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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)

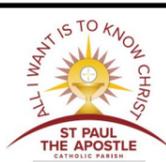
Reconciliation: Saturday 4.00pm - 4.45pm

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

An enormously rich man complained to a psychiatrist that despite his great wealth which enabled him to have whatever he wanted, he still felt miserable. The psychiatrist took the man to the window overlooking the street and asked, "What do you see?" The man replied, "I see men, women, and children." The psychiatrist then took the man to stand in front of mirror and asked, "Now what do you see?" The man said, "I see only myself."

The psychiatrist said, "In the window there is a glass and in the mirror there is glass, and when you look through the glass of the window, you see others, but when you look into the glass of the mirror you see only yourself.

The reason for this, "said the psychiatrist, "is that behind the glass in the mirror is a thin layer of silver.

When silver is added, you cease to see others. You only see yourself."

Whenever your devotion to money and material things causes you to be self centred, you deny God's intention for your life. It is also a denial of the Christ, for Jesus came into the world so that we might be in union with God.

First reading: Amos in incensed at the greed of the rich who exploit the poor.

How can I help to work for or to vote for policies to help the poor and stop their exploitation?

Second Reading: Paul encourages us to pray for those in authority.

What prayers do I want to pray for both Church and secular leaders?

Gospel: Jesus knows that honesty and trustworthiness are shown first in little things.

What tempts me to be dishonest or untrustworthy at home or at work?

Funeral service this week in our Parish

✠ Tuesday 20th (10:30am) the late Joseph Ebejer

Diocese of Parramatta Wedding Anniversary Mass: 30th October 11:00am

The annual Wedding Anniversary Mass will be held at St Patrick's Cathedral, Parramatta.

Bishop Vincent will celebrate Solemn Mass, followed by a light lunch at the Cathedral Hall.

All couples celebrating a significant wedding anniversary will receive a certificate from Bishop Vincent.

Please register your name, years of marriage and numbers attending at marriage@parracatholic.org

by 21st October. Family and friends are welcome.

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, Helene Barker, Renata Beck, Elly Bejma, Bridget Boldt, Gabrielle Boldt, Danielle Brown, John Buggy, Vicente Calonia, Peter Casey, Christine Coorey, Camarillo Cossid, Ransford Cowasjee, Emmy Cox, Gus DelVillar, Tracy Derugo, Helen Dillon, Charlotte Dos Remedios, Lara Duncum, Rebecca Duncum, George El-Bayeh, Christine Lin Yew Fai, Nick Galea, Molly Griffith, Steven Hitchings, Anthony Iannuzzi, Elizabeth Kenny, Karen Le Huray, Lucas Le Huray, Carolyn Martin, Ely Mathew, Leanne Maree McInerney, Rhiannon McInerney-Robertson, Mary McNamara, Sonia Merhi, Maria Micallef, Tess Micallef, Annie Newton, Iranie Perumal, Silvi Perumal, Honor Rosario, Kenneth Del Rosario, Mark Ryder, Alison Samuels, 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, Lourdes Zaballa, Dex Habito, Charlie Micallef, Jim Rowan, Brian Baker, Charles & Josephine Clayton, Kerry and Ron Cini, Vicky Mifsud, Saverio & Rosa Marotta, Paul Beck, Leon Chalker, Maggie Simpliciano, Annette Herft, Andrew Busuttill, Maurice & Yvonne Sequeira, Wasley and Madeleine Adolphe, Aurelio & Connie Lopez, Patricia Minahan, Lena Pereira, Bal & Jennifer Villanova, Geraldine Senewiratne, Frank Borg, Mary & John Ford, John Ford Junior, Donald Ramage, Andy and Maureen Haddad, Thelma Nalliah, Richard Cassin, Julia and Michael Sherman, George Khodeir, Jim Lynch, Priscilla Bennett, Siobhain Power, Frederick de Silva, Gillian Shannon, Nancy Radocchia, Andrew Scott, Tom Dennis, Ludie Iruillbandra, Maria Di Marzo, Joseph Ebejer.

Novena to our Mother of Perpetual Help

Prayed every Wednesday morning straight after Mass.

Thursday Cenacles

Held in Marian Chapel every Thursday morning 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

Souls perish in spite of My bitter Passion. I am giving them the last hope of salvation; that is, the Feast of My Mercy. If they will not adore My mercy, they will perish for all eternity. (Diary 965)

Prayer for Vocations

We can never be called "generous". All we possess we have received from God. It is our vocation to return to God all the talents God has entrusted to us.

Catholic Weekly

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

Featured this week—

- Life of Service and Faith - Vale Queen Elizabeth II
- A Christian King: Charles III
- Euthanasia: An Indigenous perspective
- Archbishop's student awards
- Renew: National Catholic Mens' Gathering
- The honey-making Sisters

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Shortage of volunteers for Church Liturgies

We are especially blessed at our weekend Masses with those who assist and volunteer in a number of roles and ministries to ensure our Clergy, when celebrating Mass, are provided with as much support as possible. It is also important and integral to our liturgies that the people of our parish, our congregation, are actively involved in the Sacrifice of the Mass. For many years we have had a strong and large contingent however in recent times we have found ourselves short on numbers. As you may appreciate this presents a number of challenges and causes strain on those remaining to cover as best they can.

