



# ST. PADRE PIO PARISH

## Glenmore Park

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**Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time Year (C)**

**17 February, 2019**

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### OFFICE HOURS

Tuesday to Friday, 8:30am to 3:00pm (Closed 12.00pm to 12.30pm)

**BETHANY PRIMARY SCHOOL: Phone: 4733 5299**

Principal: Mrs. Cheryl Brown

### 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

Dear Friends,

God Is good. He loves us and suffers for us. He was persecuted for our sins. Though He was innocent, He was humiliated and disrespected. The only reason for Him to go through all those things is to love us. Persecution is not new to the Church. It is part of the history of the Church. At times, the Church grew rapidly during the persecution.

There are so many good people who suffer these days for various reasons. The poor people are neglected and forgotten by the mainstream of the world. The Gospel of this Sunday reassures us of the blessings that we will experience when we suffer. Jesus calls the poor, the hungry, the hated, the suffering, the weeping as Blessed. In the eyes of the world, those who suffer are not considered to be winners but in the eyes of God, they are the richest. They even own the kingdom of God!

I am sure, the life journey takes us in the ups and downs. We are constantly battered around by the storms of life. There is no one who can claim that they have a perfect, peaceful life. Let us not be discouraged and dismayed because our God is with us. He is aware of our problems and miseries. He will never leave us alone since He knows that we won't be able to survive without Him. When we come across people with problems, let us be compassionate and considerate. Let us try to help one another as much as possible.

God Bless.

Fr. Suresh Kumar

Parish Priest

## **THE SEVEN SACRAMENTS OF THE CHURCH, from the Catechism of the Catholic Church**

(Source: [http://www.vatican.va/archive/ccc\\_css/archive/catechism/p2s2c2a4.htm](http://www.vatican.va/archive/ccc_css/archive/catechism/p2s2c2a4.htm))

### **How do the Sacraments effect our daily lives?**

## **SECTION TWO: THE SEVEN SACRAMENTS OF THE CHURCH, Chapter Two: The Sacraments of Healing: The Sacrament of Penance and Reconciliation**

### **II. WHY A SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION AFTER BAPTISM?**

**1426** Conversion to Christ, the new birth of Baptism, the gift of the Holy Spirit and the Body and Blood of Christ received as food have made us "holy and without blemish," just as the Church herself, the Bride of Christ, is "holy and without blemish."<sup>13</sup> Nevertheless the new life received in Christian initiation has not abolished the frailty and weakness of human nature, nor the inclination to sin that tradition calls *concupiscence*, which remains in the baptized such that with the help of the grace of Christ they may prove themselves in the struggle of Christian life.<sup>14</sup> This is the struggle of *conversion* directed toward holiness and eternal life to which the Lord never ceases to call us.<sup>15</sup>

### **III. THE CONVERSION OF THE BAPTIZED**

**1427** Jesus calls to conversion. This call is an essential part of the proclamation of the kingdom: "The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God is at hand; repent and believe in the gospel."<sup>16</sup> In the Church's preaching this call is addressed first to those who do not yet know Christ and his Gospel. Also, Baptism is the principal place for the first and fundamental conversion. It is by faith in the Gospel and by Baptism<sup>17</sup> that one renounces evil and gains salvation, that is, the forgiveness of all sins and the gift of new life.

**1428** Christ's call to conversion continues to resound in the lives of Christians. This *second conversion* is an uninterrupted task for the whole Church who, "clasping sinners to her bosom, [is] at once holy and always in need of purification, [and] follows constantly the path of penance and renewal."<sup>18</sup> This endeavour of conversion is not just a human work. It is the movement of a "contrite heart," drawn and moved by grace to respond to the merciful love of God who loved us first.<sup>19</sup>

