

St Paul the Apostle Parish

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

Parish Priest: Father John Paul Escarlan
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For latest updates please visit our Facebook page



Baptisms: First and Third Sunday of each month
Baptism bookings only [via our website](http://www.stpaultheapostleparish.org)

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:

Monday to Saturday 9.10am, Sunday 9:30am



*** ONLY THREE WEEKS TO GO ***

You're all invited! Saint Paul the Apostle Parish Feast Day Mass and celebrations: Sunday June 30th

Everyone is invited to attend and celebrate this annual parish event which will commence with a special feast day Mass at 9:30am, followed by fellowship and lunch. We can't make this day a success without the generosity of our volunteers. There are many ways and areas to assist eg bring a plate, setting up, cleaning, serving food, BBQ and pack up. As you enter the Church there are lists where you can record your details in areas where you can help or to bring a plate. With the large turnout of families, we are keen to provide entertainment and activities such as games and music and please give thought if you are able to assist. Please don't hesitate to contact the parish office to find out more. THANK YOU!



Registration for Sacrament of Confirmation closes this Tuesday June 11th

Registration ([via our website](http://www.stpaultheapostleparish.org)) closes June 11th. To know more, contact Sacramental Coordinator Sandra Sheehan via the parish office.

Roster and availability for July to September (please advise by June 17th)

To assist in preparation of the next rosters, please advise the parish office regarding your unavailability by Monday June 17th. As always, thank you to the continued generosity of the many who assist in our various ministries.

Worldwide Marriage Encounter - at all Masses this weekend

These are weekend getaways held in Varoville in late June and October, offering couples a special 'timeout' to enrich their marriage, and an opportunity to step back from daily distractions and rediscover your relationship. More details visit www.wvme.org.au.

Important Planned Giving update and requesting receipts for all collections

- Receipts will only be provided upon request to the parish office as they are not automatically generated.
- Requests for receipts for Planned Giving, or for any collection, must be submitted by Monday June 17th.
- Planned Giving envelopes will be available in the Church foyer June 15th and throw away any leftover 2023/24 envelopes in July.
- Thank you again for your continued generosity and support of our parish.

Diocese of Parramatta Safe Parishes Week 2024 – Safeguarding Sunday June 9th

We are reminded of God's loving kindness, and his commitment to seek each one of us out and hold us gently in his care. Let us be reminded of our own mission to care for all our Father has created, and especially direct our care and attention to each other, so our Parish Community is a safe place where each one of us plays a part to actively promote the dignity and rights of children and all persons, particularly those who may be vulnerable.

Men's Ministry of St Paul - Thursday June 13th

This month's meeting will be discussing the universal call to holiness based on Pope Francis' document entitled Gaudete et Exultate and his idea of the "saint next door". We meet this coming Thursday June 13th starting with Adoration (6pm), Mass (7pm) then gathering at the Parish Centre (8pm). All men over 18 welcome. More details: Parish office 9639 6516 or mensministryofstpaul@gmail.com

St Synod 2023 Update: Local Think Tank Session - here in our parish on June 15th at 10:00am

The people of God in our Diocese are invited to contribute to the development of our 'Diocesan Plan for a Synodal Church'. Local faith communities are encouraged to engage in dialogue, offer valuable insights to the Plan's development, and to continue nurturing leaders through synodal practices through a series of Think Tank sessions. These sessions will gather feedback for implementing the Diocesan Plan and Synod resolutions locally. St Paul the Apostle Parish will be holding our own local Think Tank session on June 15th 10am to 11am in the Father David Scott Parish Centre. No need to RSVP. More details: parracatholic.org/synod

Anthony of Padua Parish, Toongabbie - Triduum Masses and first-class relic: June 11th - 13th

St Anthony's are blessed to have the first-class relic of their parish patron St Anthony of Padua for veneration in their church in June. All welcome to attend and for more information, please contact the parish office on 9631 3316 or secretary@stanthonyschurch.org.au.

Mt Schoenstatt Coffee, Craft and Conversation: June 15th

Young women (20-40 years) are invited to spend a relaxing afternoon of coffee, craft and spiritual conversations with the Schoenstatt Sisters of Mary Saturday June 15th 2.30pm-5pm at Mount Schoenstatt, Mulgoa. Cost is \$15 includes afternoon tea and craft materials. RSVP before Saturday June 8th to Hannah 0433 443 384. For more details visit: schoenstatt.org.au/

MET Natural Fertility Couples Hoping to Conceive Seminar: June 15th

Couples that are trying to conceive a child where there may be infertility issues and are seeking medical intervention are invited to a seminar hosted by MET Natural Fertility on Saturday June 15th from 1pm at the Bishop Bede Heather Centre, Blacktown. Hear about Restorative Reproductive Medicine and natural methods of achieving pregnancy from real couples and their journey towards pregnancy. For more information and to register, contact catherine.bourne@parracatholic.org or 0400 427 605.

