

St Paul the Apostle Parish

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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*)

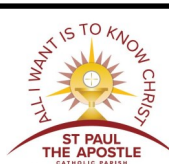
Saturday 4.00pm - 4.45pm

Adoration: Thursday 6.00pm - 7.00pm

First Friday 9.45am - 9.00am Saturday

Masses livestreamed to Facebook:

Sundays 9:30am, except 3rd Sunday of the month at 5:00pm



24 Hour Eucharistic Adoration - September

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

Replacing our Church Monstrance

An essential element of Eucharistic Adoration is the monstrance, in housing the Blessed Eucharist contained within. Eucharistic Adoration is the opportunity for the faithful to pray to Jesus in His very presence on display, to enter the presence of Jesus and adore the Eucharist fully and without distraction. Eucharistic Adoration is possible for today's Catholics because of the monstrance. Our parish will shortly be undertaking a process of purchasing a replacement Monstrance and more on this will be communicated in future bulletins and at Mass.

Pregnancy Help Sydney and "The Little White Box"

The work of supporting women with unplanned pregnancies is still an urgent need in our community. On the first weekend each month we put out "the Little White Box" at the Church at all masses. Donations raised allow the Pregnancy Help Sydney support group to continue supporting women and their families 24 hours a day on the telephone or with other assistance as needed. If you or anyone you know needs support or assistance, to know more, or to contribute, visit <https://www.pregnancyhelpsydney.com/>. Thank you.

Bishop's Father's Day Appeal supporting our retired priests: collection held this weekend

This Father's Day, let us show our thanks and appreciation for our priests' lifelong gifts of faithful service. As you may be aware, they have dedicated their lives to guiding many of us both spiritually and emotionally, and often at great personal sacrifice. Your generous and compassionate donation will continue to care for our clergy's health and wellbeing especially during sickness and retirement. A third collection will be held this weekend, else donate anytime parracatholic.org/fathersdayappeal. Thank you.

You are invited! World Apostolate of Fatima Prayer Ministry: Friday September 13th

Approved by the Holy See, the World Apostolate of Fatima (WAF) with it's millions of members worldwide, live the message of Fatima and try to give witness of God's love, imitating also the little shepherds of Fatima, Saint Francisco and Saint Jacinta Marto.

The WAF recognises and supports our own parish Prayer Ministry, including our World Rosary Hour event held on Sunday October 13th. The St Paul The Apostle Prayer Ministry is a response to Our Lady's call for prayer, penance and sacrifice. The intention is to meet once a month for a holy hour to pray, learn and live the message of Fatima. It is recommended to enrol and become a member of the WAF (free to join) where your name will be placed at Our Lady's feet in the Chapel of Apparitions, in Fatima, Portugal, entrusting to Her all your intentions. Sign up here: <https://worldfatima.com/en/join-us> To find out more contact Mark Napoli 0433 119 424

The first event will be on Friday September 13th at 7pm in the Marian Chapel. *Our Lady of Fatima ... pray for us!*

You are invited: Youth In Mission 2025 in the Philippines with Father John Paul Escarlan!

Our parish of St Paul's and the Parramatta Diocese Filipino Chaplaincy are excited to invite young, passionate individuals to join this overseas mission to Cebu and Manila to help those in need. The target group are young adults aged 18 to 30. This is a unique opportunity to immerse yourself in a new culture while contributing to meaningful projects that make a real impact where your efforts will directly benefit communities in need. You can make a tangible difference by working on projects that address critical needs and support local development, grow and develop personally in gaining invaluable life skills and even build lasting friendships. This experience isn't just about giving; it's also about growing and learning. You'll return home with a renewed sense of purpose and a deeper understanding of global issues. Book now! For more details please contact Father John Paul on 0420 310 771 or johnpaul.escarlan@parracatholic.org

You are invited: Marian Pilgrimage (September 2025) with Father John Paul Escarlan!

This is not being promoted elsewhere at this time, in order to give our parishioners preference and first opportunity to join Father John Paul as he leads this wonderful pilgrimage. Participate in the world's most requested Marian journey featuring villages of some of the Church's most renowned saints. From the celebrations in Fatima, the walled city of Avila, Santo Domingo de Silos, Loyola and Lourdes, this will truly be a pilgrimage full of grace. For more details please visit: www.harvestjourneys.com/tours/ or contact Father John Paul.

The Pope's Monthly Intention for September: for the cry of the Earth

We pray that each one of us will hear and take to heart the cry of the Earth and of victims of natural disasters and climactic change, and that all will undertake to personally care for the world in which we live.

