

# St Paul the Apostle Parish

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## Weekend Mass times

Saturday Vigil 4:30pm and 5:30pm

Sunday 8:00am, 9:30am and 5:00pm

## Weekday Mass times

Monday to Friday 9.10am | Saturday 9.00am

(all preceded by the Rosary at 8:40 am)

All masses limited to 320. No Bookings Required in advance.

Reconciliation: Saturday 3.30pm - 4.15pm

Baptisms: First and Third Sunday of each month

All Baptism bookings are to be made via our website

## From Father Raining

An old fable tells of a little fish swimming along the edge of the river. Nearby on the river bank a science teacher has assembled his class for an instruction on the substance called "water." As the fish swims by it hears the teacher speak: "Water is absolutely necessary to life. Without water we would all perish within a week's time." "Oh my," says the fish, "if what that man said is true, I'd better find some of that substance called 'water' or I shall die in a few days." It asks every other little fish it sees where water can be found, but none of them knows. Then it puts the question to some older, larger fish, but they are more interested in food for the day. Some think the little fish is crazy: "Go away and let us alone," they say in fish language. From stream to stream the frightened fish carries its quest, but in vain, until finally it comes upon a fish who seems wiser than the rest. "Please, where can I find the substance called water that will give me life?" "Water?" replies the wise old fish. "You are in water this very minute. You were conceived and born in water. Water is your environment. Water supports your very life. Draw on it and you will live."

We too are immersed in a precious substance on which our life's fulfilment depends. Like that little fish, we are born and conceived in it. Our lives are sustained by it. We eat, sleep, work and play in it. The word for this precious, life-giving substance is Grace: the Grace of God. God is continually doing for us everything we need to have done for our life's fulfilment -- whether we know it or not, whether we appreciate it or not, whether we are worthy of it or not, whether we recognise it or not. In and through Jesus Christ, God has immersed Himself in the human condition.

First Reading: All on earth is under the rule of God, who can "bring low the high tree, lift high the lowly tree."

*What situations in life make me forget how truly powerful God is?*

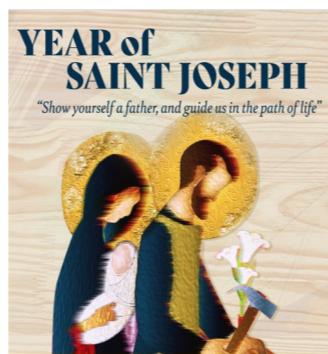
Second Reading: Paul reminds us to look forward to an eternal life with God after we die.

*How can this reminder change the way I live today?*

Gospel: The mustard seed can't grow until it is planted in the ground.

*What opportunities do I have to sow the seed of God's word so that it can grow in others?*

| 12th/13th June | 4.30pm Vigil                                      | 5.30pm Vigil | 8:00 am  | 9:30 am    | 5:00 pm     |
|----------------|---|--------------|----------|------------|-------------|
| Projector      | Corey F   | Aldrich D    | Minda C  | Monique F  | Thomas H    |
| Communion      | Veronica B  | Sharon D     | Pat L    | Ken A      | Kerry B     |
| Reader         | Kate F  | Leanda S     | Lesley N | Dilani D   | Annabelle H |
| Commentator    | Keenan F  | Bianca D     | Peter G  | Veronica R | Maddie H    |
| Cleaners       | Joe B, Marie H, Anne C, Linda P, Liz G, Melanie L |              |          |            |             |
| Acolytes       | As per circulated roster                          |              |          |            |             |
| Altar Servers  | tba (commencing 26th/27th June)                   |              |          |            |             |



**'Show yourself a father, and guide us in the path of life'**  
8/12/2020—8/12/2021

### Moments of Mercy

Courage and strength have remained in my soul. After adoration, I came out and calmly faced everything I had feared so much before. To suffer without complaining, to bring comfort to others and to drown my own sufferings in the most Sacred Heart of Jesus! ... - *Diary*, 224

### Catholic Weekly

- Among Us. Catholics celebrate Corpus Christi.
- Burials breakthrough - Premier orders new negotiation
- New School, A new Way.
- Mantillas make a comeback.
- Movie review: **The Church's Best-Kept Secret.**
- James Parker: This is NOT Catholic education.

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## IMPORTANT—changes to Vigil Mass & Reconciliation times (effective 3rd July)

Commencing Saturday 3rd July there will be only the one evening vigil Mass at 5:00pm. Mass times on Sunday remain unchanged. Reconciliation will be held 4:00pm to 4:45pm

### Save our Graves

You are encouraged to sign a petition from the Catholic Archdiocese of Sydney to reverse the NSW government's decision to exclude faith and charitable groups from cemetery management. The petition can be signed at <https://saveourgraves.com.au/> For more information about this please visit <https://catholicoutlook.org/caring-for-the-dead-is-a-spiritual-mission/>

### Holy Hour for Vocations

God forgives our sins through the Sacrament of Reconciliation which only priests can offer. Pray for them and that more may join them.

