

# 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 Saturday 9.10am (preceded by Rosary at 8:40am)

Thursday 7.00pm (preceded by Adoration at 6:00pm)

Reconciliation:

Thursday 6.15pm - 6.45pm (during Adoration)

Saturday 4.00pm - 4.45pm


Baptisms:


First and Third Sunday of each month

Baptism bookings only [via our website](#)

Masses livestreamed to Facebook:

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





Message from our Priest

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ:

Greetings with the love and peace of our Lord Jesus Christ.

As recently announced, we will restart a weeknight Mass in our parish, being celebrated at 7:00pm every Thursday. We will begin this coming Thursday, 3<sup>rd</sup> August. There will be Adoration to the Blessed Sacrament at 6:00pm in praying for the young people in our parish and for vocations. Sacrament of Reconciliation will be available from 6:15pm to 6:45pm during the Adoration.

We are particularly praying for young people and their vocations as we know well that our young people are not just the future of the Church, but are the present of the Church. As Pope Francis beautifully said during the 2019 World Youth Day in Panama: ‘You, dear young people, are not the future but the now of God’.

At last month’s meeting with the Parish Pastoral Council, I shared with them that during my first six months as your parish priest, of the three main priorities I have to focus upon, one of them is the Parish Youth Ministry.

I am hoping and praying that we can launch the new Parish Youth Ministry within this year.

Hence, I am inviting our parish youth aged 18-30 to join a group of young parishioners for a consultation gathering—to talk about and discern together about our parish youth ministry.

Please kindly inform myself or contact the parish office if you are interested to come and join this consultation gathering on Friday, 18<sup>th</sup> August 2023 at 7:00pm at Father David Scott Parish Centre.

St Paul the Apostle; pray for us! May God bless our parish always!

Father John Paul

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 Simpliciano, 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 Oxby, 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

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

If souls would put themselves completely in My care, I Myself would undertake the task of sanctifying them, and I would lavish even greater graces on them. There are souls who thwart My efforts, but I have not given up on them; as often as they turn to Me. I hurry to their aid, shielding them with My mercy, and I give them the first place in My compassionate Heart. (Diary 1682)

Prayer for Vocations

Why is it that we lack real trust when the Lord calls us? We think we may drown, or have to give up too much, or fear failure. These attitudes can help to strengthen our faith in the Lord.

Catholic Weekly

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

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

- WYD visit birthplace of Christ
- St Joseph’s Palliative to close
- Sisters of Charity come together
- Wedding blessing Tyburn nuns
- Big W boycott a victory
- Reviews: Barbie, Oppenheimer

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24 Hour Eucharistic Adoration - August

**Commences: 9:10am Mass Friday 4<sup>th</sup> | Concludes: 9:00am Mass Saturday 5<sup>th</sup>**

Our Lord Jesus will be exposed for 24 hours and at all times must have someone with Him.

If you are able to be in attendance 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***



Important update and changes to Mass times

- 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 3<sup>rd</sup> August, Adoration will occur at 6:00pm followed by Mass at 7:00pm every Thursday evening.

IMPORTANT: Ministry of Communion to the Sick and Dying

Our clergy, together with a number of parishioners, have been vital in ensuring that those who are sick or dying are provided with the Blessed Eucharist. Our parish recognises the significance of this ministry, and we will be reinstating the blessing of ministers at our weekend masses. An announcement about this will be made next weekend. If you know of someone that requires Communion, if you have any enquiries about the above, or if you wish to join this ministry please contact the parish office.

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](mailto:mary.gale@parracatholic.org) or visit their website to download an enrolment form at <https://officeforworship.org.au/>

Please pray for section in this bulletin - changes to publishing of names

Each week this bulletin includes names in our *Please pray for* section, which allows us, as a parish, to acknowledge those who are in need of our prayers. As much as we recognise the intentions of our parishioners to include everyone’s names, in practical terms this presents a challenge both in terms of ensuring it is up to date and also due to space limitations. Commencing next weekend, names submitted will be published only for a period two weeks, understanding this is a significant change to this longstanding process.

Annual Vinnies Winter Appeal - this weekend

At all Masses this weekend there will be a third collection for the Vinnies Winter Appeal. When you donate to Vinnies you are helping rebuild lives this winter. As always, Vinnies appreciates the wonderful generosity of the parishioners of St Paul the Apostle Parish. Donations can be made via envelopes on your seat; or online :

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



Come and join in our fortnightly Leisure Group this Wednesday

A social group where the young at heart share a laugh and a cuppa every second Wednesday 10am - 12pm in the Father David Scott Parish Centre. The next get together is Wednesday 2nd August. Want to find out more? Please phone Anne on 0417 043 605

Catholic Outlook article about Father Raning

On their website, there is a wonderful and interesting article about Father Raning following an interview with him earlier this year:

<https://catholicoutlook.org/fr-raning-on-40-years-as-a-priest-its-a-great-blessing/>

Dates for the Sacrament of Confirmation in our parish

- The Sacrament of Confirmation will be celebrated on Thursday 16th and Friday 17th November at 7pm.
- Online registration (via our website) opens Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> at 9am and closes Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> August at 4pm.
- Children Confirmed at Baptism are invited to take part in the program and receive a Blessing at one of the Confirmation Masses, and will still need to be registered and attend the preparation and practice sessions.
- If you wish to know more about the Sacramental Program in our parish, or have any questions please feel free to contact our Sacramental Coordinator Sandra Sheehan via the parish office.

Upcoming Feast Days

29th Saints Martha, Mary and Lazarus | 31st Saint Ignatius Loyola

August 1st Saint Alphonsus Liguori | 2nd Saint Eusebius of Vercelli, Saint Peter Julian Eymard 3rd Saint Dominic |

4th Saint John Vianney | 5th The Dedication of the Basilica of St Mary Major | 6th The Transfiguration Of The Lord

St Marys Parish Don Bosco Relic Visit: 23 – 27 August

The relic statue of St John Bosco, better known as Don Bosco, will be visiting Our Lady of the Rosary Parish, St Marys, as part of the celebrations of the centenary of the arrival of the Salesians on Australian soil. There will be opportunities to venerate the relic and celebrate Mass, Adoration and Confessions throughout the week. Details contact 9623 1962 or email [secretaryolrchurch@iinet.net.au](mailto:secretaryolrchurch@iinet.net.au)

***Please remember to pray for those students who commence their HSC trials this week.***