

# ST. PADRE PIO PARISH GLENMORE PARK

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**SUNDAY 22 DECEMBER 2019**

**FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT**

**YEAR A**

## ST. PADRE PIO CHURCH WEEKLY TIMETABLE

### SUNDAY

5:30pm Saturday Vigil  
7:30am Mass  
9:30am Mass

### MONDAY

No Mass Office closed

### TUESDAY, THURSDAY & FRIDAY

9:00am Mass

### WEDNESDAY

7:00pm Mass  
Our Lady of Perpetual Help Novena

### SATURDAY

9:00am Mass  
Novena to St Padre Pio  
9:45am Sacrament of Penance

### PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Tuesday – Friday  
8:30am – 3:30pm  
Closed 12:00pm – 12:30pm

### BAPTISMS

11:00am  
1st, 2nd and 3rd Sundays  
Please contact the Parish Office.  
Presentation Mass & Baptism  
Information morning are held every  
4th Sunday

### FIRST FRIDAY MASS & ADORATION

7:00pm Mass  
3:00am Divine Mercy Chaplet  
8:00pm Adoration - 9:00am Saturday

### SACRAMENTAL PROGRAMS

Please contact the Parish office.

### PARISH PRAYER GROUP

Every Wednesday, 8.45am in the Church.  
All welcome.

### FRIDAY PLAYGROUP

9:30am – 11:30am 0-6 years  
Bethany Catholic Primary School Hall  
Contact Joanne D'Agostino, via the  
Parish Office.

Dear Friends,

"God - is – with – us". Do we need anything more than this? What a blessing it is! He chooses to be with us. Christmas is around the corner. We have to prepare ourselves to accept our God who is going to be with us. He will never leave us. When God is with us nothing can be against us. Not even death can separate us from Him. He is going to be part of our lives. He is going to take part in our joys and sorrows. Christmas makes us part of God's family and makes God to be in our family. Let us welcome Him and celebrate Him.

The Gospel speaks of the Holy Family. It was not different to any other family. At the beginning itself, there was confusion and chaos. But the faith of Joseph destroyed the doubt. When Mother Mary was found to be pregnant before they lived together, Joseph wanted to spare her publicity and her very life. He wanted to divorce her informally since any publicity of such matters would have put Mary in great danger. The punishment for such a thing at that time was death by stoning. Being a man of honour, Joseph decided to spare her when the angel of the Lord appeared to Him in a dream and explained God's plan for them. Joseph understood and accepted the will of God for both and accepted her into his home.

At times, we fall for the doubt that creeps into our lives. Be it in our faith or in our relationships. Doubt can destroy people unless it is properly dealt with. Joseph could have remained with his doubt, but he understood the will of God in their lives. God's ways are unique and special for us. He gives us what is best for us. We should be ready to listen to Him.

Let us prepare ourselves fully for Christmas. We have a few days of the Advent season left that can help us prepare our families by reconciling with one another and accepting each other. Let us remove the doubt from our hearts and minds so that we trust God and one another.

God Bless.

Kind Regards,

Fr. Suresh Kumar  
Parish Priest

# ST PADRE PIO PARISH ADVENT & CHRISTMAS TIMETABLE

<b>MONDAY 23 DEC</b>	5:00am Rooster Novena Mass
<b>TUESDAY 24 DEC</b> <i>Children may dress as a Nativity character for the 7:00pm Mass</i>	5:00am Rooster Novena Mass
	Children's Mass 7:00pm Carols 7:30pm Mass
	Family Mass 9:00pm Carols 9:30pm Mass
<b>WEDNESDAY 25 DEC</b>	Solemn Mass 11:30pm Carols 12:00am Mass
	Christmas Day Mass 9:00am Carols 9:30am Mass
<b>THURSDAY 26 &amp; 27 DEC</b>	No Mass or Communion Service
<b>SATURDAY 28 DEC</b>	9:00am Mass 5:30pm Mass
<b>SUNDAY 29 DEC</b>	7:30am Mass 9:30am Mass
<b>TUESDAY 31 DEC TO FRIDAY 03 JANUARY</b>	Communion Services
<b>SATURDAY 04 JANUARY</b>	All Masses resume

Come let us  
*Adore*  
Him



## LITURGICAL CALENDAR

### DECEMBER

**SUNDAY 15** Fourth Sunday of Advent Year A

**First Reading:** Isaiah 7:10-14

**Second Reading:** Romans 1:1-7

**Gospel:** Matthew 1:18-24

## NON-LITURGICAL CALENDAR

**Wednesday 25 December:** Office closes

**Tuesday 07 January:** Office reopens

# ST PADRE PIO PARISH ROSTERS WEEK 5 29 DECEMBER

Mass Time	5:30PM	7:30AM	9:30AM
<b>Mass Coordinator</b>	+	Lynn Young	Elvie Williams
<b>Acolyte Senior Server</b>	Aiman Jajo	Glenn Kopps Maria Cimafranca	Brad Wilkinson Joe Badrov Dave Williams
<b>Altar Server</b>	ASI EDA RAB ROB RGR RMR	LAL MAL HAL	AWH KSI LEL SRO
<b>Extraordinary Minister of the Eucharist</b>	+ Lorraine Vella Tracey Amituanai	Ashleigh Peters Maryann Peters Melinda Almer	Cristina Cignarella Mel Elmer
<b>Welcome &amp; Hospitality</b>	Leanne & John Gately Annet Sijo Sands Family	Maureen Klingner Melinda Almer Sue Walsh Rani Pulikkal	Natalie Wilkinson Georgina Rastegorac
<b>Commentator</b>	+	Trish Warda	Marilou Pugoy
<b>Reader</b>	Zon Lupisan Craig Wilson	Phil Walsh Anna Dedovic	Regina Rossetto Eric Ruiz
<b>Music</b>			Modern Harmony Choir
<b>PowerPoint Operator</b>	Ashley Muscat	Warda Family	Hannah Wilkinson
<b>Children's Liturgy</b>			Mel Elmer
<b>Cleaning Team</b>	Saturday	Team Four	Zon Lupisan

We realise it is holiday time so please send an email to [liturgy@padrepio.org.au](mailto:liturgy@padrepio.org.au) if you cannot be at your Mass or if you can fill the gaps +. Thank You for your service to God & your Parish.

