St Paul the Apostle Parish 40 Buckleys Road, Winston Hills NSW 2153 T: 9639 6516 W : <u>www.stpaultheapostleparish.org</u>	Weekend Mass times Saturday Vigil 5:00pm Sunday 8:00am, 9:30am and 5:00pm Weekday Mass times
Office hours: Tuesday to Friday 9:00am to 4:00pm	Monday to Saturday 9.10am (preceded by Rosary at 8:40am) Thursday 7.00pm (preceded by Adoration at 6:00pm)
Parish Priest: Father John Paul Escarlan Assistant Priest: Father Abraham Kunnatholy	Reconciliation: Thursday 6.15pm - 6.45pm (during Adoration) First Friday 6.00pm - 7.00pm (during Adoration)
For latest updates please visit our Facebook page	Saturday 4.00pm - 4.45pm
Find us on: facebook	Adoration:Thursday6.00pm - 7.00pmFirst Friday 9.45am -9.00am Saturday
Baptisms: First and Third Sunday of each month	Masses livestreamed to Facebook:
Baptism bookings only <u>via our website</u>	Mon, Tue, Wed, Fri, Sat 9.10am, Thu 7:00pm, Sun 9:30am

Message from our Priest

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ:

Once again, the lot fell on me to share some inspiration with you all.

From the time when it came to my awareness that I have to pen a message this week. I started pondering about it. And my interactions with many made me realise that the awareness about the church, its history, structure, etc among our faithful are very much limited. So, I thought it would be beneficial for all if I could enlighten you on this topic. That is why I am introducing some aspects of the catholic church, though not in detail.

Catholic Church: Catholic church is the communion of twenty-four individual/ sui-iuris churches. It has 1.378 billion baptised members (2021). Roman catholic church (or the Latin church) is the biggest among the catholic churches. 23 oriental churches together have only 18 million members in the world. All these churches accept the supremacy of Roman Pontiff.

Catholic means universal/all-embracing. To be a catholic means: they should hold on to the same faith and morals, they should participate in the same sacraments, they should accept the teachings of the church, and they should accept the supremacy of Pope.

Now one may ask why there are many churches or modes of practising one and the same faith. The development of the churches was happening after the preaching of the word of God by the disciples of the Lord. And churches flourished in places where word of God was proclaimed and developed accepting the local customs and practises. What the early church concentrated was on the core idea of faith than its celebration. And It also had to deal a lot with the political arena of the times too. (to be continued...)

Father (Doctor) Abraham Kunnatholy CMI

All Hallows' Eve Party for children - Tuesday October 31st

All Hallows' Eve is the Vigil of All Saints' Day on Nov 1, when Catholics remember those gone before us to enter our heavenly home. An All Saints Party is being organised by a number of our parish parents. This is an opportunity for children and their families to come together and celebrate the lives of the Saints while enjoying games, food and fellowship. More details will be available in coming weeks and in the meantime if you have any queries, or if you may be interested in assisting those organising this event, please contact Joslyne on 0475 444 888. There is no charge to attend and parents are encouraged to bring a plate.

Holy Father's monthly intentions: October

For the Synod: We pray for the Church, that she may adopt listening and dialogue as a lifestyle at every level, and allow herself to be guided by the Holy Spirit towards the peripheries of the world.

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 Danielle, Paul and Veronica Brown, George El-Bayeh, Iranie Perumal, John Buggy, Marjory Baker, Nick Galea

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

Jack & Gladys Scott, Father David Scott, Charles & Josephine Clayton, Anthony Boys, Beth Kenny, Bruce Fry, Cecily Jamieson, Charles Patrick Sarangaya, Charlotte Dos Remedios, Cristina Pulvirenti, George Steele, Gioacchino Lombardo, Hardja Taruna Hardja, Julie Hull, Maureen Young, Mike and Theodore Gunesekere, Norma Casamento, Remigio Macapagal, Salvatorie & Teresa Mule, Sciara and Signati families, holy souls in purgatory.

Novena to our Mother of Perpetual Help Prayed during our morning Mass every Wednesday. Thursday Cenacles Held in Marian Chapel after every Thursday morning Mass

Divine Mercy Chaplet Fridays 3:30pm in Marian Chapel.

Liturgy of the Hours First Friday at 6:00pm **2SM Filipino Mass**

Second Sunday at 11:00am "Ephpheta" Mass Third Sunday at 9:30am

Moments of Mercy

"Look into my Heart and see there the love and mercy which I have for humankind, especially for sinners. Look, and enter into My Passion" (1663)

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? Now is a good time to begin.

