

# ST. PADRE PIO PARISH

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### First Sunday of Lent Year (C)

10 March, 2019

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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 is held every 4th Sunday of the Month

#### **SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM ENQUIRIES**

Please contact the Parish Office

Dear Friends,

There is a chocolate called — 'Temptations'. Right name for a yummy chocolate. Maybe it is hard to resist it, so they named it so. At times, the temptations that come into our lives are very hard to resist as well. There is no need to fear temptations provided we have the resolve to fight them. If Jesus could be tempted, we could be tempted certainly. The major difference is that Jesus never yielded to the temptation. Being tempted in itself is not sinful but yielding to the temptation is.

The devil is on the prowl to get every soul into hell. He works night and day for this very purpose. He doesn't want us to go to heaven. The devil uses every trick in order to lure us. The weaknesses that we struggle with are the ways and means for the devil to get us. He cannot use our strengths but uses the weaknesses. Let us build up our strengths so that the devil cannot get us.

One of the efforts that we need to make in our lives is to try to practise the virtues. God blesses us with so many virtues which we hardly practise in our lives. These virtues are our blessings. These virtues are our paths to holiness and our spirituality.

As we have begun our Lenten observances, let us be resolved that we will do, to the best of our ability, to be close to Jesus. The three pillars of Lent: Prayer, Fasting and Almsgiving will help us in achieving this goal.

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)

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

#### Only God forgives sin

<u>1441</u> Only God forgives sins.<sup>39</sup> Since he is the Son of God, Jesus says of himself, "The Son of man has authority on earth to forgive sins" and exercises this divine power: "Your sins are forgiven."<sup>40</sup> Further, by virtue of his divine authority he gives this power to men to exercise in his name.<sup>41</sup>

<u>1442</u> Christ has willed that in her prayer and life and action his whole Church should be the sign and instrument of the forgiveness and reconciliation that he acquired for us at the price of his blood. But he entrusted the exercise of the power of absolution to the apostolic ministry which he charged with the "ministry of reconciliation."<sup>42</sup> The apostle is sent out "on behalf of Christ" with "God making his appeal" through him and pleading: "Be reconciled to God."<sup>43</sup>

#### Reconciliation with the Church

<u>1443</u> During his public life Jesus not only forgave sins, but also made plain the effect of this forgiveness: he reintegrated forgiven sinners into the community of the People of God from which sin had alienated or even excluded them. A remarkable sign of this is the fact that Jesus receives sinners at his table, a gesture that expresses in an astonishing way both God's forgiveness and the return to the bosom of the People of God.<sup>44</sup>

<u>1444</u> In imparting to his apostles his own power to forgive sins the Lord also gives them the authority to reconcile sinners with the Church. This ecclesial dimension of their task is expressed most notably in Christ's solemn words to Simon Peter: "I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven, and whatever you bind on earth shall be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven." The office of binding and loosing which was given to Peter was also assigned to the college of the apostles united to its head."

<u>1445</u> The words *bind and loose* mean: whomever you exclude from your communion, will be excluded from communion with God; whomever you receive anew into your communion, God will welcome back into his. *Reconciliation with the Church is inseparable from reconciliation with God.* 

#### The sacrament of forgiveness

<u>1446</u> Christ instituted the sacrament of Penance for all sinful members of his Church: above all for those who, since Baptism, have fallen into grave sin, and have thus lost their baptismal grace and wounded ecclesial communion. It is to them that the sacrament of Penance offers a new possibility to convert and to recover the grace of justification. The Fathers of the Church present this sacrament as "the second plank [of salvation] after the shipwreck which is the loss of grace."

39 Cf. *Mk* 2:7. 40 *Mk* 2:5,10; *Lk* 7:48. 41 Cf. *Jn* 20:21-23. 42 *2 Cor* 5:18. 43 *2 Cor* 5:20. 44 Cf. *Lk* 15; 19:9. 45 *Mt* 16:19; cf. *Mt* 18:18; 28:16-20. 46 *LG* 22 § 2. 47 Tertullian, *De Paenit*. 4,2:PL 1,1343; cf. Council of Trent (1547): DS 1542.

#### ST PADRE PIO PARISH ROSTERS WEEK 3 16/17 MARCH 9:30AM Mass Time 5:30PM 7:30AM Mass Coordinator Maria Wilson Lynn Young Coley White John Ward Acolyte Peter Quigley **Senior Server** Farley Bartholomeuz Glenn Kopps Elvie Williams Altar Server CWO MPR TST JXA NXA **CWA AMA** AWH LEL CHA MHA Maria Cimafranca **Extraordinary Minister** Lorraine Vella Lynn Young Gilbert Grech of the Eucharist Pat Canderle Melanie Elmer Wilson Family Maureen Klingner Gilbert Grech Welcome & Hospitality Nirusha Perera Georgina Rastegorac Natalie Wilkinson Jacinta Rastegorac Kylie Sultana **Baptism Acolyte Baptism Hospitality** Ajumol Alexander & Kylie Sultana Coley White Commentator Phil Walsh Trish Warda Melanie Elmer Marina Fanucchi Bernadette Quigley Gilbert Grech Reader Mary Refalo Maria Aquilina Margaret Rooney Bruce Murray Padre Pio Choir Music PowerPoint Operator Macy Almer Hannah Wilkinson Children's Liturgy Team Three Trish Warda Saturday **Cleaning Teams** Natalie/Monica Wilkinson & Mary Catania Tuesday

