



# 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 Father's Forgiveness

In his book, *What's So Amazing About Grace*, Phillip Yancey tells the story of Ernest Hemingway. Hemingway grew up in a very devout evangelical family, yet there he never experienced the grace of Christ. He lived a libertine life that most of us would call "dissolute"... but there was no father, no parent waiting for him and he sank into the mire of a graceless depression. In Ernest Hemingway's short story "Capital of the World", a Spanish Newspaper *El Liberal*, carried a poignant story about a father and his son. It went like this. A teenaged boy, Paco, and his very wealthy father had a falling out, and the young man ran away from home. The father was crushed. After a few days, he realised that the boy was serious, so the father set out to find him. He searched high and low for five months to no avail. Finally, in a last, desperate attempt to find his son, the father put an ad in a Madrid newspaper. The ad read, "Dear Paco, Meet me at the Hotel Montana noon Tuesday. All is forgiven. I love you. Signed, Your Father. On Tuesday, in the office of Hotel Montana, over 800 Pacos showed up, looking for love and forgiveness from their fathers. What a magnet that ad was! Over 800 Pacos!! We all hunger for pardon. We are all "Pacos" yearning to run and find a father who will declare, "All is forgiven."

First Reading: Our words reflect what is in our hearts.  
*How might my words better reflect the Christian values I hold in my heart?*

Second Reading: Paul reminds us to devote ourselves to serving the Lord.  
*What works is Jesus calling me to do for him today?*

Gospel: Jesus tells us we must remove the wooden beam in our own eye before trying to remove the splinter in another's eye.  
*What beam in my eye do I need to work on removing right now?*

## Please pray for our sick

Maroun Ayoub, Brian Baker, Margaret Brennan, Danielle Brown, Kay Bull, Tim Coakley, Gus DelVillar, Rebecca Duncum, George El-Bayeh, Josephine & Chafic Filfili, Neil Gover, Dex Habito, Piper Hastings, Ludie Irrulbandra, Jacqueline Kelly, Sonia Merhi, Charlie Micallef, Arun Papali, Silvi Perumal, Catharine Plisich, Judy Phillips & 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*



Project Compassion Sunday  
3<sup>rd</sup> March 2019



Please take home a Project Compassion box and support Caritas Australia this Lenten season themed "Give Lent 100%". You are empowering communities with hope and helping those in great need to shape a better future for themselves, their families and their communities.

**Lives change when we all give 100%.**



## 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 are different gifts, but the same Spirit." Each of us has been graced with certain gifts of the Spirit. They are active, if we utilise them for building up of the Church. Name the way the Lord has gifted you.

## Upcoming Meetings

Parish Council	04/03	7.30pm
Leisure Group	06/03	10.00am
Baptism Talk	07/03	7.30pm
SVDP	13/03	7.00pm
Liturgy	03/04	7.00pm
Finance	11/04	7.00pm
Sacramental Team	12/06	7.30pm

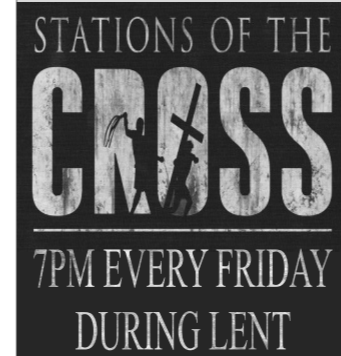
9/10 March	6.00PM Vigil	8.00 am	9.30 am	6.00 pm
<b>Acolytes</b>	Ciaron Fitzsimons	Tim Hamilton Peter Samson	Larry Mapanao Paul Dahlberg	Maynard Palomares
<b>Ministers of Communion</b>	Chris Leonard Gerard Fabien	Veronica Fry Elizabeth Farrar	Frank Roach Wendy Roach	Kerry Bailey Sean Trainor
<b>Altar Servers</b>	<b>G</b>	<b>K</b>	<b>D</b>	<b>A</b>
<b>Readers / Commentators</b>	Keenan Fitzsimons Kate Fitzsimons	Elly Benkovich Veronica Reitano	Peter Gold Michael Reid	Richard Houwing Michael Hruby
<b>Presentation of the Gifts</b>	Nereo & Rosa Fabrello	<i>Volunteers</i>	Brogden Family	Couples for Christ
<b>Children's Liturgy</b>	Monique & Sophia Fenech			
<b>Church Cleaning</b>	Eileen & Dennis Dunnachie, Judy Hince, Chris Leonard and Gemma Martin			
<b>Window Cleaning</b>	Nereo and Rosa Fabrello			

