

# ST PAUL THE APOSTLE PARISH

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## SUNDAY MASS TIMES

Saturday Evening Vigil 6.00pm (*Exposition 4.30pm - 5.45pm*)  
Sunday 8.00am, 9.30am and 6.00pm

## RECONCILIATION

Saturday 4.30pm - 5.30pm

## WEEKDAY MASS TIMES

Monday 9.10am  
Tuesday 7.00pm (*Exposition 6.00pm - 7.00pm*)  
Wednesday, Thursday & Friday 9.10am  
Saturday 9.00am

## ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

See I have God for my help. The Lord sustains my soul.  
I will sacrifice to you with willing heart, and praise your name, O Lord, for it is good.

## COMMUNION ANTIPHON

The Lord, the gracious, the merciful, has made a memorial of his wonders;  
he gives food to those who fear him.

## FROM FATHER RANING

A shabby beggar was standing at a rich man's door, pouring out his tale of woe. "Please, sir, can't you help me, just till I get back on my feet?"

The rich man studies the poor fellow for a moment, then turned his head and called out, "James." The butler appeared forth-with.

"James," he said, "I want you to look at this poor, unfortunate man. His toes are sticking out of his shoes. His trousers are full of holes. He hasn't had a decent meal in months. It breaks one's heart to see such a miserable creature. James, throw him out!"

Every day on every side we're surrounded by the frustrating imperfections of life: Your kids fight

about the same stuff every day; your parents or children are running their lives in a way you're sure is crazy, and that isn't changing either!

Your husband, your wife, your neighbour, your mum, your dad: You've tried to tell them all and get them to shape up, but nobody's listening and nobody's changing.



At times we'd all like to say, "James, throw them out." Or as the servants said in the Gospel, "Let's pull up those weeds and burn them!"

But then we hear another voice that says, "Look at your own garden. Can you even count the weeds there?" We take a look, and we blush, "No, I can't count them."

## BAPTISM WELCOME

to

Abigail & Patrick Marshall and Josephine Keli who were baptised here last weekend.

*Father, in baptism you have likened these children to Christ the Lord and made them members of your priestly people. Make them a living offering pleasing to you so that they may always belong to your family on earth and be fellow-citizens of your saints in heaven.*

## PLANNED GIVING ENVELOPES AND TAX RECEIPTS

A number of Planned Giving Envelopes and Tax Receipts are yet to be collected. If you haven't taken yours, it would be appreciated if you would please do so this weekend to avoid unnecessary postage and delivery.

## Launch of Preparation for World Meeting of Families 2018

The Gospel of the Family: Joy for the World  
An Event for all the Family!

Sunday, 27 August 2017

Mt Schoenstatt Family Hall  
230 Fairlight Road, Mulgoa

- ♥ Find out about the World Meeting of Families taking place in Dublin, Ireland in 2018
- ♥ An opportunity for spiritual enrichment for your family life
- ♥ Mass at 11am
- ♥ Program for families from 1pm-3.15pm
- ♥ BYO lunch. Afternoon tea provided.

Free Event! Donations welcome.

To register, please contact:  
8838 3441 or email [lmf@parra.catholic.org.au](mailto:lmf@parra.catholic.org.au)  
[www.parralmf.org.au](http://www.parralmf.org.au)



## FEAST DAYS

23rd St Bridget  
24th St Sharbel Makhlef  
25th St James  
26th Ss Joachim and Anne  
29th St Martha

## NOVENA MASS to OUR LADY of PERPETUAL HELP

Every Tuesday at 7pm  
in the Church preceded by  
Exposition of the Blessed  
Sacrament 6-7pm

## ROSARY

For the intention of world  
peace. Every Wednesday  
at 2.30pm in the Church.  
All welcome.

## DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET

Every Friday at 3.30pm in the  
Marian Chapel. All welcome.

## NEXT MEETING

SVDP	26/07	7.00pm
MOSJ - WHills	27/07	7.00pm
Leisure Group	02/08	10.00am
Baptism Talk	03/08	7.30pm
Parish Council	07/08	7.30pm
Liturgy	16/08	7.00pm
Finance	12/10	7.00pm

