St Paul the Apostle Parish

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

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Baptisms: First and Third Sunday of each month Baptism bookings only <u>via our website</u>

Weekend Mass times

Saturday Vigil 5:00pm

Sunday 8:00am, 9:30am and 5:00pm

Weekday Mass times

Adoration:

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 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

Eucharistic Adoration and our Church Monstrance

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ: Greetings with the love and peace of our Lord Jesus Christ.

One of the things that I love about our parish is our monthly 24-hour Eucharistic Adoration every first Friday of the month. The Blessed Sacrament is exposed after the morning Mass on first Friday and concludes with the Benediction before the Saturday morning Mass.

Upon knowing that Bishop Vincent has appointed me as the new parish priest here, I visited our church on a Friday evening during the 24-hour Adoration. I prayed to Jesus, who is truly and substantially presen in the Eucharist, for the graces that I need to serve and lead you as your parish priest.

Our monthly 24-hour Eucharistic Adoration is continually happening in our parish due to our fellow parishioners who have regularly rostered themselves to be with our Lord Jesus Christ. Someone must always be present in the church throughout the Eucharistic Adoration. I am hoping and praying that there will be more parishioners who will make this great devotion as part in their journey of faith.

During the Eucharistic Adoration, the Blessed Sacrament is placed in the monstrance. Monstrance is one of the essential liturgical vessels used to display our Jesus Christ

Recently, with the support of the Parish Finance and Pastoral Councils and Parish Liturgy Committee, I have announced and published in our weekly bulletins of my decision to purchase a new monstrance. I have decided to replace our old monstrance for two main reasons. Firstly, the current monstrance is no longer in good condition due to the years of using it. Secondly, the lunette which holds the Blessed Sacrament to be inserted in the monstrance is not the same size as the host, which means we must cut around the host which is not practical as the Eucharist will slowly disintegrate.

With your support and generosity, the parish received \$7,505 in donations from our fellow parishioners towards the \$7,500 approved budget to purchase the new monstrance.

I would like to take this opportunity to express my gratitude for your support for our new monstrance. St Paul the Apostle; pray for us! May God bless our parish always!

Fr. John Paul

Men's Ministry of St Paul

This month's meeting will be discussing "Morality in God's eyes and how he commands us to live". What is right? and the fruit it bears (merit & reward) What is wrong? and the consequences it brings (Sin, distance from Him, punishment). You are invited to our next gathering on Thursday, 14th November. All men aged over 18 are welcome to attend and we meet on the second Thursday of the month. The evening starts with Adoration (6pm) and Mass (7pm) then our gathering at the Parish Centre (8pm). To find out more please contact the Parish office on 9639 6516 or mensministryofstpaul@gmail.com

Parish Safeguarding

Refer concerns to Parish Priest, safeguarding@parracatholic.org or 8838 3419. www.safeguarding.org.au

Please pray for our sick ... Heavenly Father, lay your healing hands upon all those who are sick. Amen Aeroll Klein, Ameriza Ayoub, Anthony lannuzzi, Cathie Christie, David, Edgar Cruz, Emily Morrison, George El-Bayeh, Helene Barker, Jenny Goudas, John Gin, Joshua McCarroll, Nick Galea, Lorraine Abrahams, Loy De'Souza, Lucas Le Huray, Mary Finianos, Peter Gamble, Mary McConvey, Rosa Caccamo, Sally Georges, Sam Papallo, Sarah Sheehan, 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, Antonio D'Addabo, Carolina and Vito D'Addabbo, Gloria Lenon Manalili, Margaret Mathieson, Elizabeth and Louis McMullen, Lenny Fernandez, Lucia and Venancio Garcia, Peter Vesper, Charles and Josephine Clayton, Maria and Giuseppe Badolato, Raymond Bruce Thomas, Roger Wilkom, and the recently deceased Sarina Pantaleone.

Moments of Mercy

I desire that you would all have more faith at the present time. How great is my joy at the faithfulness of my spouse in the smallest things. Jesus (Diary 352)

Prayer for Vocations

If you exalt yourself, what do you leave for God to give you? Listen to God's voice. Doing His will is all you need to do.

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).

Communion to the sick

Please contact parish office to make arrangements for a visit.