We are especially in need of Readers and Commentators and Ministers of the Eucharist.

Please consider how you can assist, no matter how little or often you are available. Relevant training and support is provided. To find out more, or to volunteer, please contact the Parish Office, speak to Father when you're at Mass or approach one of the many volunteers who perform these roles who will be happy to talk through and happily answer any questions you may have about what is involved. Thank you.

Come and join in the Presentation of Gifts (Offertory Procession)

We are very short on volunteers to take up the gifts of water, wine and bread for each Mass. To ensure that we have people at each Mass to assist with this important task, a list is available at the front of the Church, to record your name for any of the upcoming Masses you intend to assist. Absolutely everyone is invited to participate, including children. Thank you.

Rosters now available for the next quarter (October - December)

Rosters have been emailed and if you did not receive it please contact the parish office. Copies are available outside the Sacristy for those without email. It is important and best practice for changes or swaps to be made amongst the relevant volunteers before contacting the parish office. Rosters can be found on the web: <https://stpaultheapostleparish.org/rosters/> Thank you for your ongoing commitment!

In need of Communion volunteers to visit Constitution Hill

Visitations to provide Communion to the residents of Constitution Hill have recommenced after a lengthy absence due to COVID.

If you are an existing Minister of the Eucharist, please consider if you are able to assist and join in providing Communion to those in need. Please contact Sylvia McGee to inform her of your availability or to find out more: email sylbeeyah@bigpond.com or phone 0410 685 002.

Saint Paul's Winston Hills Parish Youth Event—Saturday 24th September

Young adults (aged around 16 to 21) in our Parish ... You are invited! This event is especially for you. Meet other young adults in our parish, make new friends and strengthen your spiritual faith as we recognise the future leaders of our parish. Come and enjoy meeting other likeminded young people, including others who may be going through the same life challenges and experiences of your generation. There will also be fun social activities under the supervision of the group's spiritual leader, Father Marcus.

Event commences with 5:00pm vigil Mass this Saturday 24th followed by some light refreshments and pizza till about 8:00pm.

Interested? **You will need to RSVP by this Friday 23rd** for planning and catering purposes:

- SMS your name to Kristine Macmang 0413 761 977 or by email kristinemacmang@gmail.com
- write your name on the list at the back of the church

Invite your family and friends in that age group ... and be part of our parish youth group! See you there!

Our Lady Queen of Peace Parish Greystanes Festa: 25th September

Festa is back on after a COVID hiatus on Sunday 25th September on the parish grounds. Mass will be celebrated at 1pm, with festivities from 2.30pm and a fireworks display at 8.30pm. For more information, please contact the Festa Committee on festa@olqp.org.au

Catholic Care's Aboriginal Catholic Services NAIDOC Week Celebration: 27th September

A community celebration to commemorate NAIDOC Week on Tuesday 27th September from 10am to 2pm at the Holy Family site in Emerton. Everyone is welcome to celebrate the many who have driven and led change in our communities over generations with a variety of entertainment, music, rides, stalls and more. Show your solidarity and have family fun with members of our local Aboriginal community.

A great App for your smartphone

Did you know that the Diocese of Parramatta has a smartphone app? This app was designed to provide:

- Mass, Reconciliation (Confession) & Adoration Times for each Church in our Diocese
- the latest Diocesan news, events and updates including the Catholic Outlook, our Bishop and more.

It's available on both of the following operating systems (and of course totally ad free):

- Android <https://play.google.com/store/apps/details?id=com.dcms.d2u.parra>
- Apple/iOS <https://apps.apple.com/au/app/diocese-of-parramatta/id1219557370>

Feast Days this week

19th Saint Januarius, 20th Saints Andrew Kim Taegon and Paul Chong Hasang and companions, 23rd Saint Pius of Pietrelcina

21st Saint Matthew: Was a tax collector which was a hated profession during his time and was working at a collection booth when Christ came to him and asked, "Follow me." With this simple call, became a disciple of Christ. From Matthew we know of the many doings of Christ and the message Christ spread of salvation for all people who come to God through Him, writing his gospel account around 41 and 50 AD. He wrote in Aramaic in the hope it would convince his fellow people Jesus was the Messiah and that His kingdom had been fulfilled in a spiritual way. It was an important message at a time when almost everyone was expecting the return of a militant messiah brandishing a sword. Nothing is recorded of Matthew's passing. Saint Matthew is often depicted with one of the four living creatures of Revelation 4:7, which reads, "The first living creature was like a lion, the second like a bull, the third living creature had a human face, and the fourth living creature was like a flying eagle." Matthew was a tax collector and is therefore the patron saint of bankers.