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SUNDAY 09 OCTOBER 2022

TWENTY EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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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,

Have you ever seen a leper? What was your initial reaction to them? When I was studying in school, lots of lepers would come to our parish in order to get treatment and monetary assistance. My initial reaction was that of fear, a fear that I would contract the disease. So too my friends would be afraid in the same way. We couldn’t help but noticed the way that the sisters of charity (Mother Teresa’s sisters) looked after these lepers with ease. Mother Teresa would say that she sees Jesus in suffering humanity. She had no fear at all. Certainly, leprosy was not a contagious disease, but the social stigma prevented people from getting close to them.

The social stigma over leprosy was greater at Jesus’ time. People considered leprosy to be a result of sin. People refused to accept them in mainstream society. The lepers were forced to live in isolation. They had very little or no medical attention. One can imagine the plight of these people.

Jesus was visiting a village wherein the lepers lived. Ten of them seek Jesus’ help. They might have heard of Jesus’ miracles and deliverance from various diseases. He was their last resort and only hope. So, they cry out to Him for help. “Jesus, Master take pity on us”. These words of desperation make Jesus heal them. He didn’t want them to suffer any longer.

Jesus tells them to go to the priest and show themselves. On their way to the priest they were cleansed. Only one of them, a Samaritan, returned to Jesus to say thanks to Him. The others who were supposed to be religious didn’t come back to say thanks to God. This made Jesus question their behavior. Jesus gave the credit to his ‘faith’ despite being a Samaritan.

Gratitude is the music of the heart. Not many people are grateful these days for the blessings that they receive in their lives. God gives and forgives whereas humans get and forget. We are not grateful to one another either as we take one another for granted. We don’t realise the value of others until we lose them from our lives. The more that we thank God for the gift of one another in our lives, the more we appreciate them in our lives.

Please be grateful to God, please be grateful to your family and please be grateful to your friends. All of them are needed in our lives. Don’t take anyone for granted. Express your gratitude in words and deeds. People go through a lot in their lives, despite their struggles, they try to help us when we need them.

Prayer: *Heavenly Father, we are grateful to you for everything. Your love is very precious to us. Thank you for giving us your only Son to be our Saviour. We have received innumerable graces from you. Help us to be grateful always. May we radiate your love in our hearts. Amen.*

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

OUR LADY OF THE ROSARY

The below is from:

<https://www.catholic.org/news/hf/faith/story.php?id=43137>

The Rosary draws Christians into the depth of the sublime mysteries of the life of Jesus Christ

"Good and devout souls, who walk in the light of the Holy Spirit: I do not think that you will mind my giving you this little mystical rose tree which comes straight from heaven and which is to be planted in the garden of your soul" –

St. Louis De Montfort

On the 7th October, we celebrated the feast of Our Lady of The Rosary, established by St. Pius V on the anniversary of the naval victory won by the Christian fleet at Lepanto in October of 1571. The battle took place on the northern edge of the Gulf of Patras, ending in less than a day with the decisive defeat of the main fleet of the Ottoman Empire, which dealt a fatal blow to Muslim domination of the Mediterranean.

The victory at Lepanto is considered to be one of the greatest in naval history, since the Christians easily defeated an army reported to be about three times larger in number. The quick and pronounced victory by the Holy League was attributed to the help of the Mother of God whose intercession was invoked by the soldiers through the praying of the Rosary for three hours, during which time the wind shifted in their favor.

The entire month of October is dedicated to praying the Rosary, a mental and vocal prayer of great depth in which Christians are drawn into the healing and regenerative mysteries of Christ's life, just as the Virgin Mary unceasingly directs all the faithful toward her Son: the Savior of humankind. It is no exaggeration to say that, if we desire to know Jesus Christ, we ought to diligently and with love seek to know the Mother of God whose holy womb nourished and protected the infant Jesus, and whose entire life was and is lived in complete union with her Son's divine purpose.

Saint John Paul II tells us: "The Rosary, though clearly Marian in character, is at the heart a Christocentric prayer. In the sobriety of its elements, it has all the depth of the Gospel message in its entirety, of which it can be said to be a compendium. . . . Through the Rosary the faithful receive abundant grace, as though from the very hands of the Mother of the Redeemer" (Rosarium Virginis Mariae, Introduction).