#### THIS WEEK'S READINGS

First Reading: Deuteronomy 26:4-10 Second Reading: Romans 10:8-13

Gospel: Luke 4:1-13

#### **PROJECT COMPASSION**



Caritas Australia is our Catholic agency for international aid and development, working to alleviate poverty and bring hope and justice to marginalised communities throughout the world. Please

pick up a Project Compassion box from the Welcome Table today.

#### STATIONS OF THE CROSS

There will be the Stations of the Cross followed by the Sacrament of Reconciliation.

When: Every Friday in Lent

Time: **7pm** 

Place: St. Padre Pio Parish Church



#### THE SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION DURING

**LENT** will be available every Friday after the Stations of the Cross and after the 9am Mass on Saturday mornings. It is a wonderful opportunity to receive this Sacrament as part of our renewal this Lent.

**GOOD FRIDAY.** All adults are invited to put their contact details down for this, on the sign-up sheet found on the Welcome Table.

#### **ROSARY PRAYER GROUP**

Date: Tuesday 12 March

Place: Jonie & Albert Yuzon's home

1 Dungara Cres, Glenmore Park

Time: 7pm.

Contact: Elvie on 0412 397 671 if you are interested

in hosting the Rosary Prayer Group.

#### **REAL WOMEN'S CAFÉ EVENING**

Date: Friday 15 March
Place: Bethany School Hall

Time: 8pm. Please R.S.V.P. by 10 March

#### **LENTEN DISCUSSION GROUPS**

Date: Every Wednesday during Lent

Time: 10.00am

Place: Parish meeting room

AND every Thursday during Lent at 7pm Place: 24 Harwood Circuit, Glenmore Park Contact: Noelene on (02) 4733 7481

#### **ALTAR SERVER TRAINING**

Date: **Saturday 23 March 2019**Time: **1.30-3.00 pm** in the Church

Please include names on the sheet on the

Welcome Table.

Contact: David Baker on 0405 046 118.

## CONSECRATION OF FAMILIES TO THE SACRED HEART OF JESUS AND IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY

Date: Saturday 23 March & Sunday 24 March

Time: Vigil 5.30pm Mass, 7.30am and 9.30am Masses. The image of the Sacred Heart of Jesus and Immaculate Heart of Mary are symbols of their immense love for us. By taking part in the Consecration we are reciprocating that love and placing our families under the guidance and protection of Jesus and Mary. All are welcome.

## **SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM INFORMATION:** The **FIRST SACRAMENT OF PENANCE AND RECONCILIATION is on:**

Date: Tuesday 26 March

Time: **6.30pm in the individual rite. Please pray for the candidates and their families.** *Letters and enrolment forms for Confirmation are now available* at the parish office. *Please see the notice boards for dates.* 

#### **LENTEN RETREAT**

Deepen your faith this Lent through the upcoming Lenten
Retreat!

• When: Monday 08 April

Adults Retreat
 Place: Church

Children & Youth Retreat
 Place: Bethany School hall

Time: 7pm

8.30pm: Benediction in the Church.

#### For the Adults Retreat:

**Guest Speaker: Charbel Raish.** Charbel is married and has 7 children. He works full time with Parousia Media and has a passion for helping people get closer to discovering the fullness of Truth. He gives multiple talks on Evangelisation and Faith Formation, the Bible timeline and his personal faith testimony.

#### The Children & Youth Retreat will be run by:

- **Bianca Vella:** Bianca is 26 years old. She sees her Catholic faith as an important part of her life and as a result, she is dedicated to sharing this faith with others, particularly children and youth. She does this through teaching SRE and prayer groups. Bianca is a piano teacher and loves incorporating her passion for music in her ministry.
- Annabelle Bhandoo: Annabelle is the Pastoral Associate at St.
   Padre Pio Parish and has many years' experience in working with children, youth and young adults. Some areas include running of youth groups, teaching SRE, World Youth Days and family prayer groups.

#### MASS WAS OFFERED FOR THESE INTENTIONS:

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

Recently Deceased: Preethi Reddy

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 Denniss, Aiyana Cabanero, Barbara Paul, Martin Bianca, Kenneth Borlongan, Candida Irugalbandara, Bridgette Grech, Arno Struzina, Leyan Dias Bandaranayake, Mary Bender, Malcolm Maitland, Joe Vassallo, Ian Wallace.



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16 Days Highlights of New Zegland: 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

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

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