### Baptism Welcome

Congratulations to Oscar Levido and Henry Templeman who were baptised here last weekend.

*You are new creations clothed in Christ. May you always walk as children of light keeping the flame of faith alive in your heart.*

### Everyone is invited to Symbolon!

These sessions are held on Friday evenings and Episode Eight will be held on Friday 18th June at 7:00pm at the Parish Centre.

To indicate your intentions for attendance, please SMS or call Jill on 0450 959 391.

"Symbolon brings together some of the most trusted Catholic teachers in the world to guide you through the breadth and richness of the Catholic faith." For more on this program please visit: <https://watch.formed.org/symbolon-the-catholic-faith-explained>

### Thank You for Supporting Our Seminarians to Answer God's Call

Bishop Vincent, Parramatta Catholic Foundation, and our Holy Spirit Seminary thank you for your kind hearted generosity and support over the last few weeks. Your donation will provide for the education, formation and accommodation of our seminarians, successfully transforming them into compassionate, loyal priests who will help ensure the future of our Church. We ask you to continue to pray for the Diocesan ministries supported by the Parramatta Catholic Foundation, including our Holy Spirit Seminary and the young men who have answered God's call.

### Prayers of the Faithful—Parish Feast of Saints Peter and Paul

At the 9.30am Mass on Sunday 27 June our prayers of the faithful will be read in languages other than English. This has been our tradition in recent years for the feast day of Saint Paul, our patron saint. If you interested in reading one of the prayers in your own native language eg Italian, Chinese, Arabic etc. please contact the Parish Office by Friday 18 June.

### Planned Giving Program—important update and information

As a result of an increased uptake of direct debit, and to save printing costs, envelopes for the 2021/22 financial year will be renumbered. Please note the following changes and important information:

- Some of you will be allocated a new envelope number (please do not ask to retain the same number as this is not feasible)
- Please do not use your 2020/21 envelopes after the last weekend being 26/27th June as this will cause problems
- We expect new envelopes for 2021/22 to be available for collection 19/20th June else 26/27th June at the latest
- If you are requiring a receipt for 2020/21 planned giving, please email or call the office prior to Friday 19th June. Requests for receipts made after this time may not be possible due to changes in our systems and will result in a lengthy delay.

Thank you again for your continued and generous support to our parish !

### Rosters for next quarter (July—September)

Thankyou to those who are assisting in the various ministries. Our rosters for the next quarter will be available at the end of this month. Could you please contact the office via email or phone to advise of your availability. Many thanks for your assistance.

### Please pray for our sick

Antonio Abulad, Junelle Ausuncion, Maroun Ayoub, Marielin Suazo Barcelona, Marija Barclay, Ely Bejma, Danielle Brown, Kay Bull, Helen Butler, Richard Cassin, Ron Cini, Christine Coorey, Sorayda Corpuz, Camarillo Cossid, Fevoura, Daroy, Joseph Daroy, Selene Daroy, Emma Davies, Mark Deady, Stephen Deady, Norman De Luca, Frederick de Silva, Gus DelVillar, Camille Diesta, Lara Duncum, Rebecca Duncum, David Edwards, George El-Bayeh, Josephine & Chafic Filfili, Nick Galea, Ma Juana Gaueta, Piper Hastings, Annette Herft, Peter and Julie Herlinger, Colleen Holroyd, Brian Horan, Anthony Iannuzzi, Ludie Irrulbandra, Jacqueline Kelly, Elizabeth Kenny, Karen Le Huray, Sophie Lawrence, Josephine Mamari, Carolyn Martin, James Matos, Leanne Maree McInerney, Judy McNeilage, Sonia Merhi, Maria Micallef, Tess Micallef, Dennis Murray, Lesley Palaki, Arun Papali, Lina Pereira, Iranie Perumal, Silvi Perumal, Des Prendergast, Emely Reyes, Rhiannon McInerney-Robertson, Honor Rosario, Joe Stagnitta, Marty Stockford, John Trost, Pelenatete Tuaimau, Karl Wagner, 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, Brian Baker, Anna Mary Joseph & Ratnam John Joseph, Maurice & Yvonne Sequeira, Andrew Busuttill, Kerry Cini, Aurelio & Connie Lopez, Bal & Jennifer Villanova, Michael & Julia Sherman, Chammouni Frangi, Madeleine Adolphe, Mary & John Ford, John Ford Junior, Rosy Attard, Jim Rowan, Michelle Makin, Tony Draybi, Donald Ramage, Dex Habito, Andy and Maureen Haddad, Charlie Micallef, Maggie Simpliciano, Lourdes Zaballa, Patricia Minahan, Matthew Essey, Joseph Borg, Louis Saliba **May the souls of our dearly departed rest in peace**