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Sunday 25 August 2019

TWENTY FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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ST. PADRE PIO CHURCH WEEKLY TIMETABLE

SUNDAY

5:30pm Saturday Vigil

7:30am Mass

9:30am Mass

MONDAY

No Mass Office closed

TUESDAY, THURSDAY & FRIDAY

9:00am Mass

WEDNESDAY

7:00pm Mass

Our Lady of Perpetual Help Novena

SATURDAY

9:00am Mass

Novena to St Padre Pio

9:45am Sacrament of Penance

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Tuesday – Friday

8:30am – 3:30pm

Closed 12:00pm – 12:30pm

BAPTISMS

11:00am

1st, 2nd and 3rd Sundays

Please contact the Parish Office.

Presentation Mass & Baptism

Information morning are held every

4th Sunday

FIRST FRIDAY MASS & ADORATION

7:00pm Mass

3:00am Divine Mercy Chaplet

8:00pm Adoration - 9:00am Saturday

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 or find

the information on the parish website:

<https://padrepio.org.au/2018/06/22/sacramental-program-2019/>

Dear Friends,

How much do we know our Lord? Do we know Him or do we know about Him? I am sure you have heard the saying that familiarity breeds contempt but in the case of knowing our Lord, familiarity brings blessings. The more we know Him, the more we love Him and the more we love Him, the more we know Him. The Lord doesn't have a limit on His love for us. So, we can't say that we have loved Him enough. The greatest gift we receive as a prize of our love for Him is SALVATION. No one can offer this to us except Jesus.

He is the way, the truth and the life. No one can go to the Father except through Him. To get to the Father, we cannot choose an easy way but rather to enter through the narrow door.

Jesus had to suffer death on the Cross in order to save us. So, it is not easy to get to Salvation. It is only by choosing the narrow door.

Being a Catholic in our world is a vocation which requires courage and wholehearted faith. It is not for the timid and fickle hearted. We have to be strong and steadfast in our faith. God doesn't want too many opinions but faithfulness. If we are busy with our opinions, our minds and hearts will be closed to the fullness of truth which is revealed in and through Jesus Christ.

Jesus warns in the Gospel of today, that many will try to enter heaven but will not succeed. Do we have enough faith to get to heaven? The teachings of Christ, the Commandments, the precepts of the Holy Scripture and the traditions of the Church are focused towards getting us into heaven. Any attempt to water it down or change them to suit our whims and fancies will lead us to disastrous end. When we are lost in our life, God will certainly guide us back to the right path but if we pretend as if we are sleeping, then I don't think even God can do anything about it. So, let us not take our God and His love for granted. Let us be grateful to Him for all that He does for us. GOD IS THE WAY, THE TRUTH AND THE LIFE.

God Bless.

Kind regards,

Fr. Suresh Kumar.

Parish Priest.

THE SEVEN SACRAMENTS OF THE CHURCH, *from the Catechism of the Catholic Church*

(Source: http://www.vatican.va/archive/ENG0015/_P41.HTM)

How do the Sacraments affect our daily lives?

SECTION TWO: THE SEVEN SACRAMENTS OF THE CHURCH, Chapter One: The Sacraments of Christian Initiation: *Article 3: THE SACRAMENT OF THE HOLY EUCHARIST*

V. The Sacramental Sacrifice Thanksgiving, Memorial, Presence

Thanksgiving and praise to the Father

1364 In the New Testament, the memorial takes on new meaning. When the Church celebrates the Eucharist, she commemorates Christ's Passover, and it is made present the sacrifice Christ offered once for all on the cross remains ever present.¹⁸³ "As often as the sacrifice of the Cross by which 'Christ our Pasch has been sacrificed' is celebrated on the altar, the work of our redemption is carried out."¹⁸⁴

1365 Because it is the memorial of Christ's Passover, the Eucharist is also a sacrifice. the sacrificial character of the Eucharist is manifested in the very words of institution: "This is my body which is given for you" and "This cup which is poured out for you is the New Covenant in my blood."¹⁸⁵ In the Eucharist Christ gives us the very body which he gave up for us on the cross, the very blood which he "poured out for many for the forgiveness of sins."¹⁸⁶

1366 The Eucharist is thus a sacrifice because it re-presents (makes present) the sacrifice of the cross, because it is its memorial and because it applies its fruit:

