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SUNDAY 03 JULY 2022

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ST. PADRE PIO CHURCH PARISH OFFICE HOURS

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

WEEKLY TIMETABLE

SUNDAY

8:00am Mass
10:00am Mass

MONDAY

No Mass and 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

BAPTISMS

11:30am 1st, 2nd, and 3rd
Sundays. Please contact the
Parish Office. Presentation and
Baptism Information morning
are held every 4th Sunday

FIRST FRIDAY ALL-NIGHT ADORATION

8:00pm – 9:00am Saturday Mass
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.

Dear Friends,

I would like to share with you an extract from the Census results 2021:

Christianity is the most common religion in Australia, with over 40 per cent (43.9 per cent) identifying as Christian. This has reduced from over 50 per cent (52.1 per cent) in 2016 and from over 60 per cent (61.1 per cent) in 2011. As in earlier Censuses, the largest Christian denominations are Catholic (20.0 per cent of the population) and Anglican (9.8 per cent).

While fewer people are reporting their religion as Christian, more are reporting ‘no religion’. Almost 40 per cent (38.9 per cent) of Australia’s population reported having no religion in the 2021 Census, an increase from 30 per cent (30.1 per cent) in 2016 and 22 per cent (22.3 per cent) in 2011.

Other religions are growing but continue to make up a small proportion of the population. Hinduism has grown by 55.3 per cent to 684,002 people, or 2.7 per cent of the population. Islam has grown to 813,392 people, which is 3.2 per cent of the Australian population.

The steep decline for the past 20 years shows clearly that the Church has got some serious work to do. I have been in this country for the past 15 years and I can say with some experience that the Church here is NOT a Missionary Church but a maintenance church. It has stopped evangelising people to a certain extent. When you don’t evangelise, you fail miserably from the mandate of Christ: “And he said to them, “Go into all the world and proclaim the gospel to the whole creation.” (Mark 16:15). There is no sense of urgency in the proclamation of the Gospel but a miserable complacency which results in losing people from the church. The census data says that other religions such as Hinduism and Islam are fast growing which means, that the people are not rejecting religion altogether but moving to some serious ones.

It is an eye opener for us to put things right asap before it is too late. At this stage, the laity need to be on board in protecting the faith since many of the Christian/Catholic leaders have abandoned the Lord and the faith. We need to bring back authenticity in our teaching of the faith. We cannot be busy with running businesses such as schools and social service centres. The Church needs to be the beacon of hope and it should reclaim the moral authority. In the past, people looked up to the Church for guidance but whereas now, it is lost – a blind cannot lead another blind and both will fall into a pit!

Therefore, I appeal to you, people of good faith. Please take your calling seriously as baptised Catholics. I am happy to equip you with Christ’s teaching without diluting it. Be ready to be Missionaries with fire and zeal. It is not too late to reverse the numbers in Australia. Let us work together as people of God in this mission. May the Lord bless us.

God Bless..
Kind regards,
Fr. Suresh Kumar.

☪ ☪ ☪ PLEASE TAKE THIS COPY OF THE BULLETIN HOME WITH YOU ☪ ☪ ☪

SOLEMNITY OF SAINTS PETER AND PAUL: 29 JUNE



Below excerpt is from <https://www.ewtn.com/catholicism/seasons-and-feast-days/sts-peter-and-paul-24046>

Why does the Church celebrate the Solemnity of Saints Peter and Paul?

On June 29th, the Church celebrates the Solemnity of Saints Peter and Paul to honor the two great apostles Peter and Paul. Saint Peter, one of the Twelve and the chief of the Apostles, the Rock upon which Christ built His Church, and Saint Paul “called to be an apostle, set apart for the gospel of God” (Rom. 1:1) and Apostle to the Gentiles. Together they are honored as founders of the Church of Rome, having been separately martyred there during the reign of the Emperor Nero.

“Christian tradition has always considered Saint Peter and Saint Paul to be inseparable: indeed, together, they represent the whole Gospel of Christ.”

(Pope Benedict XVI)

ST PETER

Who was Saint Peter and why was he important?