Cardinal Marengo Meet and Greet: June 22nd

As part of his Australian visit through Catholic Mission, the our Diocese is hosting Cardinal Giorgio Marengo IMC, Apostolic Prefect of Ulaanbaatar, Mongolia. Cardinal Marengo will celebrate the Vigil Mass on Saturday June 22nd at St Patrick's Cathedral, Parramatta followed by a conversation about his mission and service. Free registration via: parracatholic.org/cardinalmarengo

June and the Sacred Heart of Jesus

The month is dedicated to the Sacred Heart as this Solemnity falls in June; on the Friday following the second Sunday after Pentecost. In 1899 Pope Leo XIII dedicated the whole Catholic world to the Sacred Heart of Jesus. Devotion to the Sacred Heart is a wonderful historical expression of the Church's piety for Christ, it calls for conversion and reparation, love and gratitude, apostolic commitment and dedication to Christ and his saving work. Devotions to the Sacred Heart of Jesus are numerous including personal and family consecration, Litanies, the practice of the First Fridays (devotion) and Holy Mass.

Moments of Mercy

Know, My daughter, that the ardour of your heart is pleasing to Me. And just as you desire ardently to become united with Me in Holy Communion, so too do I desire to give Myself wholly to you; and as a reward for your zeal, rest on My heart. (Diary, 826)

Prayer for Vocations

"There are different gifts, but the same Spirit." Each of us has been graced with certain gifts of the Spirit. And they are active, if we utilise them for the building up of the Church. Name the way the Lord has gifted you.

Mother of Perpetual Help

Novena prayed after Mass every Wednesday morning.

Thursday Cenacles

Held in Marian Chapel after every Thursday morning Mass.

Divine Mercy Chaplet

Fridays 3:30pm in Marian Chapel.

Christ's Catholic Community

Prayer group every Friday 10am: Parish Centre Conference Room.

Liturgy of the Hours

First Friday at 6:00pm

St Paul's Men's Ministry

Second Thursday of the month: 6pm-Church, 8pm-Parish Hall

2SM Filipino Mass

Second Sunday at 11:00am

Mass with Ephpheta

Third Sunday at 9:30am

Hearing Loop

For signal, set to 'T' (Telecoil).

Low gluten hosts

Available upon request

Overheads for hymns used in the Church are used with permission under ONE LICENCE No A-642251



Bishop's Good Samaritan Appeal for Catholic Care's Project Elizabeth

She is clothed with strength and dignity, and she laughs without fear of the future (Proverbs: 31-25)

Next weekend, across our Diocese, all parishes and faith communities are invited to support the Bishop's Good Samaritan Appeal, raising funds to support Catholic Care's Project Elizabeth; to empower women to navigate the challenges of being a mother in difficult times.

"Project Elizabeth is a counselling and support program for women who are experiencing a wide range of challenges, whether they have lost a child or had a child removed; it also supports women in areas such as active addiction, domestic violence, and complex trauma." - Jessica Mitchell, Project Elizabeth Counsellor and Family Support Therapeutic Case Worker

Motherhood is a blessing, but it's not without challenges. For some, there are personal difficulties that can add intense pressure. Without compassionate support, mothers can struggle to cope emotionally and practically with the demands of their circumstances. This can lead to increased anxiety, stress, isolation, shame, and uncertainty about their family's future. There's been a lot of financial distress among clients with many mothers in our community struggle to provide for their families.

Your compassionate generosity and prayers and support are crucial in ensuring Project Elizabeth can continue to provide mothers in difficult situations with the strategies and support they need to overcome adversity and build a better future for themselves and their families. Your gift will strengthen the dignity of struggling mums and give a hand up with practical support, strategies for parenting and wellbeing, counselling, and connections to health and community services.

There will be a third collection at all Masses next weekend.

You can use the envelopes provided at Mass, donate via this QR code or donate via this link: parracatholic.org/donate/good-samaritan-appeal/

Donations over \$2 are tax-deductible and will be receipted.

Holy Hour for Vocations: Friday June 21st

Holy Hour for Vocations is prayed at various Churches across the Diocese on the third Friday of the month to pray for more vocations to the priesthood. Join us at St Anthony of Padua Parish, Toongabbie with Fr Matthew Dimian, on Friday June 21st from 7pm.

Upcoming Feast Days, Memorials, Solemnities, Commemorations:

11th St Barnabas | 13th St Anthony of Padua

Parish Safeguarding

Please refer concerns to our Parish Priest, or safeguarding@parracatholic.org or 8838 3419.

More information at www.safeguarding.org.au

Please pray for our sick Lord, heal the sick, grant strength, comfort, and divine peace. Amen

Aeroll Klein, Anthony Iannuzzi, Cathie Christie, Daniella Younis, David, Valeriano Estacio Jnr, George El-Bayeh, Helene Barker, John Gin, Kayla Ho, Nick Galea, Loy De'Souza, Lucas Le Huray, Mary Finianos, Mary McConvey, Nikita De Sousa, Peter Casey, Peter Gamble, Rosa Caccamo, Vanessa Ibrahim.

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

Jack & Gladys Scott, Father David Scott, Father Maurice West, Beth Kenny, Camille Merched El-Azzi, Charles and Josephine Clayton, Charlotte Dos Remedios, Christeen Mammoliti, Christine Scanlon, John Buggy, Clara Zurbano, Claude Jumeau, Franco D'addabbo, George Steele, Glenda Ayoub, Hilaria Mapili Estacio, Iranie Perumal, Joan & Margaret Gurr, Joseph Lucas, Louise Muscat, Margaret Horder, Margaret Noon, Marie Grace Bonello, Marie Raymond, Mary El-Bayeh, Prisca De Souza, Roseanne Gomez, Salim El-Bayeh, Tessie Micallef.