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**SUNDAY 08 SEPTEMBER 2024**

**23RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

**YEAR B**

**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 Mass  
Novena to St. Padre Pio &  
Blessing with his Relic  
9:30am Sacrament of Penance  
5:30pm 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 Mass, All-night  
Adoration  
3:00am Divine Mercy Chaplet  
9:00am Saturday Mass

**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.

**St. Padre Pio Parish (Glenmore Park)**

**Legion of Mary**

**Our Lady of Lourdes Senior Praesidium**



**Q: What is the Legion of Mary?**

A: The Legion of Mary is an Association of Catholics who with the sanction of the Church operate under the powerful leadership of Mary Immaculate Mediatrix of all Graces.

**Q: Who is the founder of the Legion of Mary?**

A: It is the Servant of God Frank Duff.

**Q: What is the main objective of the Legion of Mary?**

A: The objective of the Legion of Mary is the Glory of GOD through the holiness of its members, developed by prayer and active co-operation under Ecclesiastical guidance.

**Q: What is the purpose of the Legion of Mary?**

A: There is a twofold purpose under the guidance of the Church:  
1. The Spiritual development of its members.  
2. Advancing the reign of Christ in co-operation with our Lady.

**Q: How does the Legion of Mary help in sanctifying its members?**

A: The sanctification can be achieved through prayers, weekly meetings, Rosaries, Spiritual Reading, Talk by a Spiritual Director, discussion of Catholic doctrine, devotion and apostolic work.

**Q: How does a Legionary grow spiritually?**

A: The Legion encourages the spiritual growth of its members with a special emphasis on devotion to Mary, Mother of GOD in the spirit of the writings of Saint Louis de Montfort.

**Q: What are the works of the Legion?**

A: The works of the Senior Legions are:  
1. To recite Rosary and Catena every day;  
1. Promote Spiritual Reading;  
2. Teaching Catechism in the Public Schools;  
3. Home to Home Visitation, Handing out Rosaries, Prayer Pamphlets and Miraculous Medals;

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4. Visiting Elderly people in the Nursing Homes;
5. To participate in Church events and activities;
6. To promote spiritual and general guidance to parishioners.
7. Book Barrow (free giveaways of blessed items)

**Q: How to join the Legion of Mary?**

A: There are two ways to become a member of the Legion: **Active** and **Auxiliary**

Active Membership: To attend meetings regularly, once in a week and to do active work, allocated to the person.

Auxiliary: Praying members of the Legions and supporting the work of the Legions.

If you are interested in joining the Legion of Mary, please contact the Parish Priest Father Johnson, Spiritual Director of the Legions.

**The Liturgy of the Eucharist in union with Mary**

Our Blessed Lord did not begin his work of redemption without the consent of Mary, solemnly asked and freely given. Likewise, he did not complete it on Calvary without her presence and her consent. "From this union of sufferings and of will between Mary and Christ, she merited to become most worthily the restorer of the lost world and the dispenser of all the graces Jesus purchased by his death and by his Blood." (AD12).

She stood by the cross of Jesus on Calvary, representing all mankind there, and at each new Mass the offering of the Saviour is accomplished subject to the same conditions, Mary stands at the altar no less than she stood by the cross. She is there, as ever, co-operating with Jesus-the Woman, foretold from the beginning, crushing the serpent's head. A loving attention to her ought, therefore, to form part of every Mass rightly heard.

*(Excerpts from the Legion of Mary Handbook by Frank Duff)*

**HOLY HOUR FOR VOCATIONS: 20 September**

Please join us across the Diocese to pray for more vocations to the priesthood.

**Where:** Mary Immaculate Parish, 125 Barnier Dr, Quakers Hill-Schofields.

**When:** Friday 20 September 7pm to 8pm.



Deacon Menard Gaspi will be leading adoration and giving a short talk about vocations to the priesthood. Confessions will be heard during Adoration. Join us afterwards for refreshments.