ROSTERS 29/30JULY	6.00PM VIGIL	8.00 AM	9.30 AM	6.00 PM
<b>ACOLYTES</b>	<b>J</b>	<b>D</b>	<b>M</b>	<b>L X</b>
<b>MINISTERS OF COMMUNION</b>	Evelyn Brien Kate Fitzsimons	Lesley Neylan Sylvia McGee	Elizabeth Farrar Diane Samson	Diana Roberts Sean Trainor
<b>ALTAR SERVERS</b>	<b>F</b>	<b>G</b>	<b>H</b>	<b>I</b>
<b>READERS COMMENTATORS</b>	Frances Stephenson Emmy Cox	Esmerelda El-Bayeh Veronica Reitano	School Kors Van Eyk	Jill Cruz Michael Hruby
<b>PRESENTATION OF THE GIFTS</b>	Lorenz & Bernadette Young	Volunteers	Mifsud Family	Volunteers
<b>CHILDREN'S LITURGY</b>	No Children's Liturgy—School Mass			
<b>CHURCH CLEANING</b>	Elly Benkovich, Romina Frangi, Anne Gonzalez, Jennifer & Daniel Lowe and Chantelle Moubarak			
<b>WINDOW CLEANING</b>	Joe Lenehan, Gabrielle Shaw and Gonzalez Family			

## HOLY HOUR for VOCATIONS

Saturday 5pm-6pm

There are many weeds growing with the wheat in our lives. Sometimes the weeds strangle our growth, or prevent us from hearing clearly God's voice. We need time to reflect on the garden of our life.

## CATHOLIC WEEKLY

- What makes the Maronites buzz?
- Theology on Tap: It's back!
- Camelot 4 page wrap
- Mark Shea: Life is amazing
- The mysterious St Maroun

## MOMENTS OF MERCY

Do not fight against a temptation by yourself, but disclose it to the confessor at once, and then the temptation will lose all its force. During these ordeals do not lose your peace; live in My presence; ask My Mother and the Saints for help. (*Diary 1560*)



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The Parish Pastoral Council invites you to a

## NIGHT OF REFLECTION

with Sister Valerie Powidzki  
(from the congregation of the Sisters of the Holy Family of Nazareth)

It will be on **Friday, 4 August 2017 at 7.30pm** at the Fr David Scott Centre. 4 August is the Feast day of St John Vianney, Patron Saint of Priests. As such, Sister Val will talk to us about service, vocations and love of God. We hope to see you all there.

Please advise the Parish Office on 9639-6516 by Wednesday 2 August of your attendance.

## NEW PARISHIONERS

If you are new to the Parish we wish to welcome you and get to know you. There is a booklet in the foyer in which you can enter your details. Otherwise, please ring the Parish Office on 9639 6516.

## PLANNED GIVING PROGRAMME

If you would like to contribute to the general running and maintenance of the Parish, please contact the Parish Office on 9639 6516. Contributions can be made:

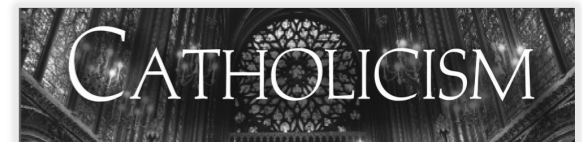
- weekly using the envelope system; or
- monthly by direct debit.

## PAMPHLETS, NOTICES etc

Please seek permission of Fr Raning or the parish office before leaving pamphlets, holy cards, notices or other written materials in the Church. Your co-operation in relation to this is very appreciated.

## PLEASE PRAY FOR

Jack & Gladys Scott, Fr David Scott, Therese & Noel Scahill, Louis Bayeh, Aurelio & Connie Lopez, Julia Sherman, Bern, Mary Betts, Elias & Afifi Younis, Frank Whiting, Ted Church, Josephine Clayton, Elizabeth & Allan Ward, Frank Borg, Stella Borg, Fabri Family, Suzanne Portelli, Pasquale & Maria Paoletti, Ross Nelson, Edna Fernandez, Adrian Coppolino, Marie & Claude Strange, Nellie Rodrigues, Brian Hollings, Franco & Lucia Paoletti, Joe Mangion, Sebastian Pereira, Therese Farrugia, Noel May, William Wilson, Sam & Lily Vella, Paul Gove, Noel & Trudy Millett and Mario & Maria Coppolino.



## IT'S YOUR STORY...

The first session of Catholicism series which started last Friday was well attended. Next session will be on **Friday, 18 August at 7.30 pm** at the Parish Centre. Save the date!

Invitation from



ST PAUL THE APOSTLE PARISH

We The Men of St Joseph are a small group of family men who gather here each fortnight to enlighten the men of our Parish with the true meaning of being a father figure in today's turbulent times and, as a group, further our Catholic beliefs through faith and prayer.

*Remember:*

*If you are not the role model who is?*

Being united makes us ever stronger as protectors of our families and the faith. Please make an effort to attend our meetings. For more information contact:

Bob McMillan—0487 074 488 or  
Tony Anthony 0412 171 738

## LOST PROPERTY

If you have lost anything in the last few months, please take a moment to check the table in the foyer. If not claimed, these items will be placed in the Vinnies bin.