

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 9.10am

(Rosary is prayed at 8:40 am before each of these Masses)


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-Sat 9.10am (school Masses excluded) Sun 9:30am



Message from St Paul the Apostle Parish Pastoral Council

We take this opportunity to extend congratulations to Father John Paul Escarlan on the occasion of his Mass of Installation. We especially acknowledge the Most Rev Vincent Long Van Nguyen, clergy and seminarians for their participation in the Liturgy. On behalf of the parish, we are deeply grateful to the many, to the generous, to the selfless, whose efforts and contributions made both the Mass and fellowship a memorable occasion and a fulfilling evening for the large numbers in attendance.

In the 53 year history of our parish, Fr John Paul is only the third parish priest ever appointed. It seems our parish has a reputation for not letting go of parish priests! Father David Scott was our first parish priest when it was established in 1970, with 40 years of tremendous service. Following a a short period where Father David Hume was administrator, Father Raning Creta was appointed in 2010 as our second parish priest, and 13 years on we welcome Father John Paul. Our parish has come a long way in that time from a humble cabbage patch to a thriving Catholic community.

We welcome Father John Paul not only as our parish priest, but someone who will continue with us on this shared journey, to work towards ensuring that our spiritual home remains strong, enriching and meaningful. We look forward to his time in our parish and pray that he continues to be blessed by God with wisdom, courage and strength. May the Holy Spirit sustain and guide him as he serves our parish and leads our parish community.

The Parish Pastoral Council is a representative body, collaborating in guiding the pastoral direction of our parish and where Council members strive to make the mission of Jesus the paramount consideration in all deliberations. Our Parish Pastoral Council also aims to enable members of our parish community to fulfill their baptismal calling to share in Christ's mission to connect their needs and strengths with the parish's plans for the future. The Council meets monthly and if you want to know more about our Parish Pastoral Council, please contact the parish office.

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

Helen Alam, Maroun Ayoub, Helene Barker, Renata Beck, Elly Bejma, Bridget Boldt, Gabrielle Boldt, Danielle Brown, Paul & Veronica Brown, John Buggy, Vicente Calonia, Christine Coorey, Camarillo Cossid, Emmy Cox, Gary Cullen, Francis D'Abrera, Gus DelVillar, Tracy Derugo, Helen Dillon, Charlotte Dos Remedios, Adam Duncum, Lara Duncum, Rebecca Duncum, George El-Bayeh, Christine Lin Yew Fai, Nick Galea, Christian Grant, Molly Griffith, Kevin Herft, Steven Hitchings, Anthony Iannuzzi, David Joseph, Branko Justic, Joe Justic, Fred Krastek, Karen and 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.

Please pray for ... May the souls of our dearly departed rest in peace. Amen

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 and Rosa Marotta, Paul Beck, Leon Chalker, Maggie Sincipiano, Annette Herft, Andrew Busuttil, Maurice & Yvonne Sequeira, Wasley and Madeleine Adolphe, Aurelio & Connie Lopez, Patricia Minahan, Lena Pereira, Bal & Jennifer Villanova, Geraldine Senewiratne, Frank Borg, Mary and John Ford, John Ford Junior, Donald Ramage, Andy and Maureen Haddad, Thelma Nalliah, Richard Cassin, Julia and Michael Sherman, George Khodeir, Priscilla Bennett, Siobhain Power, Frederick de Silva, Nancy Radocchia, Andrew Scott, Tom Dennis, Ludie Irrullbandra, Maria Di Marzo, Joseph Ebejer, Leone Minahan, Joanna Luz Ocoa, Jim Lynch, Billy Leonard, Bea Therese, Iyrika D'Cruz, Arch Askew, John Bush, Nazeer Rasheed, Christopher Oxyb, George White, Marcel and Claire Maya, Paul, Angelique, Claude and Myriam Jumeau, Sally Lowe, Louis Saliba, Elizabeth Kenny, Paul Ford.

Novena to our Mother of Perpetual Help

Prayed every Wednesday morning straight after Mass.

Thursday Cenacles

Held in Marian Chapel after every Thursday morning Mass.

Thursday Adoration

(Commences 3rd August)

Every Thursday at 6:00pm

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

Do not become discouraged by ingratitude. Do not examine with curiosity the roads down which I lead you. When boredom and discouragement beat against your heart, run away from yourself and hide in My Heart. Don't fear struggle; courage itself often intimidates temptations and they dare not attack us.

(Diary 1760)

Prayer for Vocations

This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased; listen to him. What is God asking of you?.

Catholic Weekly

Website also has a wide range of news, articles and information:

<https://www.catholicweekly.com.au/>

- WYD pilgrims go with haste!
- Sound of Freedom review
- St Mary's Cathedral Music director
- Faith on the racetrack
- Weigel, synodality and Vatican II

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Important update and changes to Mass times

As recently announced, please note the following updates to the timing and livestreaming of our parish Masses:

- Daily Rosary continues unchanged at 8:40am Monday to Saturday, however will not be livestreamed.
- Monday to Friday Mass at 9:10am will continue to be livestreamed, except where students from the Primary School are present.
- Saturday morning Mass will be celebrated at 9:10am instead of 9:00am (and will be livestreamed).
- Commencing 3rd August, Adoration will occur at 6:00pm followed by Mass at 7:00pm every Thursday evening.