Saint Peter was one of Jesus’ original twelve Apostles and the first Pope. Peter was a Jewish fisherman before he was called to be an Apostle. Jesus changed his name from Simon to Peter (“Rock”) and gave Him the keys to the kingdom of Heaven (Matthew 16:19), which is why Saint Peter is often depicted with keys. Peter was introduced to Jesus by his brother Saint Andrew. We can read about this account in the Gospel of Matthew 4:18-20. Saint Andrew was the first disciple to be called by Jesus, Peter following after. Peter is mentioned 109 times in the Gospels, the most of any Apostle, as well as in the Acts of the Apostles, the letters of Paul, and in the two books attributed to him, 1 & 2 Peter.

Did Jesus change Saint Peter’s name?

Jesus did change Saint Peter’s name from Simon to Peter. He is also sometimes called by both, Simon Peter. The changing of a person’s name had great significance. God called Abram and named him Abraham, as well as his wife Sarai, naming her Sarah. Jacob was likewise called Israel. These were all founding events connected to the Old Covenant and of great significance in salvation history. The same is true of the re-naming of Simon. Matthew shares his account of the event in Matthew 16:17-19.

Why did Jesus call Peter a “rock”?

As recorded in the canonical Greek text of Matthew, Jesus changed Simon’s name to Petros (Rock). It is likely that He actually did so in Aramaic, the everyday Semitic

language of Jews of his time, in which case the Lord said Cephas (Rock). This name is actually cited by St. John in Jn 1:42, and 8 other places in the New Testament. He did this in Caesarea Philippi, where there is a massive outcropping of rock at the base of Mt. Hermon, the highest peak of the region. This naming is followed in Matthew’s text by the reason: the Church would be built on Peter. He is then given the Keys of David, as a king would give his appointed Vizier, in order to exercise authority in his place. It is just such vicarious authority which the Church claims for St. Peter and His Successors, down to Pope Francis.

How did Saint Peter die?

Saint Peter was crucified in Nero’s circus on Vatican Hill, sometime between 64 and 68 A.D.. He was crucified upside down because he felt unworthy to die the same way as his Lord. Afterwards he was laid to rest in a nearby cemetery. That cemetery can be seen today in excavations under St. Peter’s Basilica, and the remains of a 2nd century shrine built over the burial spot. In the 1960s bones believed to be Peter’s were found preserved in its wall and today the box containing them can be seen in a chapel under the papal altar.

Was Saint Peter the first Pope?

Christ Himself appointed Saint Peter as the chief of the Apostles. Ever since then, there has been an unbroken transmission of spiritual authority to Peter’s successors in Rome. They, in turn, lead the bishops (successors of the other Apostles), and thus the whole People of God. This is called apostolic succession, and it is the guarantee of the unity of the Catholic Church of every place and time with Christ and the Apostles.

What is Saint Peter the patron saint of?

Saint Peter is the patron saint of fishermen, net makers, and ship builders. Together with Saint Paul, he is also the patron saint of Rome.

ST PAUL

Who was Saint Paul?

Saint Paul (originally known as Saul), was a self-righteous young Pharisee, almost fanatically anti-Christian. When the Resurrected Lord appeared to Him on the road to Damascus, he suddenly converted (Acts 9:1-9). From that point, he went on to evangelize throughout the Mediterranean world from the Holy Land to Rome to Spain. His zeal and reach entitles him to be known as the “Apostle to the Gentiles.” “The Gentiles” means “the nations.” For Jews it meant the non-Jewish people. For the Church it means the non-Jewish unbelievers in Christ - that is, the greater part of mankind of all generations.

Where in the Bible can we read about Saint Paul?

Scriptures on Saint Paul can be found throughout the New Testament of the Bible. We first meet Paul in Scripture at the stoning of Stephen, in Acts 7:58. In Acts St. Luke provides many details of Paul’s ministry, indicating that he accompanied him for much of it.

To be continued next week . . .

ST PADRE PIO PARISH INFORMATION

FIRST HOLY EUCHARIST

The parent letter and enrolment form for the Sacrament of First Holy Eucharist will be available shortly. They can be downloaded from the parish website and hard copies will be available on the Welcome Table.

2022 FAITH IN MARRIAGE SEMINAR: 12 AUGUST

Guest speaker Robert Haddad will discuss "Living marriage, living faith, ideas to inspire your children" at the Faith in Marriage Seminar hosted by the Diocese of Parramatta's MET - Marriage team. The seminar will be held on Friday 12 August at the Bishop Bede Heather Centre, Blacktown, from 7.30pm. The event is free, but booking is required. Free parking is available in the lower ground car park and on neighbouring streets. Please register your attendance to (02) 8838 3460 or marriage@parracatholic.org

ST PADRE PIO PARISH REGISTRATION

We request any new families to register with the parish. If you would like to register or arrange a House Blessing, please contact Fr Suresh suresh.kumar@parracatholic.org or 0488 448 844.

