

Commencement Services for 2023 Law Term

Red Mass Sydney	
Time	9 am
Date	Monday, 30 January 2023
Venue	St Mary's Cathedral, College Street, Sydney
Celebrant	Archbishop Anthony Fisher OP
Robing	Judges and counsel may robe in the Crypt beneath the Cathedral from 8:30 am.
Morning Tea	Morning Tea will be served in Cathedral House after the Red Mass, at which time there will be an opportunity to meet Archbishop Anthony Fisher OP.
Other	The Red Mass has been celebrated annually in Sydney since 1931. The first recorded Red Mass was celebrated at Notre Dame Cathedral, Paris, in 1245. The Red Mass takes its name partly from the scarlet robes worn by the royal judges attending the Mass in 14 th century England. In London the tradition began around 1310, during the reign of Edward II. Very often lawyers attend some or all of the services as a way of celebrating the common values which underlie both Australian and international law, and as a way of demonstrating respect for the many different people, with different histories and traditions, who make up contemporary Australia.
Anglican Service	
Time	10:30 am
Date	Monday, 30 January 2023
Venue	St James' Anglican Church, King Street, Sydney
Officiant	The Most Rev Kanishka Raffel, Archbishop of Sydney
Morning Tea	Refreshments will be served in the Crypt after the Service.

Pan Orthodox Divine Liturgy	
Time	6:30 pm
Date	Tuesday, 31 January 2023
Venue	Cathedral of the Annunciation of Our Lady 242 Cleveland Street, Sydney NSW 2000
Celebrant	His Eminence Archbishop Makarios
Red Mass Parramatta	
Time	7:00 pm
Date	Monday, 6 February 2023
Venue	St Patrick's Cathedral, 1 Marist Pl, Parramatta
Celebrant	Very Rev Peter Williams, Vicar General and Moderator of the Curia, Diocese of Parramatta
Supper	Supper will be served in the Cloisters after the Red Mass.
Coptic Orthodox Divine Liturgy	
Time	6 pm
Date	Monday, 6 February 2023
Venue	St George Coptic Orthodox Church 1/3a Bowral Street, Kensington NSW 2033
Celebrant	Fr. Shenouda
Other Information	Keynote address by Deputy Chief Magistrate Tsavdaridis
The Jewish Community Law Service 2023	
Time	5:30 pm
Date	Wednesday, 8 February 2023
Venue	The Great Synagogue, 187A Elizabeth Street, Sydney
Celebrant	Rabbi Dr Benjamin Elton
Robing	Judges and counsel may robe from 5 pm prior to the procession at 5:30 pm. If you are joining the procession, please enter via Castlereagh Street. For all other guests, entry will be via 187A Elizabeth Street, Sydney.

Other	The procession will be led by the Chief Justice of New South Wales, The Hon Andrew Bell. This service has been conducted for over 60 years and takes place in the presence of the Chief Justice of New South Wales and State and Federal Judiciary. It marks the beginning of the legal year and is the Jewish community's tribute to the men and women who ensure that we are all governed by law, fairness and justice.
Islamic Service	
Time	6:15 pm – 7:30 pm
Date	Tuesday, 14 February 2023
Venue	Rahma Mosque 3 Railway Street, Old Guildford
Other Information	Guests are kindly requested to arrive by 6:00pm so that the service can commence on time inside the mosque. The service will end at approximately 6.45pm, and after which a light meal will be served in the mosque's courtyard. If you would like to attend, please RSVP to events@muslimlegalnetworknsw.com by Friday 10 February at 5pm.