



**ST FRANCIS XAVIER LURNEA  
SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - YEAR B  
14TH & 15TH FEBRUARY 2015**

We acknowledge the traditional owners and custodians of the land on which we stand.  
We walk on a land once occupied by the Darug Clan, the Cabrogal,  
a sub group of the Gandangara tribe who lived in this area for over 30,000 years.  
May we continue to love and respect the land as they have.

*Reflection*

Mother Teresa said: ‘We have drugs for people with diseases such as Leprosy. But these drugs do not treat the main problem, the disease of being *unwanted*. That’s what my sisters hope to provide. An alcoholic in Australia told me that when he is walking along the streets he hears footsteps of everyone coming towards him or passing him becoming faster. The feeling of being unwanted is the most terrible poverty of all.’

The most fundamental characteristic of a human being is a heart crying out for love. It is a characteristic common not only to the person with a disability or the prisoner, but also to all humanity. One need not be a doctor or a miracle worker to meet this need.

*Jesus: the compassion of God.....*

Jesus shows us the compassion of God in the face of human suffering.

In the beautiful words of Oscar Wilde:  
‘Jesus understood the leprosy of the leper,  
the darkness of the blind,  
the fierce misery of those who live for pleasure,  
the strange poverty of the rich,  
and the thirst that can lead people  
to drink from muddy waters.’

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Tuesday to Friday  
9.30am – 5.30pm  
*Bulletin notices to be in by Thurs. 12pm.  
(Please type/print your message clearly).*

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**Weekend Mass Times:**  
Saturday Vigil.....5.00pm  
Sunday.....8.00am, 9.30am &  
.....6.00pm

**Weekday Mass Times:**  
(See bulletin for changes)

**Reconciliation:**  
Saturday.....4.00pm - 4.30pm

**Baptisms:** By Appointment  
1st & 3rd Sundays of the month at 11.00am

**Marriages:** By Appointment

**Prayer Group:**  
Thursdays..... 7.30pm - 8.15pm

**St Vincent De Paul** 9823 1222

**Care Group**  
Anne Hobbs: 9601 - 7061

*Weekday Mass Times*

**Monday** - No Mass  
**Tuesday** - 9:00am Mass  
**Wednesday** - *Ash Wednesday*  
- 9:00am Mass SFX Church  
- 12:00pm Mass SCOS School Hall  
- 7:30pm Mass SFX Church  
**Thursday** - 9.00am Mass  
**Friday** - 9.00am Mass

*Ash Wednesday - 18th February 2015*

**Mass Times**

**9:00am Mass at St Francis Xavier Church**  
with SFX school and neighbouring high schools  
Students that belong to Lurnea Parish.

**12:00pm Mass at St Catherine of Siena School  
Hall, Prestons for Yrs 3,4,5 & 6.**

**7:30pm Mass at St Francis Xavier Church**



**Baptisms**

Welcome to the Faith Community,  
**Samson Maafu Bronco Fonua ,  
Kyizhan D'marius Uele Smith ,  
& Josiah-Tind Tepu-Smith**

who are going to be Baptised this Sunday.  
Congratulations to their parents, and their extended  
family. God Bless you all.

***Lenten Program 2015***

Lenten discussion will begin Tuesday 24th February  
2015 at 7:00pm in the Church meeting rooms.

If you would like to join this group you are most  
welcome to show up on the night.



***Happy New Year***

to the Vietnamese, Chinese &  
Korean people who are  
celebrating their New Lunar Year  
on Thursday 19th February 2015,  
the Year of the Goat.

**CHÚC MỪNG NĂM MỚI ẤT MÙI**

***SFX Care Group News***

Come along and join the Lurnea Parish Care Groups  
First Gathering for 2015

**Chinese NEW YEAR BINGO!**

Lots of prizes to be won and some Chinese delights  
to nibble on! (traditional English as well)

**Friday 20<sup>th</sup> February at 10am**

In the Church meeting rooms

\$5- to cover all games and food

Please place your names on the 'Attendance Sheet'  
at the rear of the Church, alternatively call Ann on  
9601 7061 or Emma on 0421 935 024 to book a seat.

For Men of all ages:

***'On Fatherhood.....A day of reflection  
and fellowship for Men.'***

A number of reflections provided by members of  
Schoenstatt Men's Fellowship on the Fatherhood of  
God and being a father. Mass will be celebrated and  
the sacrament of confession will be available.

