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SUNDAY 21 AUGUST 2022

TWENTY FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

YEAR C

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,

All are not going to heaven. All are not going to hell either. Our Destiny depends upon the way we live our lives now. The choice is ours!

Jesus asks the people to enter through the narrow door. These days people don't want any struggle in their lives. They want everything to be easier. Jesus went through a very narrow door to save us. He paid a hefty price in order to save us. Anything that comes free doesn't have any value. Though we have received salvation freely. Jesus paid the price with His own life.

People want the Church to be a feel-good club. They don't want to follow Jesus, they don't want to keep up the Commandments, they don't want to live with morals, no Mass, no Communion, no Prayer but they want to go to heaven. Good luck with it! As Jesus puts it in the Gospel, God will say to these people, "I do not know where you come from, away from me you evil doers". They will find themselves knocking at the door.

HOLY ROSARY

I am sure you would have seen on the news that some people have called the Holy Rosary to be the symbol of extremism. I am not sure if I need to laugh at them or get angry. But certainly, this is the height of desperation to stop people from praying. The world throws garbage at the faith and praying the Holy Rosary has been strengthening the faith, family life and it keeps defeating the devil. Now they must ban the Holy Rosary so that they can strengthen the hands of the devil. Certainly, those who came up with this view are working for Satan and afraid of light and grace of God.

I ask you to pray more, especially the Holy Rosary. Pray individually, pray as a family, pray with your friends. Let these people go to hell. Our beloved patron St. Padre Pio prayed the Holy Rosary constantly, through which he could help the people who came to him for various needs.

If you need the Holy Rosary, please let me know and I will give you some for you and your family. The family that prays together will stay together but the devil and his minions don't want the families to be together. That is the very reason they don't want us to pray together.

Hail Mary, full of Grace. The Lord is with you, Blessed are you among women and Blessed is the fruit of your womb Jesus. Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners now and at the hour of our death. Amen.

God Bless..

Kind regards,

Fr. Suresh Kumar

Parish Priest

ST HELENA FEAST DAY 18 AUGUST

The below is from:

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St. Helena was the mother of Emperor Constantine the Great and an Empress of the Roman Empire. Very little is known about Helena's early life, but it is believed she is from Drepanum (later known as Helenopolis) in Asia Minor and born into a poor family and lower class in the Roman culture of the day. St. Ambrose described Helena as a "good stable-maid."

Despite her background, Helena married Constantius Chlorus. With him she birthed her only son, Constantine, around the year 274. Nearly two decades later in 292, Constantius, now co-Regent of the West, got swept up in his rising stature and divorced Helena for Theodora, the stepdaughter of Emperor Maximianus Herculus. It is believed he did this to advance his own reputation and advance his standing in the Roman society.

Constantine was forever loyal to his dear mother, whom he loved very much. As he grew and became a member of the inner circle, he never left Helena's side. Following the death of Constantius in 308, Constantine became Emperor and summoned his mother back into inner circle and the imperial court. Helena received the title of Augusta.

Constantine ordered all to honor his mother. He even had coins minted, bearing her image. Through her son's influence, Helena began to embrace Christianity. With her title of Augusta Imperatrix, Helena was given free reign over the imperial treasury. She was tasked with locating relics of Christian tradition.

Between the years 326-328, Helena took a trip to the Holy Places in the Middle East. During her journey, Helena had many churches constructed, including the one at the site of Jesus Christ's birth - the Church of the Nativity, Bethlehem and another at the site of his ascension - Church of Elena on the Mount of Olives

During this time Jerusalem was still being rebuilt after Titus' destruction. Around the year 130, Emperor Hadrian had a temple built over the site of Jesus' death. This temple was believed to be dedicated to Venus. Helena had this temple destroyed and chose a site in this location to be excavated. This led to the discovery of three crosses.

Tradition says Helena brought a woman near death to the crosses. There she had the woman place a hand on all three crosses. Nothing happened when she touched the first two crosses, but when she placed her hand on the third cross she suddenly recovered. Helena declared the third cross to be the True Cross. At this site, Constantine ordered the Church of the Holy Sepulchre to be built.

Theodoret of Cyrus, an influential theologian, wrote that that during her search, Helena also discovered the nails of the crucifixion. She had one of the nails placed in Constantine's helmet and one in the bridle of his horse to aid him with their miraculous powers. Churches were built at these sites, as well.

