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SUNDAY 08 OCTOBER 2023

27th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

YEAR A

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 mornings
are held every 4th Sunday.

FIRST FRIDAY ALL-NIGHT ADORATION

8:00pm – 9:00am Saturday Mass
3:00am Divine Mercy Chaplet

CHILDREN'S YOUTH GROUP

For children: Year 1 to Year 8.
Every 1st & 3rd Saturday
4.30pm-5.30pm in school hall

FRIDAY PLAYGROUP

9:30am – 11:30am 0-6 years
Bethany Catholic Primary School
Hall. Contact the Parish Office.

SACRAMENTAL PROGRAMS

Please contact the Parish Office.

Excerpt from: The Catechism of the Catholic Church

https://www.vatican.va/archive/ENG0015/_P3F.HTM

THE SACRAMENTS OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION

1212 The sacraments of Christian initiation - Baptism, Confirmation, and the Eucharist - lay the foundations of every Christian life. "The sharing in the divine nature given to men through the grace of Christ bears a certain likeness to the origin, development, and nourishing of natural life. the faithful are born anew by Baptism, strengthened by the sacrament of Confirmation, and receive in the Eucharist the food of eternal life. By means of these sacraments of Christian initiation, they thus receive in increasing measure the treasures of the divine life and advance toward the perfection of charity."³

THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

1213 Holy Baptism is the basis of the whole Christian life, the gateway to life in the Spirit (vitae spiritualis ianua),⁴ and the door which gives access to the other sacraments. Through Baptism we are freed from sin and reborn as sons of God; we become members of Christ, are incorporated into the Church and made sharers in her mission: "Baptism is the sacrament of regeneration through water in the word."⁵

I. What is This Sacrament Called? 1214 This sacrament is called Baptism, after the central rite by which it is carried out: to baptize (Greek baptize in) means to "plunge" or "immerse"; the "plunge" into the water symbolizes the catechumen's burial into Christ's death, from which he rises up by resurrection with him, as "a new creature."⁶

1215 This sacrament is also called "the washing of regeneration and renewal by the Holy Spirit," for it signifies and actually brings about the birth of water and the Spirit without which no one "can enter the kingdom of God."⁷

1216 "This bath is called enlightenment, because those who receive this [catechetical] instruction are enlightened in their understanding"⁸ Having received in Baptism the Word, "the true light that enlightens every man," the person baptized has been "enlightened," he becomes a "son of light," indeed, he becomes "light" himself.⁹

Baptism is God's most beautiful and magnificent gift....We call it gift, grace, anointing, enlightenment, garment of immortality, bath of rebirth, seal, and most precious gift. It is called gift because it is conferred on those who bring nothing of their own; grace since it is given even to the guilty; Baptism because sin is buried in the water; anointing for it is priestly and royal as are those who are anointed; enlightenment because it radiates light; clothing since it veils our shame; bath because it washes; and seal as it is our guard and the sign of God's Lordship.¹⁰

[3](#) Paul VI, apostolic constitution, *Divinae consortium naturae*: AAS 63 (1971) 657; cf. RCIA Introduction 1-2. [4](#) Cf. Council of Florence: DS 1314: *vitae spiritualis ianua*. [5](#) Roman Catechism II, 2, 5; Cf. Council of Florence: DS 1314; CIC, cann. 204 # 1; 849; CCEO, can. 675 # 1. [6](#) 2 Cor 5:17; Gal 6:15; Cf. Rom 6:34; Col 2:12. [7](#) Titus 3:5; Jn 3:5. [8](#) St. Justin, *Apol.* 1, 61, 12: PG 6, 421. [9](#) Jn 1:9; 1 Thess 5:5; Heb 10:32; Eph 5:8. [10](#) St. Gregory of Nazianzus, *Oratio* 40, 3-4: PG 36, 361C.

THE HOLY ROSARY



The rosary probably began as a practice by the laity to imitate the monastic Divine Office (Breviary or Liturgy of the Hours), during the course of which the monks prayed all 150 Psalms. The laity, many of whom could not read,

substituted 50, or even 150, Ave Marias (Hail Marys) for the Psalms. The first half of this prayer, so directly biblically, seems to date from as early as the 2nd century, as ancient graffiti at Christian sites has suggested. Sometimes a cord with knots on it was used to keep an accurate count of the Aves.

