

GOSPEL: John 15:9-17

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John.

No one can have greater love than to lay down his life for his friends.

Jesus said to his disciples: 'As the Father has loved me, so I have loved you. Remain in my love. If you keep my commandments you will remain in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commandments and remain in his love. I have told you this so that my own joy may be in you and your joy be complete. This is my commandment: love one another, as I have loved you.

A man can have no greater love than to lay down his life for his friends. You are my friends, if you do what I command you. I shall not call you servants any more, because a servant does not know his master's business; I call you friends, because I have made known to you everything I have learnt from my Father. You did not choose me, no, I chose you; and I commissioned you to go out and to bear fruit, fruit that will last; and then the Father will give you anything you ask in my name.

What I command you is to love one another.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Be a volunteer OUT THERE

Communities in Myanmar, PNG, Samoa, Timor Leste, Kiribati and Kenya seek volunteers to mentor locals and build capacity. Palms volunteers don't do quick fixes, but immerse themselves in overseas communities for long-term skill exchange. If you have teaching, medical, business, admin or trade skills, share them with our global family! Come to a Palms Info Session in Parramatta or City:

Saturday 26 May 9am
St Patrick's Cathedral Hall
1 Marist Place, PARRAMATTA
(car entry via Victoria Road)

Thursday 31 May 5:45pm
St Peter Julian's Church
432 Sussex Street, Haymarket, Sydney.



Go to www.palms.org.au/volunteer or Contact Palms on 02 9560 5333

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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:.....

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WEEKEND MASS TIMES

Saturday: 6pm (Vigil),

Sunday: 8am,

10am (Children's Liturgy),

6pm, 12noon (Polish).

THIS WEEK'S MASSES

Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday

& Saturday - 8.00am.

Thursday - 9.00am

Nursing Home Masses

NIL

Vietnamese Mass

7 pm - 1st Thurs of each month.

DEVOTIONS

Benediction: Saturday 7.00am.

Rosary: Saturday 8.25am.

Divine Mercy Prayer:

6.30pm - 1st Wed of each month.

SACRAMENTS

Reconciliation:

Saturday 4.30 - 5.30 pm

Or by appointment.

Marriages: By arrangement with at least 6 months notice.

Care for the Sick: Any time. Please call the Presbytery.

Baptisms: By appointment.

Preparation classes are held in the Presbytery on the 1st Sunday of each month after 10AM Mass .



"As the Father has loved me, so have I loved you.

Now remain in my love..." - John 15:9

Responsorial Psalm

R. The Lord has revealed to the nations his saving power.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

All who love me will keep my words, and my Father will love them and we will come to them.

Alleluia!

Comm Antiphon: If you love me, keep my commandments, says the Lord, and I will ask the Father and he will send you another Paraclete, to abide with you for ever, alleluia.

This weeks readings - Acts 10:25-26, 34-35, 44-48; 1John 4:7-10; Gospel - John 15:9-17

Next Weekend: Ascension - Year B. Readings Acts 1:1-11; Ephesians 4:1-13; Gospel - Mark 16:15-20.

Sixth Sunday of Easter - Yr B - 6 May 2018

First Holy Communion Meeting

First Holy Communion registrations are closing this weekend. The first compulsory Parents Meeting will be held in St Felix Hall this Tuesday 8th May at 7.00pm. Please ensure all registrations are returned to the Parish Office before the first meeting. The Sacrament will be held over two weekends 16/17 & 23/24 June.

Oz Rosary # 53 A virtual Rosary around Australia

Next Sunday, 13th May our Parish will be participating in Oz Rosary #53, praying the Rosary for the protection of Australia. The Rosary will be prayed in the Church after the 8.00am Mass and again at 5.00pm, just before the 6.00pm Mass. Everyone is welcome to join in.

Join Pope Francis in Panama for the 34th World Youth Day in January 2019

Sydney Catholic Youth are inviting you on the pilgrimage of a lifetime to Panama where you will celebrate Mass with Pope Francis and millions of young Catholics from around the world.

Archbishop Anthony Fisher OP will lead the Sydney pilgrimage departing on 15 January 2019 which will travel from Sydney to Washington DC, then to WYD Panama with the optional extension to travel to Mexico City.

Register your interest and find out more by visiting the website www.sydneycatholicyouth.org/wyd



Mass Intentions:

Recently Deceased: Kabalan Elachi; Michele Suriano; Vincent Minh Quang Tran; Anthony Van Thanh Nguyen

Anniversary: Bernard Danh; Eugenie Thien Tai Tran; Marie Therese Lien; Anna Do Thi Hang; Domenico Ferraro; Francesco Daniele; Giuse

Deceased:

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; Rose Nuner; Maria Carta; Dinh Thi An; Teresita Martinez; Georgina Omeros; Maria Kovatsun; Frannie; Debbie Randall (nee Goodwin); Theresa Badwi; Teresita Tenorio; Zenaida Elizondo; Maria Portia Mariano.