**1429** St. Peter's conversion after he had denied his master three times bears witness to this. Jesus' look of infinite mercy drew tears of repentance from Peter and, after the Lord's resurrection, a threefold affirmation of love for him.<sup>20</sup> The second conversion also has a *communitarian* dimension, as is clear in the Lord's call to a whole Church: "Repent!"<sup>21</sup>

St. Ambrose says of the two conversions that, in the Church, "there are water and tears: the water of Baptism and the tears of repentance."<sup>22</sup>

### **IV. INTERIOR PENANCE**

**1430** Jesus' call to conversion and penance, like that of the prophets before him, does not aim first at outward works, "sackcloth and ashes," fasting and mortification, but at the *conversion of the heart, interior conversion*. Without this, such penances remain sterile and false; however, interior conversion urges expression in visible signs, gestures and works of penance.<sup>23</sup>

13 Eph 1:4; 5:27. 14 Cf. Council of Trent (1546): DS 1515. 15 Cf. Council of Trent (1547): DS 1545; LG 40. 16 Mk 1:15. 17 Cf. Acts 2:38. 18 LG 8 § 3. 19 Ps 51:17; cf. Jn 6:44; 12:32; 1 Jn 4:10. 20 Cf. Lk 22:61; Jn 21:15-17. 21 Rev 2:5,16. 22 St. Ambrose, ep. 41,12:PL 16,1116. 23 Cf. Joel 2:12-13; Isa 1:16-17; Mt 6:1-6; 16-18.

## **ST PADRE PIO PARISH ROSTERS W4 24/25 FEBRUARY**

<b>Mass Time</b>	<b>5:30PM</b>	<b>7:30AM</b>	<b>9:30AM</b>
<b>Mass Coordinator</b>	Matthew Topp	Lynn Young	+
<b>Acolyte Senior Server</b>	Khalid Younan Guy Sands Deb Sands	Martin Warda Aiman Jajo	David Baker Chris Hersey
<b>Altar Server</b>	AWO AMW EFA SFA	CWA AMA	EPO JBA RHE SBA
<b>Extraordinary Minister of the Eucharist</b>	Matthew Topp Melissa Topp Luisa Wood	+	Ashleigh Peters Denise Robens
<b>Hospitality</b>	+	Agnes Forwood Maureen Klingner Marlene Schoebel	Therese Baker Grus Family +
<b>Commentator</b>	Zon Lupisan	Bev Croft	Elvie Williams
<b>Reader</b>	Eric Ruiz +	Trish Warda Liam Warda	+
<b>Music</b>	Mitchell/Walsh Choir		Pio's Voices Choir
<b>PowerPoint Operator</b>	Sands Family	Meghan Warda	+
<b>Children's Liturgy</b>			Gayathri Ediriweera
<b>Cleaning Team</b>	Saturday	Team Four	Zon Lupisan

### THIS WEEK'S READINGS

**First Reading:** Jeremiah 17:5-8

**Second Reading:** 1 Corinthians 15:12, 16-20

**Gospel:** Luke 6:17, 20-26

### UPCOMING FEAST DAYS

**Friday 22 February:**

Chair of St Peter

**Saturday 23 February:**

St Polycarp

### IT'S NOT TOO LATE TO JOIN US FOR ALPHA!



Week 2 of St Padre Pio Parish Alpha is on Monday 18<sup>th</sup> February at 10am in Bethany Catholic Primary School hall. Even if you weren't able to come last week,

**you are welcome, to join this week. Come and See.**

For enquiries contact Brad & Natalie Wilkinson:

[stpppalph@gmail.com](mailto:stpppalph@gmail.com)

### FIRST SACRAMENT OF PENANCE AND RECONCILIATION

This Sacrament is for children in Year 3 and above. The program will commence on Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> February at 7pm with the parent evening session here in the Church. Please, keep the candidates and their families in your prayers as they prepare to encounter God's mercy and forgiveness through this sacrament in a special way.