Morning & afternoon tea & BBQ Lunch

Hosted by the Life, Marriage & Family Centre.

Where: Marymount Mercy Centre, Castle Hill.

When: Saturday, 14 March 2015, 8:00am - 4:00pm.

Donation: \$10.00

Please direct registrations and inquiries to

lmfcentre@sydneycatholic.org

or phone (02) 9390 8405

***St Francis Xavier Parish Golden Jubilee  
Sunday 19 July.***

We request any photos that were taken in the parish  
over the last 50 years to be forwarded to the Parish  
office. These photos will be scanned and returned to  
you and then will be used in our commemorative  
book that will be published in honour of this great  
event. If you can help with any information,  
newspaper clippings or any special memories you  
may have please forward in an email to  
admin@sfxlurnea.org.au

***Catechist Recruitment Drive Weekend***

**28th February & 1st March at all Masses**

Anyone who has the passion to talk about religion  
especially with children, you may have a  
calling to be a Catechist or a Catechist helper.  
One day a week for 30-45 mins only in a classroom.

Please contact Jodie on 0418 630 124 or  
email Jodie\_021@hotmail.com for more information.

***Note to all current Catechists:***

All Catechists please attend one of the Masses on the  
28th Feb or 1st March for you to be commissioned in  
for the 2015 year. Also please hand in your Working  
with Children's Check Number to Mary-Ann at the  
parish office asap as you will not be able to continue  
in this ministry if you don't. Thank you.

***Catholic Weekly Issue 15 February***

- Beatification near for Oscar Romero, martyr
- Singing, dancing in St Mary's Cathedral as Sudanese honour their saint
- Archbishop, Grand Mufti in joint plea for mercy for drug smugglers
- A priest's story brings 15,000 people to their feet cheering
- Every family needs a dad to guide, love and share joy and pain: pope
- The best Lent I ever spent
- Not what I expected, but, oh, what a joy!
- How or what to think? What thinkers think of ethics claim



**Anniversaries**

Paul Jumeau  
 Angelique Jumeau  
 Teresita Sheff  
 Daisy Fernandez

*May the souls of the faithful departed rest in peace.*

*We remember our deceased relatives and friends...*

**We pray for those who are sick, especially:**

Fr Bill Davis,	Joyce Mifsud,
Margaret McKenna,	Pat Lord,
Noah Rewa,	Patricia Kearns,
Joseph Fakhoury	Yvonne Howes
John Bell,	Bill Howlett
Joe Moore,	Lauren Channon
Lucienne Baeta,	Paese Tuiletufuga
Riley Maloney,	Bishop Geoff Robinson
Josephine Caligiuri,	Jim Barrett
Alida Salloum,	Grezzju Grech
Marion Aquilina	Saulius David Balsys

**Request for Envelopes:**

Parishioners who have requested envelopes by filling out the parish census, please collect from the Sacristy.

**Please note:** Names will be removed from the sick list after 2 months, unless parish office is notified. Thankyou

**Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year B - 14th & 15th February 2015**

	<b>SATURDAY 5pm</b>	<b>8.00am</b>	<b>SUNDAY 9.30am</b>	<b>6.00pm</b>
<b>Reader Psalm/Intercession</b>	Nadia Acitelli Domenic Acitelli	Maureen Wright George Wright	Angie Clarkson Charlotte Hon	Tracie Richardson Greg Richardson
<b>Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion</b>	Agnelo Andrade Rosa Andrade Jean Brendish Mary Grace Francisco Garry Lejarde Volunteer Minister	Carol Campanella Karen Misquitta Volunteer Minister Volunteer Minister Volunteer Minister Volunteer Minister	Charlie Casha Jacinta Lemalu Janice Tran Volunteer Minister Volunteer Minister Volunteer Minister	Therese Doan Judith Paglia Mark Flanagan Mary Grace Isidoro
<b>Altar Servers</b>	Lucas Tran Aiden Andrade Christina Acitelli	Vanessa Ayoub Tatiana Ayoub Anthony Bui	Heather Scott Fridurik Nickel Alofaina Nickel Karl Nickel	Jordan Varghese
<b>Acolytes</b>	Tony Keir	John Nickel	Joe Mancini	Annette Flanagan
<b>Altar Society</b>	Judith Paglia & Charlie Casha			
<b>Counters</b>	Graeme Freeburn & Mathew Koyikalatho			
<b>Children's Liturgy</b>	Janice Tran, Maria Caridi & Michelle Keir			

