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 LaSalle Catholic College: 9793 5600 Mr Michael Egan - Principal;  
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### 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](http://www.acyf.org.au).

### 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!

### Youth Bible Studies and Adoration

Join in for Bible Study in the presbytery every Wednesday evening at the new time of 7.30pm followed by Adoration at 8.30pm. All welcome. Keep in touch through facebook - [facebook.com/StFelix100](https://www.facebook.com/StFelix100)

### Offertory Volunteers

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.

### Accommodation Assistance

Some Japanese High school students who are coming to Condell Park High School from Monday 31st July for 7 nights. We are looking for families to help accommodate these students for the week while they are in Australia. The families receive a tax free allowance of \$450 for the week. If you are able to assist please e-mail [bill.clark@edexaustralia.com.au](mailto:bill.clark@edexaustralia.com.au) or phone Bill and Margaret Clark on 0488 777 886 or 0418 215 990

### Sydney catholics we need you!

You are urged to support other Catholics, faith, non faith, community and trade unions groups at St Mary's Cathedral hall CBD Wednesday 12 July 6pm with Sydney Catholic Archbishop Anthony Fisher, state housing minister Anthony Roberts and greater Sydney commission CEO Sarah Hill and/or Lucy Turnbull ao on **Sydney's affordable housing crisis** you are urged to fill the 700 seat hall to capacity to show that legislated inclusionary zoning will go a long way to help solve this problem as proven in other parts of the world

### PLANNED GIVING PROGRAM REQUEST FORM

**Would you like to become a regular contributor to the Parish?**

If so, please fill in this slip and return it to the Parish Office. Otherwise send an e-mail with your details to Marie at [admin@stfelixparish.org.au](mailto:admin@stfelixparish.org.au)

Name..... Telephone No.: .....

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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 - Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, Saturday - 8.00am**

**Tuesday - 10.30am Bupa Yagoona**

**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.

**COME TO ME,  
 ALL YOU WHO LABOR  
 AND ARE HEAVY LADEN,  
 AND I WILL  
 GIVE YOU REST.**

MATTHEW 11:28

**14th Sunday in Ordinary Time - A - 9 July 2017**





## Find rest through God

In his letters St. Francis de Sales tells about a custom of the country districts in which he lived. He had often noticed a farm servant going across a farmyard to draw water at the well. He also noticed that, before she lifted the brimming pail, the girl always put a piece of wood into it. One day he went out to the girl and asked her, "Why do you do that?" She looked surprised and answered, as if it were a matter of course, "Why? To keep the water from spilling, to keep it steady." Writing to a friend later on, the bishop told this story and added, "So when your heart is distressed and agitated, put the Cross into its centre to keep it steady."

In today's Gospel Jesus says, "Come to me, all you who labour and are overburdened, and I will give you rest. Shoulder my yoke and learn from me..." Through the words and deeds and life of Jesus, it is easy to see that suffering is a part of a human life. What makes us great and special is not the avoidance of suffering but how we cope with it. Jesus does not promise us that he will take away our sufferings (his own was not taken away, "Father, if you are willing, take this cup away from me. Nevertheless, let your will be done, not mine." But he assures us that he will make our burdens light: "My yoke is easy and my burden light." Though easy and light it will still be burden! That is why we are invited to be humble and be like little children who can put ourselves and our problems in God's hands. When we grow older we tend to exchange a child's dependence on people for an adult's dependence on things, like money, alcohol and drugs etc. Therefore, prayer should be helping us to let go, to be open to God, to God's will, to become voluntarily dependent on God.

Let us pray for the grace of humility to accept our creature-status so that we will learn to entrust our worries, burdens, problems in God's hands in order to find 'rest for our souls'.

### Catechism of the Catholic Church

2779 Humility makes us recognise that "no one knows the Son except the Father, and no one knows the Father except the Son and any one to whom the Son chooses to reveal him", that is, "to little children". The purification of our hearts has to do with paternal or maternal images, stemming from our personal and cultural history, and influencing our relationship with God.

This week's Readings - Zechariah 9:9-10; Romans 8:9, 11-13; Gospel - Matthew 11:25-30

### Planned Giving Envelopes and Receipts

**There are still some new Planned Giving Envelopes to be collected.**

Ensure you check your name with corresponding address and you pick up the correct one. Receipts for the financial year ending June 2017 are now available for collection from the Church foyer.

