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SUNDAY MASS TIMES

Saturday Evening Vigil 6.00pm (*Exposition 4.30pm - 5.45pm*)
Sunday 8.00am, 9.30am and 6.00pm

WEEKDAY MASS TIMES

Monday 9.10am
Tuesday 7.00pm (*Exposition 6.00pm - 7.00pm*)
Wednesday, Thursday & Friday 9.10am
Saturday 9.00am

RECONCILIATION

Saturday 4.30pm - 5.30pm

FROM FATHER RANING

Last year, a woman contributed the following real-life anecdote to the New York Times weekly "Metropolitan Diary" column:

Dear Diary: It was a day when the threat of rain hung in the air. I drove up to a drive-through market in Stony Brook, L.I., to buy milk and was waited on by a man wearing a turban. Handing me my change through the car window, he said, with the trace of an Indian accent, "Ah! The smell of eternity is in the air."

I was impressed, assuming his mystical words were either the Indian equivalent of "It feels like rain," or a philosophical observation akin to "The end is near." I smiled politely and said nothing. But he continued. "Eternity," he repeated. "Aren't you wearing Eternity cologne?"

Today is Easter Sunday and the smell of eternity is in the air. Christ is risen! Death is overcome!

Easter is the greatest and the most important feast in the Church. "Easter" literally means "the feast of fresh flowers." We celebrate it with pride and jubilation for several reasons.

The resurrection of Christ is the basis of our Christian faith, because it is the greatest of the miracles to prove that Jesus is God. That is why St Paul writes: "If Christ has not been raised, then our preaching is in vain; and your faith is in vain... And if Christ has not been raised, then your faith is a delusion and you are still lost in your sins..." (1 Cor 15:14,17, 20)

2. Easter is the guarantee of our own resurrection. Jesus assured Martha at the tomb of Lazarus: "I am the resurrection and the life; whoever believes in me will live even though he dies". (Jn 11:25-26)

Easter is a great mystery. How do we look at the Resurrection of the Lord Jesus?

Years ago, Larry, an old municipal lamplighter, engaged in putting out his lights one by one, was met by a reporter who asked him if he ever grew tired of his work in the cold dark night. "Never am I cheerless," said the old man, "for there is always a light ahead of me to lead me on." "But what do you have to cheer up when you have put out the last light?" asked the news writer. "Then comes the dawn," said Larry, the lamplighter.

MOMENTS OF MERCY

The flames of mercy are burning Me—clamouring to be spent; I want to keep pouring them out upon souls; souls just don't want to believe in My goodness (*Diary, 177*).

DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

1pm Procession
Rosary in church 1pm for those who cannot join the procession

Our Lady of the Rosary
8 Diana Avenue, Kellyville
Sunday 23 April 2017

- ✦ Street procession with the Blessed Sacrament
- ✦ Relic of St Faustina
- ✦ Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
- ✦ Divine Mercy Novena
- ✦ Divine Mercy Chaplet
- ✦ Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament

Holy Mass 3.00m

HE IS
RISEN!!



ALLELUIA!

NEXT MEETING

Liturgy	19/04	7.00pm
Finance	20/04	6.45pm
MOSJ – Winston H	20/04	7.00pm
Leisure Group	26/04	10.00am
SVDP	26/04	7.00pm
Parish Council	01/05	7.30pm
Baptism Talk	04/05	7.30pm

NOVENA MASS to OUR LADY of PERPETUAL HELP

Every Tuesday at 7pm in the Church preceded by Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament 6-7pm

ROSARY

For the intention of world peace. Every Wednesday at 2.30pm in the Church. All welcome.

HOLY HOUR for VOCATIONS

Saturday 5pm-6pm

You have been given new life in Christ. Forsake earthly materialism, in order to live life to the full.

THE NOTE BOOK

April issue is available this weekend. Please take home a copy for yourself and a friend.

