

# ST PAUL THE APOSTLE PARISH

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#### **WEEKEND 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 Raning**

#### **Divine Mercy Sunday:**

St. Faustina of Poland is the well known apostle of Divine Mercy. On the 30<sup>th</sup> of April, 2000, the Second Sunday of Easter, His Holiness Pope John Paul II celebrated the Eucharist in Saint Peter's Square and proceeded to the canonisation of Blessed Sister Faustina.

The new Saint invites us by the witness of her life to keep our faith and hope fixed on God, the Father, rich in mercy, who saved us by the precious blood of His Son. During her short life, the Lord Jesus assigned St. Faustina three basic tasks:

- 1. To pray for souls, entrusting them to God's incomprehensible Mercy;
- 2. To tell the world about God's Generous Mercy;
- 3. To start a new movement in the Church focusing on God's Mercy.

At the canonisation of Sr. Faustina, Pope John Paul II said: "The cross, even after the Resurrection of the Son of God, speaks and never ceases to speak of God the Father, who is absolutely faithful to His eternal love for man. Believing in this love means believing in mercy." "The Lord of Divine Mercy" a drawing of Jesus based on the vision given to St. Faustina, shows Jesus raising his right hand in a gesture of blessing, with his left hand on his chest from which gush forth two rays, one red and one white.

The picture contains the message "Jesus, I trust in You!" The rays streaming out have symbolic meaning: red for the <u>blood</u> of <u>Jesus</u>, which is the life of souls and white for the water which justifies souls. The whole image is symbolic of the mercy, forgiveness and love of God.

First Reading: The apostles continue Jesus' healing work.

Who might need my healing actions or words today?

Second Reading: The risen Jesus tells John not to be afraid.

What fears about Christ's presence to me must I overcome?

Gospel: Thomas voices his doubts yet overcomes them with faith.

What doubts about Jesus require more faith on my part?

# Please pray for our sick

Maroun Ayoub, Brian Baker, Margaret Brennan, Danielle Brown, Kay Bull, Tim Coakley, Gus DelVillar, Rebecca Duncum, George El-Bayeh, Josephine & Chafic Filfili, Neil Gover, Dex Habito, Piper Hastings, Ludie Irrulbandra, Jacqueline Kelly, Sonia Merhi, Charlie Micallef, Arun Papali, Silvi Perumal, Catharine Plisich, Judy Phillips, Marty Stockford & Patrick Wheeler.

As You are the One, and we, Your servants, we pray Oh God above to heal and support all members of our parish family who are sick. Amen



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#### Novena Mass to Our Lady of Perpetual Help

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

#### Rosary

The intention for world peace . Every Wednesday at 2.30pm in the Church.

#### Divine Mercy Chaplet

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

# **Holy Hour for Vocations**Saturday 5.00 - 6.00pm

We can feel the Lord's call at the strangest places and times. The call can haunt us and pursue us until we say, "Lord, what will you have me do?".

#### **Upcoming Meetings**

Leisure Group	01/05	10.00am
Baptism Talk	02/05	7.30pm
Finance	02/05	7.00pm
Parish Council	06/05	7.30pm
SVDP	08/05	7.00pm
Liturgy	05/06	7.00pm
Sacramental Team	12/06	7.30pm

# **Feast Days**

Altar Servers

Commentator

Ministers of Communion

Presentation of Gifts

Children's Liturgy

Window cleaning

Church cleaning

Acolytes

Reader

Projector

29th St Catherine of Siena
30th St Pius V
1st St Joseph the worker
2nd St Athanasius
3rd St Phillip & James

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#### **Moments of Mercy**

Divine Mercy, which flowed out from the open wound of the Heart of Jesus, I trust in You. Divine Mercy, enclosed in the Heart of Jesus for us, and especially for sinners, I trust in You (Diary, 949)

#### **Catholic Weekly**

- Prayers for Sri LankaRebuild my Church
- Turning medical ethics upside down
- After the Conflagration
- Movie review: Breakthrough

# No Morning Tea or Children's Liturgy

At the Holy Communion Masses, no morning tea and Children's Liturgy will be held.

# **Piety Store**

† Looking for a gift for First Holy Communion, Why not visit the Piety stall? We have a range of gifts and cards for all occasions, come in and have a browse†

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# 24 HOUR EUCHARISTIC ADORATION Friday 3 May to Saturday 4 May

Starting at 9:10am with Mass on Friday, our Lord will be exposed for 24 hours and concluding with Mass at 9am on Saturday

Minda Chumroonridhi, Warren D'Costa, Jun Balagtas, Charlotte Dos Remedios, Lourdes & Fidel Zaballa

8.00 am

Eugene De Souza

Peter Samson

Christie Bawden

Diane Samson

Jan Francis

Veronica Fry

Norm Badaoui

Volunteer

9.30 am

Jim Martin

Ray Modini

Natalie Mifsud

Michael Mifsud

Diana Roberts

Kate Fitzsimons

Brogden Family

Robbie Goldin

6.00 pm

Maynard Palomares

Youth Group

Youth Group

Chris Torres

Dex Habito

Youth Group

Youth Group

#### 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 at the back of the Charlet

### Mary—Biblical Walk with the Blessed Mother

6.00PM Vigil

Tony Anthony

Sean Trainor

Bianca Del Rosario

Sharon Del Rosario

Silvestre Ganchingco

Lorenz & Bernadette Young

Bianca and Sharon Del Rosario

Annabelle Hamilton, Maddie Hamilton

Phyllis Trovato, Lou Pulverenti, Gerard Rajakariar

This eight part study places you in the midst of the powerful Mary's earthly life, taking you through her joys and her sorrows. You will learn how she works in our lives today, drawing us ever closer to her Divine Son. To see Mary in this way will change you forever.

First Session: Friday May 10
Fr David Scott Parish Centre at 7:30pm
Sessions 1 & 2

Light supper and refreshments supplied Free of Charge – All Welcome! Please RSVP by phone 9639 6516 or email council@stpaultheapostleparish.org

# **First Holy Communion**

This year we are pleased to announce that our First Holy Communion for the young members of our parish will be held at the 9:30am masses. Dates for these four consecutive masses: May 19, May 26, June 2 & June 9.

Please pray for these young candidates as they continue on their spiritual journey.

# RISEN St Paul's Movie Night

When Saturday 4 May

**Time** 7pm right after the vigil mass **Where**: Fr David Scott Parish Centre

Donation

Cost:

Light supper and refreshments to be served.

This movie is an epic biblical story of the Resurrection and the weeks that followed, through the eyes of an unbeliever.

Hope to see as many of you as possible and please feel free to invite your friends and family.

#### **Installation of Readers**

On Sunday 5th May at the 9:30am mass our new readers will be installed. Please join in congratulating those who wish to serve the Lord by the proclaiming the Liturgy of the Word.

# Thank you

A very big thank you to all who gave up their time and assisted with the Easter ceremonies. The attendance at these ceremonies was greater than in previous years, which is a blessing, may God continue to bless our Parish as we grow in faith. God Bless you all.

# Please pray for

Jack & Gladys Scott, Fr David Scott, Josephine Clayton, Saverio Marotta, Rosa Marotta, Paul Beck, Brian Hurney, Lottie & Fredrick Gibbs, Anna Mary Joseph & Ratnam John Joseph, Maurice & Yvonne Sequeira, Aurelio & Connie Lopez. Michael & Julia Sherman, and Kerry Cini - May they rest in peace