For more information, please contact the parish office on (02) 9626 3326 or [parishoffice@maryimmac.org.au](mailto:parishoffice@maryimmac.org.au)

**PARISH RAFFLE**

**There are Raffle tickets for sale** to help cover the costs of the various aspects of the Feast Day. Please support this and there are great prizes to be won! **Price:** \$2 a ticket

**1<sup>st</sup> Prize: Apple Watch Series 9**

**2<sup>nd</sup> Prize: Teepee Party for 6 children**

**3<sup>rd</sup> Prize: Linen Hamper**

**Various other prizes including wine, gift vouchers & hampers.**

**ST. PADRE PIO PARISH FEASTDAY**

**Please invite your family and friends to our Parish FEAST DAY.**

**ST. PADRE PIO FEAST DAY 2024**

**3-day Triduum:**

**Thursday 19 September, 7pm:**

Novena to St. Padre Pio & Mass

**Friday 20 September, 7pm:**

Novena to St. Padre Pio & Mass

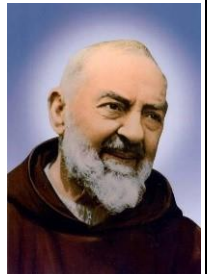
**Saturday 21 September, 5.30pm:**

Novena to St. Padre Pio & Mass

**FEAST DAY**

**Sunday 22 September, 10am.** Procession followed by the Feast Day Mass, Veneration & Blessing with St. Padre Pio's Relic, Food & Fellowship.

*(No 8am Mass on that day)*



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## ST. PADRE PIO PARISH INFORMATION

### FIRST HOLY COMMUNION MASS: THIS WEEKEND

God's blessings and congratulations to all the children receiving Jesus for the First time in Holy Communion.

May He continue to bless you as you encounter Him in this Sacrament throughout your lives.

### Sunday 08 September:

23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time Yr. B

**Monday 09 September:** St Peter Claver

**Thursday 12 September:** Holy Name of Mary

**Friday 13 September:** St. John Chrysostom

**Saturday 14 September:** The Exaltation of the Cross

### FEAST OF THE NATIVITY OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN

**MARY** (organised by the Legion of Mary)

**When:** This Monday, 9th September

6.15pm: Rosary at the Grotto, a short procession, Flower Offerings (*please bring flowers*) and 7pm Holy Mass. Light refreshments & Cake afterwards.

Come and celebrate Our Lady's Birthday!



### NEXT SUNDAY: 24th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Isaiah 50:5-9 Ps 114:1-6. 8-9. R. v.9 James 2:14-18 Mark 8:27-35

### ROSARY PRAYER GROUP

**Date:** Tuesday 10 September

**Place:** Earl & Alfa Kabling

**Date:** Tuesday 17 September

**Place:** Lorna & Arnold Cayabyab

### WORKING BEE FOR ST. PADRE PIO'S FEAST DAY

**When:** This Saturday, 14 September after the 9am Mass. It will be for inside and outside the Church.

Please add your name to the sign-up sheet found on the Welcome Table and bring gloves, cleaning items, etc, as the Church has limited resources. Thank you!

### LEGION OF MARY MEETING:

Every Thursday, 5.30pm in the Church meeting room.

### WILL WONDERS NEVER CEASE? WHAT WILL BE YOUR LEGACY?

A gift in your Will is an enduring way to give thanks to God and share your blessings beyond your lifetime. During *Include A Charity Week*, we invite you – after providing for your loved ones – to consider a gift in your Will to our parish or a Catholic ministry in our Diocese. Legacy gifts advance Christian works of faith, hope, and charity for future generations. For info: [parracatholic.org/giftsinWills](http://parracatholic.org/giftsinWills)



### MASS ON MONDAYS

There will be 7pm Mass every Monday, starting from Monday, 23 September onwards. Please spread the word.

