



# ST. PADRE PIO PARISH

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### WEEKEND MASS TIMES

**Saturday** 5:30pm

**Sunday** 7:30am and 9:30am

### WEEKDAY MASS TIMES

**Tuesday** 9:00am Mass

**Wednesday** 7:00pm Mass & Our Lady of Perpetual Help Novena

**Thursday** 9:00am Mass

**Friday** 9:00am Mass

**First Friday** 9:00am, 7:00pm Masses

**Saturday** 9.00am Mass & Novena to St Padre Pio

**First Friday Mass & Adoration:** Mass: 7pm on First Friday of the month, Adoration: 8pm Fri - 9am Sat

**RECONCILIATION:** Following Saturday morning Mass

**BAPTISMS:** 1st, 2nd and 3rd Sundays @ 11:00am  
Please contact the Parish Office.

Presentation Mass & Baptism Information morning are held every 4th Sunday of the Month

### SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM ENQUIRIES

Please contact the Parish Office

Today, in the First Reading, we read about Joshua, who asked the Israelites to choose who they wanted to serve: the true and living God who brought them out of slavery in Egypt and had done so many wonders in front of them, or the false gods that were worshipped by the pagans, who were no gods at all. Then the people made the right decision: to serve the True and living God! In the Gospel we hear about how people stopped following Jesus and did not give Him a chance to explain about the Holy Eucharist. When the apostles were asked by Jesus if they also want to go, Peter answered Jesus, "Lord, to whom shall we go to, you have the words of eternal life, we believe, you are the Holy One of God".

During one of his Thursday morning meditations, Pope Francis spoke about this concept of 'choosing' and making the right decision by choosing to follow God. He said, "It's more comfortable 'to live by letting ourselves be carried by the inertia of life, of situations, of habits'. This is why 'today the Church tells us: 'You are responsible; you have to choose''. And thus, the Pontiff raised some questions: "Have you chosen? How do you live? What is your lifestyle, your way of living, like? Is it on the side of life or on the side of death?" ... "Many times, he said, "we live in a rush, we are on the run, without noticing what the path is like; and we let ourselves be carried along by the needs, by the necessities of the days, but without thinking" ... The first thing to ask ourselves, the Pope explained, is: "who is God for me? Do I choose the Lord? How is my relationship with Jesus?". And the second: "How is your relationship with your family: with your parents; with your siblings; with your wife; with your husband; with your children?". In fact, these two series of questions are enough, "and we will surely find things that we need to correct" ... The Pontiff then asked, "why we hurry so much in life, without knowing which path we are on". He was explicit about this: "because we want to win, we want to earn, we want to be successful".

But Jesus makes us think: "What advantage does a man have who wins the whole world but loses or destroys himself?". Returning to the two series of questions on one's relationship with God and with those who are dear to us, the Pope emphasized that "one can win everything, yet become a failure in the end". The Pope indicated that we can find help in "that really beautiful advice of the Psalm: 'Blessed are they who trust in the Lord'". And he concluded with these instructions: "let us have faith in this Lord, who is with us, and when He tells us: 'choose between good and evil' helps us to choose good". And above all "let us ask Him for the grace to be courageous", because "it takes a bit of courage" to "stop and ask myself: how do I stand before God, how are my relationships in the family, what do I need to change, what should I choose?".

Pope Francis' meditation taken from:

[http://w2.vatican.va/content/francesco/en/cotidie/2015/documents/papa-francesco-cotidie\\_20150219\\_stop-and-choose.html](http://w2.vatican.va/content/francesco/en/cotidie/2015/documents/papa-francesco-cotidie_20150219_stop-and-choose.html)

# THE MASS

What is the Structure of the Mass and why do we do what we do, in the Mass?

(Source: <https://brisbanecatholic.org.au/beliefs-and-works/mass/>)

Archbishop Mark Coleridge takes us through the Catholic Mass in this multi part series.

## The Mass Series: Part 14 & Part 15 – Liturgy of the Eucharist –The Fraction, Communion

So, here at this moment, when the priest holds up the Body and Blood of Christ and says: “Blessed are those called to the Supper of the Lamb”. He’s not talking about here and now, just, he’s also looking forward to that moment when this feast that we now share will become the great feast when there is only the feast and when the ecstasy of God is complete, so that again the Mass looks back, it looks to the present and it looks to the future. Past, present and future are all gathered up in this moment of eternity as it were, that God has provided.

