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Nazareth Senior College, Bankstown

40 year Reunion for the Class of 1977. Saturday September 9 at 7pm at Revesby Workers Club. Please contact Lea De Angelis on 0418484198 or Lynda Griffiths (Bonanno) on 0408898830 for details. Please pass on to any ex-students!

"Into the Deep", One Day Silent retreat.

A day of prayer on the Christian Following, given by the Verbum Dei Missionaries: Sunday, May 21 (9am to 4pm). Cost \$50 inclusive of meals. Held at the Centre, Randwick. For more information contact Kylie 0403453620 or verbumdeisydney@gmail.com

Australian Catholic Youth Festival

This three day festival will be held in Sydney 7-9 December 2017. The event will attract 15,000 young people and is for those aged Year 9 to 30 years. It's a Catholic Festival a bit like World Youth Day! We look forward to the whole Parish Community being involved. For more information, please go to www.acyf.org.au.

Healing After Abortion

Rachel's Vineyard ministries offers support through a retreat for all who suffer grief and loss after an abortion. Next retreat is **25 – 27 August**. Call: **0400 092 555** or email: info@rachelsvineyard.org.au or visit: www.rachelsvineyard.org.au.

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Mass times: Saturday 6pm (Vigil), Sunday 8am, 10am (Children's Liturgy), 6pm, 12noon (Polish).

Vietnamese Mass: 7 pm 1st Thurs of each month. Saturday Morning Benediction - 7.00am.

Reconciliation: Saturday 4.30 - 5.30 pm. Or by appointment Rosary: Saturday 8.25am

This week - Wednesday, Thursday, Saturday - 8.00am. Tuesday & Friday - 9.00am.

Friday 11.00am - Bupa Greenacre

Wednesday - 7.30pm Young Adults Bible Study in Meeting Room, 8.30pm Benediction.

BAPTISMS: Baptism preparations are held on the 1st Sunday of each month after 10am mass in the presbytery. Baptisms by appointment.

MARRIAGES: Please contact priest at least 6 months prior to wedding date.

SICK CALLS: Anytime. If you know of anyone who needs anointing please ring the presbytery.

**Happy
 Mothers
 Day**



CWF Pastoral Appeal

This weekend is a great opportunity for you to help out your parish in a meaningful way by supporting one of its charitable appeals. The Charitable Works Fund (CWF) is the premier charity of the Sydney Archdiocese, covering social and pastoral services, education and training, and advocacy services to all sections of your community – regardless of race, religion or social status. To continue its work, the CWF needs your financial help. Making a donation is easy: Use the appeal envelope provided or phone the Fundraising Office on 1800 753 959. For a quick and secure credit card donation, visit www.cwf.org.au. Donations of \$2 or more are tax deductible. Your gift will help someone in your community who could use a helping hand or be given better opportunities, so please give generously. Thank you.



5th Sunday of Easter - A - 14 May 2017



Easter-A time of renewal

A Priest walked into a pub and said to the men, “*Those who want to go to heaven please come around.*” All the men stood up and gathered around the priest. He started to talk about the Good News but he noticed a man still drinking in a corner of the pub. He walked up to him, “*Mr Murphy, do you want to go to heaven?*” “*No, I don’t Father,*” he replied. The priest looked him right in the eye, and said, “*You mean to tell me that when you die you don’t want to go to heaven?*” Murphy smiled, “*Oh when I die, yes Father. I thought you were getting a group together to go right now.*”

In today’s Gospel we heard that Jesus is about to leave his disciples. There is always a sense of sadness when we are separated. Jesus knows that so he wanted to comfort his disciples. “*Do not let your heart be troubled.*” His words bring solace to his apprehensive and fearful disciples. Jesus declares himself “*I am the way and the truth and the life.*” Those who believe in Him will find meaning, direction and eternal life with God. Jesus reveals the truth that life is continuous, earthly life opening to a share in divine life, infinity. Being the way, he teaches his disciples not just with words but by action as well. He himself had gone through the painful process of passion, death and resurrection. The process reveals the truth in every one of us as humans, we all will die one day but death is not the end. God’s love has endured everything for our sake. Jesus offers us genuine human renewal and intimate communion with the divine.

Let us pray that our faith will be deepened so that during trial and difficult times we can experience comfort, healing and hope.

Catechism of the Catholic Church

1696 The way of Christ “leads to life”; a contrary way “leads to destruction”. The gospel parable of the two ways remains ever present in the catechism of the church; it shows the importance of moral decisions for our salvation: “There are two ways, the one of life, the other of death; but between the two, there is a great difference.”

This week’s Readings - Acts 6:1-7; 1Peter 2:4-9; Gospel - John 14:1-12

First Holy Communion commitments

The Sacrament of First Holy Communion will be celebrated this year on the weekends of 17/18 June and 24/25 June during the Saturday 6.00pm Masses and Sunday 10.00am Masses. This weekend the candidates will be making their commitment as they commence preparing for this special Sacrament.

