



ST PAUL THE APOSTLE PARISH

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WEEKEND 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

A man who had been a husband for ten years was consulting a marriage counsellor. "When I was first married I was very happy. When I came home from a hard day at the shop, my little dog would race around barking and my wife would bring me my slippers with a heart-warming smile. Now after all these years everything is changed. Now when I come home, my dog brings me my slippers and my wife barks at me." "I don't know what you are complaining about," said the counsellor. "You are still getting the same service."

Take a closer look: The backdrop of this first "sign" of Jesus is a wedding- a symbol of unity. Yet the focus of the story is not the bride and groom's relationship, but Mary's relationship with Jesus- another symbol of unity.

It was not Jesus' idea to create more wine for the wedding couple. And yet Mary did not coerce him, either. She told him of their predicament and let him decide what to do.

When was the last time that you took action in a similar situation - not because you were coerced or manipulated, but because someone pointed out a possible opportunity for you? What was the outcome?

First Reading: Isaiah knows that God delights in us.
How have I experienced God's delight in me?

Second Reading: St. Paul recognises that each of us has special gifts.
What gifts have I been given and how do I use them for good?

Gospel: Jesus' words transform the ordinary into the extraordinary.
How have Jesus' words changed my life from the ordinary and expected to the extraordinary and unexpected?

24 HOUR EUCHARISTIC ADORATION Friday 1 February to Saturday 2 February

Starting at 9:10am with Mass on Friday, our Lord will be exposed for 24 hours and concluding with Mass at 9am on Saturday

Come ... spend some time with Him

At all times our Lord Jesus must have someone with Him, so please signify your interest on the timetable posted at the back of the Church



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Novena Mass to Our Lady of Perpetual Help

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

Rosary

The intention for world peace.
Every Wednesday at 2.30pm in the Church.

Divine Mercy Chaplet

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

Holy Hour for Vocations

Saturday 5.00-6.00pm
There was a wedding between God and us: "to have and to hold, from this day forward, for better or for worse." God is faithful and true. Let us do the same.

Upcoming Meetings

SVDP	23/01	7.00pm
Leisure Group	23/01	10.00am
Liturgy	Feb TBA	7.00pm
Parish Council	4/02	7.30pm
Sacramental Team	20/02	7.30pm
Finance	11/04	7.00pm

26/27 January	6.00PM Vigil	8.00 am	9.30 am	6.00 pm
Acolytes	Eugene De Souza	Warren D'Costa Paul Dahlberg	Eric Wood Norm Badaoui	Maynard Palomares
Ministers of Communion	Chris Leonard Gerard Fabien	Veronica Fry Sylvia McGee	June Wood Joyce Lord	Dex Habito Elijah Habito
Altar Servers	J	B	D	I
Readers / Commentators	Carmel Kevill Pauline Knowler	Bianca Del Rosario Sharon Del Rosario	Gabrielle Badaoui Michael Reid	Esmerelda El-Bayeh Michael Hruby
Presentation of the Gifts	Paul & Helen Donkin	<i>Volunteers</i>	Leslie & Rineth Scott	Couples for Christ
Children's Liturgy	No Children's Liturgy during school holidays			
Church Cleaning	Couples for Christ, Jhun Javier, Mark & Caroline Penafiel			
Window Cleaning	JMJ Group			

Feast Days

- 20th St Fabian
- 20th St Sebastian
- 21st St Agnes
- 22nd St Vincent
- 24th St Francis De Sales
- 25th The Conversion of St Paul, Apostle
- 27st St Timothy & Titus St Angela Merici

Moments of Mercy

May praise and glory for this Image Never cease to stream from man's soul.
May praise of God's mercy pour from every heart. Now, and at every hour, and forever and ever. (*Diary*, 1)

Position Vacant

Parish Office Manager (Part-Time) – Our Lady Queen of Peace Parish, Greystanes
More details at: www.olqp.org.au

Catholic Weekly

- Threats loom to Catholic Schools
- Hundreds flock to Eileen
- Anti-slavery: The Church is the leader
- Bulldozed homes: Bishop Long speaks out
- The Church's Social Justice teaching you hardly ever hear about
- Movie review: *Aquaman*

Piety Store

Available in the Piety Store:
† Gifts for all occasions †

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Please pray for our sick

Maroun Ayoub, Brian Baker, Margaret Brennan, Danielle Brown, Adele Budwee, Tim Coakley, Gus DelVillar, Rebecca Duncum, George El-Bayeh, Josephine & Chafic Filfilii, Neil Gover, Dex Habito, Jacqueline Kelly, Piper Hastings, Ludie Irrulbandra, Sonia Merhi, Charlie Micallef, Arun Papali, Silvi Perumal, Catharine Plisich, Marty Stockford.

As You are the One, and we, Your servants, we pray Oh God above to heal and support all members of our parish family who are sick. Amen

AUSTRALIA DAY Mass will be celebrated on Saturday 26 January 2019 - 9.00am

Give us in our diversity tolerance and respect for each other and a passionate commitment to justice for all. Bless us so that we might be a blessing to others. We ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

St Vincent de Paul CHRISTMAS HAMPER APPEAL



A big THANK YOU to all those parishioners who donated so generously to our recent appeal. As a result, our Conference was able to pack and deliver 94 hampers. A special thanks to those non-conference parishioners who volunteered their time in both the packing of the hampers and their eventual distribution.

Please pray for ...

At the end of this month there will be a review of all names printed below. If you have a family member or loved one that you would like to be included, or remain included below, please contact the office.

Please pray for

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