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 Childrens Liturgy: Marie El-Chaar 9709 3451; Cemetery Committee: Maureen Vincent 9790 4217;
 Sacramental co-ordinator: Gloria Booby 9708 2871; Polish Priests: 8783 0533;
 De La Salle Brothers: 9708 2692; St. Felix Primary School: 9796 7875 Lisa Wahab- Principal;
 LaSalle Catholic College: 9793 5600 Mr Michael Egan - Principal;
 Archdiocesan Website: www.sydney.catholic.org.au

Mission to fight poverty

Catholic communities all over the world are looking for teachers, health and community development workers, administrators and others to mentor workers in their fields of expertise. See more than 40 volunteer positions at www.palms.org.au/projects/. The positions would suit anybody with the appropriate qualifications. Healthy retired people find it a most gratifying and stimulating mission. Australian donors cover your costs and outstanding support is provided through the church's single biggest global volunteer mission agency.



[Want to hear more from returned volunteers?](#)

Information Session: Time: Wednesday November 29th, 5:45 - 7:00 pm
 Place: Save the Children office,
 Suite 302 (Level 3), 418a Elizabeth St, Surry Hills
 (Entrance to the building is on Devonshire St.)

CatholicCare.....

Supporting the people of Sydney to live and thrive.
 CatholicCare are marking Responsible Gambling Awareness Week. If you are concerned about yours or someone else's gambling, contact our team on 02 9509 1148 or email us confidentially on gamblinghelp@catholiccare.org

Grief to Grace – Healing the Wounds of Abuse

A spiritual retreat for anyone who has suffered degradation or violation through physical, emotional, sexual or spiritual abuse. The retreat will be held April 8th – 13th 2018. To request an application contact Anne by emailing info@griegtogracesaus.org.au or phone 0407704539. For more information visit www.griegtogracesaus.org

The Archdiocese of Sydney App.

The Catholic Archdiocese of Sydney had released a Smartphone App (for iPhones and Androids only) for parishioners in the Archdiocese, featuring parish Mass times, the latest news from the Archdiocese of Sydney and the Catholic Church in Australia, information about upcoming Archdiocese events, as well as announcements from the Most Rev Anthony Fisher OP, Archbishop of Sydney. The App is available to download for free – search for "Archdiocese of Sydney" in the Google Play and App stores.

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

Name..... Telephone No.:

Address:.....

Email :

WOULD LIKE ENVELOPES

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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

