## Weekend Mass times (Limit is 100) - Bookings are essential

Name and phone number requested on arrival

Saturday 4:30pm and 5.30pm Vigil Sunday 8.00am, 9.30am and 5.00pm

### Weekday Mass times

Daily 9.10am (No Tuesday evening Mass at this stage) Saturday 9.00am (followed by the Rosary)

For latest updates please refer to our Facebook page: facebook.com/stpaultheapostleparish

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# **From Father Raning**

An old couple, having been married almost 60 years, died in a car crash. They had been in good health the last ten years mainly due to the wife's interest in health food, and exercise.

When they reached the pearly gates, St. Peter took them to their mansion which was decked out with a beautiful kitchen and master bath suite, Jacuzzi and lavish buffet breakfast. "How much can we eat?" asked the old man. "Don't you understand?" Peter replied. "This is heaven, it's all free!"

After a sumptuous breakfast the old couple went to the club house of the heaven's extensive golf grounds and saw the lavish buffet lunch. "Well, where are the low-fat and low-cholesterol tables?" the old man asked timidly. Peter replied, "That's the best part...you can eat as much as you like of whatever you like and you never get fat and you never get sick. This is Heaven."

The old man looked at his wife angrily and said, "This is all your fault. If it weren't for your bran muffins and sugar free diet, I could have been here ten years ago!"

First reading:	Isaiah encourages us to rejoice and be glad, for God has saved us.
	How can I offer my thanks today for all God has done for me?

Second reading: Paul trusts that God will supply what he needs to live. When has God surprised me by responding to my needs?

Gospel:

God invites us to the banquet, but we must be responsible for how we act. What can I do today to be more generous in my response to God's call?

## **Parish Priest High School Reference Letter**

Due to COVID-19 there will be new procedures. If you require Father to sign these letters, please note and adhere to the following:

- \* you must phone the parish office in advance to book an appointed time - drop-ins not allowed
- \* only Thursdays and Fridays Nov 5th to Dec 11th
- \* time slot for signings will be 2:00pm to 3:15pm
- \* forms won't be signed outside of these hours

When assigned your appointment:

- \* allow time either side for unexpected delays
- \* you will need to sign in upon arrival, to self sanitise and have a temperature check
- \* if your letter requires posting you will also need to bring with you a stamped addressed envelope

# **Baptism Welcome**

To Chloe Poppy Oliver, who was baptised here last weekend. May your faith always be an important and integral part of your life.

# Welcome to The Well

The Diocese of Parramatta proudly announces its latest initiative - The Well. In what can be described as 'Netflix for Catholics'. The Well is a new online platform that provides free, on-demand' inspiration for families, children, young people and faith communities. Explore fresh offerings every week on topical issues that inform, entertain and challenge. Check it out at www.thewell.org.au

# The month of October is dedicated to the Holy Rosary

The month of October is a time to commit to praying the Rosary everyday. The Rosary will bring great peace and holiness to your life. It is a powerful instrument for conversion. The Rosary is the best method of honouring Mary. It protects the Church from false teachings and keeps her safe from the attacks of the enemy.

### Reconciliation

Saturday 3.30pm - 4.15pm

### Baptisms

First and Third Sunday of each month All bookings are via our website

Feast Days

Church cleaning

14th St Callistus I "In the Lord's hand there is abundance of all things, because He is the Lord of power and the King of glory".

Patron Saint of Cemetery Workers

15th St Teresa of Jesus "Even when you are in the kitchen, Our Lord is moving among the pots and pans".

Patron Saint of missionaries. AIDS sufferers and florists

#### 16th St Gerard Majella "Who except God can give you peace? Has the world ever been able to satisfy the Heart?".

Patron Saint of Pregnant Women

#### 16th St Hedwig

All powerful God. may the pravers of Saint Hedwig bring us your help and may her life of remarkable humility be and example to us all.

Patron Saint of Orphans

#### 16th St Margaret Mary Alacoque

"Cling to God, and leave all the rest to him. He will not let you perish. Your soul is very dear to him, He wishes to save it".

Patron Saint of the Sacred Heart and loss of parents

#### 17th St Ignatius of Antioch

"We are not asked merely to call ourselves Christians, we are asked to be Christians through our deeds."

Patron Saint of Soldiers 18th St Luke

"Remember the past, plan for the future, but live for today because yesterday is gone and tomorrow may never come".

> Patron Saint of artists, physicians, bachelors, surgeons and butchers

Due to COVID-19 do not put this bulletin back in the holder, as it cannot be reused. This bulletin must be taken home with you.

Due to COVID all other ministries are suspended until further notice. Thank you for your continued commitment.

