St Paul the Apostle Parish

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Office hours: Tuesday to Friday 9:00am to 4:00pm

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Baptisms: First and Third Sunday of each month Baptism bookings only via our website

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)

First Friday 6.00pm - 7.00pm (during Adoration)

Saturday 4.00pm - 4.45pm

Adoration: Thursday 6.00pm - 7.00pm

First Friday 9.45am - 9.00am Saturday

Masses livestreamed to Facebook:

Mon, Tue, Wed, Fri, Sat 9.10am, Thu 7:00pm, Sun 9:30am

A very happy and holy Christmas to all members of our Parish Family.

We extend a warm welcome to anyone visiting our Farish and hope that you take home lots of wonderful memories of your visit.



May the peace and joy of the Christ Child be with you all during this Christmas Season and in the coming New Year.

Welcome to the parish of Saint Paul the Apostle!

If you are visiting or just passing by, we extend a sincere and warm welcome to you and yours and hope that you will visit us again.

If you are new to the parish or like to know more about becoming part of our parish community at Saint Paul the Apostle, please don't hesitate to:

- phone or visit our parish office
- visit our Piety Stall where we will be more than happy to say hello
 - get in touch with us from the Contact us page on our website.

January 1st: Solemnity Of Mary, The Holy Mother Of God

The Solemnity Of Mary is one of the most important days of the Church calendar, however it is not a Holy Day of Obligation. The Australian Catholic Bishops Conference decreed (unchanged since 2001) the only feast days to be observed as holy days of obligation are Christmas Day, the Feast of the Assumption and all Sundays of the year. Holy Mass will be held Monday 1st Jan at 9:10am.

Wednesday Novena to our Mother of Perpetual Help

Novena Is prayed at the end of Mass on Wednesday mornings. Mary is "our Mother on the order of grace," and all the graces Mary gives us come directly from our Lord. She is always ready to intercede with Him on our behalf, but never for anything contrary to His wishes.

Thursday Cenacles

Our Lady insistently calls upon us to gather with her in fervent prayer, in authentic cenacles as when the first apostles gathered with her in the Upper Room awaiting the outpouring of the Holy Spirit. This prayer group is held in Marian Chapel after Thursday morning Mass.

Divine Mercy Chaplet

A Catholic devotion to the Divine Mercy, based on the apparitions of Jesus reported by (Saint) Faustina. Is often said as a rosary-based prayer with the same rosary used for reciting the Rosary or the Chaplet of Holy Wounds. Held every Friday at 3:30pm in Marian Chapel.

Liturgy of the Hours

This is the daily prayer of the Church and a meditative dialogue on the mystery of Christ. It is the very prayer which Christ himself together with his Body addresses to the Father, and integrate the prayers of the psalms. Held on the first Friday of the month at 6:00pm.

Eucharistic Adoration

Eucharistic Adoration a pious custom in the Church since time immemorial. We adore God when we worship Him in His Real Presence in the Eucharist, and being there in Adoration is a powerful and personal time to be in His presence. Come... spend some time with Him.

- 24 hour Adoration is held every first Friday commencing with 9:10am Mass Friday. First Adoration in 2024 will Friday 2nd February.
- Thursday Adoration is held every Thursday at 6:00pm for one hour, followed by Mass at 7:00pm.

St Paul's Men's Ministry

This ministry allows a gathering of men from the parish to deepen their faith, which hopefully brings about an effort to serve, learn, teach, and reach out to their family, parish and wider community. All men over aged 18 and over are welcome to drop in to and join. Held the second Thursday of every month. To find out more contact the Parish office 9639 6516 or mensministryofstpaul@gmail.com .

Mass with Ephpheta

On the third Sunday of every month at our 9:30am Mass, we also welcome our brothers and sisters from the Ephpheta Centre for Deaf and Hard of hearing people, and actively participate during our Eucharistic celebrations. First Mass in 2024 will 18th February.

Stay and enjoy a cuppa after Mass

A morning tea is held outside the Church after the 8am and 9:30am Masses on the second Sunday each month. Come and enjoy a hot cuppa and a treat with fellow parishioners and a great opportunity to meet old friends and make new ones.

Filipino Mass (2SM)

On behalf of the Filipino community, there is a special Mass held here on the second Sunday of each month at 11:00am. This Mass is celebrated in Tagalog to give its predominantly Filipino congregation a personal experience in living their faith back in the Philippines.

Receiving Communion for those unable to attend Mass

If you, or anyone you know, seeks to receive the blessed Eucharist at their home please contact the parish office to arrange.

Come and join in our fortnightly Leisure Group

A social group where the young at heart meet every second Wednesday to have a laugh, have a cuppa and have a fun time. There is always something new and different happening and most activities are held in our parish centre. Morning tea is provided. Their first get together for 2024 will be Wednesday 17th January. Want to find out more? Please phone Anne on 0417 043 605.

Parish Safeguarding

We take the safeguarding of children and vulnerable persons seriously. Refer concerns to the Parish Priest, or to Office for Safeguarding and Professional Standards safeguarding@parracatholic.org or 8838 3419. More information available at www.safeguarding.org.au