(Please advise the office when the names of the sick can be removed)

Weekly Rosters

Altar Society: 13/5/18 Group 2: Robyn Molloy, Enid Sneddon, Teresa Neang, Jeannette Chong, Anna & Willy Gabut, Letoe Hansell, Maria Huong Nguyen *(Florist)*

St Vincent de Paul: 13/5/18 J Obeid **20/5/18** A Nguyen

Church Cleaners: 11/5/18: Charbel Karam **Children's Liturgy:** 13th May - Belinda

Weekend Choirs: 13/5 Saturday 6pm - St Anne's Choir.

Sunday 8am - Singing Servants of God. **10 am** - St Felix Choir. **6pm** - Youth Choir.

Readers & Ministers

	Sat 6pm	6 MAY	8am	10am	6pm
C	Kalisiana Mar	Philip Castillo	Jennifer Nguyen	Lucia Mezentsef	
R	Patrick Abourizk	Ligaya Castillo	Thu Ha Kim	Kathleen Mezentsef	
A	Joseph Bui (A)	An Dang (A)	Anthony Joseph (A)	Thanh Vu (A)	
M	Gloria Booby	Mesake Mar	Jeannette Chong	Amelia Mezentsef	
M	Emmanuel Icard	Robyn Molloy	Bev Lamaro	Loreto Eduardo	

13 MAY

C	Gabrielle Nguyen	Maxwell Asuzu	Helen Vujevic	Elias Eltarraf
R	Gloria Booby	Kiara Asuzu	Jessica Vujevic	Charbel Eltarraf
A	Tuyen Tran (A)	An Dang (A)	Thong Tran (A)	Thanh Vu (A)
M	Emmanuel Icard	Thao Nguyen	Rosa House	Paul Ngoc
M	Cindy Hoang	Melanie Campisi	Tu Nguyen	Phu Nguyen

Reflection

Love one another

In family life, we have many opportunities to show love in action. Each time we postpone a task to tend to the needs of another, we show ourselves to be on the path to following the example of love shown to us by Jesus. Sometimes the sacrifices we are called upon to make for others are small. But these small choices to love and to serve others prepare us for the larger choices and sacrifices that we may be called upon to make. If we are people who have practiced showing our love for others with generosity, we will also be people who are willing to lay down our lives for those we love.

As you gather as a family, talk about the meaning of the word *generosity*. Ask each family member to describe an action that shows generosity. To be generous is to give freely to others without counting the cost. Recall that generosity is one of the Fruits of the Holy Spirit. Introduce today's Gospel reading by saying that Jesus taught us to be generous in showing our love for one another. Read together today's Gospel, John 15:9-17. What examples did Jesus give to us that show this kind of love? (washing his disciples' feet; accepting death on the cross) Jesus helps us to show this kind of love to others. In today's Gospel, Jesus promised that God will give us whatever we ask for. One of the things we can ask for from God is a generous spirit so that we can love others as Jesus did. Conclude in prayer together by praying Saint Ignatius of Loyola's Prayer for Generosity.

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CFW May Appeal

The CFW collection will be held this weekend. Parishes of the Sydney Archdiocese rely on the services provided by the CFW to deliver assistance to families in crisis, development programs for the disadvantaged, equal access for our deaf and hearing impaired, pastoral support from its chaplaincy service, training for our future priests and faith education for our Catholic parish primary school children. Donations of \$2 and over are tax deductible. Your generous donation no matter how great or small will make a difference in someone's life.

Welcome Year 6

This weekend we welcome year 6 children from the primary school and their families who are helping with the liturgy for the Sunday 10am Mass.

Bishop Vincent Long

You are invited to hear Bishop Vincent Long, an ardent supporter of Pope Francis, speaking about "the New Dawn of the Church" at 'Winbourne', the Edmund Rice Retreat and Conference Centre, 1315 Mulgoa Road, Mulgoa 11.00 am to 1.00 pm on Saturday 16th June 2018. Entry by donation. Registration 10.00 am. For further information contact Dennis Farrar 0425209840. Organised by the Passionist Family Group Movement.

Catholic Bushwalking Club

Did we meet you at the ACYF? We are waiting to hear from you. Bushwalking, Camping, Canyon and Skiing trips. Please apply via website or contact Linda 0478 919 427 www.cbcnsw.org.au

The World Apostolate of Fatima Mass

The World Apostolate of Fatima Aust. Inc. Sydney Archdiocese Committee invite you to attend our May Celebration in St. Mary's Cathedral on the 12th of May. To commence at 11.30am with entrance procession (in the Cathedral) with the Pilgrim Virgin Statue of Our Lady of Fatima with the Immaculate Heart. Fr. Peter Joseph will be Principal Celebrant. Holy Mass will commence at 12 Noon. Further enquiries please contact Rosetta on 0403578994 or Rosa on 9984-8988.

The Bishop's Blend

Bishop Richard Umbers is hosting the fourth edition of a series of breakfast events for young professionals, titled The Bishop's Blend, on Tuesday, 22nd May 2018 at 7:00am. The purpose of these events is to bring young Catholic professionals together for a quarterly breakfast, and for them to hear from a well-versed professional in a chosen field how they personally live their faith in the workplace. It will also be an opportunity for those who attend to network with other young Catholic professionals.