The Communion Rite comes to its high point when finally, we come to eat and drink, to share the feast that God provides. Where we...come forward in fact, to eat the bread which is His body and drink the wine which is His blood. And we come forward to share the feast as a way of saying we are one with God and we are one with each other. As we receive the host, the priest or whoever, the minister, says ‘the Body of Christ’, now they are simple words, but they have a number of meanings.

One is that this is not just a piece of bread, it is in fact the body of the crucified and risen Christ present among us in a most mysterious and powerful way. When I say ‘Amen’ I’m saying yes, I believe that this is the body of the crucified and risen Christ but I’m also saying that I believe that I am part of the body of Christ and that we share the feast as a single body.

So, it’s not just an act of faith in what the bread is or has become, it’s also an act of faith in what this community is, again because of the power of the Spirit, the way God

has taken this community of ordinary human beings and made us something more, and the ‘something more’ is the body of Christ. *(TO BE CONTINUED IN NEXT WEEK’S BULLETIN)*

### THIS WEEK’S READINGS:

**First Reading:** Joshua 24:1-2.15-18  
**Second Reading:** Ephesians 5:21-32  
**Gospel:** John 6:60-69



### INFORMATION FOR THE FEAST DAY OF ST. PADRE PIO



**Sale of Fundraising Raffle tickets for the Jubilee Feast in honour of St. Padre Pio.**

Tickets are \$5 each.  
**First prize: \$750 gift card**  
**Second prize: \$500 gift card**  
**Third prize: \$250 gift card**

**Draw date: Sunday, 23 September after the 9.30am Mass.**

**Please support by buying tickets for the raffle. Tickets are available from the office or from the Welcome Table after each Mass.**

## ST PADRE PIO PARISH ROSTERS WEEK ONE 2018

Mass Time	5:30PM	7:30AM	9:30AM
<b>Mass Coordinator</b>	Deb Sands	Lynn Young	Therese Baker
<b>Acolyte Senior Server</b>	John Ward Guy Sands Deb Sands	Aiman Jajo Martin Warda Glenn Kopps	David Baker Dave Williams Coley White
<b>Altar Server</b>	ASI CWO AWO AMW LRO	CWA EMB	KSI SRO JBA
<b>Extraordinary Minister of the Eucharist</b>	Paul Bodel Sybil Chalice	Jan Fontana Pat Canderle	Noelene Bangel Frank Zammit Therese Baker
<b>Hospitality</b>	Annet Sijo Mary Bender Joanne D’Agostino John Sinobi	Agnes Forwood Mary Catania Antonela Blazevic Isabela Blazevic	Tina Giordano Therese Ediriweera Mel & Lily Jayachandran + Bethany Students
<b>Baptism Hospitality</b>	Deb Sands & Lorraine Vella		
<b>Commentator</b>	Carley Sands	Bev Croft	Bethany Students
<b>Reader</b>	Sandra Galea +	Ajumol Alexander Trish Warda	Bethany Students
<b>Music</b>	Y4C Choir		Parish Children’s Choir
<b>PowerPoint Operator</b>	Paul Bodel	Meghan Warda	+
<b>Children’s Liturgy</b>			
<b>Cleaning Team</b>	Saturday	Team One	Doris Cutajar

🌟 LAMINGTONS FOR SALE AT ALL MASSES NEXT WEEKEND: \$9 🌟

## UPCOMING FEAST DAYS

**Monday 27 August: St. Monica**

**Tuesday 28 August: St. Augustine,  
Bishop & Doctor**

**Wednesday 29 August: The Passion  
of St. John the Baptist, Martyr.**



Saint Monica and Saint Augustin.

*"The priesthood is  
the love of the  
heart of Jesus."*

- St. John Vianney,  
the Curé of Ars

## BISHOP'S COLLECTION FOR RETIRED AND SICK CLERGY- NEXT WEEKEND

The Clergy Support Foundation of the Diocese of Parramatta assists in meeting the needs of the retired and sick priests of the

Diocese, and an annual appeal, *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 next weekend of September 1-2. Therefore, a third collection will be held at each Mass, next weekend. 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 are available this week for those who will not be here on the Father's Day weekend.**

You can also contribute online at [csfparra.org.au](http://csfparra.org.au) using your credit card or direct transfer via eft to BSB 067 950 and Account No 001691 in the name of the CSF with reference, add your name. Please send an e-mail to [csf@parracatholic.org](mailto:csf@parracatholic.org) with your details, so receipts can be sent, which we usually do in January.

