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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)

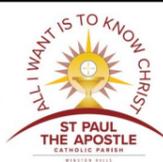
Reconciliation: Saturday 4.00pm - 4.45pm

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



Feast Days this week

9th Saint John Henry Newman | 11th Saint John XXIII, Pope | 14th Saint Callistus, Pope, Martyr | 15th Saint Teresa of Jesus

The Pope's Monthly Intentions for 2022

The Holy Father asks for our prayers for a specific intention each month. For October 2022, we join the Holy Father in praying for: *A Church Open to Everyone - We pray for the Church; ever faithful to, and courageous in preaching the Gospel, may the Church be a community of solidarity, fraternity and welcome, always living in an atmosphere of synodality.*

Morning Tea this morning - see you there !

After the 8:00am and 9:30am Mass this weekend we will be holding our monthly morning tea. Everyone is welcome to attend! Please stay and enjoy a hot cuppa and a treat with fellow parishioners. Thank you also to our volunteers who make this possible.

Baptisms welcome

To Arthur, Billy, George, Grace and Isabelle who were baptised here recently. We pray that their faith will be an important and integral part of their lives.

Father Raining away on a pilgrimage

Father Raining will be on leave from 13th October to 5th November to lead a pilgrimage group following in the footsteps of Saint Paul. Please keep Father and everyone in their group in your prayers for a safe and blessed pilgrimage.

Saturday Reconciliation - changes to seating arrangements

Please note that during Reconciliation on Saturdays, there will be signage to indicate which pews are to be left empty whilst waiting. These empty rows are reserved to provide an appropriately respectful space between those waiting and those inside the confessional.

October - dedicated to the Rosary

The Church has long set aside the entire month of May to honour Mary, and the month of October being dedicated to the rosary. Please join us for our daily rosary which is prayed before Mass, Monday to Saturday at 8:40am, or feel free to join in via Facebook. Please also feel free to take and keep *The Holy Rosary booklet* of which there are a large number of copies in our Church foyer, being a beautiful way to understand and pray the Rosary, including The Litany and various prayers.

World Mental Health Day 2022 - Monday October 9th

Stigma around mental illness due to misunderstanding or prejudice remains an issue in Australia, delaying or preventing people from wanting or feeling able to seek help, and impacting adversely on their lives. With one in five Australians affected, they form part of our close circles of family, friends and colleagues, and interact with us in our communities every day. Looking after your mental health and wellbeing, and knowing how to support others, has never been more important. Everyone has mental health. For more information please visit: <https://lookafteryourmentalhealthaustralia.org.au/> Pope Francis challenges us to be close to people struggling with mental illness: *"The thing the Church needs most today is the ability to heal wounds and to warm the hearts of the faithful; it needs nearness, proximity."*

Fertility Awareness Education Session: 12th October

Are you still looking for answers for miscarriage or infertility? You are invited to a free fertility awareness education Zoom session on Wednesday 12th October 7.30pm to 8.30pm. Vinetta Lobo, a Certified FertilityCare Practitioner, will explain how [The Creighton Model FertilityCare System](#) can help you identify your fertility on any given day. Register by email vinettajoy@hotmail.com or 0430 509 890.

Faiths 4 Climate Justice Multi-Faith Service: St Patrick's Cathedral, 13th October (9:30-10.30am)

Join with people of various faiths to pray for climate justice, in solidarity with Pacific and First Nations peoples. The service will feature the OLMC Student String Ensemble, a Pasifika Choir, Buddhist and Muslim chanting, congregational singing led by a Rabbi, and prayers from a range of faith traditions. Find out more at arrcc.org.au/parramatta_f4cj_multi_faith_service

Annual Saint Gerard Majellan Feast Day Blessing: October 16th

Everyone is invited to join in with the Majellan team at 1:00 pm Sunday 16th for their annual Online Majellan Family Day Liturgy, as they celebrate the Feast of St Gerard Majella. The service will also include Family Blessings, including Father blessing a collection of your prayers and intentions to St Gerard Majella. Please feel free to send your family's prayer to office@majellan.org.au The service can be accessed on their YouTube channel <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC5AQilH77xR8CYaT78pQFbw>

LIFTED Live in the Forecourt is back: 22nd October

All are welcome to St Patrick's Cathedral, Parramatta on 22nd October 7pm to 10pm for LIFTED Live. Encounter the vibrancy and dynamism of young people of our Church. Live performances, games, activities, art exhibition, and adoration. Share your gifts and talent with our Diocesan community by visiting www.parracatholic.org/liftedeoi. For enquiries email gwayne.guevara@parracatholic.org

Masterclass for Sponsor Married Couples: 28th October

The Diocese is looking to more deeply accompany couples preparing to be married. Have you been married for more than five years? Committed to living the sacrament of Marriage? Willing to give time limited assistance to couples preparing for marriage? Please join us for a Masterclass on Friday 28th October at 7.30pm at the Bishop Bede Heather Centre, Blacktown, on sponsoring engaged couples in your Parish using the SmartLoving Engaged Online program. To book your attendance or to ask further questions, please email marriage@parracatholic.org or phone Marisa on 8838 3460.

From Father Raining

Daniel Defoe gave us some good advice through his fictitious character Robinson Crusoe. The first thing that Crusoe did when he found himself on a deserted island was to make out a list. On one side of the list he wrote down all his problems. On the other side he listed down all of his blessings. On one side wrote: I do not have any clothes. On the other side: But it's warm and I don't really need any. On one side wrote: All provisions were lost. On the other: But there's plenty of fresh fruit and water on the island. And on down the list he went. In this fashion he discovered that for every negative aspect about his situation, there was a positive aspect, something to be thankful for. It is easy to find ourselves on an island of despair. Perhaps it is time that we sit down and take an inventory of our blessings.

Maybe, there are some of us that are long, long overdue in expressing our thanks to God.

First Reading: The foreigner Naaman tries to find a way to give thanks to God for his healing.
What can I do today to show my thanks to God?

Second Reading: Paul claims that God's word is not chained but powerful.
What can I do to allow God's word to change my actions to become more like Jesus?

Gospel: Jesus wonders why those healed do not express thanks.
When have I failed to express my thanks for what God has done for me?

Please join us for Thursday Cenacles

The Cenacle is a small faith-sharing group and is as old as the Church itself. The format followed is where small groups gather to learn and share their faith. In her messages, Our Lady insistently calls upon priests, religious and faithful to gather together with her in fervent prayer and fraternal love, in authentic cenacles as when the first apostles gathered with her in the Upper Room in Jerusalem awaiting the outpouring of the Holy Spirit. "Just as in the Cenacle of Jerusalem the Apostles, reunited with me in prayer, prepared for the moment of the first Pentecost, so also, in the cenacle of my Immaculate Heart – and consequently in the cenacles where you are gathered in prayer – you apostles of these last times can, with your heavenly Mother, obtain a new effusion of the Holy Spirit."

The Cenacle is held in the Marian Chapel every Thursday morning following Mass. You are invited to join us every Thursday or whichever Thursday suits you.

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, 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 & Lucas Le Huray, Carolyn Martin, Ely Mathew, Leanne Maree McInerney, Rhiannon McInerney-Robertson, 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 Smpliciano, 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 Irrullbandra, 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

I desire that you would all have more faith at the present time. How great is my joy at the faithfulness of my spouse in the smallest things. *Jesus, Diary 352*

Prayer for Vocations

Once we have been captured by the beauty of God's promised reward, we want to go out into our world and invite others into the heavenly banquet. Who will tell the Good News?

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—

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