# Social Justice COVID-19 Food and Toiletries Drive

This year, the Australian Bishops' Social Justice Statement is titled: To Live Life to the Full: Mental health in Australia today. The COVID-19 pandemic is affecting the mental health of many members of our parishes, schools and communities. Understanding mental health will help us to be aware of those who need our support. The Bishops invite us all to reject stigmatisation, to work for the transformation of social determinants of mental ill-health, and to call for policies and service provision that meets the needs of the poorest and most marginalised members of our community.

Jesuit Refugee Service and House of Welcome are dealing with a 400% increase in emergency assistance calls and are needing to feed over 1,000 people facing destitution each week.

For the remainder of October, St Paul's will running a food and toiletry drive donation. Your donation can be left in the large Red Bins located in the church foyer. Any donation no matter how big or small is very much appreciated.

# **HSC Youth Mass**

A special mass will be held on Sunday 18th October at 5pm for our HSC students. Bookings are essential, please contact the office between 10am and 1pm Monday to Friday. Students are encouraged to wear their school jersey. All are welcome to attend.

# COVID-19 restrictions

Restrictions continue and please note and adhere to the following:

- Restriction is 100 people at each Mass. Bookings are essential for all weekend masses.
- When attending any mass you will need to record your name and phone number as you enter
- Social distancing restrictions are in place and are to be respected
- Where there is a "do not sit here" sign, that applies to the entire pew
- Members of the same family and/or household are permitted to sit together
- Holy Communion can only be distributed and received on the hand (Ordinary Form of Latin Rite). Please lower your masks under your chin, prior to receiving Communion; the Host must be consumed immediately after you have received, whilst still at the Altar
- When going to Communion please distance yourself from the person in front of you
- No singing at masses, this includes the "Alleluia"
- There is no procession of gifts or passing of collection plates

## Please pray for our sick

Antonio Abulad, Maroun Ayoub, Elly Bejma, Danielle Brown, Kay Bull, Helen Butler, John Cassar, Richard Cassin, Ron Cini, Christine Coorey, Sorayda Corpuz, Camarillo Cossid, Fevoura Daroy, Joseph Daroy, Selene Daroy, Emma Davies, Frederick de Silva, Gus DelVillar, Camille Diesta, Rebecca Duncum, Lara Duncum, David Edwards, George El-Bayeh, Josephine & Chafic Filfili, Nick Galea, Ma Juana Gaueta, Patricia Gleeson, Piper Hastings, Brian Horan, Anthony lannuzzi, Ludie Irrulbandra, Jacqueline Kelly, Karen Le Huray, Josephine Mamari, James Matos, Sonia Merhi, Maria Micallef, Tess & Charlie Micallef, Dennis Murray, Lesley Palaki, Arun Papali, Lina Pereira, Silvi Perumal, Iranie Perumal, Judy Phillips, Des Prendergast, Emely Reyes, Honor Rosario, Maggie Simpliciano, Joe Stagnitta, Marty Stockford & Patrick Wheeler.

Heavenly Father, We pray that you will lay your healing hands upon all those who are sick. We ask you to have compassion on all who are suffering so that they may be delivered from their painful circumstances. May they know that you are always with them, especially through difficult times. Amen

## Please pray for

Jack & Gladys Scott, Father David Scott, Josephine Clayton, Saverio & Rosa Marotta, Paul Beck, Brian Hurney, Lottie & Fredrick Gibbs, Anna Mary Joseph & Ratnam John Joseph, Maurice & Yvonne Sequeira, Andrew Busuttil, Kerry Cini, Aurelio & Connie Lopez, Michael & Julia Sherman, Chammouni Frangi, Madeleine Adolphe, Brian Baker, Mary & John Ford, John Ford Junior, Rosy Attard, Jim Rowan, Bal & Jennifer Villanova, Donald Ramage, Dex Habito. May the souls of our dearly departed rest in peace

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Once we have been captured by the beauty of God's promised reward, we want to go out into our world and invite others into the heavenly banquet. Who will tell the Good News? Now is a good time to begin.

# **Piety Stall**

The Pietv stall will have limited opening times which will be after the following masses: -

5:30pm Saturday vigil 5.00pm Sunday evening

#### these times please feel free to contact the Parish office.

If you require requites outside

Moments of Mercy

If a soul loves God sincerely and is intimately united with Him, then, even though such a soul may be living in the midst of difficult external circumstances, nothing can disturb its interior life (1894)

# **Catholic Weekly**

 Aussie money trail allegation

- "Nobel Prize" for Notre Dame academic
- Teen Saint in a tracksuit
- Mystery, murder and faith Movie review: The Girl on
- the Bridae
- French actor a real man of faith

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#### **Holy Hour for Vocations**

Joe Budwee, Anne Canty, Liz Gold, Marie Hiscock and Linda Pereira

## 2021 Columban Mission Calendar

The Columban Art Calendar is an iconic Catholic Calendar, well-known for its traditional religious paintings and liturgical information and is available to purchase from the Piety Stall, at a cost of only \$8.00.