



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

FROM FATHER RANING

In today's gospel we hear how Jesus said, 'Unless a grain of wheat falls to the ground and dies, it remains just a grain of wheat. But if it dies, it produces much fruit.'

REFLECTION: A GRAIN OF WHEAT MUST DIE

Each of us is like a grain of wheat planted by God.

Just as a grain of wheat must die so as to produce a harvest, so we must die to self in order to bear the fruits of love.

This dying to self is a gradual process and happens in little ways.

Every act of humility involves dying to pride.

Every act of courage involves dying to cowardice.

Every act of kindness involves dying to cruelty.

Every act of love involves dying to selfishness.

Thus the false self dies, and the true self, made in God's image, is born and nurtured.

It is by giving that we receive.

It is by forgiving that we are forgiven.

It is by dying that we are born to eternal life.

First Reading: Jeremiah foresees a time when God's law will be written on our hearts.
What new experience of God's loving guidance have I felt this Lent?

Second Reading: Jesus' suffering led to a deeper relationship with God.
How has my suffering helped me to discover new dimensions of God's love?

Gospel: Jesus connects death and service because for us to live, some animals and plants must die.
What little deaths of service have I experienced during this Lenten season?

The Toongabbie Legal Centre (TLC)

Will be selling raffle tickets after Masses on Sat 17th and Sun 18th March as part of ongoing fundraising. TLC provides Legal Advice for those that may not be able to afford it. Raffle tickets are \$2 each or a book for \$20. We look forward to the support of all parishioners.

MOMENTS OF MERCY

Look into My Heart and see there the love and mercy which I have for humankind, and especially for sinners. Look, and enter into My Passion. (Diary 1663)

KINDERGARTEN 2019 ENROLMENTS

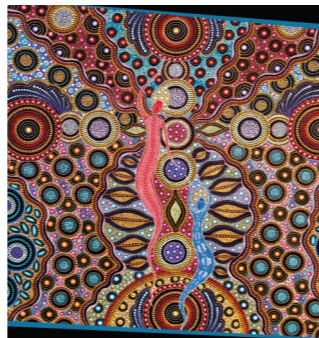
St Paul the Apostle School is currently accepting enrolment applications for Kindergarten 2019. Please bring your child's **original Birth and Baptismal certificates when applying.** If your child was baptised at St Paul's a certificate is not required.

We request that applications are made in person during the office hours of 8:00am-4:00pm.

NOTE BOOK

The March issue of The Note Book is available this weekend.

Please take home a copy for you and a friend.



year of youth
OPEN NEW HORIZONS FOR SPREADING JOY

FEAST DAYS

19th St Joseph
23rd St Turibius of Mogrovejo
25th Annunciation of the Lord
25th Palm Sunday

NOVENA MASS to OUR LADY of PERPETUAL HELP

Every Tuesday at 7pm
Preceded by Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament 6-7pm

ROSARY

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

NEXT MEETING

MOSJ – Parramatta	22/03	7.00pm
Leisure Group	28/03	10.00am
SVDP	28/03	7.00pm
Parish Council	09/04	7.30pm
Liturgy	18/04	7.00pm
Finance	19/04	7.00pm

24-25 March	6.00PM VIGIL	8.00 AM	9.30 AM	6.00 PM
ACOLYTES	Mike Ryan	Andrew Fernando	Eric Wood	Larry Palomares
MINISTERS OF COMMUNION	Chris Leonard Veronica Brown	Veronica Fry Jan Francis	June Wood Sean Trainor	Evelyn Brien Peter Cruz
ALTAR SERVERS	E	B	D	C
READERS COMMENTATORS	Elly Benkovich Kate Fitzsimons	Dilani Dhammapala Emmy Cox	Peter Gold Michael Reid	Michael Hruby Jill Cruz
PRESENTATION OF THE GIFTS	Tony & Malvina Clancy	Volunteers	Mifsud Family	Couples for Christ
CHILDREN'S LITURGY	Shayne & Thomas Reid			
CHURCH CLEANING	Couples for Christ, Jhun Javier, Slava Palos, Mark & Caroline Penafiel			
WINDOW CLEANING	Nereo and Rosa Fabrello			

HOLY HOUR for VOCATIONS

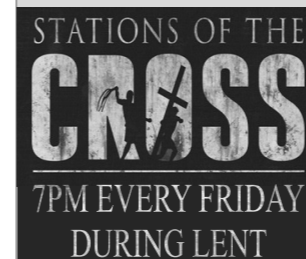
Saturday 5.00-6.00pm
Each Lent should bring us closer to our God. There is no failure, except that of no longer trying. You can still follow Jesus more closely.

DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET

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

CATHOLIC WEEKLY

- Papal Awards for 7
- Little school with a big agenda
- Downton Abbey actor plays Paul
- Francis at five — Pope hits 5th anniversary
- Movie review: Red Sparrow
- Interview with the exorcist



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HOLY WEEK AND EASTER CEREMONIES

PALM SUNDAY (25 March)

Blessing and Procession of the Palms commences at 9.30am at the Parish Centre followed by Mass
(and not at 9.15am as in previous years)

SECOND RITE OF RECONCILIATION

Monday 26 March ~ 7pm

HOLY THURSDAY

Mass of the Lord's Supper ~ 7pm
Reconciliation ~ 8.30pm
(there is no morning Mass)

Palm Sunday Procession

Catholic Youth Parramatta are hosting the annual Palm Sunday Procession. Starting at Parramatta Town Hall on Sunday 25th March at 5:15pm and walking to St Patrick's Cathedral, Parramatta. Details at: parracatholic.org/cyp

Good Night Friday Walk

Thank you to those responded to help with this annual walk!! This attracts about 1,500 young men and women, and this year St Paul's has the privilege of being one of the stops, where we will hold the 9th and 10th Stations of the Cross. They are expected to arrive about 3:30am Saturday 31st March.

We are looking for donations of hot cross buns, water and juice boxes.

Please place your donations in the red bins located at the back of the church, or perhaps you would be able to volunteer some of your time in the form of ushers, food and beverage servers & musicians. Please contact the office on 9639 6516 to help us make this a great success and put on a great St Paul's welcome.

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.

GOOD FRIDAY

Stations of the Cross ~ 10am and 7pm
Commemoration of the Lord's Passion ~ 3pm
Reconciliation ~ 4:30pm

HOLY SATURDAY

Reconciliation ~ 11am-12pm
Easter Vigil Mass ~ 6pm
(there is no morning Mass)

EASTER SUNDAY

Masses ~ 8am and 9.30am
(there is no evening Mass on Easter Sunday)

Enrolment Masses

Enrolment Masses for the Sacrament of the Eucharist will take place this weekend for those unable to attend a further mass will be held:

Saturday 7th April - 6pm Vigil Mass

Enrolment forms for the Sacrament of the Eucharist must be handed in at this Mass.

Redfield College Open Day

Redfield College Term 1 Open Day will be held on Wednesday, 21 March 2018 from 12:00 to 2:30pm. You are most welcome to attend a tour followed by the Headmaster's Talk at 1:00pm.

Contact Angie Celis on 9651 0381 or angie.celis@redfield.nsw.edu.au for more information.

Enrolments are open for Years 2 to 12.

"We are born to love, we live to love, and we will die to love still more." *St Joseph*