

## St Paul the Apostle Parish

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

**Emergencies or Anointing of the Sick:**

call 9639 6516 and press 6

**Administrator:** Father Jobi Payyappilly

**Assistant Priest:** Father Ambrose Owusu-Ansah



<b>Weekend Mass</b>	Saturday Vigil: 5:00pm Sunday: 8:00am, 9:30am, 5:00pm
<b>Weekday Mass</b>	Monday to Saturday: 9:10am (preceded by 8:40am Rosary) Thursday: 7.00pm
<b>Reconciliation</b>	Thursday 6.15pm - 6.45pm First Friday 6.00pm - 7.00pm Saturday 4.00pm - 4.45pm
<b>Adoration</b> (24 hour Adoration)	Thursday 6.00pm - 7.00pm First Friday 9.45am - 9.00am Saturday
<b>Baptisms</b>	First and Third Sunday of each month. Baptism bookings only <a href="#">via our website</a>

### Bishop's Appeals for 2026 – important update and changes

Please note the following update on the Bishops Appeals being held for 2026, with the most noticeable change being that there will be fewer Appeals:

- The Lenten Appeal has been cancelled allowing focus on the annual [Caritas Project Compassion](#).
- Two major Bishop's Appeals will be run for [Parramatta Catholic Foundation](#): one in May/June, and the other in Christmas.
- The annual [Clergy Support Foundation appeal](#) for Father's Day will still be held.

Typically the approach for each appeal has been to conduct it on just the one weekend, with a reminder and follow up on the following weekend. The new approach is that each appeal will instead be open and available for contributions for up to six weeks.

In the past there was also a separate (third) collection for these Appeals on a specific weekend, however there will no longer be a separate (third) collection and envelopes will be available in the pews and can be placed in either of the collection bags over that six week period.

**The first of these for 2026 will be Parramatta Catholic Foundation Bishop's Good Works Appeal.**

**This will be held next weekend commencing May 16<sup>th</sup>/17<sup>th</sup> and continue until June 20<sup>th</sup>/21<sup>st</sup>**

People turn to the Church for care, hope, guidance and belonging. Through the Bishop's Good Works Appeal, our Diocese supports vital ministries including Holy Spirit Seminary, Catholic Care, the Ephpheta Centre and Confraternity of Christian Doctrine. This Appeal will support the Holy Spirit Seminary at Harris Park, helping form the future priests our Diocese will need in the years ahead. Your generosity provides education, spiritual formation, pastoral training and safe accommodation for seminarians as they answer God's call. Please give generously via this QR code or at [parracatholic.org/appeal](http://parracatholic.org/appeal) or scan the QR code. Thank you for supporting the future priests of our Church and for your continued support and generosity.



### HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY WITH A REFLECTION FROM POPE FRANCIS

KEEP HAPPY AND LET NOTHING ROB YOU OF THE INTERIOR JOY OF MOTHERHOOD.

YOUR CHILD DESERVES YOUR HAPPINESS.

DON'T LET FEARS, WORRIES, OTHER PEOPLE'S COMMENTS OR PROBLEMS

LESSEN YOUR JOY AT BEING GOD'S MEANS OF BRINGING A NEW LIFE TO THE WORLD.



### Holy Father's Prayer Intentions for the month of May

*That everyone might have food.* Let us pray that everyone, from large producers to small consumers, be committed to avoid wasting food, and to ensure that everyone has access to quality food.

