

St Paul the Apostle Parish

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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 8:40am Rosary)

Thursday 7.00pm (preceded by 6:00pm Adoration)

Reconciliation: Thursday 6.15pm - 6.45pm (during Adoration)

First Friday 6.00pm - 7.00pm (during Adoration)

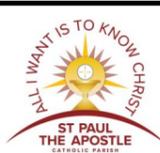
Saturday 4.00pm - 4.45pm

Adoration: Thursday 6.00pm - 7.00pm

First Friday 9.45am - 9.00am Saturday

Baptisms: First and Third Sunday of each month

Baptism bookings only [via our website](http://www.stpaultheapostleparish.org)



Canonisation of Blessed Carlo Acutis (and others): Sunday evening, September 7th (after the 5pm Mass)

Livestreaming from Vatican in our parish hall and children and youth especially invited. You are also invited to bring a plate to share.

Registration for Sacrament of Reconciliation is open

Online registration is available only [via our website](http://www.stpaultheapostleparish.org). To be eligible your child must be already Baptised and in Year 3 or above in 2025.

The Sacrament will take place on Wednesday, November 12th and the registration form contains all details of preparatory sessions, including additional instructions for those children who were not Baptised here at St Paul's. Registrations close September 15th at 4:00pm

Bishop's Father's Day Appeal this weekend: supporting our senior priests as they continue to serve

On Father's Day, as we thank the father figures in our lives, let's also honour our spiritual fathers — the priests who nurture our faith.

Even after stepping back from administration, they continue to serve in faithful ways:

offer sacraments, celebrate Masses, hear confessions, assist at services, and serve as chaplains in aged care.

Your generosity helps ensure our ageing priests receive the care, comfort, and dignity they deserve in this next chapter

of their lives. There will be a third collection after Communion at all Mass this weekend. You can donate via QR code

or online at parracatholic.org/fathersdayappeal. Thank you.



Holy Mass and Rosary for the Birthday of our Mother Mary: Monday, September 8th

For those that are available to do so, you are invited to honour and celebrate the birthday of our Mother Mary at the 9:10am Mass,

preceded by Holy Rosary at 8:40am. This is one of only three birthdays in the Church Calendar - Jesus, John the Baptist and Mother Mary.

Men's Ministry of St Paul: this Thursday, September 11th

This month's focus is the seventh commandment: "Thou shalt not steal".

Join us as Tony Montgomery returns to do a deep dive into the meaning of this commandment and of what God expects of us.

Starting with Adoration (6pm) and Mass (7pm) followed by our talk and gathering at the Parish Centre (~7:45pm).

All men aged 18 and over are welcome. To find out more contact the parish office on 9639 6516 or mensministryofstpaul@gmail.com

World Apostolate of Fatima (WAF): Saturday, September 13th [earlier start at 6:00pm]

IMPORTANT: As the 13th in September falls on a Saturday, it will commence after the 5:00pm Mass rather than hold off until 7:00pm.

Please come along! The group meets once a month in our Marian Chapel for a holy hour to pray, learn and live the message of Fatima.

This month's topic: Following reports of the children's persecution by the administrator the previous month, and the remarkable

atmospheric phenomena witnessed on August 13th. Contact Mark Napoli 0433 119 424 or visit worldfatima.com/en/join-us

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 pregnancyhelpsydney.com Thank you.

Drop in and enjoy our Leisure Group: this Wednesday, September 10th

A social group for the young at heart. Share a laugh and a cuppa from 10am - 12pm in the Father David Scott Parish Centre.

Our Lady Queen of Peace (Greystanes) Festa - Pilgrimage from our parish: Sunday, September 28th

Bus travel is being organised from our parish for those interested in attending the 60th Anniversary of this Festa. The bus will take you to

Greystanes and bring you back, leaving here at 12:30pm and returning 5:30pm. The afternoon will commence with Rosary, Festa Mass

and a procession of Our Lady Queen of Peace. Following that there will be outdoor festivities, food and bands. There is no charge for

the bus travel and please add your name to the list in our church foyer to confirm your attendance, noting that there are limited places.

Change of dates to our Sunday morning tea

Commencing this month, the morning teas held after the Sunday morning masses will move from the second to the third Sunday.

The two main reasons for this change are to avoid the congestion associated with the Filipino Mass at 11:00am and also to now include

members of the Ephpheta community who participate at the 9:30am Mass every third Sunday. As always, our morning teas cannot be

possible without the generous contributions of time and donations of culinary delights by our volunteers. At any time, you are welcome

to bring a plate and there is certainly no expectation to do so every time. To find out more please contact the parish office.

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.

Holy Father's Prayer Intentions for the month of September

For our relationship with all of creation. Let us pray that, inspired by Saint Francis, we might experience our interdependence with all

creatures who are loved by God and worthy of love and respect.

Roster preparation for October to December

In preparation for next quarters roster, please advise the parish office by email of any extended unavailability by Monday, September 8th.

A huge thank you to our many ministers and volunteers for their continuous and generous support and contributions.

