

**Please pray for our sick**, especially Arthur Haddad, Norman Hay, Wendy Bridges, Margaret Farrugia, Nick Hurst, Pat Little, Dorothy Reid, Patrick Dallen and Graham Meyer.

### **In Memoriam**

William Porter, Graham John Brindell, Myra Elizabeth Hammond, Ernesto Tagle, John William Samway, Alice Veronica Nolan, Anna Balic, Harold Wormleaton, Barbara Goodfellow and Magdalene Hogan.

**There are Planned Giving flyers at the church entrance. Please feel free to fill one in.**

**Also, if you are registered for the Envelope Giving, please ensure you have picked them up. If your details have changed, please contact the office.**

Our first **Mercy Mass** is to be held 14 February 11.30am at St Marys Erskineville. It will be followed by a BBQ.

### **COVID update**

Masks are compulsory in our Masses. We are allowed 1 person per 4sq meters. Please scan in using the QR code – this is the preferred option. Or sign the Attendance sheet at the front of the church.

### **World Interfaith Harmony Week 2021 (February 1-7)**

**When is it?** World Interfaith Harmony Week is celebrated annually on the first week of February (February 1st to February 7th).

**What is it about?** World Interfaith Harmony Week aims to promote harmony between all people regardless of their faith and non-faith. It provides a platform, one week in the year, where people of every group can recognize their common values, build ties with each other, and work alongside one another to bring peace and harmony to their communities. In Australia it seeks to celebrate our cultural diversity. It's about inclusiveness, respect and a sense of belonging for everyone.

**How did it originate?** World Interfaith Harmony Week was first proposed at the United Nations General Assembly on September 23, 2010 by H.M. King Abdullah II of Jordan. Just under a month later, on October 20, 2010, it was unanimously adopted by the United Nations and henceforth the first week of February became World Interfaith Harmony Week.

**What is it based on?** World Interfaith Harmony Week is based on the pioneering work of The Common Word initiative. This initiative, which started in 2007, called for Muslim and Christian leaders to engage in a dialogue based on two common fundamental religious Commandments; Love of God, and Love of the Neighbour, without nevertheless compromising any of their own religious tenets. The Two commandments are at the heart of the three Monotheistic religions and therefore provide the most solid theological ground possible.

World Interfaith Harmony Week extends the Two Commandments by adding ‘Love of the Good, and Love of the Neighbour’. This formula includes all people of goodwill. It includes those of other faiths, and those with no faith.

## Companions Matter

An information session for those interested in becoming a volunteer companion. 18 February 2021 at 7.30pm via zoom. Register at [peter.carroll@catholiccare.org](mailto:peter.carroll@catholiccare.org)

Ash Wednesday is 17 February and our masses are 9.15am and 6pm

**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 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.

<b>Mass Times</b> Saturday 6pm Sunday 9am and 6pm Wed., Thurs. and Fri. 9.15am Parish Administration: Ph 95163542	<b>Sacraments</b> Baptism and Marriage please contact the office to book a date and time with Fr Tan Email is: <a href="mailto:admin@stmaryserskineville.org.au">admin@stmaryserskineville.org.au</a> Website: <a href="http://www.stmaryserskineville.org.au/">www.stmaryserskineville.org.au/</a> Fr Tan Nguyen msc
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