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SUNDAY 30 OCTOBER 2022

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ST. PADRE PIO CHURCH PARISH OFFICE HOURS

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

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,

Jesus' invitation to repent comes in a special way through the person of Zacchaeus. The very first message was to repent and believe in the Gospel. All through His ministry He kept calling people to repent and amend their way of life. Many people heard the voice of the Saviour and changed their way of life. Jesus proved to the world that He is the Saviour and He came to seek out the lost and the least. He forgave so many people and gave them new life.

Zacchaeus was a chief tax-collector. In those days, the tax-collectors were considered to be sinners and people didn't want to do anything with them. Imagine the life situation of this man as he was the chief tax collector though he was influential among the tax collectors. Perhaps he was curious to see who Jesus was. He might have heard about Jesus and the authoritative teachings with the innumerable miracles. Zacchaeus' curiosity gets the better of him so he tries to have a glimpse of Jesus. The Holy Scripture tells us that he was short in stature. That doesn't prevent him from seeing Jesus as he climbed on a sycamore tree to catch the glimpse of Jesus.

That little effort was all needed to Jesus to change this man forever. Though they never met each other prior to the event, Jesus stops at the place where Zacchaeus was and calls him by his name. The command of Jesus to 'come down' from the tree and the offer to stay at his place, startled Zacchaeus. Zacchaeus didn't expect that to happen. He celebrates Jesus' presence in his house with his family and friends. The Pharisees as usual found fault with Jesus saying that He has gone to eat with the sinner! Zacchaeus makes some drastic changes to his life and is willing to give up all that he accumulated in his life.

Salvation came to his house that very moment. When we take one single step towards God, God recognizes that effort and He comes running towards us. There is always a second chance from God to repent and amend our way of life. Jesus' mercy upon this man changes him completely. Though he was small in stature, he was tall in the Kingdom of God by his willingness to repent.

What is our excuse for not changing our way of life? What prevents us from going to Jesus? There is a 'zacchaeus' in all of us that hesitates. When we long for the glimpse of Jesus, He offers us with the full presence. Let us be open to God's invitation to change. Jesus tells all of us today - 'hurry and come down, I must stay in your place'.

God Bless..

Kind regards,

Fr. Suresh Kumar
Parish Priest

PLEASE TAKE THIS COPY OF THE BULLETIN HOME WITH YOU

ALL SAINTS DAY: 01 NOV



Photo from: wikipedia

What is All Saints Day? All Saints Day honours the saints in Heaven – those who have been recognized by the Church as saints, as well as those who have not been canonized. The feast was established in Rome as a result of the emperor's giving of the Pantheon to the Church and its dedication to St. Mary and All the Martyrs. This followed the principle, "Christus vincit! Christus regnat! Christus imperat!" (Christ conquers, Christ reigns, Christ commands). Thus, throughout the Mediterranean many churches have been built over pagan sites, sanctifying them for Christ. The Church celebrates All Saints Day on November 1.

What is the difference between All Souls Day and All Saints Day? All Saints Day is in honour of those people who are in Heaven. All Souls Day reminds us to pray for the Holy Souls in Purgatory who have not yet attained Heaven.

Are all souls in Heaven saints? Yes. The Church has declared some people canonized saints, but there are countless others who have never been recognized as in Heaven, either in the early Church or by a formal canonization process.

Should you pray to saints? Yes. If we would ask our friends and family to pray for our intentions, why would we not also ask those closest to God – the saints, angels, and particularly the Blessed Virgin – to pray for us? After all, God is not the "God of the dead but of the living, as all are alive in Him" (Luke 20:38).

Can the saints hear our prayer? Yes, they can. Although the saints do not have ears with which to hear, in God we can pray to them and be "heard," just as we can to Him.

Who is the most esteemed member of the Communion of Saints? Mary, the Mother of God, is the most honoured saint. She is in fact the Queen of Heaven and Queen of the Saints.

Is praying to saints biblical? Sacred Scripture shows us that saints do intercede for humans on earth like in Revelation 6:9-10. We also see explicit mention of the role of the angels accompanying the prayers of the faithful in Rev. 8, and implicitly that of human beings in Rev. 4, where the 24 crowned elders, standing for the 12 tribes and the 12 apostles, the just of the Old and the New Covenant, share in Christ's kingly and priestly function. Another is Rev. 8:3-4: 'And another angel came and stood at the altar 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'. (cf. Tobit 12:15-22)

The above is from: www.ewtn.com/catholicism/seasons-and-feast-days/all-saints-20377

ALL SOULS DAY: 02 NOV

Throughout the month of November, our minds turn toward the Holy Souls in Purgatory. In fact, praying for the living and the dead is one of the spiritual works of mercy. A Holy Soul is someone who is now in Purgatory. They are also referred to as Poor Souls. On November 2, All Souls Day, we pray for the Holy Souls in Purgatory who are being purified before entering Heaven. Praying for the Holy Souls is a good and important practice that should continue throughout the year.

