

# 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

*(Rosary is prayed at 8:40 am before each weekday Mass)*

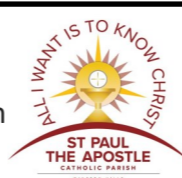
**Reconciliation:** Saturday 4.00pm - 4.45pm

**Baptisms:** First and Third Sunday of each month

*Baptism bookings only [via our website](#)*

**Masses that are livestreamed to Facebook:**

Mon to Fri 9.10am | Sat 9.00am | Sun 9:30am



## From Father Raining

There is an email going round that warns of a very powerful virus spreading in epidemic proportions.

You might want to make sure your Antivirus is up to date. The virus is called "Inner Peace."

Be on the alert, it says, for symptoms of inner peace that could pose a serious threat to what has, up to now, been a fairly stable condition of conflict in the world. Some signs and symptoms of inner peace:

- A tendency to think and act spontaneously rather than on fears based on past experiences.
- An unmistakable ability to enjoy each moment.
- A loss of interest in judging other people.
- A loss of interest in interpreting the actions of others.
- A loss of interest in conflict.
- A loss of the ability to worry. (This is a very serious symptom.)
- Frequent, overwhelming episodes of appreciation.
- Contented feelings of connectedness with others and nature.
- Frequent attacks of smiling.
- An increasing tendency to let things happen rather than make them happen.
- An increased susceptibility to the love extended by others as well as the uncontrollable urge to extend it.

First Reading: The apostles decide to not burden believers beyond necessities.  
*What can I do to follow this advice and help to lighten others' burden?*

Second Reading: John envisions a city with no temple because God's presence is everywhere.  
*Where do I look for God's presence?*

Gospel: Though he will no longer be visible, Jesus promises to be with us in Spirit.  
*When have I felt Jesus' presence with me recently?*

## RCIA Invitation - Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

You are invited to introduce adult family and friends who may be interested in learning about the Catholic faith, in becoming Catholic or in completing reception of Sacraments of Initiation.

Our Parish will hold this program and is planned to commence in June after Pentecost.

Details for those interested can be emailed to our parish office or by telephoning 9639 6516.

## Please pray for our sick

**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**

Maroun Ayoub, Renata Beck, Ely Bejma, Bridget Boldt, Gabrielle Boldt, Danielle Brown, John Buggy, Christine Coorey, Camarillo Cossid, Gus DelVillar, Frederick de Silva, Helen Dillon, Lara Duncum, Rebecca Duncum, George El-Bayeh, Nick Galea, Molly Griffith, Anthony Iannuzzi, Elizabeth Kenny, Karen Le Huray, Lucas Le Huray, Carolyn Martin, Ely Mathew, Leanne Maree McInerney, Rhiannon McInerney-Robertson, Mary McNamara, Father John McSweeney, Sonia Merhi, Maria Micallef, Tess Micallef, Annie Newton, Iranie Perumal, Silvi Perumal, Honor Rosario, Kenneth Del Rosario, Nazeer Rasheed, Mark Ryder, Alison Samuels, Norma Sciara, John Trost, Pelenatete Tuaimau, Karl Wagner, George White.

## Please pray for

**May the souls of our dearly departed rest in peace**

Jack & Gladys Scott, Father David Scott, Charles & Josephine Clayton, Saverio & Rosa Marotta, Paul Beck, Jim Rowan, Leon Chalker, Brian Hurney, Lottie & Fredrick Gibbs, Brian Baker, Maggie Simpliciano, Annette Herft, Andrew Busutil, Maurice & Yvonne Sequeira, Kerry and Ron Cini, Aurelio & Connie Lopez, Patricia Minahan, Vicky Mifsud, Lena Pereira, Bal & Jennifer Villanova, Michael & Chammouni Frangi, Madeleine & Wasley Adolphe, Charlie Micallef, Dex Habito, Geraldine Senewiratne, Mary & John Ford, John Ford Junior, Rosy Attard, Donald Ramage, Frank Borg, Tom Dennis, Andy and Maureen Haddad, Lourdes Zaballa, Thelma Nalliah, Richard Cassin, Nellie & Conrad Rodrigues, Jim Lynch, Julia Sherman, Lenny and Hudson Pallas (twins), George Khodeir, Priscilla Bennett, Siobhain Power, Gillian Shannon, Nancy Radocchia, Lucky Dhammapala, Gerard Marcello, Maxwell Fernando, Ajay Kallukalam.

## Novena to our

### Mother of Perpetual Help

Prayed every Wednesday morning immediately after Mass.

### Divine Mercy Chaplet

Every Friday 3:30pm in the Marian Chapel. All welcome to attend and join in solemn and intimate prayer.

### 24 hour adoration

Held the first Friday through to Saturday morning every month.

### Moments of Mercy

I rejoice that souls ask for much, because it is My desire to give much, very much. On the other hand, I am sad when souls ask for little, when they narrow their hearts. *(Diary 1578)*

### Prayer for Vocations

Through His death, resurrection and ascension, Christ showed us the path to eternal life. Know that the Lord is with you always, through your struggles and triumphs, and that he will hear your prayers.