Liturgical Ministry Formation Course

The Liturgical Ministry Formation Courses will recommence in September. This is formation for anyone interested in serving within the Ministries either as Readers, Extraordinary Ministers of Communion, Communion to the Sick and Dying and Ministers at the Altar.

If you are interested or would like more information, please contact the Office for Worship on 0460 037 795 or

mary.gale@parracatholic.org or visit our website to download an enrolment form at <https://officeforworship.org.au/>

Annual Vinnies Winter Appeal - next weekend

At all Masses next weekend there will be a third collection for the Vinnies Winter Appeal. When you donate to Vinnies you are helping our volunteers rebuild lives this winter. Your contributions can provide warm blankets for men and women experiencing homelessness or prevent a family from being evicted from their home this winter. Vinnies can also help pay a family's utility bills this winter and provide essential groceries to maintain health and strength during these cold months. As always, we appreciate the wonderful generosity of the parishioners of St Paul the Apostle Parish. Donations can be made via the envelopes on your seat; online at our fund raising page:

<https://my.fundraise.vinniesnsw.org.au/fundraise-your-way-conference/svdp-winston-hills-vinnies-conference-2023-winter-appeal-1>

Apply to be a Member at our Diocesan Synod (applications close 31st July)

If you are someone with a commitment to discern prayerfully with others what God wants for the whole diocese, then you might be called to be a member at our first Diocesan Synod! Refer to parracatholic.org/synod2023/ else email synod2023@parracatholic.org

Baptisms welcome

To Eliza, Leo and Tessa who were baptised here recently. We pray that their faith will be an important and integral part of their lives.

World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly - July 23rd

In 2023, this will be Celebrated on the Sunday before the feast of Sts. Anne and Joachim, the grandparents of Jesus. Pope Francis invites parishes, dioceses, associations, and communities around the world to celebrate the day "in their own pastoral context."

The Pope, who is 86 years old, has been an advocate for the dignity of the aging and has often emphasised the important role of grandparents in passing on the Catholic faith. He established the World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly in 2021, as there needs to be a greater recognition of Grandparents for their role and vocation in passing on their faith to the next generation. This Day is a momentous achievement for Grandparents and the Elderly and will hopefully reassure them they are loved and that they are needed.

Father Carl Ashton Funeral Arrangements: Tuesday 25th July

Father Carl Ashton, Pastor Emeritus of Sacred Heart Parish, Mt Druitt South, died on Thursday 13th July aged 86. A Vigil Mass will be held on Monday 24th at Sacred Heart Parish from 7pm, followed by prayer, with the church open until midnight. During this time his coffin will remain in the church overnight. Requiem Mass will be held at 11:00am Tuesday 25th at Our Lady of the Rosary Parish, St Marys, followed by a committal at Pinegrove Memorial Park, Minchinbury.

Please pray for the Repose of the Soul of Father Carl. If you have any enquiries, please phone Sacred Heart Parish on 9832 3896.

Upcoming Feast Days

24th Saint Charbel Makhlouf | 25th Saint James | 26th Saints Joachim and Anne | 29th Saints Martha, Mary and Lazarus

Mary Immaculate Parish , Quakers Hill Parish Bingo Night: Saturday 5th August

Doors open at 6:30pm for 7pm start. Please BYO Food and Drinks. Beverages available for a small fee. Cash and prizes to be won. RSVP by phone or email by 3rd August to book your seats on 9626 3326 or parishoffice@maryimmac.org.au. Come one came all!

Follow our World Youth Day (WYD) pilgrimage from home

170 young people from our Diocese have officially taken off to Lisbon, Portugal for an experience of a lifetime. The pilgrimage will travel through some of the most beautiful and sacred parts of Europe, and will be posting videos, photos and articles throughout the trip.

You are invited to follow along and see and hear what our pilgrims are experiencing by visiting catholicoutlook.info/WYD23News

Safeguarding Update and August Rosters

Thank you to everyone responding to the call for completing mandatory Safeguarding Training. We can't thank you enough for your generosity of time and effort with this important commitment. As much as we've had a recent surge of participation, we're not there yet, with about one third yet to complete all three modules. **Training is required for volunteers to perform and continue in their role.**

Rosters: As you may appreciate, volunteers who have not completed their training are unable to be rostered at this time, which is why rosters are being created for one month at a time instead of quarterly. Rosters for the month of August are now available and have been sent by email, hardcopies available outside the Sacristy and also available on our website: stpaultheapostleparish.org/rosters/

For any queries or clarification in respect of any of the above, please do not hesitate to contact the parish office.