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### SUNDAY 30 JANUARY 2021 FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

**YEAR C** 

# ST. PADRE PIO CHURCH WEEKLY TIMETABLE

#### **SUNDAY**

8:00am Mass 10:00am Mass

#### **MONDAY**

No Mass & Office closed

#### **TUESDAY TO FRIDAY**

9:00am Mass

#### **SATURDAY**

9:00am MassNovena to St Padre Pio9:30am Sacrament of Penance5:30pm Saturday Vigil Mass

#### **PARISH OFFICE HOURS**

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

#### **BAPTISMS**

11:30am

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

# FIRST FRIDAY ALL-NIGHT ADORATION

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

#### **FRIDAY PLAYGROUP (2022)**

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

#### **SACRAMENTAL PROGRAMS**

Please contact the Parish office or find the information on the parish website.

#### **DOCTRINAL HOMILY OUTLINES**

#### A Lectionary-based resource for homilists and the lay faithful

Doctrine: The laity's participation in the office of Christ the prophet

Of all the prophets God has commissioned throughout salvation history, Our Lord is the prophet par excellence because of who he is and what he does: he is the Truth, and he reveals the full truth about God and man to us. He entrusted this truth to the apostles, who passed on this prophetic office to their successors, the bishops.

However, "Christ . . . fulfills this prophetic office, not only by the hierarchy . . . but also by the laity. He accordingly both establishes them as witnesses and provides them with the sense of the faith [sensus fidei] and the grace of the word" (LG 35, quoted in CCC 904). As St. Thomas Aquinas put it succinctly, "To teach in order to lead others to faith is the task of every preacher and of each believer" (STh. III, 71, 4 ad 3, quoted in CCC 904).

Lay evangelization is "the proclamation of Christ by word and the testimony of life . . . in the ordinary circumstances of the world" to both believers and unbelievers (CCC 905). Believers need to hear the Gospel and to receive on-going instruction in the riches of the faith. The laity can also participate in the Church's formal proclamation of the Truth. "Lay people who are capable and trained may also collaborate in catechetical formation, in teaching the sacred sciences, and in use of the communications media" (CCC 906).

Finally, "In accord with the knowledge, competence, and pre-eminence which they possess, [lay people] have the right and even at times a duty to manifest to the sacred pastors their opinion on matters which pertain to the good of the Church, and they have a right to make their opinion known to the other Christian faithful, with due regard to the integrity of faith and morals and reverence toward their pastors, and with consideration for the common good and the dignity of persons" (CCC 907).

Practical application: Lay prophets

Historically in the USA until the mid-1960s, the majority of all teaching in the Church was done by priests and religious (think of the religious orders of women who staffed Catholic schools). Now the laity make up the vast majority of Catholic school teachers at every level. In addition, thousands of faithful Catholic laity have or are pursuing degrees in philosophy and theology in order to serve the Church.

We can thank any lay teachers or catechists we encounter for their service and encourage talented lay persons to dedicate their lives to the prophetic apostolate.

It behoves Catholic of whatever age to get continuous formation in the fundamentals of our Catholic faith

Every effort we make to live the faith authentically is an exercise of the prophetic office of Christ in which the laity share. This is our "testimony of life."

We also need to find ways to talk about the faith. This is our "proclamation of Christ by word." As Vatican II put it, "the true apostle is on the lookout for occasions of announcing Christ by word, either to unbelievers . . . or to the faithful" (AG 15 quoted in CCC 905). Again, as St. Thomas put it, "To teach in order to lead others to faith is the task of every preacher and of each believer."

Finally, in keeping with a right which is becoming a duty, the laity ought "to manifest to the sacred pastors [and the other Christian faithful] their opinion on matters which pertain to the good of the Church."

Here is one opinion this layman wants to manifest. The laity, along with faithful bishops, priests, and religious, ought to expose the truth that for the past sixty years, in many places, bishops, priests, religious, and prominent laypersons have not taught or lived their Catholic faith. They have rejected Catholic faith and morals, while hypocritically retaining positions of authority. They have been wolves is sheep's clothing. This must end. Serious reform and restoration must begin.

