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Bulletin Highlights

Second Sunday of Ordinary Time

19th January 2020



In this Sunday's Gospel, John the Baptist recognises Jesus as the Lamb of God. This most sacred title acknowledges Jesus's life as a living sacrifice until, finally, his sacrificial death on the cross for the redemption of sinful humanity.



Appeal on Australia Day

The Appeal is a great initiative and an excellent way to contribute to the many families in need and, who at this sad time, have been so seriously affected by these bush fires.

Also, in honour of RFS and their hard work over the last few months during the bushfire emergency, the NSW Rural Fire Service will lead the Camden Australia Day Street Parade along Argyle Street with five vehicles from across the Macarthur Area on Australia Day Sunday 26 January. This brings a fantastic opportunity to show our support, appreciation and gratitude by cheering the RFS on as they lead the way.

The children and families from St Paul's Primary School are supporting this by walking Argyle Street with Collection Buckets calling on everyone to dig deep on Australia Day and give generously to our Local RFS and families directly affected by these devastating fires that we are currently experiencing. The parade will commence at 10am and hope to see you there.

Advanced notice that John Street outside the Church will be closed next Sunday because of the Australia Day parade from 6.00am to 5.00pm. The Macarthur Lions Street Parade begins at 10.00am on Argyle Street. Great day to be had!



Disadvantaged Children of India Fund

Parishioners may remember the selling of Christmas Cards to raise money to buy Christmas outfits for 159 disadvantaged children who are living in challenging conditions.

The Carmelite Fathers were very grateful to all parishioners for their kindness towards the children in their care. The photos of some of the children receiving these gifts and then a photo of them wearing their gifts are on the poster for all to enjoy. Thanks



50th Wedding Anniversary

Sincere congratulations are extended to Praba and Raja Daniels who are today celebrating 50 years of wedded bliss, with a special blessing at the 10.00am Mass. Photo to be included in next weekend's PCN.



Parish Mission Statement

Established in 1859 and among the nation's first generation of parishes, the parishioners of St Paul's Camden embrace renewal and regeneration:

- by regularly contemplating the riches of sacred scriptures, and by the frequent reception of Holy Communion and Absolution in the Confessional,
- by extending warmth, inclusion, and communion to all who want to participate in our sacred ceremonies in prayerfulness and reverence, and
- by a commitment to pastoral care and holy charity, producing a harvest of good works both within our own parish and far beyond.

With the grace of God, St Paul's aspires to provide a path of discipleship that is life-giving and life-changing.

To sum up, the **Parish Mission Statement** is all about commitment to prayer, hospitality & almsgiving. So important!

Relics ~ St Therese of Lisieux

The reliquary of Therese with her parents will be at *Our Lady of Mount Carmel, Varroville* on 25th January from 11:00 AM with a welcome. Bishop Brian will celebrate Mass at 12 noon. Mass will also be celebrated at 9:00 AM and 5:00 PM on Sunday, Monday & Tuesday. Highly Recommended