The first clear historical reference to the rosary, however, is from the life of St. Dominic (died in 1221), the founder of the Order of Preachers or Dominicans. He preached a form of the rosary in France at the time that the Albigensian heresy was devastating the Faith there. Tradition has it that the Blessed Mother herself asked for the practice as an antidote for heresy and sin.

Beginning in the 1400s, a Dominican friar, Blessed Alain de Roche, established Rosary Confraternities to promote the praying of the rosary. The form of the rosary we have today is be fixed from his time. Over the centuries the saints and popes have highly recommended the rosary, the greatest prayer in the Church after the Mass and the Liturgy of the Hours. Not surprisingly, it's most active promoters have been Dominicans.

Rosary means a crown of roses, a spiritual bouquet given to the Blessed Mother. It is sometimes called the Dominican Rosary, to distinguish it from other rosary-like prayers (e.g. the Franciscan Rosary of the Seven Joys or Franciscan Crown, the Servite Rosary of the Seven Sorrows). It is also, in a general sense, a form of chaplet or corona (crown), of which there are many varieties in the Church. Finally, in English it has been called "Our Lady's Psalter" or "the beads." This last derives from an Old English word for prayers (bede) and to request (biddan or bid).

The rosary has been called the preparation for contemplation and the prayer of saints. While the hands

and lips are occupied with the prayers (it can and should be prayed silently when necessary, so as not to disturb others), the mind meditates on the mysteries of the Incarnation and Redemption represented by the decades. Meditation is the form of prayer by which the one who prays uses the mind and imagination to consider a truth and uses the will to love it and form resolutions to live it. In this way the heart, mind, and soul of the Christian is formed according to the Gospel examples of the Savior and His First Disciple, His Mother. In God's own time, when this purification of the heart, mind, and soul has advanced sufficiently the Lord may give the grace of contemplative prayer, that special divine insight into the truth which human effort cannot achieve on its own.

Why pray the Rosary today? Certainly, to grow in holiness and in one's prayer life. The following are a few other reasons why the rosary should be prayed often, even daily:

"Among all the devotions approved by the Church none has been so favored by so many miracles as the devotion of the Most Holy Rosary" (Bl. Pope Pius IX).

"Say the Rosary every day to obtain peace for the world" (Our Lady of Fátima).

"There is no surer means of calling down God's blessings upon the family . . . than the daily recitation of the Rosary" (Pope Pius XII).

"We do not hesitate to affirm again publicly that we put great confidence in the Holy Rosary for the healing of evils of our times" (Pope Pius XII).

"The Rosary is a magnificent and universal prayer for the needs of the Church, the nations and the entire world" (Pope St. John XXIII).

"The Rosary is the compendium of the entire Gospel" (Pope St. Paul VI, quoting Pope Pius XII).

"Meditation on the mysteries of the Rosary . . . can be an excellent preparation for the celebration of those same mysteries in the liturgical actions [i.e., the Mass] and can also become a continuing echo thereof" (Pope St. Paul VI).

"My impression is that the Rosary is of the greatest value not only according to the words of Our Lady at Fátima, but according to the effects of the Rosary one sees throughout history. My impression is that Our Lady wanted to give ordinary people, who might not know how to pray, this simple method of getting closer to God" (Ven. Sr. Lúcia de Jesus of Fátima).

"How beautiful is the family that recites the Rosary every evening" (Pope John Paul II).

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Excerpt from: www.ewtn.com/catholicism/devotions/rosary-12703*

ST. PADRE PIO PARISH INFORMATION

OCTOBER IS THE MONTH OF THE HOLY ROSARY.

FR. SURESH ON PILGRIMAGE

Please continue keeping Fr. Suresh and the other pilgrims, in your prayers. They are currently in the Holy Land and are praying for all of us.

PLEASE NOTE: Weekday and weekend Masses this week are as normal.

PRAYING FOR THE HOLY SOULS IN PURGATORY in NOVEMBER.

Please use the **November Mass Envelopes** found on the pews and on the Welcome Table, to offer Mass for the faithful departed. PRINT the names of the loved ones CLEARLY. \$20 donation per intention is recommended.