CATHOLIC WEEKLY

- Simcha Fisher: Why you need to be here every week
- Business gone rogue: Archbishop Fisher speaks
- A talent for causing an uproar: Martin Luther examined
- Yes He died, Yes He's risen: Mark Shea counters Resurrection alternatives

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NEXT WEEKEND'S MASS AND OTHER ROSTERS

22 / 23 APRIL	6.00PM VIGIL	8.00 AM	9.30 AM	6.00 PM
ACOLYTES	E	F	H	R
MINISTERS OF COMMUNION	Sharon del Rosario Elizabeth Farrar	Kate Fitzsimons Pat Lord	Joyce Lord Dianne Stocks	Tony Anthony Gerard Fabien
ALTAR SERVERS	B	C	D	E
READERS COMMENTATORS	Elly Benkovich Pauline Knowler	Shani Tarrant Emmy Cox	Christie Bowden Michael Reid	Aurea Javier Michael Hruby
PRESENTATION OF THE GIFTS	Joseph & Lillian Budwee	Volunteer	Brogden Family	Dennis & Violy Whiting
CHILDREN'S LITURGY	No Children's Liturgy during school holidays			
CHURCH CLEANING	Couples for Christ, Jhun Javier, Jenny Akandu, Slava Palos and Mark & Caroline Penafiel			
WINDOW CLEANING	Joe and Yvonne El-Bayeh			



THANK YOU FOR TAKING PART ~ BOXES MAY NOW BE RETURNED

VINNIES NSW FLOOD APPEAL

to assist Northern River residents

A St Vincent de Paul Society NSW Northern Rivers Flood Appeal has been launched in response to the devastating flooding of the Wilson River and Leycester Creek in Lismore and the Tweed River in Murwillumbah and Tweed Heads in the aftermath of Cyclone Debbie.

To make a donation to the SVdPaul Society NSW flood appeal please ★visit www.vinnies.org.au, ★call 13 18 12 or ★send your donation to PO Box 5, Petersham NSW 2049. ★Donations can also be made at any Vinnies Shop in NSW.

EASTER EGG HUNT

Winston Hills Youth for Christ will be holding its annual Easter Egg Hunt, as well as some games, for the children of the Parish after the 9.30am Mass on Easter Sunday.

There are also two Easter Egg Baskets to be won. Tickets are \$2 each or 3 for \$5 and will be sold after each Mass from this weekend. Winners will be announced after the Easter Egg Hunt. The funds raised will go to the upcoming Mega Camp for the Winston Hills youth.

PLEASE PRAY FOR

Jack & Gladys Scott, Fr David Scott, Therese & Noel Scahill, Louis Bayeh, Alice, Aurelio Lopez, Julia Sherman, Bern, Mary Betts, Elias & Afifi Younis, Frank Whiting, Ted Church, Josephine Clayton, Elizabeth & Allan Ward, Frank Borg, Stella Borg, Fabri Family, Suzanne Portelli, Pasquale & Maria Paoletti, Ross Nelson, Edna Fernandez, Adrian Coppolino, Marie & Claude Strange, Nellie Rodrigues, Brian Hollings, Franco & Lucia Paoletti, Joe Mangion, Sebastian Pereira, Therese Farrugia, Noel May, William Wilson, Sam & Lily Vella, Paul Gove, Noel & Trudy Millett and Mario & Maria Coppolino.

ANZAC DAY DAWN MASS

St Paul the Apostle Church
Winston Hills

TUESDAY
25TH APRIL 2017
6.00AM

commemorating the landing at Gallipoli and acknowledging all our valiant people that served in past and present wars

LEST WE FORGET

Please note the Tuesday evening Mass at 7.00pm will be celebrated as usual

ANZAC DAY SCROLL

This year we are inviting you to include, on a scroll, the names of your loved ones who have served in past wars or who are serving at present. The scroll will be placed on the Altar during our Anzac Day Mass and will be offered up especially for all those listed, and indeed for all servicemen and women. The scroll is hanging in the foyer on the right side as you exit the church.

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DIVINE MERCY NOVENA

leading up to
Divine Mercy Sunday (23 April)
Continues to be prayed every day at 3pm here at St Paul's in the Marian Chapel
The last day of the Novena is Saturday 22 April

If you are unable to join us, please do so in spirit, wherever you are.
Take-home prayer leaflets are available at the back of the Church.