### Catholic Weekly

As always you can visit their website for a wide range of news, articles and information: <https://www.catholicweekly.com.au/>

- Enter the Killers. What Euthanasia means for NSW
- Synod splits Anglicans
- China arrests 90 year old cardinal
- The woman who confounds left and right
- Movie review: *The Bad Guys*
- Liverpool Alpha running

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## Children's Liturgy update: Sunday 9:30am Mass

Our Sunday Children's Liturgy at the 9:30am mass was suspended in early 2020 due to COVID. This particular aspect of our Sunday Liturgy has been sorely missed. We are ideally planning to reintroduce this at the 9:30am mass however no fixed timing has been set. In preparation for this, Parramatta Diocese will be running a workshop for those who run and conduct Children's Liturgy of the Word. This course will be held in early June and if you are interested in becoming a coordinator for our Children's Liturgy, please contact the parish office no later than Tuesday 31st May.

## Please support our seminarians to answer God's call to the priesthood

At the Holy Spirit Seminary, Harris Park, young men are training to become future priests for the Diocese of Parramatta. The Bishop's Good Shepherd Appeal raises much needed funds for our seminarians providing for the education, formation, spiritual guidance and practical experience needed to deepen their faith and prepare for a life of service to our community. Seminarians and priests are essential to the life of our Church and as our Diocese expands, we must be prepared to meet the needs of our faith community.

At all masses next weekend, we will be collecting for the Bishop's Good Shepherd Appeal. You may use the envelopes provided or give online at <https://yourcatholicfoundation.org.au/bishops-good-shepherd-appeal/>. Thank you for your prayers and generosity.

## Baptisms welcome

To Calli, Louis, Lucy and Jack who were baptised here recently. We pray that their faith will be an important and integral part of their lives.

## Please pray for those receiving First Holy Communion

Every Saturday in June children from St Pauls and other schools in our parish will be celebrating the Sacrament of First Holy Communion. It is important, and also a reminder, that as a parish we pray for these children, and their families:

*O Jesus, You have loved us with such exceedingly great love as to give us the ineffable gift of the Holy Eucharist, inflame us with a burning zeal to promote Your glory by praying for these children to prepare worthily to approach Your holy table for the first time. Protect, O Sacred Heart of Jesus, their young souls from the assaults of evil, strengthen their faith, increase their love and endow them with all the virtues that will make them worthy to receive You. Amen.*

## Piety Stall

Our Piety stall carries a wide range of gifts, cards and religious items for all occasions. Stop by and browse and if there is something particular that you are after please don't hesitate to ask, especially for the upcoming Sacraments in our parish.

## May - month of Mary

The month of May is the "month which the piety of the faithful has especially dedicated to Our Blessed Lady," and it is the occasion for a "moving tribute of faith and love which Catholics in every part of the world [pray] to the Queen of Heaven. During this month Christians, offer up to Mary from their hearts an especially fervent and loving homage of prayer and veneration. In this month, too, the benefits of God's mercy come down to us from her throne in greater abundance" (Pope Paul VI). This Christian custom of dedicating the month of May to the Blessed Virgin arose at the end of the 13th century. **Especially in May, please join us as we pray the daily Rosary Mon to Sat at 8:40am.** For prayers and resources please visit [catholicculture.org/culture/liturgicalyear/overviews/months/05\\_1.cfm](http://catholicculture.org/culture/liturgicalyear/overviews/months/05_1.cfm)

## Free lecture - The Outsider Pope: Where is Francis leading our Church?

Vatican correspondent from the international *The Tablet* magazine, author and speaker Christopher Lamb will present a free lecture reflecting on Pope Francis' battle to renew the Church and Pope Francis as a human being. This lecture is held on Tuesday 5th July 7.30pm at Novotel Parramatta, 350 Church St Parramatta. RSVP essential by 2 July to [mark.oconnor@parracatholic.org](mailto:mark.oconnor@parracatholic.org)

## Our Lady Help of Christians—Feast Day May 24th

Saint Mary of the Cross McKillop, together with Our Lady, under the title "Help of Christians", are our spiritual patrons. Mary, Our Lady Help of Christians, has always had a special place in the devotions of Australian Catholics. In 1844, Mary, under the title of Our Lady Help of Christians was chosen as the patroness of Australia at the First Provincial Synod of Sydney. Catholic Australia remained faithful to Mary and was the first nation to choose her under the title Help of Christians. St Mary's Cathedral was dedicated in her honour by the Irish pioneer priest, Fr John Therry, who arrived in Sydney in 1820 and assumed responsibility for the planning and initial construction of the Cathedral. When Australia became the first country to have Mary Help of Christians as Patroness, it became the first country to have a mother-cathedral under the same title. Following are two prayers to Mary, Our Lady Help of Christians:

[Prayer to Mary, Help of Christians: Australia's Patroness](#)

*Lord, you place deep in our hearts the love of Mary, help of Christians. Through her prayers grant wisdom to our leaders and integrity to our Citizens. Under her protection may Australia be granted harmony, justice and peace. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.*

[Prayer for the Safety of Australia as a Christian Nation](#)

*Almighty God, we Thy people cry out in our affliction. Do not scorn us but for the glory of Thy name come to our rescue. Look mercifully upon us in our tribulation, and, though we have justly deserved punishment, turn away Thy wrath. Through Jesus Christ Our Lord. Amen. Mary, Help of Christians, bring succour and peace to Australia.*

## Position Vacant—full-time manager for online store

The Catholic charity Aid to the Church in Need Australia (ACN) is seeking a full-time manager to run its online store That Catholic Shop (TCS). Based at the national office in Penrith, the TCS Manager will ideally have sales or marketing experience and be someone with enthusiasm and vision. To view the position description visit, [www.aidtochurch.org/jobs](http://www.aidtochurch.org/jobs). Applications close Friday 27 May 2022.