News QR code for more information and registration to the workshops.</p>	<p>The name "Fátima", one of the Virgin's Mary's most famous, powerful, and prophetic appearances, in Portugal (in 1917), was named for a woman who in turn was named for the daughter of the prophet Mohammed when Turks — Muslims — overran this part of Western Europe, as periodically they did.</p>
<p><b>Daily Masses:</b> 7:30am <b>Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday and Saturday</b> (Saturday: Mass, Cenacle, Confession &amp; Benediction); <b>Tuesday</b> 5:30pm: Adoration, Novena, Confession, Benediction and 6pm Mass. <b>First Fridays</b> 5:30pm Devotions &amp; 6pm Mass.</p> <p><b>Weekend Mass times: Saturday:</b> Vigil 5pm <b>Sunday:</b> 8am, 9:30am and <b>2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday</b> of the month at 3pm: Divine Mercy Chaplet with Benediction and Mass.</p> <p><b>Baptisms at 9:30 Mass.</b> Marriage and Baptism inquiries please contact Parish Office.</p>		<p>"The Church receives all those who can be baptised. Organisations cannot be baptised. People can." Pope Francis</p>	<p>I can't change the direction of the wind, but I can adjust my sails to reach my destination.</p>	<p>Please scan QR code for a full information related to the formation seminars, possibly conducted in our Parish. They will be offered next year for new candidates and those already involved in ministries. Please contact Parish office.</p> 
<p><b>Our sick:</b> Nerida Tullio, Steven Leeke, Helen Cramer, Max McLeod, Philip Andrew Romanow, Richard Davis, Michele McQuillan, Joan &amp; Vince Fernandez, Drago Mikan, Therese Dorff, Steve Smith, Barbara Moore, Albert McMaster, Elizabeth Kinsela, Katrina Marinilli, Rita Shah, Julia Lock, Marie Lawsen, Ian Duffey, Elette Majdandzic; Dragica Furda, Mary Carmen Borg, Josefa Dabu, Josie Lay, Christine Woodard, Urszula Kaminiska, Josephine and Steven Marinilli, Nicholas Mircevski and all Dear Friends from <b>Mildred Symons House:</b> <b>Next Mass 10.45am, 6<sup>th</sup> Dec. 2023.</b></p> <p><a href="https://www.bpoint.com.au/pay/comooyster-bayparish">HTTPS://WWW.BPOINT.COM.AU/PAY/COMOOYSTER-BAYPARISH</a></p>	 <p>1<sup>st</sup> \$583 2<sup>nd</sup> \$354 P. Giv. \$475 CWF \$1000 Mission: \$10</p>			