

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)

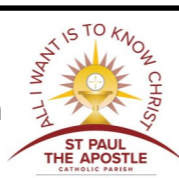
Reconciliation: Saturday 4.00pm - 4.45pm

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 was a beautiful lake that lost its zesty freshness. The water formerly had been clear. It was alluring to animals and people alike. But it became covered with a green scum. The farm animals became ill from drinking the water. Finally someone came by the lake who understood the problem. Debris collecting from the hard spring rains had stopped up the dam and prevented the free flow of water, not into the lake, but out of the lake. The spillway was cleared, and soon the lake was fresh and clean again. The flow in and out was necessary to keep the water pure!

Doesn't the same principle apply to you and me as human beings? The blessings of life flow to you and me, but we fail to realise that most of these blessings are not meant just to flow to us, but through us, for the good of others around us, especially for those in need.

First Reading: God condemns the rich whose luxury blinds them to the suffering of others.
How can I use my resources to help those who are in need?

Second Reading: Paul reminds Timothy that by his baptism he now must live a godly life.
What helps me to recall my baptismal commitment to live rightfully?

Gospel: The rich man never noticed the poor and starving Lazarus right at his gate.
What can I do to not just notice but actually help the poor and homeless who come in my life?

Daylight Saving - next weekend

Please remember to set your clock forward by one hour before going to bed on Saturday night.

24 Hour Eucharistic Adoration - October 2022

Commences: 9:10am Mass Friday 7th | Concludes: 9:00am Mass Saturday 8th

Our Lord Jesus will be exposed for 24 hours and at all times must have someone with Him. To ensure we have someone always present, please record your details on the booking sheet as you enter the Church. Thank you.

Come ... spend some time with Him



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

In order that you may know at least some of My pain, imagine the most tender of mothers who has great love for her children, while those children spurn her love. Consider her pain. No one is in a position to console her. This is but a feeble image and likeness of My love.

Prayer for Vocations

Each of us experiences a story of God's self-revelation in a unique way. Tell your story. Add to the beautiful mosaic of God's life in this world by your life story.

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—

- DAI LE: West Sydney talks back
- Campion Ball:
A Knight to Remember
- Building up FEMININE GENIUS
- Reaching out to Africa
- Movie review: Padre Pio
- The horror we don't mention

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COVID: this bulletin cannot be reused and must be taken home with you.

Restricted access to carpark

If suitable weather permits, the boundary fence behind the Church will be removed and replaced during the course of this week. While these works are being carried out, the driveway that loops behind the Church will be closed and detours put in place.

Welcome to two new Altar Servers

At the 5pm Mass this Sunday we welcome two siblings who will be installed as Altar Servers. To be called to assist the Church in this manner is a privileged function. Please pray for these children and their families as they play a critical and integral role.

Baptisms welcome

To Olivia, Orlaith and Sophie who were baptised here recently. We pray that their faith will be an important and integral part of their lives.

HSC Mass - Sunday 9th October 5pm

Our parish will celebrate a special Mass for HSC students 5pm Mass Sunday 9th October. Year 12 students and their families are invited to attend this HSC Mass to recognise their hard work and dedication ahead of their exams and for blessing of the students.

The Holy Rosary Booklet

A large number of "The Holy Rosary" booklets have been purchased and donated by one of our parishioners. These glossy booklets are a beautiful way to understand and pray the Rosary, including The Litany and various prayers. We thank them for their generosity.

Update and thank you on Stamps for Charity

Thanks to the generosity of our parishioners, four A4 boxes full of stamps were recently handed over to the charity of Mary MacKillop. The following message was received in reply: "Thank you again and again and again for the HUGE lot of great stamps. Please keep well and kind regards". These stamps are sold with all monies helping the poorest of the poor. At any time, if you have any unused stamps, albums, first day covers, please place them in the box in the Church foyer else drop off to the Parish office. It doesn't matter if you have a few or many stamps and they are all gratefully welcomed. Thank you again for your continued generosity.