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www.catholicoutlook.org/ www.catholicweekly.com.au/

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November Scroll and Month Of The Holy Souls

November is dedicated to the Holy Souls and the Holy Souls in Purgatory. The Church commemorates all her faithful children who have departed from this life, but have not yet attained the joys of heaven. St. Paul warns us that we must not be ignorant concerning the dead, nor sorrowful, "even as others who have no hope...For the Lord Himself shall come down from heaven...and the dead who are in Christ shall rise." The November Scroll for the Holy Souls is placed on the Altar as has been our custom. All Masses offered in November will be for the souls named on the scroll. If you would like to include your deceased family members and friends, please use the November envelopes which you will find at the back of the Church. These may be placed in either of the collection plates at weekend masses.

Sacrament of Reconciliation in our parish

As our children continue on their faithful journey in receiving the Sacraments of Initiation, please keep them, and those accompanying them, in your prayers. At all masses this weekend these children and parents will receive their resources and express their commitment.

FINAL BOARDING CALL! Youth In Mission 2025 in the Philippines with Father John Paul Escarlan!

Our parish of St Paul's and the Filipino Chaplaincy of Parramatta Diocese 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. A unique opportunity to immerse yourself in a new culture while contributing to meaningful projects that make a real impact to benefit communities in need. 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! Details: Father John Paul on 0420 310 771 or johnpaul.escarlan@parracatholic.org Bookings and confirmation need to finalised very shortly so please don't hesitate in reaching out to Father John Paul.

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. Visit: www.harvestjourneys.com/tours/, contact Tom Lara 0417 430 949 or Father John Paul.

Drop in and enjoy our Leisure Group: Wednesday, 6th November

Where the young at heart share a laugh and a cuppa 10am - 12pm in our Parish Centre. To find out more phone Anne on 0417 043 605

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.

2025 Columban Mission Calendars available for purchase

This is an iconic Catholic Calendar, well known for its traditional religious paintings and liturgical information and is a major fundraiser for Columban Missionaries. Please consider buying one for yourself or perhaps a family friend or relative and available for \$9.00.

The Pope's Monthly Intention for November: For anyone who has lost a child

We pray that all parents who mourn the loss of a son or daughter find support in their community and receive peace and consolation from the Holy Spirit.

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.

Holy Hour for Vocations: Friday, 15th November (last one for 2024)

On the third Friday of the month across the Diocese, Holy Hour for vocations to the priesthood is celebrated. You are invited to attend St Patrick's Cathedral, Parramatta on Friday, 15th November from 6pm to 7pm with Fr Tom Green. Holy Hour will be followed by Mass. For more on Priestly Vocations contact Director for Priestly Vocations Father Galbert 0450 821 812 or galbert.albino@parracatholic.org

Annual Catholic Spiritual Revival 2024: Saturday, 16th November

A faith-filled event featuring Fr. Rob Galea and led by diverse religious leaders. Explore how faith provides comfort and strength in navigating life's challenges and partake in Eucharistic Healing Adoration. Wesley Conference Centre, 220 Pitt St, Sydney. Starts 6:00pm with food served from 5:00pm. Event will be in English and Indonesian. To Register or for info: trybooking.com/events/landing/1279281

Bishop Vincent Vatican II Lecture: Wednesday, 20th November

You are invited to this lecture from 6:30pm – 8:30pm at the Bishop Bede Heather Centre, 1-5 Marion Street Blacktown. Register for limited seating via https://parracatholic.org/events/vatican-ii-lecture/ or contact met@parracatholic.org

Ordination to the Presbyterate of Menard Gaspi: Thursday, 21st November

We are truly pleased to announce the Mass of Ordination to the Presbyterate (Priesthood) for Deacon Menard Gaspi will be celebrated Thursday, 21st November at 7.30pm at St Patrick's Cathedral, Parramatta. Please join us at this joyous event for our Diocese and our faith community. RSVP to hannah.portelli@parracatholic.org by Thursday, 14th November.

IMPORTANT: Please note there will be no Eucharistic Adoration or Mass here at St Paul's on that evening.

Save the date in November (more details next week)

Wednesday 13th World Apostolate of

Sunday 24th

World Apostolate of Fatima (WAF) Parish Prayer Ministry 7:00pm Annual Parish Assembly 11:00am (Parish Report and Diocesan Plan)

• Thursday 28th Final session of Faith Seeking Understanding for 2024 (Topic: Ecclesiology)