The word rosary means "crown of roses." St. Louis De Montfort professes the Rosary to be a "priceless treasure which is inspired by God," and the "mystical rose tree of Jesus and Mary in life, death, and eternity." He tells us that reciting the Rosary produces spiritual roses which will "never wilt or die, and they will be just as exquisite thousands of years from now as they are today" (The Secret Of The Rosary 9, 13).

St. Louis De Montfort teaches that the Rosary is principally and in substance composed of the Prayer of Christ (The Our Father) and the Angelic Salutation (The Hail Mary; see Lk. 1:26 ff.).

Therefore, in a sense, the Rosary dates to that pivotal day when the angel Gabriel greeted Mary with the words: "Hail, favored one! The Lord is with you" (Lk. 1:28). The Rosary thus becomes the "first prayer and the first devotion of the faithful" (The Secret Of The Rosary 17).

However, it was in the year 1214 that the Catholic Church received the Rosary in its present form, when it was given to St. Dominic from our Blessed Mother to be used as a powerful instrument of conversion in order to turn the hearts of the Albigensians back to God.

From that day forward, then as now, the Rosary has been embraced by the Catholic faithful the world over as a prayer of great power, from which graces of repentance, conversion, love of truth, and inexplicable joy flow forth from the infinite wellspring of Trinitarian Love. For those of the faithful who seek to advance in the spiritual life, it is through praying the Rosary that the indispensable graces necessary for such a sublime journey are received.

Also, the Rosary is widely known to be an antidote against the diabolical poisons of Satan. In his encyclical *Supremi Apostolatus Officio*, Pope Leo XIII taught that the Rosary is an effective spiritual weapon against the evils of an ill society. Those "evils which afflict us" in contemporary society are legion: we are daily confronted with numerous intrinsic and grave evils: the intentional killing of thousands of unborn children through abortion; the destruction of multitudes of embryonic children through IVF and embryonic stem-cell experimentation; and the continued widespread use of contraceptives in an attempt to destroy the procreative potential that should exist in each intimate union of man and wife.

As if these are not enough, we must deal with the numerous and increasing attacks on the indispensable institution of marriage; a militant relativism which seeks to annihilate -- albeit futilely -- the truth; and powerful secularists whose intent is to force the privatization of religion, relegating public worship to closet ritual and evangelization to imposed silence. It is no exaggeration to say that society itself is threatened.

The words of Pope Leo XIII, in which he exhorts the faithful's devotion to the Rosary, echo those of Our Lady of The Rosary, when, at Fatima in 1917, she appeared to Lucia and her cousins, Jacinta and Francisco Marto, as the Lady "more brilliant than the sun." On that day, the Virgin Mary announced to the entire world in union with her Son: "I am the Lady of the Rosary. I have come to warn the faithful to amend their lives and to ask pardon for their sins. They must not offend our Lord any more, for he is already too grievously offended by the sins of men. People must say the Rosary. Let them continue saying it every day."

F. K. Bartels is a Catholic writer who knows his Catholic Faith is one of the greatest gifts one could ever receive. He is a contributing writer for Catholic Online.



Photo from: www.youtube.com/watch?v=8IvhoSNf6LS

ST PADRE PIO PARISH INFORMATION

FR SURESH WILL BE AWAY: FROM 14 TO 18 OCTOBER.
Please note there will be NO MASS on Friday 14 October & Tuesday 18 October. A Communion Service will be held at 9:00am. Visiting priests will celebrate all the Weekend Masses.

HAND MADE ITEMS FOR SALE TO SUPPORT THE WORK OF THE SISTERS OF ST. ELISABETH CONVENT IN BELARUS

The Sisters of St. Elisabeth Convent will be visiting our parish on 22 & 23 October. The Sisters take care of mentally challenged children and adults, children diagnosed with Down syndrome, birth traumas or congenital physical defects and also adult patients who need constant support due to their illnesses and difficulties to adapt socially. In recent years a shelter and house for former drug and alcohol addicted people was opened 20 miles away from the Convent. A lot of homeless, struggling and lost people get a chance for new start in life to find God. Many of these people have a possibility to express themselves in art for God, working together with the nuns and sisters, making beautiful articles with love and prayer. Items range from: hand painted icons, crosses, crucifixes, woodcarvings, embroidered and ceramic gifts, Rosaries and vestments. These will be for sale; Saturday 22 & Sunday 23 October at the Weekend Masses The proceeds go to the Sisters in support of their ministries.