#### **ENTRANCE ANTIPHON**

Save us, O Lord our God! And gather us from the nations, to give thanks to your holy name, and make it our glory to praise you.

#### **FIRST READING**

Jeremiah 1:4-5, 17-19

A reading from the prophet Jeremiah

In the days of Josiah, the word of the Lord was addressed to me, saying,

'Before I formed you in the womb I knew you; before you came to birth I consecrated you; I have appointed you as prophet to the nations.

So now brace yourself for action.

Stand up and tell them

all I command you.

Do not be dismayed at their presence, or in their presence I will make you dismayed.

I, for my part, today will make you into a fortified city,

a pillar of iron,

and a wall of bronze

to confront all this land:

the kings of Judah, its princes,

its priests and the country people.

They will fight against you

but shall not overcome you,

for I am with you to deliver you -

it is the Lord who speaks.'

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

#### **RESPONSORIAL PSALM**

Ps 70:1-6, 15, 17

R. I will sing of your salvation.

#### **SECOND READING**

1 Corinthians 12:31 - 13:13

A reading from the first letter of St Paul to the Corinthians.

Be ambitious for the higher gifts. And I am going to show you a way that is better than any of them.

If I have all the eloquence of men or of angels, but speak without love, I am simply a gong booming or a cymbal clashing. If I have the gift of prophecy, understanding all the mysteries there are, and knowing everything, and if I have faith in all its fullness, to move mountains, but without love, then I am nothing at all. If I give away all that I possess, piece by piece, and if I even let them take my body to burn it, but am without love, it will do me no good whatever.

Love is always patient and kind; it is never jealous; love is never boastful or conceited; it is never rude or selfish; it does not take offence and is not resentful. Love takes no pleasure in other people's sins but delights in the truth; it is always ready to excuse, to trust, to hope, and to endure whatever comes. Love does not come to an end. But if there are gifts of prophecy, the time will come when they must fail; or the gift of languages, it will not continue for ever; and knowledge - for this, too, the time will come when it must fail. For our knowledge is imperfect and our prophesying is imperfect; but once perfection comes, all imperfect things will disappear. When I was a child, I used to talk like a child, and think like a child, and argue like a child, but now I am a man, all childish ways are put behind me. Now we are seeing a dim reflection in a mirror; but then we shall be seeing face to face. The knowledge that I have now is imperfect; but then I shall know as fully as I am known. In short, there are three things that last: faith, hope and love; and the greatest of these is love.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

#### **Gospel Acclamation**

Luke 4:18

#### Alleluia, alleluia!

The Lord sent me to bring Good News to the poor and freedom to prisoners.

Alleluia!

#### **GOSPEL**

Luke 4:21-30

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke
Jesus began to speak in the synagogue, 'This text is being
fulfilled today even as you listen.' And he won the approval
of all, and they were astonished by the gracious words that
came from his lips.

They said, 'This is Joseph's son surely?' But he replied, 'No doubt you will quote me the saying, "Physician, heal yourself" and tell me, "We have heard all that happened in Capernaum, do the same here in your own countryside."' And he went on, 'I tell you solemnly, no prophet is ever accepted in his own country.

'There were many widows in Israel, I can assure you, in Elijah's day, when heaven remained shut for three years and six months and a great famine raged throughout the land, but Elijah was not sent to any one of these: he was sent to the widow at Zarephath, a Sidonian town. And in the prophet Elisha's time there were many lepers in Israel, but none of these was cured, except the Syrian, Naaman.'

When they heard this everyone in the synagogue was enraged. They sprang to their feet and hustled him out of the town; and they took him up to the brow of the hill their town was built on, intending to throw him down the cliff, but he slipped through the crowd and walked away.

#### **Communion Antiphon**

Let your face shine on your servant.

Save me in your merciful love.

O Lord, let me never be put to shame, for I call on you.

#### PARISH INFORMATION

#### FEAST OF THE PRESENTATION OF THE LORD

Wednesday 02 February, 9:00am Mass *Blessing of Candles*: It is a tradition in the Church for candles to be blessed on this Feast day. You are invited to bring your candles and have them blessed at the beginning of Mass.