### Upcoming Feast Days, Memorials, Solemnities

12<sup>th</sup> Sts Nereus, Achilleus, St Pancras | 13<sup>th</sup> Our Lady of Fatima | 14<sup>th</sup> St Matthias | 17<sup>th</sup> Ascension Of The Lord

**Save the date: LIFTED Retreat for 16-17 year olds**

**July 16<sup>th</sup> here in our parish!!**



### Please pray for the repose of the souls of our dearly departed that they rest in peace:

Jack and Gladys Scott, Father David Scott, Bishop Bonaventure Geoghegan OFM, Archbishop Brian Barnes OFM, Beth Kenny, Charles and Josephine Clayton, George Steel, John and Kevin Young, Noel Young, Lorna and Jack Wardell, Michael Balagtas, Roland Gonzalez, Arnold Morris, Doreen Marsh, Louis, Mary and George El-Bayeh, Sarkis and Tamina Matta, Nola and Harold Gagan, Mervyn Davies, Maurice De Costa, George and Theodora Lazaroo, Louise Anne, McInerney, Claire and Marcel Maya, Paul, Angelique, Claude and Miriam Jumeau, Pat Essey, Fred Hanna, George Khodeir.

### Communion to the sick

Contact office to organise

### Wednesday Novena

To Mother of Perpetual Help

Prayed after 9:10am Mass

### Thursday Cenacles

Prayed in Marian Chapel

after 9:10am Mass

### Christ's Catholic

### Community Prayer group

Fridays 10:00 am in Parish

Centre Conference Room

### Divine Mercy Chaplet

Friday 3:30pm Marian Chapel

### Liturgy of the Hours

First Friday at 6:00pm

### Mass with Ephpheta

Third Sunday at 9:30am

### Women's Ministry

Third Thursday of the month

6:00pm - Church

7:45pm - Parish Hall

### 2SM Filipino Mass

Second Sunday 11:00am

### Low gluten hosts

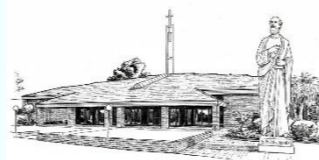
Available upon request

### Hearing Loop

Set to 'T' (Telecoil).

*Overheads for hymns used with permission under ONE LICENCE No A-642251*

**"All I want is to know Christ"**



St Paul the Apostle, pray for us

## PARISH NEWS

### St Pauls Women's Ministry: this Thursday, May 14<sup>th</sup>

An invitation to women aged 18 and over even if you're visiting! Commences at 6pm with Eucharistic Adoration followed by Mass at 7pm. Afterwards join us for dinner, a chat and casual catch up at The Winston. Please refer to the flyer in the foyer for more info. Our Ministry gathers monthly on the third Thursday.

### Parish Feast Day Celebration - Sunday, June 28<sup>th</sup>

**Come along - you're all invited!**

Our parish will celebrate the solemnity of the Feast of Saints Peter and Paul (our patron saint) with Holy Mass at 9:30am. Everyone is welcome to attend, and for those that may usually attend our Masses at other times, consider coming along. Join us after Mass for a meal and activities in our school grounds as we gather and celebrate as a parish community.

### We do however need your help

We are expecting quite a large turnout on the day and cannot make this happen without your help. There are many ways and areas where you can volunteer your efforts and please consider how you may be able to assist this celebration:

- ~ **Catering** – we encourage where possible (and of course deeply grateful) if you could consider bringing a plate.
- ~ **Helpers** – to assist in any way on the day before and also on the day (set up, clean, serve food, BBQ, packing, etc)
- ~ **Transport** – please reach out to those who may not have transport and consider offering them a lift.

There are lists in our church foyer where you can indicate how and where you can assist or if you are able to bring a plate.

If you want to know more, or there are other ways you would like to support and assist, please contact the parish office.

## OTHER EVENTS AND HAPPENINGS

### 'The Power of Pentecost': Sunday, May 24<sup>th</sup>

Catholic Charismatic Renewal Parramatta Diocese and Emmaus Prayer Community Greystanes is hosting "The Power of Pentecost" at Our Lady Queen of Peace Church, Greystanes from 2 pm to 4.30pm.