### FEAST DAY NOTICE

**PLEASE BRING A PLATE** to share for the **Parish Feast Day**. As you know, we are going to have many parishioners and visitors coming to the Feast. **VOLUNTEERS** are needed during the Feast Day to assist with various tasks. **If you can help with the above, kindly indicate on the sign-up lists found on the Welcome Table. Thank you!**

### MASSES OFFERED FOR THESE INTENTIONS:

Mary Grech, Joe Farrugia. **Deceased:** Marcelo Manzano, Antonio & Evelyn Ablir, Joseph, Stella, Ken, Mercy, Arthur & 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 THREE– THIRD SUNDAY OF THE MONTH 14/15 SEPT

MASS TIME	5:30PM	8:00AM	10:00AM
COORDINATOR	Trudi Almeida	Lynn Young	Tracy Amituanai
ACOLYTE SENIOR SERVER	Billy Layug Lya Layug Kylie Sultana	Khalid Younan	Chris Hersey Dit Almer
READER	1. Rolaine Vibar 2. Trudi Almeida	1. Sue Guy 2. Ajumol Alexander	1. Katie English 2. Noel Xavier
MUSIC	Our Daily Bread		Modern Harmony
HOSPITALITY		<b>Help Needed</b>	Connie Hyland
CLEANING TEAM	Susan Guy, Anna Roberts, Aiman & Maria Jajo, Johan, Melissa Bowden		

**PLEASE CONTACT LYNN YOUNG IF YOU ARE UNABLE TO ATTEND YOUR ROSTERED MASS**

## 23rd SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

**First Reading** Isaiah 35:4-7

**A reading from the prophet Isaiah**

Then the ears of the deaf shall be opened and the tongues of the dumb speak.

Say to all faint hearts,

'Courage! Do not be afraid.

'Look, your God is coming,

vengeance is coming,  
the retribution of God;

he is coming to save you.'

Then the eyes of the blind shall be opened,

the ears of the deaf unsealed,

then the lame shall leap like a deer

and the tongues of the dumb sing for joy;

for water gushes in the desert,

streams in the wasteland,

the scorched earth becomes a lake,

the parched land springs of water.

**The word of the Lord.**

**Thanks be to God.**

**Responsorial Psalm** Ps 145:7-10. R. v.1

**(R.) Praise the Lord, my soul!**

1. It is the Lord who keeps faith for ever,  
who is just to those who are oppressed.  
It is he who gives bread to the hungry,  
the Lord, who sets prisoners free. **(R.)**
2. It is the Lord who gives sight to the blind,  
who raises up those who are bound down,  
the Lord who loves the just,  
the Lord, who protects the stranger. **(R.)**
3. The Lord upholds the widow and orphan,  
but thwarts the path of the wicked.  
The Lord will reign for ever,  
Zion's God, from age to age. **(R.)**

**Second Reading** James 2:1-5

A reading from the letter of St James

*Has not God chosen the poor of the world to inherit the kingdom?*

My brothers, do not try to combine faith in Jesus Christ, our glorified Lord, with the making of distinctions between classes of people. Now suppose a man comes into your synagogue, beautifully dressed and with a gold ring on, and at the same time a poor man comes in, in shabby clothes, and you take notice of the well-dressed man, and say, 'Come this way to the best seats'; then you tell the poor man,

'Stand over there' or 'You can sit on the floor by my foot-rest.' Can't you see that you have used two different standards in your mind, and turned yourselves into judges, and corrupt judges at that?

Listen, my dear brothers: it was those who are poor according to the world that God chose, to be rich in faith and to be the heirs to the kingdom which he promised to those who love him.

**The word of the Lord.**

**Thanks be to God.**

**Gospel Acclamation** cf Matthew 4:23

Alleluia, alleluia!

Jesus preached the Good News of the kingdom and healed all who were sick.

Alleluia!

**Gospel** Mark 7:31-37

*He makes the deaf hear and the dumb speak.*

Returning from the district of Tyre, Jesus went by way of Sidon towards the sea of Galilee, right through the Decapolis region. And they brought him a deaf man who had an impediment in his speech; and they asked him to lay his hand on him. He took him aside in private, away from the crowd, put his fingers into the man's ears and touched his tongue with spittle. Then looking up to heaven he sighed; and he said to him, 'Ephphatha,' that is, 'Be opened.' And his ears were opened, and the ligament of his tongue was loosened and he spoke clearly. And Jesus ordered them to tell no one about it, but the more he insisted, the more widely they published it. Their admiration was unbounded. 'He has done all things well,' they said 'he makes the deaf hear and the dumb speak.'

**The Gospel of the Lord.**

**Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

