

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 RAINING

Several years ago, a reader wrote the following "Letter to the Editor" of a British newspaper:

Dear Sir, I notice that preachers seem to set a great deal of importance on their sermons, and spend a great deal of time preparing them. I have been going to Church quite regularly over the past thirty years and, during that time, if I estimate correctly, I have listened to no less than three thousand sermons. But, to my dismay, I have discovered that I cannot remember a single one of them. I wonder if the preacher's time might be more profitably spent on something else?

The letter evoked a deluge of varied responses until the following message arrived and ended the debate.

Dear Sir, I have been married for thirty years. During this time, I ate more than thirty thousand meals, mostly of my wife's cooking. Suddenly I have discovered that I cannot remember the menu of a single meal. And yet, I received nourishment from every one of them. I have the distinct impression that without them, I would have starved to death long ago.

At this precise moment, you may not be able to remember a single Gospel Episode of the hundreds, or even thousands you may have heard here or in other Churches over the years. Nevertheless, you may have the distinct impression that without them you might have starved to death spiritually.

"I am the Bread of Life," Jesus said again and again. And, in today's Gospel Lesson, he says, "Anyone who does eat My flesh and drink My blood has eternal life." "Anyone who eats this Bread will live forever" (Jn. 6:54, 58).

First Reading: Wisdom invites us to share in her banquet
What steps might I take to learn more about God?

Second Reading: Paul encourages us to live with a spirit of thankfulness.
What thanks might I give God today for the blessings I have been given recently?

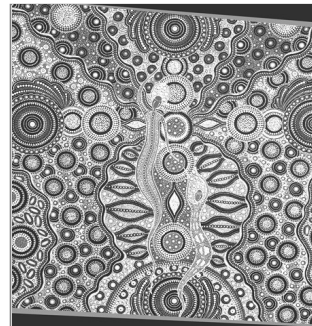
Gospel: Jesus gives himself so that we might live more fully with God.
What might I do to prepare myself to receive the Eucharist more reverently this week?

CATECHISTS WANTED

Can you help? We are looking for assistance teaching at our local State Schools. Please contact Melissa Ellis on 0409 744 565 or email mel.ellis@me.com Please consider joining this wonderful ministry.

Vinnies Western Sydney Sleepout

The Community Sleepout held from 6pm on 30 August until 8am Friday 31 August 2018 at Western Sydney University, Parramatta South Campus. Details at www.vinnies.org.au



year of youth
OPEN NEW HORIZONS FOR SPREADING JOY

FEAST DAYS

20th St Bernard
21st St Pius X
22nd The Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary
23rd St Rose of Lima
24th St Bartholomew
25th St Louis
St Joseph Calasanz

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

SVDP	22/08	7.00pm
MOSJ - Parramatta	23/08	7.00pm
Leisure Group	29/08	10.00am
Parish Council	03/09	7.30pm
Liturgy	26/09	6.30pm
Finance	25/10	7.00pm

25/26 AUGUST	6.00PM VIGIL	8.00 AM	9.30 AM	6.00 PM
ACOLYTES	Mike Ryan	Paul Dahlberg Tim Hamilton	Andrew Fernando Bob Mcmillan	Ray Modini
MINISTERS OF COMMUNION	Chris Leonard Elizabeth Farrar	Veronica Fry Sean Trainor	Frank Roach Wendy Roach	Kerry Bailey Carmel Kevill
ALTAR SERVERS	J	K	H	E
READERS	Leanda Standring Lourdes Zaballa	Christie Bawden Emmy Cox	Dilani Dhammapala Michael Reid	Tony Anthony Elly Benkovich
PRESENTATION OF THE GIFTS	John & Anita Buggy	Volunteers	Brogden Family	Couples for Christ
CHILDREN'S LITURGY	Monique & Sophie Fenech			
CHURCH CLEANING	Couples for Christ, Jhun Javier and Mark & Caroline Penafiel			
WINDOW CLEANING	Phyllis Trovato, Lou Pulvirenti and Gerard Rajakariar			

HOLY HOUR for VOCATIONS

Saturday 5.00-6.00pm
It's so easy to push people out of our lives. But the Lord knows no boundaries or races or colours. Spread the Good News that we are all God's people.

DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET

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

MOMENTS OF MERCY

I desire that even in the smallest things, you rely on your confessor. Your greatest sacrifices do not please me if you practice them without the confessor's permission. (Diary 639)

CATHOLIC WEEKLY

- New labourer for the vineyard - Matt Meagher Ordination
- Peakhurst parish: Mighty drought fundraiser
- Legal tragedy: Academics speak out on euthanasia
- A light in darkness
- Movie review The Darkest Minds
- Universities and Colleges Open days



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BISHOP'S COLLECTION FOR RETIRED AND SICK CLERGY

The Clergy Support Foundation of the Diocese of Parramatta assists in meeting the needs of the retired and sick priests of the Diocese. The Bishop's Collection for Retired and Sick Clergy, is held on Father's Day each year to support the Foundation. It is hoped to raise \$200,000 each year through this appeal.

Last year, through your generosity we reached the target with donations totalling \$205,000 and the Foundation thanks you for this contribution. This year the appeal in the Diocese will be held on the weekend of September 1-2.

A third collection will be held on this weekend at each Mass. Special envelopes will be available and all donations over \$2 are tax deductible. If you wish to claim a tax deduction, please tick the box and write your details clearly on the envelope.

Appeal envelopes will be available this week for those who will not be here on the Father's Day weekend.

ST PAUL'S MOVIE NIGHT PAUL, APOSTLE OF CHRIST



When Saturday 1 September
Time 7pm right after the vigil mass
Where: Fr David Scott Parish Centre
Cost: Donation to support our WYD candidate Maddie Hamilton

Light supper and refreshments to be served. Hope to see as many of you as possible and please feel free to invite your friends and family.

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.

MARRIAGE SUNDAY

at St Paul the Apostle Parish

On Sunday 14 October at the 9.30am Mass we will be recognising couples who this year have reached special milestones in their Marriages.

Couples who, in 2018, have or will be celebrating their 25th, 30th, 35th, 40th, 45th, 50th, 55th, 60th, 65th or 70th Wedding Anniversary are invited to join us on this special occasion.

Please indicate your acceptance by leaving your details on the form provided in the foyer by Sunday 16th September.

POSITION VACANT

Catholic Education Diocese of Parramatta is seeking a Nurse to attend World Youth Day 2019 in Panama. The role will be responsible for encouraging and coordinating healthy practices and the preliminary identification and assessment of medical, health and wellbeing needs of pilgrims. For more information visit <http://www.parra.catholic.edu.au/positions-vacant>

NOTE BOOK

The August issue of The Note Book is available this weekend please take home a copy for you and a friend.

WORLD YOUTH DAY 2019 RAFFLE

The Parramatta Diocese has launched a raffle in support of World Youth Day. Each raffle book contains 10 tickets and cost \$2 each (\$20 per book).



Raffle books will be available for sale in the Piety Stall. Drawn on 27th October 2018 at Lifted Live event held in the grounds of St Patrick's Cathedral.

"When we serve the poor and the sick we serve Jesus" - St Rose of Lima