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SUNDAY 04 AUGUST 2024

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 Sacrament of Penance (Confession) before & after Mass (depending on priests' availability)

SATURDAY

9:00am MassNovena to St. Padre Pio9:30am Sacrament of Penance5:30pm Saturday Vigil Mass

BAPTISMS

1st, 2nd, and 3rd Sundays. Minimum booking time is two months in advance. Please contact the Parish Office.

FIRST FRIDAY MASS & ALL-NIGHT ADORATION

7:00pm Holy Mass 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

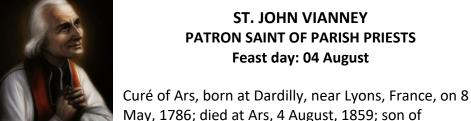
9:30am – 11:30am 0-6 years Bethany Catholic Primary School Hall. Contact the Parish Office.

SACRAMENTAL PROGRAMS

Please contact the Parish Office.

18th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

YEAR B



Matthieu Vianney and Marie Beluze."

In 1806, the curé at Ecully, M. Balley, opened a school

for ecclesiastical students, and Jean-Marie was sent to him. Though he was of average intelligence and his masters never seem to have doubted

his vocation, his knowledge was extremely limited, being confined to a little arithmetic, history, and geography, and he found learning, especially the study of Latin, excessively difficult. One of his fellow-students, Matthias Loras, afterwards first Bishop of Dubuque, assisted him with his Latin lessons.

But now another obstacle presented itself. Young Vianney was drawn in the conscription, the war with Spain and the urgent need of recruits having caused Napoleon to withdraw the exemption enjoyed by the ecclesiastical students in the diocese of his uncle, Cardinal Fesch. Matthieu Vianney tried unsuccessfully to procure a substitute, so his son was obliged to go. His regiment soon received marching orders. The morning of departure, Jean-Baptiste went to church to pray, and on his return to the barracks found that his comrades had already left. He was threatened with arrest, but the recruiting captain believed his story and sent him after the troops. At nightfall he met a young man who volunteered to guide him to his fellow-soldiers, but led him to Noes, where some deserters had gathered. The mayor persuaded him to remain there, under an assumed name, as schoolmaster. After fourteen months, he was able to communicate with his family. His father was vexed to know that he was a deserter and ordered him to surrender but the matter was settled by his younger brother offering to serve in his stead and being accepted.

Jean-Baptiste now resumed his studies at Ecully. In 1812, he was sent to the seminary at Verrieres; he was so deficient in Latin as to be obliged to follow the philosophy course in French. He failed to pass the examinations for entrance to the seminary proper, but on re-examination three months later succeeded. On 13 August, 1815, he was ordained priest by Mgr. Simon, Bishop of Grenoble. His difficulties in making the preparatory studies seem to have been due to a lack of mental suppleness in dealing

with theory as distinct from practice -- a lack accounted for by the meagreness of his early schooling, the advanced age at which he began to study, the fact that he was not of more than average intelligence, and that he was far advanced in spiritual science and in the practice of virtue long before he came to study it in the abstract. He was sent to Ecully as assistant to M. Balley, who had first recognized and encouraged his vocation, who urged him to persevere when the obstacles in his way seemed insurmountable, who interceded with the examiners when he failed to pass for the higher seminary, and who was his model as well as his preceptor and patron.

In 1818, after the death of M. Balley, M. Vianney was made parish priest of Ars, a village not very far from Lyons. It was in the exercise of the functions of the parish priest in this remote French hamlet that as the "curé d'Ars" he became known throughout France and the Christian world. A few years after he went to Ars, he founded a sort of orphanage for destitute girls. It was called "The Providence" and was the model of similar institutions established later all over France. M. Vianney himself instructed the children of "The Providence" in the catechism, and these catechetical instructions came to be so popular that at last they were given every day in the church to large crowds. "The Providence" was the favourite work of the "curé d'Ars", but, although it was successful, it was closed in 1847, because the holy curé thought that he was not justified in maintaining it in the face of the opposition of many good people. Its closing was a very heavy trial to him.

But the chief labour of the Curé d'Ars was the direction of souls. He had not been long at Ars when people began coming to him from other parishes, then from distant places, then from all parts of France, and finally from other countries.

As early as 1835, his bishop forbade him to attend the annual retreats of the diocesan clergy because of "the souls awaiting him yonder". During the last ten years of his life, he spent from sixteen to eighteen hours a day in the confessional. His advice was sought by bishops, priests, religious, young men and women in doubt as to their vocation, sinners, persons in all sorts of difficulties and the sick. In 1855, the number of pilgrims had reached twenty thousand a year. The most distinguished persons visited Ars for the purpose of seeing the holy curé and hearing his daily instruction. The Venerable Father Colin was ordained deacon at the same time, and was his lifelong friend, while Mother Marie de la Providence founded the Helpers of the Holy Souls on his advice and with his constant encouragement. His direction was characterized by common sense, remarkable insight, and supernatural knowledge. He would sometimes divine sins withheld in an imperfect confession. His instructions were simple in language, full of imagery drawn from daily life and country scenes, but breathing faith and that love of God which was his life principle and which he infused into his audience as much by his manner and appearance as by his words, for, at the last, his voice was almost inaudible. The miracles recorded by his biographers are of three classes:

- * first, the obtaining of money for his charities and food for his orphans;
- * secondly, supernatural knowledge of the past and future;
- * thirdly, healing the sick, especially children.