### Special Collection for Deacon Richard

This weekend, we are having a special appeal to be used as a gift for the ordination of Deacon Richard into the priesthood. Deacon Richard will be leaving on July 20th to be ordained as a priest back home in Uganda. He will then return to St Felix for a short time to celebrate Mass with us on Fathers Day. We will present him with his gift next Sunday (16/7) at the 10am Mass with a morning tea to follow.

### Our Hearts are Restless

All non-human animals are satisfied to be what they are. G. K. Chesterton points out (See, Everlasting Man, 1.1), a bird can display great ingenuity in building a nest, but once the nest is built the bird is satisfied. The bird does not go on to develop architecture, art or discuss the meaning of life. The human being, by contrast, seeks ultimate happiness and is discontent with any finite, created things alone. True happiness lies in God alone. That's why St. Augustine's succession of desperate searches for fulfilment: excessive pleasures, false religions, philosophy, dissipation and distractions left him so weary of himself that he could only cry out, "You have made us for yourself, and our hearts are restless, until they can find rest in you."

**Mass Intentions: Recently Deceased:** Doris St Clair; Joe Gonzalves; Walte-Rolf Riesner



**Anniversary:** Nguyen Thi Bach Tuyet; Mr & Mrs John Chan; Joseph & Anna; Nicole Morgan; Paul Mai Ho; Anna Men Nguyen; Claude Verrier; Philip Verrier; Roland Verrier; Fabiano Nguyen Thai Sao; Matta Le Thi Thinh; Matta Le Thi Tien

**Deceased:** Giovanni Frisina; Nick Frisina;.

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

### Next Weekend - 15th Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year A

Readings: Isaiah 55:10-11; Romans 8:18-23; Gospel - Matthew 13:1-23.

### Feasts of the Week

#### 11 July - St Benedict, abbot. Memorial.

Born at Norcia (Italy) about 480. Died at Monte Cassino about 547. After studies in Rome he became a hermit at Subiaco, where many sought his counsel, and then founded the monastery at Monte Cassino. Remembered for his widely influential monastic rule, combining work and prayer, and for his charity and moderation.

#### 15 July - St Bonaventure, bishop, doctor. Memorial.

Born at Bagnoregio (Italy) about 1218. Died at Lyons (France) on this day in 1274. He joined the Franciscans when studying in Paris and eventually became minister general of the order. Later appointed cardinal-bishop of Albano and died assisting Pope Gregory X during the Council of Lyons. Known as the "Seraphic Doctor". Remembered as a teacher, for his extensive biblical and mystical writings, and for his holiness, gentleness, and compassion.

### Position Vacant: Parish Secretary at St Brendan's

The position requires proven experience in MYOB and Microsoft Office. Experience with PACS preferred. Good telephone and personal communication skills are essential along with the ability to work without supervision. Award wages. Hours negotiable. Please send resume and references to Fr. Peter Hai Ha. Email: admin@stbrendans.org.au Applications close Friday, July 14, 2017 For information please contact Central Bankstown Parish office on 9790 2859.

**Altar Society: 16/7/17 Group 3:** Youth Group, Samoan Divine Mercy Group, Tram Vu (*Florist*)

**St Vincent de Paul:** 16/7/17 A Nguyen 23/7/17 Andrew Nguyen

**Church Cleaners: 14/7/17:** Charbel Karam **Children's Liturgy:** 16th July - HOLIDAYS

**Weekend Choir: 16/7 Saturday 6pm - St Anne's Choir**  
**Sunday 8am - Singing Servants of God Sun 10am - Samoan Divine Mercy Group**

### Readers & Ministers

	Sat 6pm	9 JULY	8am	10am	6pm
C	Stephen Hoang	Philip Castillo	Jennifer Nguyen	Elias Eltarraf	
R	Gloria Booby	Ligaya Castillo	Anthony Rowe	Anthony Eltarraf	
A	Joseph Bui (A)	Joseph Cao (A)	Thong Tran (A)	Thanh Vu (A)	
M	Emmanuel Icard	Mesake Mar	Ala Pesamino	Paul Ngoc	
M	Tuyen Tran	Madelyn Nicole	Tu Nguyen	Loreto Eduardo	
16 JULY					
C	Gabrielle Nguyen	Janice Rodrigues	Helen Vujevic	Kathleen Mezentsef	
R	Patrick Abourizk	Jeanette Rodrigues	Jessica Vujevic	Lucia Mezentsef	
A	Tuyen Tran (A)	Joseph Cao (A)	Anthony Joseph (A)	Thanh Vu (A)	
M	Emmanuel Icard	An Dang	Gordon West	Phu Nguyen	
M	Gloria Booby	Robyn Molloy	Thong Tran	Judy Jones	