Several of the relics believed to be found by St. Helena are located in Cyprus. Among these are parts of Jesus' tunic, pieces of the holy cross, and pieces of the rope used to tie Jesus to the cross. When Helena returned to Rome from Jerusalem in 327, she brought parts of the True Cross back with her. She stored these in her palace's chapel. They can still be seen to this day, though her palace has been converted to the Basilica of the Holy Cross in Jerusalem. St. Helena died around 330 with her dearly devoted son by her side. She was then buried in the Mausoleum of Helena outside of Rome. Her sarcophagus can be seen in the Pio-Clementine Vatican Museum.

St. Helena was renowned for helping not only individuals, but entire communities through her works of charity. She often sought out to help the poor and destitute. She would visit churches and leave them with rich donations. St. Helena was a very devout servant of God, so much so that one would easily believe her to have been a follower of Jesus Christ from birth. Through her influence and work, Christianity continued to spread throughout the known world.

Prayer to St. Helen

Holy and blessed Saint Helen,
With the anguish and devotion with which
You sought the Cross of Christ,
I plead that You give me God's grace
To suffer in patience and labours of this life,
So that through them and
through Your intercession and protection,
I will be able to seek and carry the Cross,
Which God has placed upon me,
So that I can serve Him in this life
and enjoy His Glory ever after.

Amen.

ST PADRE PIO PARISH INFORMATION

BISHOP'S FATHER'S DAY APPEAL FOR RETIRED AND SICK PRIESTS: 03 & 04 September This is traditionally held on Father's Day. This annual appeal raises much needed funds for our Diocese Clergy Support Foundation to continue its work of supporting retired clergy and those in ill-health. We currently care for 21 retired clergy in our Diocese: 1 bishop, 18 priests and 2 deacons. With your enthusiastic support to this Appeal, our Clergy Support Foundation can better care for our retired priests and those clergy who are unwell, giving them comfort, professional health care, and guidance. Thank you for your generosity.

ALTAR SERVER TRAINING

Children in Year 4 and above are invited to become altar servers and serve in the Mass. Those interested need to attend the training on: Saturday, 03 September at 11am in the Church. For any enquiries: please contact Fr Suresh.

FIRST FRIDAY ALL-NIGHT ADORATION 02 SEPTEMBER

*Would you come and spend
an hour with me?*



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.

SCRIPTURE TEACHERS NEEDED



Some of our parishioners teach Special Religious Education in our local government schools. Sadly, many of our classes are not covered. In 2023 we will have Nangamay PS at Mulgoa Rise as well.

Please contact the parish office for further information on how you can help the children in our local schools.

LITURGICAL CALENDAR

AUGUST

SUNDAY 21: Twenty First Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C
Monday 22: Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary
Tuesday 23: St Rose of Lima
Wednesday 24: St Bartholomew
Thursday 25: St Joseph Calasanz & St Louis
Saturday 27: St Monica

NON-LITURGICAL CALENDAR

ROSARY PRAYER GROUP

Date: Tuesday 23 August
Place: Yen & Linh Phan 171 West Wilchard Rd, Castlereagh

LEGION OF MARY ROSARY MEETING

Date: Every Thursday, 7:00pm
Place: Parish meeting room. All welcome to attend.

WORKING BEE IN PREPARATION FOR THE FEAST DAY OF ST. PADRE PIO

The Working Bee will be for the inside and the outside of the Church. **When:** Saturday 10 September, after 9:00am Mass. **There is a sign-up sheet at the Welcome Table, please put your names down to help with the Working Bee.**



ST PADRE PIO FEAST DAY 2022

Three Day Triduum:

Thursday 22 September, 7:00pm
Friday 23 September, 7:00pm
Saturday 24 September, 5.30pm
Feast Day Mass
Sunday 25 September, 10:00am
(no 8:00am Mass)

Feast Day Hospitality/Food: Everyone is invited to bring a plate of food for the Feast Day. There is a sign-up sheet on the Welcome Table

MASSES OFFERED FOR THESE INTENTIONS

For the Deceased: Stella & Joseph Aaron, Ken Gaudoin, Mercy Bhuyan, & all Holy Souls in Purgatory.

Prayers for the Sick: Trudi Weber, Maureen Klingner, Georgina Rastegorac, Waled Hana, John Bender, Maryrose Vella, John Vella, Catherine Vella & Lolyn Velayo. *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 - FOURTH SUNDAY OF THE MONTH - 27/28 AUGUST 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		
READER	1. Cristina Cignarella 2. Reginald Vibar	1. help needed 2. Jacinta Rastegorac	1. Eric Ruiz 2. help needed
MUSIC	YFC		Pio's Voices
HOSPITALITY	help needed	Warda Family	help needed
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