 The greatest miracle of all was his life. He practised mortification from his early youth and for forty years his food and sleep were insufficient, humanly speaking, to sustain life. And yet he laboured incessantly, with unfailing humility, gentleness, patience, and cheerfulness, until he was more than seventy-three years old.

 On 3 October, 1874 Jean-Baptiste-Marie Vianney was proclaimed Venerable by Pius IX and on 8 January, 1905, he was enrolled among the Blessed. Pope Pius X proposed him as a model to the parochial clergy.

[Note: In 1925, Pope Pius XI canonized him. His feast is kept on 4 August.] (*Taken from Catholic Encyclopedia*)

Above Excerpt from: https://www.ewtn.com/catholicism/saints/john-vianney-653

Picture from: https://www.pinterest.com.au/judyrofrano/saint-john-vianney/







ST. PADRE PIO PARISH INFORMATION

WELCOME!

A very warm welcome to Fr. Sheldon Burke who has started his ministry here at St. Padre Pio Parish. God's blessings be on him and his ministry!

ST. PADRE PIO FEAST DAY 2024

You are invited to a meeting in preparation for the Feast of St Padre Pio.

When: This Wednesday, 07 August at 7pm, in the Parish meeting room. Please add your name to the list on the Welcome Table.

SOLEMNITY OF ST. MARY OF THE CROSS MACKILLOP

Please join us for Mass at 7pm. **When:** This Thursday, 08 August.

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

IN BELARUS: This Friday 09 August

The Sisters will be visiting our parish again this year. Their community supports a large psychiatric hospital; an orphanage for children with mental and physical disabilities, a rehabilitation center and a shelter for the homeless. Thank you for your support!

MANDATORY SAFEGUARDING SESSIONS

Maria Kervin from the Diocesan Safeguarding Office will be facilitating the below courses for those in ministry. These will be held in the meeting room:

Module 1 - Thursday 22nd Aug (9.45-10.45)

Module 2 – Thursday 29th Aug (9.45-11.15am)

Module 3 - Thursday 5th Sept (9.45-11.15am)

Please RSVP to the Parish office. To complete online: https://learning.safeguarding.org.au/

We request all in ministry to please finish them by 05 September so we can send them to the Diocese.

Sunday 04 August: 18th Sunday in Ordinary Time Yr. B **Monday 05 August:** Dedication of Basilica of St Mary

Major

Tuesday 06 August: Transfiguration of the Lord **Wednesday 07 August:** St Sixtus II & Companions,

St Cajetan

Thursday 08 August: St Mary of the Cross MacKillop **Friday 09 August:** St Teresa Benedicta of the Cross

Saturday 10 August: St Lawrence

NEXT SUNDAY: 19th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

1 Kings 19:4-8 Ps 33:2-9. R. v.9 Ephesians 4:30 – 5:2 John 6:51

ROSARY PRAYER GROUP

Date: Tuesday 06 August.Place: Cecilia & Darren RoweDate: Tuesday 13 August.

Place: MJ Aspera

LEGION OF MARY MEETING:

Every Thursday, 5.30pm in the Church meeting room.

SOLEMNITY OF THE ASSUMPTION OF OUR LADY

Mass Times:

14 August: Vigil, 7pm 15 August (3 x Masses):

9am Mass Bethany Primary attending

11am Mass: Caroline Chisholm College attending 7pm Mass

It is a holy day of obligation; it is compulsory to attend Mass. We celebrate when the Blessed Virgin Mary was taken to Heaven with body and soul. We pray for Her intercession to love her Son Jesus just like She did

MASSES OFFERED FOR THESE INTENTIONS:

Thanksgiving for Birthdays. **Deceased:** Bishop Kevin Manning, V.P. Varghese, Madelone Agra, Gregory Gregory, Susan Wells, Carmen Ellul, Maryanne Cassar, Lucy Zaller, Ken, Stella, Joseph, Mercy & All Holy Souls in Purgatory. **Prayers for the Sick**: Eric Norman Santos, Jimmy Zacharias, Mario Cauchi, Alona Alcaraz, Adrienne Auld, Trent Moore, Bernadette Tecson, Ernesto Modelo, Joselito Canaria, Lynn Navarro, Kim Baluyot, Jasmine Arada, Maricris Palencia, Yvonne Videla, Alejandra Modelo, Emily & Danilo Rosales, Georgina Rastegorac, Maryrose Vella, Catherine Vella. **Please contact the Parish office if you would like a Mass offered.**