## Feast Days

7th St Perpetua  
7th St Felicity  
8th St John of God  
9th St Francis of Rome

## Moments of Mercy

I desire that you would all have more faith at the present time. How great is my joy at the faithfulness of my spouse in the smallest things. *Jesus (Diary 352)*



## Catholic Weekly

- All for the love of God: The Tyburn way
- Mary's way with knots
- What men really need
- Cardinal George Pell convicted
- Vatican Summit round-up
- Movie review: **Alita Battle Angel**

## Piety Store

Available in the Piety Store  
† Gifts and cards for all occasions †

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## Unlocking the Mystery of the Bible

You will make sense of the Bible and see how it relates to your everyday life, discover the remarkable connections between the Old & New Testaments and see how our sacraments, the Church and our Faith is deeply connected with scripture.

Starting Friday March 8  
Fr David Scott Parish Centre at 7:30pm

**Session 1: Introduction/The Bible Timeline**  
Light supper and refreshments supplied  
– Free of Charge – All Welcome

Please signify your interest on the sheet at the back of the church, SMS or call Lourdes 0413 263 695 or email [council@stpaultheapostleparish.org](mailto:council@stpaultheapostleparish.org)

## TRUST LENTEN PROGRAM 2019

In offering this Lenten Program it is aimed at helping us to benefit from Lent as a precious time of retreat for the whole Church. Lent is a time for renewal in faith, hope and love so that we can enter more fully into the celebration of the Sacred Triduum of our Saviour's last supper, his suffering and death on the cross and his glorious resurrection.

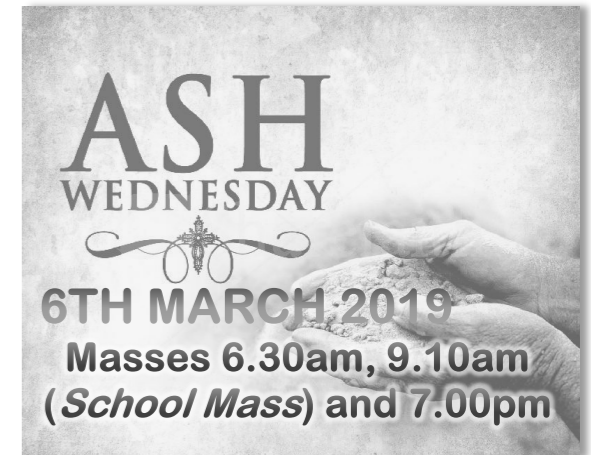
The program will commence Thursday 7th March at 7:00pm, in the Marian Chapel. Please indicate your interest by completing the sheet which can be found in the foyer.

## Plant Stall

After the Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> vigil and Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> March morning masses the Leisure Group will be holding a plant stall outside the Church. A large assortment of plants will be on sale. Proceeds raised will go towards the 2019 St Vincent de Paul winter appeal. If you would like to donate any plants, please contact Elly on 9696 9028. Thank you for your continued support.

## Please pray for

Jack & Gladys Scott, Fr David Scott, Josephine Clayton, Saverio Marotta, Rosa Marotta, Paul Beck, Brian Hurney, Lottie & Fredrick Gibbs, Anna Mary Joseph & Ratnam John Joseph, Maurice & Yvonne Sequeira and Kerry Cini.  
May they rest in peace



## Save The Date!

Sunday 17 March from 12:00pm to 4:00pm. The Northern Deanery Pastoral Council is inviting St Paul the Apostle parishioners to a BYO Picnic at St Madeleine's School Oval, 28 Annangrove Rd Kenthurst. There will be fun games and live entertainment courtesy of the youth in our denary & parish. This is a great opportunity to know more about the deanery our parish belongs and meet people in the Northern Deanery and the Parramatta Diocese. More information to follow in the next few weeks.

## KINDERGARTEN 2020 ENROLMENTS

St Paul the Apostle School is currently accepting enrolment for Kindergarten 2020. Enrolment packages can be collected from the school office between 8.30am and 3.00pm. An Open Day is being held on Thursday 7 March, 2019. There are two school tours, each lasting an hour, at 9.30am and 2pm. Please register your interest by phoning the school on 8841 3800, indicating your preferred time. Enrolment packages can also be collected on this day.

## Little White Box

Is available this weekend. Your financial support no matter how small makes a big impact on the lives of a mother and her little one.