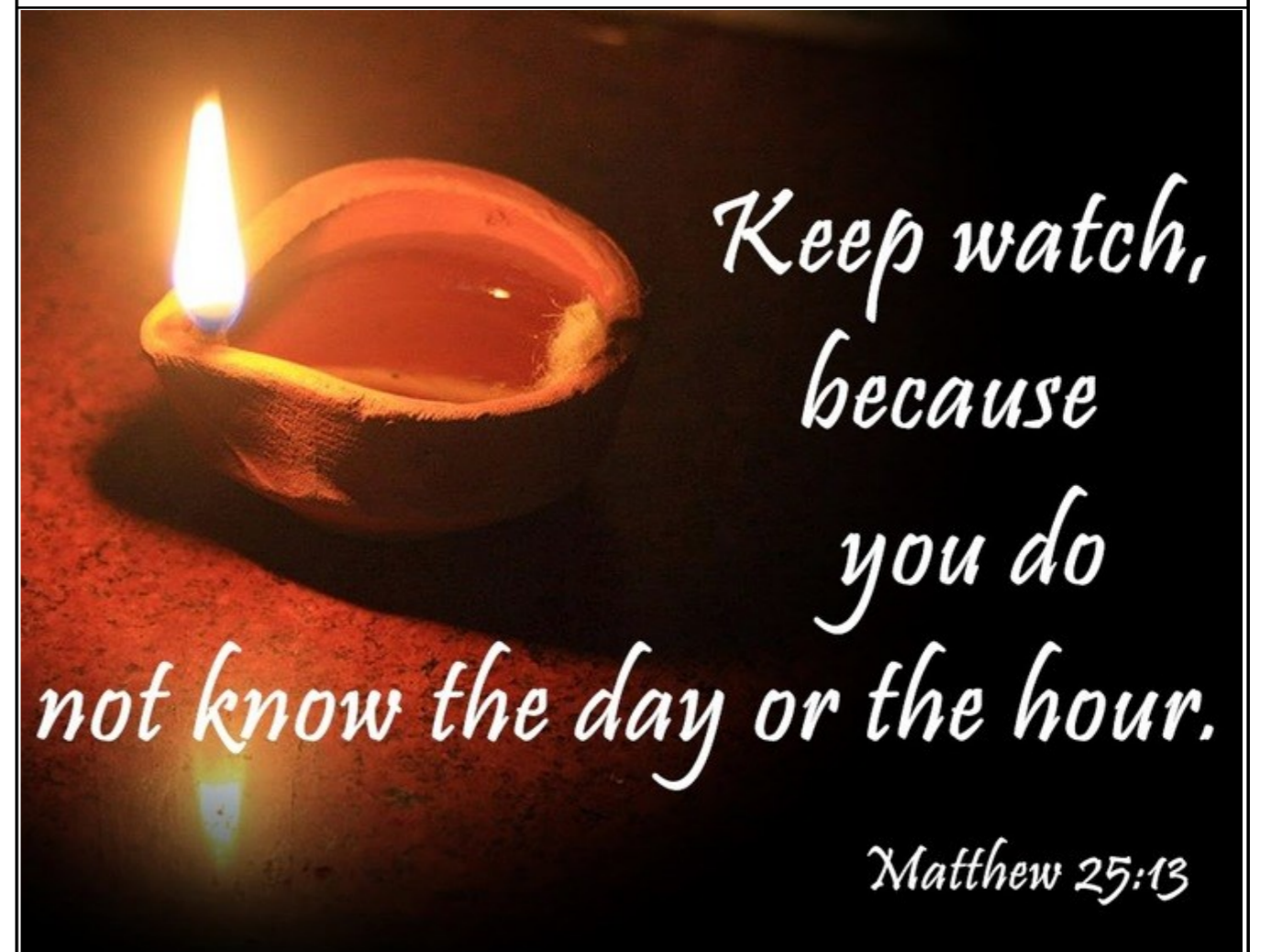
Tuesday - 10.30am Bupa Yagoona. Friday 11.00pm Bupa Greenacre.

Wednesday - 7.30pm Mass at St Jerome followed by Adoration at 8.00pm.

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.



32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time - A - 12 November 2017



Stay awake

“Stay awake, because you do not know either the day or the hour,” Jesus warns us in today’s Gospel - although at first sight, it’s not really being asleep that proves to be the problem: all ten bridesmaids grew drowsy and nodded off. However, five of the women were truly “awake”, prepared to do one thing that was asked of them - to welcome the groom home.

We might feel it somewhat selfish of the five wise bridesmaids not to share their oil, but that really isn’t the point of the story. This parable is set within a group of Jesus’ teachings about the return of the Son of Man and the final judgement - and of our need to be awake and ready to face that day. The oil is a symbol of the bridesmaids having prepared themselves for his coming. It is a sign of having heard the message of the Gospel and responded by living lives of love and mercy. The emphasis in Matthew’s Gospel is that one responds first and foremost by one’s deeds, not one’s words: “It is not those who say to me, ‘Lord, Lord’, who will enter the kingdom of heaven, but the person who does the will of my Father.” We are only genuinely “awake” in faith terms when we put the teachings of Christ into practice in our lives. That is not something that someone else can do for us - such “oil” cannot be shared or given to others. We can only do it for ourselves.

The Living Word

This weeks readings - Wisdom 6:12-16; 1Thessalonians 4:13-18; Gospel - Matthew 25:1-13.

Parish Pastoral Council Meeting

The next PPC meeting will be on this Tuesday 14th November commencing at 7.00pm in the presbytery.

SVDP Piety Stall

Now selling - 2017 Columban Calendars at \$9 each and Christmas Cards, packet of 10 for \$7.

The Epiphany Pilgrimage

Are you looking for a different way to start the new year? Maybe to meet some new people, get fit and conclude the Christmas season on a spiritual high? The Epiphany Pilgrimage is a 7 day, 110 km Catholic pilgrimage through the Blue Mountains which coincides with the Feast of the Epiphany in early January.