WORKING WITH CHILDREN CHECK

It is a legal requirement and a Diocesan requirement that all people involved in a child related role should have a current Working With Children Check number (WWCC). Expired WWCC need to be renewed and passed on to the parish office. If you get a call from the Parish office please give your full co-operation and urgent attention to it.

LITURGICAL CALENDAR

JULY

SUNDAY 03: Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C

Monday 04: St Elizabeth of Portugal

Tuesday 05: St Anthony of Zaccaria

Wednesday 06: St Maria Goretti

Thursday 07: Blessed Peter To Rot

Saturday 08: Sts Augustine Zhao Rong and Companions

NON-LITURGICAL CALENDAR

ROSARY PRAYER GROUP

Date: Tuesday 05 July

Place: Pat Canderle 1 Kurpun Pl, GP

Date: Tuesday 12 July

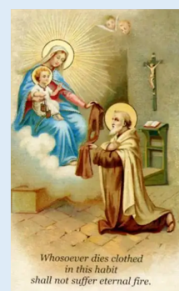
Place: Alice & Levy Pajarin 40 Allison Drive, GP

LEGION OF MARY ROSARY MEETING

Date: Every Thursday, 7:00pm

Place: Parish meeting room. All welcome to attend.

FEAST DAY OF OUR LADY OF MT CARMEL: 16 JULY



You are Invited to
The Feast of Our Lady of Mt Carmel
Saturday 16 July at St Padre Pio Parish
9:00am Mass followed by the
Blessing and Enrolment of the Brown Scapular
Thereafter please join us for morning tea.

MASSES OFFERED FOR THESE INTENTIONS

Prayers for the Sick: Georgina Rastegorac, Waled Hana, John Bender, Maryrose Vella, John Vella, Catherine Vella, Lollyn Velayo, Maureen Klingner

Death Anniversary: Milagros Ablir

Deceased: Stella & Joseph Aaron, Ken Gaudoin & All Holy Souls in Purgatory. *Please contact the Parish office if you would like a Mass offered for Recently Deceased, Death Anniversary, Prayers for the Sick, Thanksgiving or Birthdays.*

ST PADRE PIO PARISH ROSTERS WEEK ONE- FIRST SUNDAY OF THE MONTH 02/03 JULY 2022

MASS TIME	5:30PM	8:00AM	10:00AM
COORDINATOR	Trudi Almeida	Lynn Young	Regina Rossetto
ACOLYTE	Joe Badrov	Khalid Younan	Chris Hersey & Manny Medel
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
MUSIC	Mitchell's Group		Children's Choir
CLEANING TEAM	Doris Cutajar, Paula Harris, Mel Gaudoin, Josephine Caruana, Valeni Rodrigues, Meghan Warda		

ST PADRE PIO PARISH ROSTERS WEEK TWO - SECOND SUNDAY OF THE MONTH 09/10 JULY 2022

MASS TIME	5:30PM	8:00AM	10:00AM
COORDINATOR	Cristina Cignarella	help needed	help needed
ACOLYTE	Joe Badrov	Khalid Younan	Chris Hersey
SENIOR SERVER	Kylie Sultana	help needed	help needed
READER	1. Gilbert Grech 2. Angelina Badrov	1. Marilou Pugoy 2. Marg Rooney	1. Deepa Cijo 2. Cijo Mathew
MUSIC	Amen Choir		Manny, Bruce & Co
CLEANING TEAM	Antionette Manna, Mel Gaudoin, Rebecca Locke, Johan		



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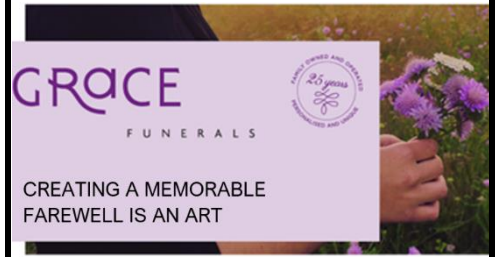
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