Catholic Outlook Access at anytime online: www.catholicoutlook.org/

Catholic Weekly

Their website also has a range of news, articles and information: www.catholicweeklv.com.au/

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24 Hour Eucharistic Adoration - October

Commences: 9:10am Mass Friday 6th | Concludes: 9:10am Mass Saturday 7th 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

It's not just 24 hours of silent Adoration

During the 24 hours of Eucharistic adoration, there are other ways one can participate in prayer or reflection and everyone is invited: • 3:30pm - Chaplet of Divine Mercy will be sung in the church in front of the Blessed Sacrament (feel free to assemble at 3:00pm) • 6:00pm - Evening Prayer/Vespers will be held. This is also known as Liturgy Of The Hours.

- 6.00pm Reconciliation until 7:00pm

Please join me in thanking the Lord

On Saturday 7th October please join me in thanking the Lord for 40 years of life and His gift to me of 10 years of priesthood. I will also be honouring Our Lady Of the Rosary who has guided me in my journey. You are all invited to attend the following ~ 10:40am Holy Rosary ~ 11:00am Holy Mass ~ 12:30 - 3:30pm Lunch

Please RSVP by this Tuesday 3rd (for catering purposes only) using the QR code to the right: Looking forward to seeing you there, Father John Paul

Why are the months of May and October dedicated to the Blessed Virgin Mary?

The Church has long set aside the entire month of May to honour Mary, and the month of October being dedicated to the rosary. On October 7th the Church also celebrates the Marian advocation of "Our Lady of the Rosary". This feast was established by Pope St. Pius V in 1571 to celebrate the miraculous victory of the Christian forces in the Battle of Lepanto on October 7th of that year. Prior to the decisive battle, St. Pius V requested all Western Christians to pray the rosary; thus he attributed the victory to the power of the Marian prayer rather than the power of ships and cannons. Two years before establishing the feast, in 1569, Pope St. Pius V officially approved the rosary in its present form. In a development from earlier methods of praying the rosary, the new version included the second half of the Hail Mary, as well as the "Glory Be" prayer at the end of each mystery.

There are many ways to pray the rosary to honour Mary during October

- Daily rosary is prayed Monday to Saturday at 8:40am before our morning Masses
- Worldwide Men's Rosary Crusade 1:00pm this Saturday 7th at St Mary's Cathedral forecourt (preceded by confession and Mass)
- World Rosary Day here in our Church on Friday 13th at 3:00pm. Please also visit worldrosaryhour.com
- "One million children praying the Rosary" Wednesday 18th. To register or for info visit <u>www.aidtochurch.org/onemillionchildren</u>

Members of Mary's Rosary Chain will be at all Masses next weekend

A member from Mary's Rosary Chain will be speaking at all masses next weekend. For over 15 years, on almost every weekend, they have promoted this rosary devotion in over 500 parishes, having distributed over 12 million prayer cards and around 3.5 million rosary beads to those in need. If you want to know more phone 8807 7888 or visit www.marysrosarychain.org/

HSC Mass: Sunday October 8th 5pm

Our parish will celebrate a special Mass for HSC students next Sunday October 8th at 5:00pm. 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. All HSC students are encouraged to wear their school leavers jersey. Please continue to keep these students in your prayers.

Holy Mass to commemorate parents of St Thérèse of Lisieux - Friday October 20th 7pm Our parish will be celebrating Holy Mass for the Commemoration of the Canonisation of the parents of St Thérèse of Lisieux and will be followed by light refreshments in the Father Scott Parish Centre. Father John Rizzo will be the main celebrant and all welcome to attend.

Upcoming Feast Days, Memorials, Solemnities

2nd The Holy Guardian Angels | 4th Saint Francis of Assisi | 5th Saint Faustina Kowalska | 6th Saint Bruno | 7th Our Lady of the Rosary

Safeguarding Face-to-face Training - this Saturday October 7th The Diocesan Safeguarding team are organising sessions for parish clergy, staff and volunteers to complete their

Mandatory Safeguarding Modules 1-3 this Saturday 7th at Holy Name of Mary Parish, Rydalmere from 10am-3pm. Please register by email to safeguardingtraining@parracatholic.org or for further details please email maria.kervin@parracatholic.org We take the safeguarding of children and vulnerable persons seriously. Refer concerns to the Parish Priest, or to Office for Safeguarding and Professional Standards 8838 3419 or safeguarding@parracatholic.org. More information is available at www.safeguarding.org.au

St Paul the Apostle Primary School celebrates 50 years - you're invited! Bishop Vincent will celebrate morning mass at 10:00am on Friday October 20th. The school is hoping that former parents, children and

Reminder: Morning Tea next weekend after the 8:00am and 9:30am Mass - see you there !



staff can be in attendance at that mass to represent each decade of learning. We also invite you to join in our Entrance Procession into the church before Mass. If you would like to be part of this please email the school office at winstonhills@parra.catholic.edu.au