**A BIG THANK YOU GOES TO ALL** who made donations of gifts and non-perishable items under our Christmas Giving Tree. Also, to everyone who helped with the decoration of the Church, the working bee and the delivery of Christmas flyers. Your generosity and effort is much appreciated. God bless!

**PLEASE NOTE:**

**CHANGE IN THE CAROLS AND MASS TIMINGS FOR THE CHILDREN'S MASS**

**TUESDAY, 24 DECEMBER**

**7.00PM CAROLS - 7:30PM MASS**

Children are invited to dress as a Nativity character for this Mass. A cake cutting will take place after this Mass, the Midnight Mass and Christmas Day 9.30am Mass.

**Christmas Day = Holy Day of obligation**



**PARISH OFFICE CLOSURE**

The Parish Office will close on **Wednesday 25 December 2019** and re-open on **Tuesday 07 January 2020**.

**CHRISTMAS MASS ROSTERS**

There are still some gaps on the rosters for our Christmas Masses. Please see if you can help with any of the ministries.

**SVDP CHRISTMAS CARDS AND 2020 CALENDARS**

These are on sale at the back of the church.

**Cards: \$5:00 Calendars: \$10:00**

**ROSARY PRAYER GROUP**

**Date: Tuesday 24 December**

**Place:** Matthew & Melissa Topp  
123 Garswood Rd, Glenmore Park

**Date: Tuesday 31 December**

**Place:** Bernadette & Peter Quigley  
108 Glengarry Drive, Glenmore Park

**Contact:** Elvie on 0412 397 671 if you are interested in hosting the Rosary Prayer Group.



**ANNUAL MASS OF THE HOLY INNOCENTS KELLYVILLE PARISH**

**Date:** Saturday, 28 December, 11am

**Place:** Our Lady of the Rosary Parish, 8 Diana Ave, Kellyville.  
Rosary procession to the Shrine of the Holy Innocents after Mass. Lunch will be available.

Please bring a plate to share. For enquiries, please call the parish office: (02) 9629 2595.

**MASS WAS OFFERED FOR THESE INTENTIONS**

- Holy Souls in Purgatory especially those who have no one to pray for them
- Juanita Crisostomo
- **Death Anniversary:** Joseph Borg
- **Special Intentions:** *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, Kenneth Borlongan, Candida Irugalbandara, Bridgette Grech, Arno Struzina, Malcolm Maitland, Frank Azzopardi, Nicholas Dewal, Virginia Santos, Ian Wallace, Herb Middlebrook, William Chalice, Antonio Sulfaro, Pierina Sulfaro, Phil Walsh, Ken Player.

**PARISH PRAYER GROUP**

Christmas Day and New Year's Day are on a Wednesday so the Parish Prayer group will resume on **Wednesday 15 January 2020**.

**Time:** 8.45am. All are welcome.

**HAND MADE ITEMS FOR SALE TO SUPPORT THE WORK OF THE SISTERS OF ST. ELISABETH CONVENT IN BELARUS**

Sr. Margarita from the Sisters of St. Elisabeth Convent will be visiting our parish on 22 & 23 January. The Sisters of St. Elisabeth provide spiritual, social and financial support to the sick and the suffering at the National Psychiatric Clinic, the boarding home for children with special needs and mentally challenged adults. They run a TB clinic, a rehabilitation center for the homeless, drug and alcohol addicts, ex-prisoners and a rehabilitation facility for females released from jail, the homeless and mentally challenged women. Many struggling people get a chance to tackle their problems and start a new life with God.

Many of these people have a possibility to express themselves in art for God, working together with the nuns and sisters, making beautiful articles with love and prayer. Items range from: hand painted icons, crosses, crucifixes, woodcarvings, embroidered and ceramic gifts and vestments.

Their handmade items will be for sale on the dates below and proceeds of sale will go to the Sisters in support of their ministries. **Purchases will be in cash only please. Thank you for your support.**

**When: Wednesday, 22 January for 7pm Mass and Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Help and on Thursday, 23 January, for 9:00am Mass.**

**WORLD DAY OF THE SICK MASS: 11 FEBRUARY 2020**

A Mass for the World Day of the Sick will be held on: **When:** Tuesday 11 February 2020, the Feast of Our Lady of Lourdes at 10.30am

**Where:** Mary, Queen of the Family Parish, St Patrick's Church, 51-59 Allawah St, Blacktown. The Mass will be an acknowledgment of carers and those for whom they care and will include the Sacramental Rite of Anointing of the Sick and Prayers for Healing. Please RSVP to Marisa VanderHout on (02) 8838 3460 or [marisa.vanderhout@parracatholic.org](mailto:marisa.vanderhout@parracatholic.org) to assist with seating and catering.



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