#### FIRST FRIDAY ALL-NIGHT ADORATION

Would you come and spend an hour with me?

Friday, 04 February

8:00pm: All-night Adoration of the

**Blessed Sacrament starts** 

**3:00am:** The Divine Mercy Chaplet

9:00am: Adoration will conclude on Saturday with

9:00am Mass & Novena to St. Padre Pio.

We encourage all parishioners to add their name to

the sign-up sheet on the Welcome table.

#### SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM:

#### **SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION 2022**

The Parent Letter & Enrolment Form for the Sacrament of Reconciliation are available on the Parish Website and on the Welcome Table.

Please return the Enrolment Form by 09 February.

#### LITURGICAL CALENDAR

**JANUARY** 

Sunday 30: Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C

Monday 31: St John Bosco, Priest

**FEBRUARY** 

Wednesday 02: The Presentation of the Lord Saturday 05: St Agatha, Virgin & Martyr

#### **LEGION OF MARY PARISH GROUP (Praesidium)**

The first weekly meeting will be held in the parish meeting room on **Thursday, 10 February at 6pm.**The Legion of Mary seeks to bring its members and those they serve closer to Christ through devotion to Mary Our Mother. Growth in personal holiness through weekly apostolic work is the Legion's goal and service to the parish. If you are interested in joining you are most welcome to attend the meeting. The group is a senior group for members 18 years or older. Commitment is a weekly meeting and minimum two hours active work.

#### WORLD DAY OF THE SICK MASS: 11 FEBRUARY

Please note that the Diocese has sent notification that due to cases of the Omicron virus, this event has been cancelled.

#### DIOCESAN SEMINAR FOR ACOLYTES AND MINISTERS OF THE ALTAR

The Office for Worship is conducting a seminar for Acolytes and Ministers at the Altar.

**When:** 26 February, 9:30 am -3:00 pm **Where:** Bede Heather Centre (*formerly the IFM*), 1-5 Marion St, Blacktown. The workshop will be an opportunity to refine one's skills in their ministry with a special focus on Holy Week celebrations. Limited spaces available. Please email Anne Stanton on anne.stanton@parracatholic.org or 8838 3456

#### **MASSES OFFERED FOR THESE INTENTIONS**

**Healing:** Gerard Anthony McCracken **Prayers for the Sick:** Maureen Klingner, Georgina Rastegorac Please contact the Parish office if you would like a Mass offered for Thanksgiving, birthdays, recently deceased, death anniversary or prayers for someone who is sick.

#### PLEASE REMEMBER TO SIGN IN WITH THE QR CODE, WEAR A MASK AND HAND SANITISE

**** ST PADRE PIO PARISH ROSTERS WEEK FIVE 2022 – 29 & 30 JANUARY – HELP NEEDED ****			
ST PADRE PIO PARISH ROSTERS WEEK ONE 2022 – 05 & 06 FEBRUARY			
MASS TIME	5:30PM	8:00AM	10:00AM
MASS COORDINATOR	Help Needed	Lynn Young	Help Needed
ACOLYTE	Joe Badrov	Help Needed	Chris Hersey
SENIOR SERVER	Kylie Sultana	Help Needed	Help Needed
READER	1. Help Needed	1. Trish Warda	1. Zon Lupisan
	2. Phil Walsh	2. Denise Robens	2. Regina Rossetto
CLEANING TEAM	*Doris Cutajar *Paula Harris *Mel Gaudoin *Josephine Caruana		
ST PADRE PIO PARISH ROSTERS WEEK TWO 2022 – 12 & 13 FEBRUARY			
MASS TIME	5:30PM	8:00AM	10:00AM
MASS COORDINATOR	Cristina Cignarella	Help Needed	Help Needed
ACOLYTE	Joe Badrov	Coley White	Chris Hersey
SENIOR SERVER	Kylie Sultana	Help Needed	Help Needed
READER	1. Gilbert Grech	1.Marilou Pugoy	1. Help Needed
	2. Angelina Badrov	2.Marg Rooney	2. Help Needed
CLEANING TEAM	*Mary & Frank Mifsud *Lupisan Family *Merley Gearin *Antionette Manna *Cheryl Bowen		



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