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Prayer for the Holy Souls in Purgatory by St. Gertrude the Great

St. Gertrude the Great was told by Our Lord that each time she piously recited the following prayer, it would release 1,000 souls from their suffering in purgatory:

Eternal Father, I offer You the most precious blood of thy Divine Son, Jesus, in union with the Masses said throughout the world today, for all the Holy Souls in Purgatory, for sinners everywhere, for sinners in the universal Church, for those in my own home, and in my family. Amen.



St. Gertrude the Great was a 13th-century German nun, writer, and mystic who was graced with many heavenly visions, including being one of the earliest mystics to whom Jesus encouraged a devotion to his Sacred Heart. It is recounted that Jesus showed her a vast number of souls entering heaven from purgatory as a result of her faithful and frequent recitation of this prayer.

ST PADRE PIO PARISH INFORMATION

ALL SAINTS DAY: TUESDAY 01 NOVEMBER

9:00am Mass

ALL SOULS DAY: WEDNESDAY 02 NOVEMBER

On All Souls Day we especially remember all departed souls including our families and friends by praying for them.

When: 9:00am Mass & 7:00pm Mass.

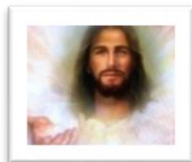
NOVEMBER MASS GIVING ENVELOPES

November is the month especially dedicated to praying for all the Holy Souls in Purgatory. November Mass offering envelopes are available on the Welcome Table. Please use them to offer Mass for the faithful departed and print the names of loved ones **legibly**. Suggested donation is \$20 per intention. The proceeds will go to help the Missions in India.

FIRST FRIDAY ALL-NIGHT ADORATION

Would you come and spend an hour with me?

Friday, 04 November to Saturday 05 November



8:00pm: All-night Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament begins
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.

PARISH INCOME & EXPENSES sheet for September 2022 can be found on the Parish Noticeboards.

VOLUNTEER SIGN-UP SHEET FOR CHRISTMAS DECORATION

We need many volunteers to assist with the Christmas preparations. Please add your name on the sign-up sheet found on the Welcome Table if you would like to help. Thank you!

ST PADRE PIO CALENDARS 2023

The piety shop has St Padre Pio calendars for sale for \$10 each. These can be purchased after each of the Masses.

LITURGICAL CALENDAR

OCTOBER

Sunday 30: Thirty First Sunday in Ordinary Time Yr. C

NOVEMBER

Tuesday 01: All Saints Day

Wednesday 02: All Souls Day

Thursday 03: St Martin De Porres

Friday 04: St Charles Borromeo

NON-LITURGICAL CALENDAR

ROSARY PRAYER GROUP

Date: Tuesday 01 November

Place: Cecil & Michael Aldama 8 Warrawong St GP

Date: Tuesday 08 November

Place: Gilbert & Silvana Grech 20 Glenmore Ridge Dr GP

LEGION OF MARY ROSARY MEETING

Date: Every Thursday, 6:00pm

Place: Parish meeting room. All welcome to attend.

ADVENT PARISH MISSION

We are organising a Parish Mission during Advent.

Theme: Bethlehem - House of Bread.

Preacher: Fr. John Rizzo

Dates: 16th Dec 2022 at 7pm & 17th Dec 2022 at 5.30pm.

Priests will be available for Confession.

Come and receive the Grace of God from Adoration, Mass and Preaching.

All are welcome.

For more info: Contact Fr. Suresh on 04 8844 8844. Please share this info with others so that others can benefit.

FB event: <https://fb.me/e/2itSOhckf>

PILGRIMAGE 2023

Fr Suresh will be leading a pilgrimage in October 2023.

Places that will be visited are: Holy Land, Assisi, Rome,

Lanciano and Pietrelcina. For those interested, please add

your details to the Expression of Interest found on the

Welcome Table.

MASSES OFFERED FOR THESE INTENTIONS

Deceased: Dominic Botlero, Holy Souls in Purgatory, especially those who have no one to pray for them.

Prayers for the Sick: Carey Weber, Georgina Rastegorac, Waled Hana, 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 WEEK ONE – FIRST SUNDAY OF THE MONTH 05/06 NOVEMBER 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. Angelina Badrov	1. Trish Warda 2. Denise Robens	1. Zon Lupisan 2. Regina Rossetto
MUSIC	Mitchell's Group		Children's Choir
HOSPITALITY	help needed	Vera Daher	Deepa Cijo & Cijo Mathew
CLEANING TEAM	Doris Cutajar, Paula Harris, Mel Gaudoin, Josephine Caruana, Valeni Rodrigues, Meghan Warda		



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