The pilgrimage begins at Our Lady of the Way Parish in Emu Plains on January 2 2018 and finishes at the Chapel of the Magi at the top of the mountains in Bell on January 8 2018. Throughout the journey pilgrims walk through the beautiful Blue Mountains bushland and engage in daily Mass and Adoration at each of the six parishes along the route.

For further information and to register see www.epiphanypilgrimage.org or for general information and current news see <https://www.facebook.com/epiphanypilgrimage/>

Memorial Mass for Deceased Priests

You are cordially invited to the Annual Memorial Mass for Deceased Priests, celebrated by Bishop Terry Brady on Wednesday 15th November commencing at 12pm at Mary, Mother of Mercy Chapel, Rookwood Catholic Cemetery, followed by refreshments. Please RSVP to nacym@catholiccemeteries.com.au by 10th November. (See flyer on noticeboard)

Baptism: This week, we welcome into the Catholic faith:

Elsie Mae Walter

May she always know the love of God and feel His guiding hand throughout her life.



Mass Intentions:



Recently Deceased: Maria Nguyen Thi Tuu

Anniversary: Phaolo Phan Van Loc; Salvatore Emmi; Fahme Abdul Ahad; Peter Nguyen; Maria Do Thi Tuan; Matthew Chu Long Con; Maria Chu Quynh Vy; Joseph Chu Van Doanh

Deceased: ALL NAMES OF DECEASED FOR THIS MONTH ARE IN THE BOOK INFRONT OF THE ALTAR.

Sick: Jason Timbs & Bart Hennely, Dau (Xuan); Gerard Go; Fatima; Catherine & Lourdes Raspanti; Tim Logue; baby Alan Dien Quan Nguyen; Monina Rodriguez Pineda; Tenshi Asriel Magdaleno Arcenas; Vaoliko Pesamino, Ethan Chau, Douglas Needham; Anne McKinlay; Shirley Salter; Jovie Casuso; Reyes & Adelle Lim

Next Weekend - 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year A

Readings: Proverbs 31:10-13, 19-20, 30-31; 1 Thessalonians 5:1-6; Gospel - Matthew 25:14-30.

Feasts of the week

17 November – St Elizabeth of Hungary, religious. Memorial.

Born in Bratislava (Slovakia) in 1207. Married at the age of fourteen, widowed at twenty, and died at twenty-four in Marburg (Germany) on this day in 1231. Mother of three children, happily married to Ludwig of Thuringia. When Ludwig died of the plague while on crusade, she continued to protect the poor and founded orphanages and hospitals, living this life of service as a Franciscan tertiary despite the hostility of her relatives and the harshness of her confessor. Remembered for her good-humoured resilience in adversity and for her humility in menial service of the needy.

Advent Women’s Retreat at Notre Dame Sydney

On Monday the 4th of December from 9am to 4:30pm, all women are invited to spend a day around the theme of “The Mystery of His Nativity.” There will be Mass, Adoration, opportunities for Confession and to inspiring talks. Morning tea, lunch and afternoon tea will be provided. The retreat is taking place at the Broadway Campus of the University of Notre Dame Australia. It is free, but registration is essential: 02 8204 4189 or online: www.trybooking.com/SPJK.

Youth Mass & Adoration at Punchbowl

This Wednesday the youth will be attending Mass with Fr Michael at St Jerome Punchbowl at 7.30pm followed by Adoration at 8.00pm. All Welcome.

Altar Society: 19/11/17 Group 3: Youth Group, Samoan Divine Mercy Group, Tram Vu (*Florist*)

St Vincent de Paul: 19/11/17 John Ashe **26/11/17** Thom Pham

Church Cleaners: 17/11/17: Vinh Nguyen **Children’s Liturgy:** 19th Nov - Maricel

Weekend Choir: 19/11 Saturday 6pm - St Anne’s Choir.
Sunday 8am - Singing Servants of God **Sun 10am** - Samoan Divine Mercy Group.

Readers & Ministers

	Sat 6pm	12 NOVEMBER 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	Cindy Hoang	Madelyn Nicole	Tu Nguyen	Phu Nguyen
19 NOVEMBER				
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	Madelyn Nicole	Ala Pesamino	Amelia Mezentsef
M	Joseph Bui	Robyn Molloy	Joe Luongo	Loreto Eduardo