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SUNDAY 22 MAY 2022

SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

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 Mass
Novena to St Padre Pio
9:30am Sacrament of Penance
5:30pm 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
3:00am Divine Mercy Chaplet

FRIDAY PLAYGROUP

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.

Dear Friends,

Peace – Shalom.

“Peace, I bequeath to you, my own peace I give to you” (John 14:27). Jesus gives this Peace as His last Will. He writes that Will on the hearts of humanity. Peace is not absence of sound or noise. It is a gift that comes from His Grace. All of us look for peace. We work for peace. We travel to places, go on pilgrimages in search of peace. Are we able to find that Peace?? Only God can give us that lasting and true peace. There is no one who can give us the perfect peace.

Our expression of love towards God must be made tangible. Jesus plainly says that anyone who loves Him will keep His word. We cannot say to God that we love Him but refusing to obey His word/commandment. When we listen to God’s words and live our lives in accordance with the word of God, we become a dwelling place of God. God resides in us. When God resides in us, people can feel the presence of God in our thoughts, words and deeds.

Jesus also speaks of the Advocate – the Holy Spirit who will teach us everything. We need to be open to the Holy Spirit in order to learn from Him. If we close our minds and hearts we cannot learn, and one is not lead by the Spirit.

As we are approaching Jesus’ return to the Father - Ascension, let us prepare ourselves to carry on the mission of Christ, that is to establish the Kingdom of God by proclaiming the Good News of salvation. We need to be courageous to be the disciples of Christ. Courage is one of the gifts of the Holy Spirit. We need to give courageous witnessing to Christ. There are thousands of martyrs who have embraced martyrdom by their courageous witnessing. It is not easy in this time and age to be His disciple unless and until we are ready to take up the Cross and follow Him.

Let us be resolved that we will be His true and courageous witnesses in our homes, workplaces and among our friends. We need to lead our lives as living Gospels. We may be the only Gospel that people might read. Let us shine with that Good News.

God Bless..

Fr. Suresh Kumar
Parish Priest

The month of May is dedicated to Mary the mother of Jesus and our Mother:

PRAYING TO MARY AND THE SAINTS

Below is an excerpt from Eternal Work Television Network (EWTN):

<https://www.ewtn.com/catholicism/teachings/praying-to-mary-and-the-saints-166>

A CATHOLIC ANSWERS Tract

Fundamentalists challenge the Catholic practice of asking saints and angels to pray for us. But the Bible directs us to invoke those in heaven and ask them to pray with us. Thus in Psalm 103, we pray, "Bless the Lord, O you his angels, you mighty ones who do his word, hearkening to the voice of his word! Bless the Lord, all his hosts, his ministers that do his will!" (Ps. 103:20-21). And in Psalm 148 we pray, "Praise the Lord! Praise the Lord from the heavens, praise him in the heights! Praise him, all his angels, praise him, all his host!" (Ps. 148:1-2)

Not only do those in heaven pray with us, they also pray for us. In Revelation, John sees that "the twenty-four elders [the leaders of the people of God in heaven] fell down before the Lamb, each holding a harp, and with golden bowls full of incense, which are the prayers of the saints" (Rev. 5:8). Thus the saints in heaven offer to God the prayers of the saints on earth.

Angels do the same thing: "[An] angel came and stood at the altar [in heaven] with a golden censer; and he was given much incense to mingle with the prayers of all the saints upon the golden altar before the throne; and the smoke of the incense rose with the prayers of the saints from the hand of the angel before God" (Rev. 8:3-4).

Jesus himself warned us not to mess with small children because their guardian angels have guaranteed intercessory access to the Father: "See that you do not despise one of these little ones; for I tell you that in heaven their angels always see the face of my Father who is in heaven." (Matt. 18:10).

Because he is the only God-man, Jesus is the only Mediator between man and God (1 Tim. 2:5), but this in no way means we cannot or should not ask our fellow Christians to pray with us and for us (1 Tim. 2:1-4), including those Christians in heaven, who have already had their sanctification completed, for "[t]he prayer of a righteous man has great power in its effects" (Jas. 5:16). As the following passages show, the early Church Fathers clearly recognized the Biblical teaching that those in heaven can and do intercede for us, and they applied this teaching in their practice. Here are a couple of quotes:

Cyril of Jerusalem

"Then [during the Eucharistic prayer] we make mention also of those who have already fallen asleep: first, the patriarchs, prophets, apostles, and martyrs, that through their prayers and supplications God would receive our petition . . ." (Catechetical Lectures 23:9 [A.D. 350]).

Augustine

"A Christian people celebrates together in religious solemnity the memorials of the martyrs, both to encourage their being imitated and so that it can share in their merits and be aided by their prayers" (Against Faustus the Manichean [A.D. 400]).

MARY IN THE ROSARY

Below is an excerpt from Eternal Work Television Network (EWTN): <https://www.ewtn.com/catholicism/teachings/mary-in-the-rosary-141>

Author: Dom Columba Marmion, O.S.B., Abbot of Maredsous
The Blessed Virgin Mary in the Joyful and Glorious Mysteries of the Rosary

THE JOYFUL MYSTERIES

1. The Annunciation

Picture the scene of the Annunciation. God proposes the mystery of the Incarnation which He will accomplish in the Virgin Mary--but not until she has given her consent. The accomplishment of the mystery is held in suspense awaiting the free acceptance of Mary. At this moment Mary represents all of us in her own person; it is as if God is waiting for the response of the humanity to which He longs to unite Himself. What a solemn moment this is! For upon this moment depends the decision of the most vital mystery of Christianity.

