

St Paul the Apostle Parish

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Weekend Mass times

Saturday Vigil 5:00pm

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 160. No Bookings Required in advance.

Reconciliation: Saturday 4.00pm - 4.45pm

Baptisms: First and Third Sunday of each month

All Baptism bookings are to be made via our website

From Father Raining

The restaurant waitress walked up and, looking at the young boy, said: What will it be? The boy eagerly shouted back: "I'll take a hamburger, French fries, and shake." The mother immediately interrupted: Oh, that's not what he wants. "He'll take the roast beef, a baked potato, and a glass of milk." Much to the surprise of both the mother and the boy, the waitress completely ignored her and again asked him: "What do you want on that hamburger?" The boy shouted back, "ketchup, lots of ketchup." "What kind of Shake?" "Make it chocolate." The boy then turned to his parents with a big smile on his face and said: "Say, isn't she something. She thinks that I'm real!" Warning: If you once, just once, start really hearing people they are suddenly going to become real to you.

First Reading: Isaiah encourages us to "Be strong, fear not!" because God is with us.
When has God's presence helped me to calm my fears?

Second Reading: James warns us not to be misled by outer appearances and misjudge the worth of others.
What leads me to overlook the hidden riches of the poor?

Gospel: Jesus opens the ears of a man who is deaf.
What might Jesus be doing to open my ears so I can pay more attention to what God is trying to say to me?

Father's Day Blessing

Loving God, we give you thanks for the many gifts you have given us; the gift of life, the gift of those who love us and especially, today, we thank you for the gift of our fathers. We ask your blessing upon our fathers who gave us rules to live by, standards to uphold, joys to cherish, faith to live by, hopes worth dreaming of and who blessed our lives with their unselfish and unconditional love.

We ask your blessing upon our fathers who are unable to be with us today.
May they know how much we love and care for them.

We ask your blessing upon adoptive fathers, that they may always know their special role of being a true father, a revelation of God's love for their children.

We ask your blessing upon fathers who have lost children through miscarriage, stillbirth, crib death, sickness, accident and tragedy, that they may have your continuing strength and courage.

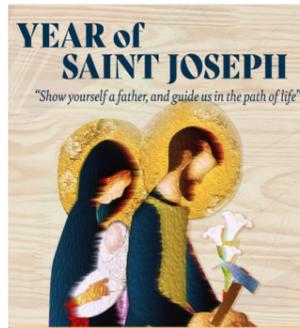
We ask your blessing upon those who want to be fathers or want to have another child, that they may practice patience and feel your love as they wait and hope.

We remember our fathers who have died and for the unique way they revealed for us your love.
We ask that you keep them in your care until the time comes for us to join them in your Kingdom.

And we ask your blessing upon the fathers standing here before us. Let the example of their faith and love shine forth. Give them the strength to live the faithful and loving lives you call them to live. Protect and guide them. Keep them in your care and grant that their children may always honor them with a spirit of profound respect.

We ask this in the name of Jesus, our Lord. AMEN

Author Unknown



'Show yourself a father, and guide us in the path of life'

8/12/2020—8/12/2021

Moments of Mercy

There are souls with whom I can do nothing. They are souls that are continuously observing others, but know nothing of what is going on within their own selves. They talk about others continually. Poor souls, they do not hear My words; their interior remains empty. They do not look for Me within their own hearts, but in idle talk, where I am never to be found. (1717)

Catholic Weekly

While the Catholic Weekly is not available from the Church, please feel free to access their website for a wide range of news and information:
<https://www.catholicweekly.com.au/>

Holy Hour for Vocations

Jesus says clearly; "Anyone who does not take up the cross and follow me cannot be my disciple." You and Jesus can carry your cross together. Then, you can follow!

Thank you for Contributions to Collections at Mass and Planned Giving

The parish is always indebted to those who give through our planned giving. The monthly option of direct debit is becoming increasingly popular and being encouraged for both existing and new givers. If you would like to know more about planned giving please don't hesitate to contact the Parish Office by phone or email. Thank you for your contributions and generosity, it is deeply and sincerely appreciated.

Reflective Ministry Program

The Reflective Ministry Program is a free, online, self-paced leadership development program to renew or encourage people in ministry. Produced by the Pastoral Formation team, the program covers biblical spirituality, ministry skilling and pastoral theology. Sign-ups are still open via <https://tinyurl.com/RMIFM> and previous sessions are available as recordings.

Support Mass for You at Home

Many people who are isolated, in prison, in hospital or don't have internet rely on Mass for You at Home. The Catholic Mass is broadcast free-to-air each Sunday morning on Channel 10 and WIN at 6am. Find out more at www.massforyou.com.au

Parish Online Ministry during COVID

There are an extraordinary amount of initiatives taking place online across the Diocese in a number of parishes. These include games nights, trivia competitions, formation, scripture studies and wellbeing check-ins. If your community is willing to share these opportunities beyond your own Parish, the Mission Enhancement Team (MET Parramatta) would love to hear from you and help connect others who are struggling at this time. Email met@parracatholic.org

Mental health

The Diocese of Parramatta is aware of several media reports over the last few days that have highlighted the rise in mental health issues that prolonged lockdowns are having on young people in NSW. A working group made up of our various agencies has been convened to look into this issue and to determine what support we are able to provide our young people. More information from this group will be made available in the coming days and weeks.

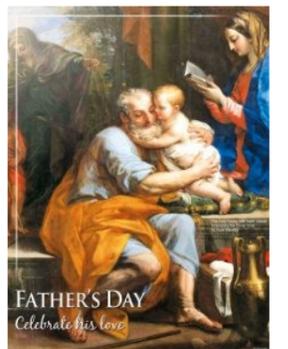
COVID update

Lockdown restrictions are still in place (at this stage) until at least the end of September. Existing arrangements continue to apply where the Church will remain closed and Masses will be broadcast via our Facebook page. Once restrictions are eventually lifted, we will know more in terms of Mass capacity and if bookings are required, etc and we will provide these updates to our parishioners:

- via our Facebook page <https://www.facebook.com/stpaultheapostleparish/>
- as announcements during our daily livestreamed Masses

Thank you for your understanding and patience whilst these restrictions are in effect.

**Happy Fathers' Day
to all our Fathers and Grandfathers!
May the Lord bless you and keep you - Num 6:24**



Please pray for our sick

Antonio Abulad, Junelle Ausuncion, Maroun Ayoub, Marielin Suazo Barcelona, Marija Barclay, Ely Bejma, Eveyln Brien, 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 Iruulbandra, 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, Rudy Severino, 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 Saiiba, Wasley Adolphe. **May the souls of our dearly departed rest in peace**