[Christ], our Lord and God, was once and for all to offer himself to God the Father by his death on the altar of the cross, to accomplish there an everlasting redemption. But because his priesthood was not to end with his death, at the Last Supper "on the night when he was betrayed," [he wanted] to leave to his beloved spouse the Church a visible sacrifice (as the nature of man demands) by which the bloody sacrifice which he was to accomplish once for all on the cross would be re-presented, its memory perpetuated until the end of the world, and its salutary power be applied to the forgiveness of the sins we daily commit.¹⁸⁷

1367 The sacrifice of Christ and the sacrifice of the Eucharist are one single sacrifice: "The victim is one and the same: the same now offers through the ministry of priests, who then offered himself on the cross; only the manner of offering is different." "In this divine sacrifice which is celebrated in the Mass, the same Christ who offered himself once in a bloody manner on the altar of the cross is contained and is offered in an unbloody manner."¹⁸⁸

1368 The Eucharist is also the sacrifice of the Church. the Church which is the Body of Christ participates in the offering of her Head. With him, she herself is offered whole and entire. She unites herself to his intercession with the Father for all men. In the Eucharist the sacrifice of Christ becomes also the sacrifice of the members of his Body. the lives of the faithful, their praise, sufferings, prayer, and work, are united with those of Christ and with his total offering, and so acquire a new value. Christ's sacrifice present on the altar makes it possible for all generations of Christians to be united with his offering.

In the catacombs the Church is often represented as a woman in prayer, arms outstretched in the praying position. Like Christ who stretched out his arms on the cross, through him, with him, and in him, she offers herself and intercedes for all men.

¹⁸³ Cf. ⇒ Heb 7:25-27.

¹⁸⁴ LG 3; cf. ⇒ 1 Cor 5:7.

¹⁸⁵ ⇒ Lk 22:19-20.

¹⁸⁶ ⇒ Mt 26:28.

¹⁸⁷ Council of Trent (1562): DS 1740; cf. ⇒ 1 Cor 11:23; ⇒ Heb 7:24, ⇒ 27.

¹⁸⁸ Council of Trent (1562): DS 1743; cf. ⇒ Heb 9:14, ⇒ 27.

ST PADRE PIO PARISH ROSTERS WEEK ONE 31 AUG & 01 SEPT

Mass Time	5:30PM	7:30AM	9:30AM
Mass Coordinator	Deb Sands	Lynn Young	Therese Baker
Acolyte Senior Server	John Ward Guy Sands Deb Sands	+ Martin Warda	David Baker Dave Williams Coley White
Altar Server	ASI CWO AWO AMW ISU	CWA JPE	KSI SRO JBA SBA
Extraordinary Minister of the Eucharist	+ Sybil Chalice	Jan Fontana Pat Canderle	Noelene Bangel Therese Baker
Welcome & Hospitality	Annet Sijo Joanne D'Agostino John Sinobi	Agnes Forwood Mary Catania	Tina Giordano Mel & Lily Jayachandran + Bethany Students
Commentator	Carley Sands	Bev Croft	Bethany Students
Reader	Sandra Galea Zon Lupisan	Ajumol Alexander Trish Warda	Bethany Students
Music	YFC Choir		Parish Children's Choir
PowerPoint Operator	+	Meghan Warda	+
Children's Liturgy			
Baptism Hospitality	Therese Baker & +	Baptism Acolyte David Baker	
Cleaning Teams	Saturday	Team One	Doris Cutajar

ROSARY PRAYER GROUP

Date: Tuesday 27 August
Place: Cecilia & Frank Zammit
 21 Mann St, Glenbrook

Time: 7pm.

Contact: Elvie on 0412 397 671 if you are interested in hosting the Rosary Prayer Group.

**FATHERS' DAY BLESSING-NEXT WEEKEND**

There will be a Blessing next weekend for all fathers and grandfathers.

FATHERS' DAY CAKE STALL

Date: Sunday 01 September

When: after 7:30 Mass & 9:30 Mass.

Donations of *homemade* cakes, muffins, slices & cupcakes will be gratefully received. Please support this Parish fundraising event by baking or buying.

RCIA STARTS THIS WEDNESDAY: 28 AUGUST

Are you interested in becoming a Catholic?

- Do you want to be baptized in the Catholic Church?
- Are you baptized Catholic but in need of Confirmation and/or First Holy Communion?

The Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA) is the place for you. RCIA at St. Padre Pio Parish starts:

Date: This Wednesday 28 August, 7pm

Place: Bethany School Library.

Please contact the parish office for more details.

ALPHA STARTS THIS WEDNESDAY: 28 AUGUST AT ST PADRE PIO PARISH

Date: This Wednesday 28 August

Time: 7:00pm in the Bethany School library

Alpha gatherings are a fantastic way to strengthen your faith and enhance your gifts.

