



ST PAUL THE APOSTLE PARISH

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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

RECONCILIATION

Saturday 4.30pm - 5.30pm

WEEKDAY MASS TIMES

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

FROM FATHER RAINING

A story from the life of Mother Teresa shows her love for lonely and unwanted people, the "sheep without a shepherd," who, while materially well-off, are sometimes "the poorest of the poor". On one occasion, she visited a well-run nursing home where good food, medical care and other facilities were offered to the elderly. As she moved among the old people, she noticed that none of them smiled unless she touched them and smiled at them first. She also noticed that many of them kept glancing expectantly towards the door while listening to her. When she asked one of the nurses why this was so, she was told: "They are looking for a visit from someone related to them. But, except for an occasional visit, birthday gift or a get-well card, this never happens."

Jesus invites us, in today's Gospel, to show concern, mercy and compassion for such sheep without a shepherd.

The reading from the Gospel of Mark presents Jesus as the good shepherd fulfilling God's promise given through his prophet Jeremiah in the first reading. Here we see Jesus attending to his weary apostles, who have just returned from their first preaching mission, while at the same time expressing his concern for the people who, like "sheep without a shepherd," have gathered to meet him in the wilderness.

First Reading: God's example instructs us that we must have both justice and compassion.
What might I do today to be more just and compassionate toward others?

Second Reading: The Holy Spirit helps us to pray when we don't know how.
For what help with my prayer do I ask the Holy Spirit today?

Gospel: Jesus tells us that God's presence (kingdom) often starts out very small but can grow very large.
How has my awareness of God grown recently?

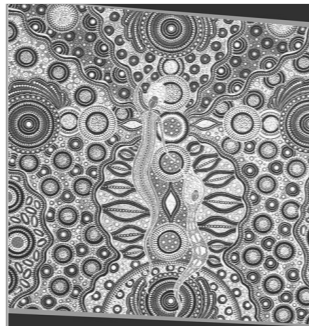
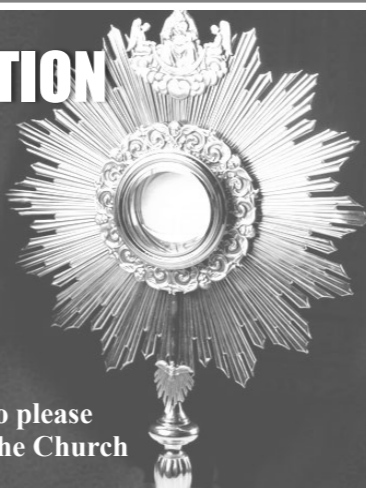
24 HOUR EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

Friday 3 August to Saturday 4 August

Starting at 9:00am with Mass on Friday, our Lord will be exposed for 24 hours and concluding with Mass at 9am on Saturday

Come ... spend some time with Him

At all times our Lord Jesus must have someone with Him, so please signify your interest on the timetable posted at the back of the Church



year of youth
OPEN NEW HORIZONS FOR SPREADING JOY

FEAST DAYS

24th St Sharbel Makhlef
25th St James Apostle
29th St Martha

NOVENA MASS to OUR LADY of PERPETUAL HELP

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

ROSARY

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

DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET

Every Friday at 3.30pm in the Marian Chapel. All welcome.

NEXT MEETING

SVDP	25/07	7.00pm
MOSJ – Westmead	26/07	7.00pm
Finance	26/07	7.00pm
Leisure Group	01/08	10.00am
Parish Council	06/08	7.30pm
Liturgy	26/09	6.30pm

28/29 JULY	6.00PM VIGIL	8.00 AM	9.30 AM	6.00 PM
ACOLYTES	I	H, J	D, T	N
MINISTERS OF COMMUNION	Lesley Neylan Sharon Del Rosario	Jan Francis Sylvia McGee	Joyce Lord Dianne Stocks	Kerry Bailey Peter Cruz
ALTAR SERVERS	H	J	School	L
READERS COMMENTATORS	Frances Stephenson Pauline Knowler	Emmy Cox Elly Benkovich	School Michael Reid	Dilani Dhammapala Phil Ogle
PRESENTATION OF THE GIFTS	Paul & Helen Donkin	Volunteers	School	Couples for Christ
CHILDREN'S LITURGY	School Mass			
CHURCH CLEANING	Couples for Christ, Jhun Javier and Mark & Caroline Penafiel			
WINDOW CLEANING	Phyllis Trovato, Lou Pulvirenti and Gerard Rajakarariar			

HOLY HOUR for VOCATIONS

Saturday 5.00-6.00pm
When the apostles were trying to reflect on their ministry, Jesus asked them to "come by yourselves to an out-of-the-way place." Listening to God in quiet prayer is very important in vocational discernment. Listen to God's voice in an out-of-the-way place.

MOMENTS OF MERCY

Know that if your soul is filled with the fire of My pure love, then all difficulties dissipate like fog before the sun's rays and dare not touch the soul. All adversaries are afraid to start a quarrel with such a soul, because they sense that it is stronger than the whole world ...
(Diary 1643)

CATHOLIC WEEKLY

- Lighting up Lurnea
- Fair go for poor families
- Fury at new abortion law
- Singing the praises of hymns
- Jail chaplains a Godsend
- A match made in heaven
- Kavanaugh trumps
- Catholic Agencies Guide

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Plenary Council 2020

Coming Soon -

An opportunity to share a cuppa, listen humbly and speak boldly ... about the role and relevance of the Catholic Church in Australia!

NB: Please read Father Raining's letter to all parishioners, and further Plenary 2020 information, in the July Parish Notebook.

Your Parish Plenary 2020 Facilitators –

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Liturgical Ministry Courses

The Office for Worship is offering Liturgical Ministry Courses in 2018, open to all parishes and individuals seeking formation and training for serving at the altar. Held at the Diocesan Assembly Centre in Blacktown on Mondays and at St Nicholas of Myra in Penrith on Thursdays, the formation courses are for anyone who is interested in becoming a Minister of the Word, Holy Communion, Communion to the Sick and Dying or Acolyte. Please register your interest by contacting the office on 9639 6516. Also advise what ministries you are interested in.

Bookings close 9 August 2018

BAPTISM WELCOME

Hailey May Palmer, Leo Michael Solomonides and Rosie Stevens who were baptised here last weekend.

Father, bless them with your grace and love, surround them with goodness, guide their steps along the way and keep them from harm. Amen.

PLEASE PRAY FOR

Jack & Gladys Scott, Fr David Scott, Therese & Noel Scahill, Louis Bayeh, Aurelio & Connie 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.

Planned Giving Envelopes

There are still a number of Planned Giving Envelopes to be collected. Please take a moment after Mass to collect your set, if you haven't already done so.



St Vincent de Paul Winter Appeal

This weekend at all Masses there will be a third collection for the Vinnies Winter Appeal. When you donate to Vinnies you are helping our volunteers rebuild lives this winter. Your contributions can provide warm blankets for men and women experiencing homelessness or prevent a family from being evicted from their home. Vinnies can also help pay a family's utility bills and provide essential groceries to maintain health and strength during these cold months.

As always we appreciate the wonderful generosity of the parishioners of St Paul the Apostle Parish.

WORLD YOUTH DAY 2019 RAFFLE



The Parramatta Diocese has launched a raffle in support of World Youth Day. Each raffle book contains 10 tickets and cost \$2 each (\$20 per book).

Raffle books will be available for sale in the Piety Stall. Drawn on 27th October 2018 at Lifted Live event held in the grounds of St Patrick's Cathedral.