ST PADRE PIO PARISH ROSTERS WEEK TWO- SECOND SUNDAY OF THE MONTH 10/11 AUGUST			
MASS TIME	5:30PM	8:00AM	10:00AM
COORDINATOR	Cristina Cignarella	Trish Warda	Valeni Rodrigues
ACOLYTE SENIOR SERVER	Billy Layug Lya Layug Kylie Sultana	Khalid Younan Gilbert Grech Brady Fisher	Chris Hersey
READER	 Maz Lirio Georgia Fraser 	 Marilou Pugoy Katie English 	 Deepa Cijo Cijo Mathew
MUSIC	Amen Choir		Manny, Bruce & Co
HOSPITALITY		Mal Weber	Deepa Cijo & Cijo Mathew
CLEANING TEAM	Rebecca Locke, Johan, Augustina Nwaorgu, HELP NEEDED		

18th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Entrance Antiphon

O God, come to my assistance; O Lord, make haste to help me! You are my rescuer, my help; O Lord, do not delay.

First Reading

A reading from the book of Exodus

Exodus 16:2-4. 12-15

I will rain bread from heaven upon you.

The whole community of the sons of Israel began to complain against Moses and Aaron in the wilderness and said to them, 'Why did we not die at the Lord's hand in the land of Egypt, when we were able to sit down to pans of meat and could eat bread to our hearts content! As it is, you have brought us to this wilderness to starve this whole company to death!'

Then the Lord said to Moses, 'Now I will rain down bread for you from the heavens. Each day the people are to go out and gather the day's portion; I propose to test them this way to see whether they will follow my law or not.' 'I have heard the complaints of the sons of Israel. Say this to them, "Between the two evenings you shall eat meat, and in the morning you shall have bread to your hearts content. Then you will learn that I, the Lord, am your God."' And so it came about: quails flew up in the evening, and they covered the camp; in the morning there was a coating of dew all round the camp. When the coating of dew lifted, there on the surface of the desert was a thing delicate, powdery, as fine as hoarfrost on the ground. When they saw this, the sons of Israel said to one another, 'What is that?' not knowing what it was. 'That' said Moses to them 'is the bread the Lord gives you to eat.'

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Responsorial Psalm

(Ps 77:3-4. 23-25. 54. R. v.24)

(R.) The Lord gave them bread from heaven.

The things we have heard and understood, the things our fathers have told us, we will tell to the next generation: the glories of the Lord and his might (R.)

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He commanded the clouds above and opened the gates of heaven.

He rained down manna for their food, and gave them bread from heaven (R.)

Mere men ate the bread of angels.

He sent them abundance of food. He brought them to his holy land,

to the mountain which his right hand had won (R.)

Second Reading

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Ephesians.

Ephesians 4:17, 20-24

Put on the new person that has been created in God's image.

I want to urge you in the name of the Lord, not to go on living the aimless kind of life that pagans live. Now that is hardly the way you have learnt from Christ, unless you failed to hear him properly when you were taught what the truth is in Jesus. You must give up your old way of life; you must put aside your old self, which gets corrupted by following illusory desires. Your mind must be renewed by a spiritual revolution so that you can put on the new self that has been created in God's way, in the goodness and holiness of the truth.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

No one lives on bread alone, but on every word that comes from the mouth of God. Alleluia!

Gospel

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John John 6:24-35

Whoever comes to me will never be hungry; whoever believes in me will never thirst.

When the people saw that neither Jesus nor his disciples were there, they got into boats and crossed to Capernaum to look for Jesus. When they found him on the other side, they said to him, 'Rabbi, when did you come here?' Jesus answered:

'I tell you most solemnly, you are not looking for me because you have seen the signs

but because you had all the bread you wanted to eat.

Do not work for food that cannot last,

but work for food that endures to eternal life, the kind of food the Son of Man is offering you, for on him the Father, God himself, has set his seal.' Then they said to him, 'What must we do if we are to do

the works that God wants?' Jesus gave them this answer, 'This is working for God: you must believe in the one he has sent.' So they said, 'What sign will you give to show us that we should believe in you? What work will you do? Our fathers had manna to eat in the desert; as scripture says:

He gave them bread from heaven to eat.'

Jesus answered: 'I tell you most solemnly,

it was not Moses who gave you bread from heaven, it is my Father who gives you the bread from heaven,

the true bread; for the bread of God

is that which comes down from heaven

and gives life to the world.'

'Sir,' they said 'give us that bread always.' Jesus answered: 'I am the bread of life.

He who comes to me will never be hungry;

he who believes in me will never thirst.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Communion Antiphon

Bless the Lord, O my soul, and never forget all his benefits.