Join us each Wednesday from **28 August until 20 November** for an enriching journey with Christ.

Sign up at the welcome table.

For enquiries, contact Brad & Natalie Wilkinson on stpppalpha@gmail.com

**LITURGICAL CALENDAR****AUGUST**

Sunday 25 Twenty First Week in Ordinary Time Year C
 Isaiah 66:18-21
 Hebrews 12:5-7, 11-13 Luke 13:22-30

AUGUST

Tuesday 27 St. Monica

Wednesday 28 St Augustine

Thursday 29 The Passion of St John the Baptist

NON-LITURGICAL CALENDAR

Tuesday 27 Rosary Prayer Group

Thursday 29 Friendship group in Parish meeting room after 9:00am Mass. *All Welcome*

BISHOP'S COLLECTION FOR RETIRED AND SICK CLERGY:**NEXT WEEKEND-31 AUGUST & 01 SEPTEMBER**

The Clergy Support Foundation of the Diocese of Parramatta assists in meeting the needs of the retired and sick priests of the Diocese, and an annual appeal, *The Bishop's Collection for Retired and Sick Clergy*, is held on Father's Day each year to support the Foundation. It is hoped to raise \$200,000 each year through this appeal. A third collection will be held next weekend.

If you wish to make online contributions, please go to csfparra.org.au You can use your credit card or do a direct transfer via EFT to BSB 067 950 and Account No 001691 in the name of the CSF. Enter your name as reference and send an e-mail to csf@parracatholic.org with your details, so receipts can be sent. These are usually done in January.

PARISH FEAST DAY WORKING BEE: 14 SEPTEMBER There will be a working bee on 14 September after the 9am Mass, to prepare the Church and its surrounds for the Feast day. Please make every effort to come and take part in the working bee. Thankyou.

PARISH FEAST DAY CELEBRATIONS

Please add your name to the rosters at the back of the church if you can help at these Masses.

LIFE, LOVE AND THE THEOLOGY OF THE BODY

Hosted by St. Padre Pio Parish

Discover the beauty and truth of human sexuality, through the lens of St. John Paul the Great.

Place: Bethany School Hall

When: Every Tuesday starting from 15 October-03 December

Time: 7-9pm

Registration: \$109 (includes workbook)

Early Bird: \$89 (offer ends 17 September)

Presenter: Simon Carrington. simon@fireupministries.com

**PROCESSION IN HONOUR OF OUR LADY'S BIRTHDAY: SUNDAY 08 SEPTEMBER**

The Procession in honour of Our Lady's birthday will start from:

Place: Bethany School Hall

Time: 9.30am.

Mass will follow straight after, in the Church. Please be at the hall on time to join in the Procession.

MASS WAS OFFERED FOR THESE INTENTIONS

- Holy Souls in Purgatory especially those who have no one to pray for them
- Mary Philip
- Phyllis Herbert

Special Intentions: *Please pray for all our parishioners and friends who are ill at home or in hospital, including:* Karen Foley, Anne Hume, Jessie Zammit, Peter Sidgreaves, Lucy Xiberras, Elena Zamora, Jordan Gibbons, Lucia Longo, Barbara Paul, Kenneth Borlongan, Candida Irugalbandara, Bridgette Grech, Arno Struzina, Leyan Dias Bandaranayake, Malcolm Maitland, Joe Vassallo, Ian Wallace, Mary Marsh, Aneesha Brandl, Barbara Sawyer, Frank Azzopardi, Nicholas Dewal, Virginia Santos, Alison Upton.

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MALTA TRAVEL - Tours for 2020

1. **Tasmania** - Join us on a **March** group to the Island of untamed beauty and friendly people. Call Monica - 9896 0712 or 0414 859386
2. **Gorgeous Hawaii: Mid-May 2020**. Join us on a hilarious escorted tour: **Honolulu - Pearl Harbour Polynesian Culture - Maui - Hilo - Kona - Kauai**. Call Paul Vassallo: 9666 6684, Mob: 0416 951 502.
3. **NEW TOUR: East Canada & USA: September 2020. Boston - Montreal - Quebec - Ottawa - Kingston - Toronto - Niagara Falls - Washington - New York**. Call Charlie - 9631 2689 or 0412 523 893. You get the lot: flights, hotels, food, touring, transfers and insurance.

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We invite members of the parish to take advantage of our legal services specialising in:

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| *Property Law | *Family Law |
| *Business Law | *Negligence Law |
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