**First Sunday of Lent - Year B - 21st & 22nd February 2015**

	<b>SATURDAY 5pm</b>	<b>8.00am</b>	<b>SUNDAY 9.30am</b>	<b>6.00pm</b>
<b>Reader Psalm/Intercession</b>	Catherine Coleman Jacqueline Scully	Jessica Marcellienus Justin Marcellienus	Aaron Alphonso Eugene Alphonso	Colette Davies Kristina Williams
<b>Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion</b>	Domenic Acitelli Frances Acitelli Donald Lobo Volunteer Minister Volunteer Minister Volunteer Minister	Jane Colley Antoinette Moussallem Volunteer Minister Volunteer Minister Volunteer Minister Volunteer Minister	Alfia Busa Angie Clarkson Bev Strauss Lia Newhouse Melinda Melham Jane Scott	Tracie Richardson Greg Richardson Volunteer Minister Volunteer Minister
<b>Altar Servers</b>	Jonathon Giso Julian Giso	Vanessa Ayoub Tatiana Ayoub Anthony Bui	Joshua Bui Stephanie Anderson Edmund Alphonso	Liam Flanagan
<b>Acolytes</b>	Phil Coleman	Martin Manche	Martin Ryan	Tony Keir
<b>Altar Society</b>	Therese Puskas & Charlie Casha			
<b>Counters</b>	Brian & June Baker			
<b>Children's Liturgy</b>	Renee Lauric & Karen Marcellienus			

## SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - YEAR B

### FIRST READING

A reading from the book of Leviticus

The Lord said to Moses and Aaron, 'If a swelling or scab or shiny spot appears on a man's skin, a case of leprosy of the skin is to be suspected. The man must be taken to Aaron, the priest, or to one of the priests who are his sons.

'The man is leprous: he is unclean. The priest must declare him unclean; he is suffering from leprosy of the head. A man infected with leprosy must wear his clothing torn and his hair disordered; he must shield his upper lip and cry, "Unclean, unclean". As long as the disease lasts he must be unclean; and therefore he must live apart; he must live outside the camp.'

The word of the Lord.

### RESPONSORIAL PSALM

**RESPONSE: I turn to you, Lord, in time of trouble, and you fill me with the joy of salvation.**

1. Happy the man whose offence is forgiven,  
whose sin is remitted.  
O happy the man to whom the Lord  
imputes no guilt,  
in whose spirit is no guile. **(R.)**
2. But now I have acknowledged my sins;  
my guilt I did not hide.  
I said: 'I will confess  
my offence to the Lord.'  
And you, Lord, have forgiven  
the guilt of my sin. **(R.)**
3. Rejoice, rejoice in the Lord,  
exult, you just!  
O come, ring out your joy,  
all you upright of heart. **(R.)**

### SECOND READING

A reading from the first letter of St Paul to the Corinthians

Whatever you eat, whatever you drink, whatever you do at all, do it for the glory of God. Never do anything offensive to anyone – to Jews or Greeks or to the Church of God; just as I try to be helpful to everyone at all times, not anxious for my own advantage but for the advantage of everybody else, so that they may be saved.

Take me for your model, as I take Christ.

The word of the Lord.

### GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

**Alleluia, alleluia!**

A great prophet has appeared among us; God has visited his people.

**Alleluia!**

### GOSPEL

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark

A leper came to Jesus and pleaded on his knees: 'If you want to' he said 'you can cure me.' Feeling sorry for him, Jesus stretched out his hand and touched him. 'Of course I want to!' he said. 'Be cured!' And the leprosy left him at once and he was cured. Jesus immediately sent him away and sternly ordered him, 'Mind you say nothing to anyone, but go and show yourself to the priest, and make the offering for your healing prescribed by Moses as evidence of your recovery.' The man went away, but then started talking about it freely and telling the story everywhere, so that Jesus could no longer go openly into any town, but had to stay outside in places where nobody lived. Even so, people from all around would come to him.

The Gospel of the Lord.



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