Offertory

We would like to have more families involved with our liturgy by taking up the offertory during the 10 am Mass on Sundays. If you would like to be involved please write your name on the list at the back of the Church.

A Model for all Mothers

As we celebrate Mother’s day, we contemplate on the model for all mothers.

Mary, woman of listening, may all mothers know how to listen to the word of your Son. Grant that they may listen to the reality in which we live, especially to those children facing hardship.

Mary, woman of decision, illuminate the minds and hearts of all mothers, so that they may obey, unhesitating, the word of your Son Jesus; may they have the courage to decide what is best for their children. **Mary, woman of action**, obtain that the hands and feet of all mothers move “with haste” toward others, to bring them the charity and love of your Son, to bring the light of the Gospel to the world, as you did.

Baptism:

This week, we welcome into the Catholic faith:

Teresa Vu
Emily & Oliver Le

May they always know the love of God and feel His guiding hand throughout their life.



Mass Intentions: Recently Deceased: Betty Kelly; Gioan Phu.



Anniversary: Judes Collet; Michel and Denise Bru; Phaolo Le Van Tuong; Geatana Carta; Anthony Carta; Steve Nuner; Tony Carta; Frank & Edna Lander; Sosefina Mino.

Deceased: Louise Rhea Descombes; Maria Thuc Trinh Dang; Joseph Binh Chanh Lam; Anton Sy Phuong Lam; Dominic Tung Phuong Lam; Anthony John Muscat; Emelwel Muscat; Georga Muscat; Doris Mifsud; Giuseppe & Maria Rosa Condello; Montagna & Joseph Condello Francis Field; Anderjana Sultana; deceased members of Vincent & Lander families; Eugenia Edwards; Giuse; Giuse Pham Duy Huong.

Sick: Jason Timbs & Bart Hennely, Dau (Xuan); Kim Do; Henriette Tam Tinh Lam; Gerard Go; Theresa Tinh Thi Doan; Christine Formosa; Maria Tuu Nguyen; Fatima; Catherine & Lourdes Raspanti; Tim Logue; Jeanette Chong; baby Alan Dien Quan Nguyen; Monina Rodriguez Pineda; Tenshi Asriel Magdaleno Arcenas; Vaoliko Pesamino, Ethan Chau.

Next Weekend - 6th Sunday of Easter - Year A

Readings: Acts : 8:5-8, 14-17; 1Peter 3:15-18; Gospel - John 14:15-21.

Funeral

The family of the late **Betty Kelly** invite friends of St Felix to her funeral on Wednesday 17/5 commencing at 9.30am at Mary, Mother of Mercy Chapel Rookwood. Betty was a former Catechist and parishioner of St Felix.

Christianity across the Ages

A Journey of Faith through the Evolution of Christian liturgy and its Music. This is a presentation of amazingly unique slides combined with related story-telling by Marie Therese Levey rsj - music teacher, author, specialist in medieval plainchant, collector of digital copies of manuscripts from across the centuries. Where: St Joseph’s Regional Centre 5 Alexandra Ave, Croydon 2132

When: 9am-12midday Friday June 2 Entry by voluntary donation

Bookings essential: RSVP by May 26 Email marie.levy@sosj.org.au

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Altar Society: 21/5/17 Group 3: Youth Group, Samoan Divine Mercy Group, Tram Vu (*Florist*)

St Vincent de Paul: 21/5/17 M T Tran 28/5/17 Andrew Nguyen

Church Cleaners: 19/5/17: Vinh Nguyen **Children’s Liturgy:** 21st May - Maricel

Weekend Choir: 21/5 Saturday 6pm - St Anne’s Choir
Sunday 8am - Singing Servants of God **Sun 10am** - Samoan Divine Mercy Group

Readers & Ministers

	Sat 6pm	14 MAY	8am	10am	6pm
C	Gabrielle Nguyen	Maxwell Asuzu	Helen Vujevic	Elias Eltarraf	
R	Gloria Booby	Kiara Asuzu	Jessica Vujevic	Charbel Eltarraf	
A	Joseph Bui (A)	Joseph Cao (A)	Thong Tran (A)	Thanh Vu (A)	
M	Tuyen Tran	Mesake Mar	Jessie Kovacevic	Paul Ngoc	
M	Emmanuel Icard	Madelyn Nicole	Tu Nguyen	Phu Nguyen	
21 MAY					
C	Patrick Abourizk	Joseph Dang	Emanuela Viner	Kathleen Mezentsef	
R	Kalisiana Mar	Imelda Dela Cruz	Mary O’Hea	Lucia Mezentsef	
A	Tuyen Tran (A)	Joseph Cao (A)	Anthony Joseph (A)	Thanh Vu (A)	
M	Emmanuel Icard	Maria Huong	Ala Pesamino	Amelia Mezentsef	
M	Gloria Booby	Robyn Molloy	Joe Luongo	Loreto Eduardo	