### Feast of Corpus Christi: Adoration at Mary Immaculate Parish, Quakers Hill - Sunday, June 7<sup>th</sup>

The Blessed Sacrament will be exposed from 8:30am to 4:30pm. Everyone is welcome to come especially 1:15pm to 5:15pm as the church will be open and quiet for personal reflection. More details contact their office 9626 3326 or [parishoffice@maryimmac.org.au](mailto:parishoffice@maryimmac.org.au)

### Important Safeguarding information

Safeguarding is everyone's responsibility. It ensures that children, young people, and vulnerable adults are safe, respected, and protected in our parish community. All volunteers and ministry members are required to complete safeguarding training.

This can be completed online or face-to-face training sessions: [parracatholic.org/connect/events/?series=safeguarding-training](http://parracatholic.org/connect/events/?series=safeguarding-training).

To know more, please contact our parish office or visit Diocese of Parramatta Safeguarding website [parracatholic.org/safeguarding/](http://parracatholic.org/safeguarding/). else email: [safeguardingtraining@parracatholic.org](mailto:safeguardingtraining@parracatholic.org). Thank you for helping keep our parish a safe and welcoming place.

At St Paul the Apostle Parish we are dedicated to creating a safe and nurturing environment for all members of our community, especially children and vulnerable adults, in line with [The Parramatta Way of Safeguarding](#), which is to... *Act with justice, and state that we have a zero tolerance for any form of abuse or harm to children or any person; Act with justice, and ensure that laws and obligations are upheld, and safety is paramount.* We take safeguarding of children and vulnerable persons seriously.

Refer concerns to Parish Priest, Office for Safeguarding and Professional Standards [safeguarding@parracatholic.org](mailto:safeguarding@parracatholic.org) or 8838 3419.

### Heavenly Father, we pray you will lay your healing hands upon all those who are sick:

Aeroll Klein, Amanda Caputo, Antonia Maturano, Arlene Diaz, Aurora Ignacio, Bailey Whou, Bob McMillan, Darrel Morrison, David, David Nichols, Declan Trainor, Edgar Cruz, Ellen Wynne, Fermin Manuel, Gabrielle Locke, Grace Kaddissi, Helene Barker, Irene Barry, Jennifer and John Lopez, Mark Lopez, John Gin, Joshua McCarroll, Judy Ibrahim, Krishna Premadas, Loui Ibrahim, Loy De'Souza, Lynda Steel, Lucas Le Huray, Lynette Giri, Maria Mezzagosto, Marian Bacho, Maridel Manuzon, Mark Lopez, Mary McConvey, Michael Hall, Nick Galea, Peter Beck, Owen Martin, Ron Locke, Sam Papallo, Socorro Alfaro, Stella Kim, Therese Garamy, Vanessa Ibrahim, Valeriano Estacio Jnr, Vincent (Vinny) Coorey.

### World Apostolate of Fatima prayer group:

### this Wednesday, May 13<sup>th</sup> 7:00pm

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: The First Apparition at Fatima-May 13, 1917.*

To find out more contact Mark 0433 119 424 or visit

[worldfatima.com/en/join-us](http://worldfatima.com/en/join-us)

### Monsignor John Boyle visiting this weekend

Monsignor Boyle will be available at the Piety Stall to promote and sign his book "Tested By Fire" about the tragic burning of St Patrick's Cathedral and its aftermath. Copies are \$50.

### Welcome to those Baptised here recently

To Gabriel, we pray that their faith will be an important and integral part of their life.

### Call out for keyboard players and organists

We are abundantly blessed with many musicians and singers, however there are a handful of Sunday mornings where we have no one to lead our worship through music. If you can play the keyboard or organ, please contact the office to find out more.

### Planned Giving, Weekly Envelopes and Direct Debit

To assist in reducing expenses for printing and supply of planned giving envelopes, we are asking parishioners to consider changing to direct debit option. If you are in a position to change from paper envelopes to direct debit, or wish to know more, please contact the parish office as soon as practical.

Although direct debit is a monthly deduction, the amount can be changed at any time during the financial year. Thank you.

### National Count of Attendance at Mass: May 2026

This will take place across Australia parishes during this month.



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