Save the date: some upcoming events in our parish

Sep 25th: Faith, Seeking Understanding session "The Archangels" presented by [Christian Stephens](http://www.christianstephens.org)

Oct 9th: St Pedro Calungsod Novena - Day One (after the 7:00pm Mass)

Oct 13th: [World Rosary Hour](http://www.worldrosaryhour.org) and procession around our church grounds

Oct 30th: Faith Seeking Understanding (Topic: Seven Surprises of the Eucharist) with special guest speaker [Dr Robert Haddad](http://www.drroberthaddad.com)

Oct 31st: [All Hallows Eve celebration](http://www.allhallowsvecelebration.org) with rosary and activities where children can also dress up as saints or holy people

Nov 8th: Morning Mass and parish gathering - [10 year memorial for the passing of the late Father David Scott](http://www.10yearmemorialforthepassingofthelatefatherdavidscott.org) (founding parish priest).

Parish Safeguarding

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

Moments of Mercy (1717)

There are souls with whom I can do nothing. They are souls that are continuously observing others, but know nothing of what is going on within their own selves. They talk about others continually. Poor souls, they do not hear My words; their interior remains empty. They do not look for Me within their own hearts, but in idle talk, where I am never to be found.

Prayer for Vocations

Don't run away from what you are called to be. Christians take the less travelled road.

"What does it profit us if we gain the whole world but ruin ourselves in the process?"

Communion to the sick

Contact parish office to organise.

Mother of Perpetual Help

Novena prayed after Mass every Wednesday morning.

Thursday Cenacles

Held in Marian Chapel after every Thursday morning Mass.

Christ's Catholic Community

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

Divine Mercy Chaplet

Fridays 3:30pm in Marian Chapel.

2SM Filipino Mass

Second Sunday at 11:00am

Men's Ministry St Paul's

Second Thursday of the month:

6pm-Church, 8pm-Parish Hall

Women's Ministry St Paul's

Third Thursday of the month:

6pm-Church, 8pm-Parish Hall

St Vincent de Paul Society

2nd & 4th Mondays of the month

7pm Parish Centre conference room.

Assistance? 131812 (M-F 8.30-4.30)

Hearing Loop:

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

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

Father's Day reflection from a parishioner

The modern age is extremely challenging for catholic fathers; secularism, materialism/consumerism, a decline of religious practice, lust, moral relativism, technology/media influence, absent fatherhood, economic pressures, loss of masculine spirit, divorce/family breakdowns, the list goes on.

What's the fix?

For Catholic fathers, inspiration and strength to meet these challenges comes first from the Word of God. Scripture reminds us, "Fathers, do not provoke your children to anger, but bring them up in the discipline and instruction of the Lord" (Ephesians 6:4). St. Joseph, the foster father of Jesus, is also a model—silent yet steadfast and vigilant, obedient to God's will, and devoted to his family.

His quiet strength shows that true authority and happiness flows from service and trust in God.

Fathers can find their greatest example in Jesus Christ, our Lord and God. Jesus revealed the face of the Father and taught us that love is the heart of authority and happiness. He laid down His life for His friends, showing that leadership means self-giving sacrifice. In prayer, in the Eucharist, and in His Word, Christ gives every father the grace to be patient, courageous, and faithful.

From the Cross the son Jesus said "Abba! Father! All things are possible for you.

Take this cup from Me; yet not what I will, but what You will"

Jesus may have preferred to let His passion pass? But he loved his Abba so much that he put aside his emotions to do what the Father willed. That is the kind of love that lasts, that is what we should try to be as fathers to our sons, and as sons to our own fathers (be it they are living or deceased).

We pray for those who struggle under heavy burdens, that they may be strengthened; for those who feel distant, that they may be drawn closer to their children; and for those who live their vocation with faithfulness, that they may be blessed with joy.

May St. Joseph the foster father of our Lord intercede for them, and may Christ, who called God Abba, inspire every father to lead with service and love.

Happy Father's Day!

Norm Badaoui

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

Upcoming Feast Days, Memorials, Solemnities

8th Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary | 9th Saint Peter Claver, priest | 12th The Most Holy Name of Mary

13th Saint John Chrysostom | 14th The Exaltation of the Holy Cross | 15th Our Lady of Sorrows

Please pray for our sick ... Heavenly Father, lay your healing hands upon all those who are sick. Amen

Aeroll Klein, Amanda Caputo, Ameriza Ayoub, Anne Burt, Arlene Diaz, Bailey, Cathie Christie, David, Darrel Morrison, Declan Trainor, Edgar Cruz, Ellen Wynne, Fermin Manuel, George El-Bayeh, Grace Kaddissi, Helene Barker, Jenny Goudas, John Gin, Joshua McCarroll, Krishna Premadas, Loui Ibrahim, Loy De'Souza, Lucas Le Huray, Lynette Giri, Marian Bacho, Maridel Manuzon, Mark Lopez, Mary McConvey, Michael Hall, Natalie Caccamo, Natina Caccamo, Nick Galea, Peter Beck, Peter Gamble, Sally Georges, Sam Papallo, Sarah Sheehan, Stella Kim, Steve Piljoo Ko, Valeriano Estacio Jnr, Vanessa Ibrahim.

Please pray for the repose of the souls

Jack and Gladys Scott, Father David Scott, Beth Kenny, Charles and Josephine Clayton, George Steel, John and Kevin Young, Roland Gonzalez, Vince Colosimo, Paul, Angelique, Claude and Myriam Jumeau, Margaret and Claire Maya. *May the souls of our dearly departed rest in peace. Amen*