MET Worship Formation for Ministry of Communion to the Sick and Dying: 22 October

MET – Worship will be hosting a formation session for those already active in the Ministry of Communion to the Sick and Dying on Saturday 22 October from 9.30am – 3pm at the Bishop Bede Heather Centre, Blacktown. The formation day includes a reflection on the Spirituality of Suffering, Working within Safeguarding Guidelines and the Practicalities of this ministry. If you are interested or would like more information, please contact the Office for Worship on (02) 8838 3456 or mary.gale@parracatholic.org

Volunteer Accounts Officer/Bookkeeper

Are you a retired Accounts Officer looking to contribute your bookkeeping skills to a Catholic Charity? Securing a part-time volunteer Accounts Officer will allow [Palms Australia](#) to use more of their donations to recruit, prepare, send, and support the qualified and experienced Catholics who volunteer for our mission abroad. Please email or phone Kevin Wilson: 0412 550 902 or kevin@palms.org.au

Christ the King, North Rocks - Parish Golden Jubilee Celebrations: 19th November

Christ the King Parish will be celebrating its 50th anniversary with Mass presided by Bishop Vincent 5.30pm Saturday 19th November, the Feast of Christ the King. All are welcome to celebrate this significant parish milestone, with former parishioners particularly invited to the celebration. For catering purposes, please confirm your attendance with the parish office on northrocks@parracatholic.org.

Feast Days this week

26th Saints Cosmas and Damian: Arab twins who studied medicine and practiced as doctors in Syria. They charged no fee for their services and referred to as 'the silverless', and attracted many to Christianity. Around 303 AD during persecutions, were ordered to recant their faith but refused. They were beheaded and died as martyrs for their faith in Jesus Christ together with their three brothers.

27th Saint Vincent de Paul: As chaplain to a poor parish, and to galley prisoners, inspired him to a vocation of working with those most marginalised and powerless. He urged his followers to bring God's justice and love to people unable to live a full human life: "Deal with the most urgent needs. Organise charity so that it is more efficient...teach reading and writing, educate with the aim of giving each the means of self-support. Intervene with authorities to obtain reforms in structure... there is no charity without justice."

28th Saint Wenceslaus, Saint Lawrence Ruiz and Companions

29th Saints Michael, Gabriel and Raphael: "Angel" means servant/messenger of God and distinct from saints, which men can become. Angels are immortal and have intellect and will. Archangels are one of the nine choirs of angels. In ascending order, the choirs or classes are 1) Angels, 2) Archangels, 3) Principalities, 4) Powers, 5) Virtues, 6) Dominations, 7) Thrones, 8) Cherubim, and 9) Seraphim. Each archangels performs a different mission: Michael protects; Gabriel announces; Raphael guides.

30th Saint Jerome: wrote extensively for 34 years. He defended the divinity of the Blessed Virgin Mary and battled several heresies. Jerome corrected the Vetus Latina (existing Latin-language version of New Testament) and translated Hebrew Bible from original Hebrew and Old Latin. St Jerome comes second after Augustine of Hippo as the second most voluminous writer in ancient Latin Christianity.

1st Saint Theresè of the Child Jesus: offered herself as a sacrificial victim to the merciful Love of God on June 9, 1895, the feast of the Most Holy Trinity and the following year, on the night between Holy Thursday and Good Friday, she noticed the first symptoms of Tuberculosis, the illness which would lead to her death. Theresè recognised in her illness the mysterious visitation of the divine Spouse and welcomed the suffering as an answer to her offering the previous year. She also began to undergo a terrible trial of faith which lasted until her death a year and a half later. "Her last words, 'My God, I love you,' are the seal of her life," said Pope John Paul II and was proclaimed a Doctor of the Church by Pope John Paul II in 1997 - 100 years after her death at the age of 24. She is only the third woman to be so proclaimed, after Saint Catherine of Siena and Saint Teresa of Avila.