All Souls Day, 02 November: 9am Mass & 7pm Mass.

WORLD ROSARY DAY

All Catholics around the world are invited to pray the Holy Rosary together:

When: This Friday, October 13 at 3:00pm (Sydney time). The date marks the 106th Anniversary of the last apparition of Our Lady of Fatima to the three children. The Church will be open and you are most welcome to come and pray the Rosary. Visit: worldrosaryhour.com

MASTERCLASS FOR SPONSOR MARRIED COUPLES:

The Diocese is looking to more deeply accompany couples preparing to be married. Have you been married for more than 5 years? Committed to living the sacrament of Marriage? Willing to give some time to assist couples preparing for marriage? Join us for a Masterclass on: **Thursday 19 October at 7.30pm** at the Bishop Bede Heather Centre, Blacktown, on Sponsoring engaged couples in your Parish using the SmartLoving Engaged Online program. **Or via Zoom: 10 October, 7.30pm for those unable to attend on the 19th.** Contact: marriage@parracatholic.org or 8838 3460.

MINISTRY OF COMMUNION TO THE SICK & DYING WORKSHOP

The Diocesan Office for Worship will be offering an ongoing formation session for Ministry of Communion to the Sick and Dying.

When: Saturday 21 October, 9:30am-2pm

Where: Bishop Bede Heather Centre (1-5 Marion Street Blacktown.) Morning tea and lunch will be provided.

Limited spaces available. Please RSVP to Mary by 16th October at Mary.gale@parracatholic.org or 0460 037 795.

DIOCESE OF PARRAMATTA WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS

The annual Diocese of Parramatta Wedding Anniversary Mass will be held on:

When: Sunday 29 October at 11am at St Patrick's Cathedral, Parramatta.

Bishop Vincent will celebrate Solemn Mass, followed by a light lunch at the Cathedral Hall. All couples celebrating a significant wedding anniversary will receive a certificate from Bishop Vincent. Family and friends are welcome. Please register your name, years of marriage and numbers attending at marriage@parracatholic.org or phone (02) 8838 3460 by 20 October.

ROSARY PRAYER GROUP

Date: Tuesday 10 October.

Place: Ajumol & Joe Varghese, 86 The Lakes Drive, GP.

Date: Tuesday 17 October.

Place: Ging & Jei Tallada, 10 Sunningdale Dr, GP.

Sunday 08 October: 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time Yr. A

Monday 09 October: St. Denis, *Bishop, Martyr, and Companions, Martyrs*

Monday 09 October: St. John Leonardi, *Priest*

Wednesday 11 October: St. John XXIII, *Pope*

Saturday 14 October: St. Callistus I, *Pope, Martyr*

NEXT SUNDAY is the 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time: *Is 25:6-10. Ps 22. Phil 4:12-14, 19-20. Mt 22:1-14*

THIS WEEK'S MASSES AND PRAYERS WERE OFFERED FOR THE FOLLOWING INTENTIONS: **Death Anniversary:** Rose Attard, Efren Toledo. **Deceased:** Stella & Joseph Aaron, Ken Gaudoin, Mercy Bhuyan & All Holy Souls in Purgatory. **Prayers for the Sick:** Maribelle Harina, Joselito Canaria, Kyla Aggar, Angelo Ninni, Georgina Rastegorac, Maryrose Vella, Catherine Vella. *Please contact the Parish office if you would like a Mass offered.*

THIRD SUNDAY OF THE MONTH – 28TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 14/15 OCTOBER

MASS TIME	5:30PM	8:00AM	10:00AM
COORDINATOR	Trudi Almeida	Lynn Young	Regina Rossetto
ACOLYTE	Joe Badrov	Khalid Younan	help needed
SENIOR SERVER	Kylie Sultana		Tracy Amituanai
READER	1. Rolaine Vibar 2. Angelina Badrov	1. Susan Guy 2. Ajumol Alexander	1. Jason Ball 2. Noel Xavier
MUSIC	Our Daily Bread		Connie Hyland
HOSPITALITY		Susan Guy	
CLEANING TEAM	Mel Gaudoin, Susan Guy, Anna Roberts, Aiman & Maria Jajo, Johan.		



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