### ROSARY PRAYER GROUP



THE ROSARY Prayer Group will be at the home of **Nina & William Cimafranca, 21 Pritchard Place, Glenmore Park on Tuesday 19 February 2019 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 in hosting the Rosary Prayer Group.**

### RETURN OF OLD PALMS BY SUNDAY 03 MARCH



Please return any old palms that you may have from last year so that we can burn them to make ashes for Ash Wednesday. You can place them in the basket at the Welcome Table.

### THE 'CATHOLIC WEEKLY' NEWSPAPER IS

**AVAILABLE** for \$2 on the Welcome Table. Please pick up your copy today.

### LENTEN DISCUSSION GROUP

You are invited to take part in a Lenten Discussion Group to help prepare for the season of Lent and Easter. **Starting on Ash Wednesday 06 March at 10.00am in the Parish meeting room. The Group will be meeting every Wednesday, till the end of Lent.** For more info, please ring Noelene 4733 7481.

### NEXT WEEKEND: BISHOP'S LENTEN APPEAL: 23-24 FEBRUARY

The Ephpheta Centre, supported by the Parramatta Catholic Foundation, gives hope, compassion, connectivity and care to the deaf and hard of hearing. Your kind-hearted support will provide chaplaincy and pastoral care for the vulnerable and isolated, in homes, hospitals, prisons and aged-care facilities. Please be a channel of hope and give generously via the Appeal envelopes or online [yourcatholicfoundation.org.au/appeal](http://yourcatholicfoundation.org.au/appeal)

### THANK YOU: SHARING THE FAITH THROUGH ...SPONSORING SRE ACTIVITY BOOKS

Thank you for your generous contribution towards last week's leaving collection! The amount raised was \$1415. Many children have been blessed because of you. If anyone missed out and would like to donate, please leave your donation at the parish office. There are many ways to share the Catholic Faith.



### ST. PADRE PIO PARISH PLAYGROUP

Every Friday at Bethany Catholic Primary School during school terms.

Age: 0-6 years

Time: 9.30-11.30am

Contact: Joanne D'Agostino, via the Parish Office on (02) 4737 9735



### TIME IS RUNNING OUT FOR PLENARY COUNCIL 2020

Submissions to Plenary Council 2020 close on Ash Wednesday, 6 March 2019. **YOUR voice matters!** Make a personal submission now or join a small group. The question is: "What do you think God is asking of us in Australia at this time?" To make a submission or for more details visit: [parracatholic.org/haveyoursayplenary2020/](http://parracatholic.org/haveyoursayplenary2020/)

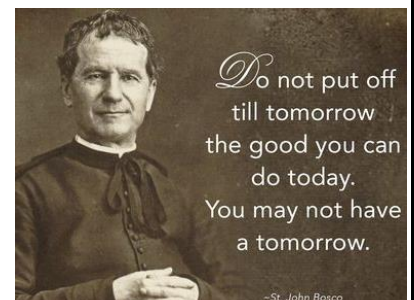
### MASS WAS OFFERED FOR THESE INTENTIONS:

- Holy Souls in Purgatory, especially for those who have no one to pray for them.

**Death Anniversary:** Mathew M.D.

**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, Lucy Xiberras, Elena Zamora, Jordan Gibbons, Lucia Longo, John Dennis, Aiyana Cabanero, Barbara Paul, Martin Bianca, Kenneth Borlongan, Candida Irugalbandara, Bridgette Grech, Arno Struzina, Leyan Dias Bandaranayake, Mary Bender, Malcolm Maitland, Joe Vassallo.

*Please notify the Parish office if the person is no longer sick or requiring the prayers.*



-St. John Bosco

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**16 Days Highlights of New Zealand: 6-21 March - SOLD OUT.**

**15 Days Europe River Cruise: 5 - 20 May**  
 One single lady to share with Monica Ledger. The rest **SOLD OUT!** Call Monica on 98960712 or 0414 859 386

**12 Days - Gold Coast to Cairns: 3-14 August.**  
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