Thank you for your support.

DEPOSITING OF ST FAUSTINA & ST JOHN PAUL II RELICS AT ROUSE HILL PARISH 22 OCTOBER

Our Lady of the Angels Parish, Rouse Hill, will be celebrating Mass for the Deposition of the first-degree Relics of St Faustina and St John Paul II on the Feast of St John Paul II, at 5.30pm, celebrations will begin with prayers at 4.30pm. The relics will be enshrined in a special chapel within the parish and will be kept on permanent display for veneration. All are invited to join in this joyful celebration.

LITURGICAL CALENDAR

OCTOBER

Sunday 09: Twenty Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time Yr C

Tuesday 11: St John XXIII

Friday 14: St Callistus I

Saturday 15: St Teresa of Jesus

NON-LITURGICAL CALENDAR

ROSARY PRAYER GROUP

Date: Tuesday 11 October

Place: Ajumol & Joe Varghese 86 The Lakes Dr GP

Date: Tuesday 18 October

Place: Ging & Jei Tallada 10 Sunningdale Dr GP

LEGION OF MARY ROSARY MEETING

Date: Every Thursday, 6:00pm

Place: Parish meeting room. All welcome to attend.

MET WORSHIP FORMATION for MINISTRY OF COMMUNION to the SICK & DYING ON 22 OCTOBER

9.30am – 3:00pm at the Bishop Bede Heather Centre, Blacktown. It is for those already active in this ministry. The formation day includes a reflection on the Spirituality of Suffering, Working within Safeguarding Guidelines and the Practicalities of this ministry. Please contact the Office for Worship on 8838 3456 or mary.gale@parracatholic.org.

MET WORSHIP FORMATION for MINISTERS AT THE ALTAR 12 NOVEMBER

from 9.30am to 3:00pm at the Bishop Bede Heather Centre, Blacktown. The Worship – Mission Enhancement Team are organising an Ongoing Formation Day for Ministers at the Altar, Adult servers and Acolytes. Morning tea and lunch will be provided. To register, please contact the Worship team on 8838 3456 or email mary.gale@parracatholic.org

MASSES OFFERED FOR THESE INTENTIONS

Deceased: Maximo Abad & Holy Souls in Purgatory, especially those who have no one to pray for them.

Death Anniversary: Teodora Borlongan **Prayers for the Sick:** Trudi Weber, 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 THREE – THIRD SUNDAY OF THE MONTH 08/09 OCTOBER 2022

MASS TIME	5:30PM	8:00AM	10:00AM
COORDINATOR	Trudi Almeida	Lynn Young	Regina Rossetto
ACOLYTE	Joe Badrov	Khalid Younan	Farley B Manny Medel
SENIOR SERVER	Kylie Sultana	help needed	help needed
READER	Rolaine Vibar & Angelina Badrov	Ajumol Alexander & ?	Regina Rossetto & ?
MUSIC	Our Daily Bread		
HOSPITALITY	help needed	Sue Guy	Connie Hyland
CLEANING TEAM	Mel Gaudoin, Susan Guy, Anna Roberts, Aiman & Maria Jajo, Johan		

ST PADRE PIO PARISH ROSTERS WEEK FOUR – FOURTH SUNDAY OF THE MONTH 15/16 OCTOBER 2022

COORDINATOR	Cristina Cignarella	help needed	help needed
ACOLYTE	Joe Badrov	Khalid Younan	Chris Hersey
SENIOR SERVER	Kylie Sultana	help needed	help needed
READER	Cristina & Reginald Vibar	Jacinta Rastegorac & ?	1. Eric Ruiz & ?
MUSIC	Youth For Christ		
HOSPITALITY	help needed	Warda Family	help needed
CLEANING TEAM	Helen Sipeli, Rebekah Gomez, Marlene Schoebel, Joseph Gomes, Mel Gaudoin, Johan		



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