Month of September: Dedicated to Seven Sorrows of Mary

This devotion focuses on the sorrows Mary faced and on the imperfect life Mary was forced to endure, even as someone spared from sin by God's grace. Despite being free from the stain of Original Sin, she still bore pain, humiliation and sorrow throughout her life.

Morning Tea next weekend: see you there !

After the 8:00am and 9:30am Mass next weekend please join us for morning tea. Stay and enjoy a hot cuppa and a treat with our fellow parishioners and a great opportunity to meet old friends and make new ones. Thank you also to our volunteers who make this possible.

Moments of Mercy

I want you to become like a knight experienced in battle, who can give orders to others amid the exploding shells. In the same way, My child, you should know how to master yourself amid the greatest difficulties and let nothing drive you away from me, not even your falls (*Diary 1823*).

Prayer for Vocations

Many of us fear people in authority as authority can be used rightly or wrongly. As Christians we are called to see power as service.

We shall all be judged on love.

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

Low gluten hosts

Available upon request

Hearing Loop

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

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Father's Day

"Dear fathers, follow the example of Saint Joseph when caring for your children as they grow up in wisdom and grace." Pope Francis

For the Catholic Church, Father's Day carries significant spiritual and moral importance. Father's Day provides an opportunity to honour and acknowledge the critical role that fathers play in the family and society. In the Catholic faith, fathers are seen as essential figures in the family unit, reflecting the love and care of God the Father. The Church teaches that fathers have a unique responsibility to nurture and guide their children, following the example of St. Joseph, who is venerated as the model father.

The Catholic Church places a strong emphasis on the family as the "domestic church," where faith is nurtured and lived out daily. Fathers, as head of the family, are called to lead by example, provide moral and spiritual guidance, and support the emotional and physical needs of their family. Father's Day is a chance to reflect on this vocation and the ways fathers can better fulfill their roles.

This day is a reminder to offer prayers of thanksgiving for fathers and father figures. The Church encourages the faithful to pray for fathers, asking God to bless them with wisdom, strength, and compassion. It is also a time to express gratitude for the sacrifices and efforts of fathers in raising children and supporting families.

The Catholic Church acknowledges that family structures can vary and that not all fathers may fit the traditional mould. Father's Day is an opportunity to recognise and honour all father figures, including stepfathers, grandfathers, and other mentors who play a significant role in a child's life. The Church's focus remains on the values of love, care, and guidance that these figures provide.

In Catholic teaching, God the Father is the ultimate model of fatherhood. The love, care, and protection that God provides to humanity are mirrored in the role of earthly fathers. Let us reflect on how fathers can emulate God's love in their relationships with their children, striving to reflect divine attributes in their daily lives.

Rosters for October to December

Rosters for the next quarter will be prepared shortly. Please advise the parish office by email of any extended unavailability by Monday September 9th. Thank you for your generous support of our ministries.

Funeral Notice for the late Sister Maria Marin PBVM

Monday September 9th at 11:00am at St Patrick's Church, 51-59 Allawah Street, Blacktown at 11am, followed by interment in Lismore Presentation Sisters portion of Rookwood Cemetery.

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 ...

Heavenly Father, We pray that you will lay your healing hands upon all those who are sick. Amen

Aeroll Klein, Ameriza Ayoub, Anthony Iannuzzi, Cathie Christie, David, Edgar Cruz, Emily Morrison, George El-Bayeh, Helene Barker, Jenny Goudas, John Gin, Nick Galea, Loy De'Souza, Lucas Le Huray, Mary Finianos, Mary McConvey, Nikita De Sousa, Peter Gamble, Rosa Caccamo, Tashia Vergara, Valeriano Estacio Jnr, Vanessa Ibrahim.

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

Jack & Gladys Scott, Father David Scott, Aaron Apikota, Ajay Kullukalam, Anna Mary, Austin Griffiths, Beth Kenny, Charles and Josephine Clayton, Charlotte Dos Remedios, Christine Scanlon, Concetta Signati, Filippa Spata, George Khodeir, George Steele, Gioacchino Lombardo, Giuseppe Di Mauro, Iranie Perumal, Joe and Joan Athaide, John Buggy, John and Marie Cunningham, Louie Zaiter, Neil Alleyne, Ratnam John and Maria Segar Joseph, Lou and Amy Burbridge, Rosalie Tan-Pascual, Rosario Sciara, Saverio and Rosa Marotta, Tessie Micallef, Sebastian and Lena Pereira, the recently deceased Beryl Toomey, and all deceased Grandfathers and fathers.