But see how Mary gives her answer. Full of faith and confidence in the heavenly message and entirely submissive to the Divine Will, the Virgin Mary replies in a spirit of complete and absolute abandonment: "Behold the handmaid of the Lord; be it done to me according to Thy word." This "Fiat" is Mary's consent to the Divine Plan of Redemption. It is like an echo of the "Fiat" of the creation of the world. But this is a new world, a world infinitely superior, a world of grace, which God will cause to arise in consequence of Mary's consent, for at that moment the Divine Word, the second Person of the Blessed Trinity, becomes Man in Mary: "And the Word was made Flesh and dwelt among us." (*to be continued*)

FIRST FRIDAY ALL-NIGHT ADORATION



Would you come and spend an hour with me?

Friday, 03 June 8:00pm:

All-night Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament begins

3:00am: The Divine Mercy Chaplet

9:00am: Adoration concludes 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.

ST PADRE PIO PARISH INFORMATION

ST. PADRE PIO'S BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION

WEDNESDAY 25 MAY: Mass at 7:00pm followed by a blessing with St Padre Pio's relic and supper. Please invite your relatives and friends to this celebration. You are invited to bring a plate of food to share. Please add your name and the food you would like to bring to the sheet on the Welcome Table. Thank You!

ST. PADRE PIO'S FEAST DAY CELEBRATION

SUNDAY 25 SEPTEMBER: Please add your name to the sign-on sheet on the Welcome Table if you would like to be part of the organisation team for the Feast Day.

SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION is the next Sacrament to be celebrated for the children in our parish. The Parent Information letter and Enrolment Form are available on the Welcome Table or to download on the Parish website: <https://padrepio.org.au/sacramental-programs/>. Please return the form to the **parish office** by Wednesday 25 May.

PUT YOUR USED STAMPS TO GOOD USE: Mary MacKillop Today recycle used stamps to raise urgently needed funds to fight poverty, e.g. provide education to disabled children in Papua New Guinea, fund life skills training programs for poor women in Peru and provide vital health care to poor communities in Timor-Leste. There is a plastic container marked 'Mission Stamps' for your used stamps on the shelves at the back of the Church.

OFFICE FOR WORSHIP LITURGICAL MINISTRY FORMATION COURSES 2022:

Please consider serving God and His Church through ministry. Formation Courses offered: Ministers of the Word, Extraordinary Ministers of Communion, Communion to the Sick & Dying, Ministers at the Altar. The courses start in September. If interested, please speak to Fr Suresh.

LITURGICAL CALENDAR

MAY

Sunday 22: Sixth Sunday of Easter Year C

Tuesday 24: Our Lady Help of Christians

Thursday 26: St Philip Neri

NON-LITURGICAL CALENDAR

ROSARY PRAYER GROUP

Date: Tuesday 24 May

Place: Mel Gaudoin 24 Bujan St Glenmore Park

Date: Tuesday 31 May

Place: Mel & Eric Ruiz 10 Winna Place Glenmore Park

LEGION OF MARY ROSARY MEETING

Date: Every Thursday, 6pm

Place: Parish meeting room. All welcome to attend.

NEXT WEEKEND: GOOD SHEPHERD APPEAL

Thanks to the support of people like you, our Holy Spirit Seminary in Harris Park is forming 14 men to become priests for our Diocese. The Appeal will support these 14 seminarians called to become beacons of Christ's light by answering God's call to embark upon a life of service. It is a brave decision requiring an incredible leap of faith – and we must do all we can to support them on their important spiritual journeys. The Appeal will be on 28 & 29 May.

DADS AT THE SHRINE

All dads are invited to spend an hour before the Lord in the Schoenstatt Shrine in Mulgoa. The second Wednesday of each month, 8:00-9:00pm, followed by supper in the Pilgrims Centre. Confessions available. Contact: Bernard Toutounji 0416 106 871 for more information.

THIS TUESDAY 24 MAY, 9:00am Mass is for the Solemnity of Our Lady Help of Christians, Patroness of Australia.

MASSES OFFERED FOR THESE INTENTIONS

Prayers for the Sick: Georgina Rastegorac, Waled Hana, John Bender, Maryrose Vella, John Vella, Catherine Vella.

Death Anniversary: Frank Pugliese. 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.

ST PADRE PIO PARISH ROSTERS WEEK FOUR 21/22 MAY 2022

MASS TIME	5:30PM	8:00AM	10:00AM
COORDINATOR	Cristina Cignarella	Help Needed	Help Needed
ACOLYTE	Joe Badrov	Coley White	Chris Hersey
SENIOR SERVER	Kylie Sultana	Help Needed	Help Needed
READER	1. Cristina Cignarella 2. Reginald Vibar	1. Bev Croft 2. Jacinta Rastegorac	1. Eric Ruiz 2. Help Needed
CLEANING TEAM	*Rastegorac Family *Helen Sipeli *Josephine Caruana *Rebekah Gomesz		

ST PADRE PIO PARISH ROSTERS WEEK FIVE 28/29 MAY – VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

ST PADRE PIO PARISH ROSTERS WEEK ONE 04/05 JUNE 2022

MASS TIME	5:30PM	8:00AM	10:00AM
COORDINATOR	Trudi Almeida	Lynn Young	Regina Rossetto
ACOLYTE	Joe Badrov	Help Needed	Chris Hersey
SENIOR SERVER	Kylie Sultana	Help Needed	Help Needed
READER	1. Freeda Fernandez 2. Phil Walsh	1. Trish Warda 2. Denise Robens	1. Zon Lupisan 2. Regina Rossetto
CLEANING TEAM	*Doris Cutajar *Paula Harris *Mel Gaudoin *Josephine Caruana		



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Join **Monica Ledger** on an 11-day tour to **Western Australia** – early November 2022. Book with Annette Mifsud to Malta and you go in a draw to *win your money back!*



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