## ROSARY PRAYER GROUP

THE ROSARY Prayer Group will be at the home of **Craig & Maria Wilson, 23 Lindsay Crescent, South Penrith** on

**Tuesday, 28 August at 7pm.** Please join the group to pray the Holy Rosary & receive the blessings from our Blessed Virgin Mary. **Please ring Elvie on 0412 397 671 if you are interested hosting the Rosary Prayer Group.**



## REFLECTION DAY FOR WOMEN

**Celebrating Our Lady's Birthday – 08 September**

From 9.30am – 2.30pm, BYO lunch. Cost: \$25, RSVP to: Sr Mary Louise: [info@schoenstatt.org.au](mailto:info@schoenstatt.org.au) or 4773 8338

**RCIA:** RCIA will be starting again around the middle of September. This is for people who wish to become Catholic and for Catholics who would like to grow in their knowledge of the Catholic Faith. We encourage parishioners to let their family and friends know. Interested people, to contact the parish office as soon as possible.

## INFORMATION FOR THE FEAST DAY OF ST. PADRE PIO (CONTD....)



**VARIETY NIGHT – SATURDAY 22 SEPTEMBER, FROM 7PM ONWARDS at Bethany School Hall! A NIGHT OF FUN ENTERTAINMENT FOR ALL THE FAMILY!** This Variety night is part of the Feast day celebrations for St. Padre Pio and it is **FREE!** Everyone is welcome! The night will include performances of music and dance from various musicians, bands, choir groups, dance groups, lucky door prizes & more!

**CALLING ON:** Individuals, groups, musicians and bands to share your musical talents, by singing, dancing or playing an instrument, to perform in the Variety Night! Open to all parishioners and non-parishioners. Contact Manny Medel: 0422 833 499 or the parish office: 4737 9735, by 08 Sept.

## UPDATE ON THE ST. PADRE PIO HYMN WRITING

**COMPETITION** for the theme of St. Padre Pio, please be advised that the **deadline is extended till 31 December 2018.**

More details to follow shortly.



## FEAST DAY: SHARING JOY THROUGH

**FOOD.** One way of sharing our joy with others on such a wonderful occasion as is our Parish Feast day, is through our hospitality towards each other. As a faith community, we gather together to share

in the Mass and the festivities following it, therefore we ask parishioners to kindly bring a plate for after the Feast day Mass on Sunday, 23 September. There is a list on the Welcome Table where people can write down what they are planning to bring.

## WAREHOUSE SHOPPING TRIP – SATURDAY 13 OCTOBER

Everyone is invited to attend the parish warehouse shopping trip. We will be visiting several warehouses: toys, clothes, shoes & bags just to name a few. The cost for the day is **\$60** and this covers the hire of the bus, entry into all warehouses, morning tea, two course lunch and afternoon tea plus some special surprises.

All monies are to be paid at the Parish Office by **Friday 28 September.** Further details are on the noticeboards. If you have any enquiries, please contact **Lynn Young on 0418 765 933** or **Mel Almer on 0419 424 356.** The parish will receive a percentage of sales so please come along and bring friends.

**THE 'CATHOLIC WEEKLY' NEWSPAPER IS AVAILABLE for \$2 on the Welcome Table. Please pick up your copy today.**

## MASS WAS OFFERED FOR THESE INTENTIONS:

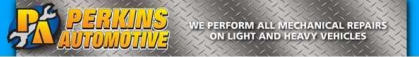
- Holy Souls in Purgatory, especially for those who have no one to pray for them.
- Late Stella & Joseph Aaron, Ken Gaudoin & family members & Holy Souls in Purgatory



**Recently Deceased:** Alipio Fernandez

**Please pray for all our parishioners and friends who are ill at home or in hospital, including:** Karen Foley, Anne Hume, Jessie Zammit, Peter Sidgreaves, Malcolm Maitland, Lucy Xiberras, Elena Zamora, Gabrielle Bugden, Jordan Gibbons, Lucia Longo, Sybil Chalice, William Chalice, Ray Wehbe, John Denniss, Aiyana Cabanero, Barbara Paul, Kenneth Borlongan, Lynn Young, Martin Bianca. *Please notify the Parish office if the person is no longer sick or requiring the prayers*





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