

GOSPEL: Mark 7:31-37.

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark.

He makes the deaf hear and the dumb speak.

Returning from the district of Tyre, Jesus went by way of Sidon towards the Sea of Galilee, right through the Decapolis region. And they brought him a deaf man who had an impediment in his speech; and they asked him to lay his hand on him. He took him aside in private, away from the crowd, put his fingers into the man's ears and touched his tongue with spittle. Then looking up to heaven he sighed; and he said to him, 'Ephphatha,' that is, 'Be opened.' And his ears were opened, and the ligament of his tongue was loosened and he spoke clearly. And Jesus ordered them to tell no one about it, but the more he insisted, the more widely they published it. Their admiration was unbounded. 'He has done all things well,' they said 'he makes the deaf hear and the dumb speak.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

St Brendan's Friendship Club

Harbour Cruise - Monday, 12th November, 2018. The cruise will commence from the Star Casino Wharf at 10:45am. Morning tea will be provided upon arrival and for lunch there will be a hot roast followed by dessert. There will be entertainment also on board. *Cost is \$50.00, (please pay as soon as possible as we need to book early). For all bookings, please telephone Venero or Catina on 9707 1403.*

World Rosary

Countries around the world are joining to hold Rosary Rallies across the world on 7th October, the Feast of Our Lady of the Rosary. Together we are calling upon God, through the powerful intercession of Our Lady of the Rosary, The World Rosary will start with a '54-day Novena' on 15th August (Feast of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary) until the feast of the Holy Rosary on the 7th October. Each nation has been asked to pray for its own intentions on the day. To sign up for the email feed to <http://holyleagueofnations.com>

Australian intentions for the world rosary will be family, rekindling of faith and continued Godly protection. We have been doing regular novena prayers to St Joseph, Eileen O Conner etc via Facebook a new one is posted every couple of weeks. The link is <https://www.facebook.com/OZROSARY53/>



In the spirit of Mary MacKillop, we invite you to bring life to
"the poorest and most neglected parts of God's vineyard."

Your donation to Mary MacKillop Today will support thousands of people in Timor-Leste, Peru, Papua New Guinea, Fiji and here in Australia with education, health and finance and livelihoods opportunities, bringing hope to communities for generations to come.

To make a donation please use the envelope provided, which can be found in the Church foyer -no postage required- or you may call Ph 02 8912 2777 or go to our website: www.marymackilloptoday.org.au

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WEEKEND MASS TIMES

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

THIS WEEK'S MASSES

Wednesday, Thursday, Friday & Saturday - 8.00am.
Tuesday - 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 .

Dylan Axalan

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Aldrin John Del Rosario

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Sebastian Joseph Mario Frost

Amy Hoang

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Felix Thanh-Nhan Huu Nguyen

William Hoang Anh Nguyen

James Nguyen

Teresa Nguyen

Alessandro Pelle

Benjamin Quang Huy Pham

Divine Saena

Lucas Silvera

Margaret Dung Phuong Tran

Joseph Khang Tran

Jessica Victor

Joseph Vu

Timothy Vuong

Kathrine Woodley

Congratulations Confirmation Candidates



Responsorial Psalm

R. Praise the Lord, my soul!

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

Jesus preached the Good News of the kingdom
and healed all who were sick.

Alleluia!

Comm Antiphon: Like the deer that yearns for running
streams, so my soul is yearning for you, my God; my soul is
thirsting for God, the living God.

This weeks readings - Isaiah 35:4-7; James 2:1-5;
Gospel - Mark 7:31-37.

Next Weekend: 24th Sun Ord Time - Year B. **Readings:**
Isaiah 50:5-9; James 2:14-18; Gospel - Mark 8:27-35

23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time - Yr B - 9 September 2018

Confirmation Thank you

The Sacrament of Confirmation was celebrated with Bishop Tony Randazzo on Friday evening. A Huge thank you to him and all the teachers and group leaders especially Acting REC, Catherine Forester and our Sacramental Co-ordinator Gloria Booby who were involved with preparing the children before and during the Mass.

Daffodil Day Morning Tea Thank you

\$400 was raised for Cancer research at our Daffodil Day morning tea last weekend. Thank you to everybody who helped and donated toward this cause.

Priests Retirement Foundation Appeal Thank you

Please ensure all donation to the Priests' Retirement foundation are returned this week. Thank you to all those who donated.

Wedding Congratulations: *Huy Quoc Nguyen & Angela Chung* *Thi Kim Phung Nguyen & Tuan Dat Nguyen*

are married at St Felix this weekend. Please keep them in your prayers.

Mass Intentions: Recently Deceased: Norma Barbara Kemp; Natalie Tran Nguyen; Yee Mei Lim; Joseph Nguyen Van Thu; Julian Marcial; Concepcion Vizcarra; Steven James McMaugh
Anniversary: Brian Charwood; Peter Tong Le; John The Baptist; Joseph Babic; Pablo de la Paz; Anna Nguyen Thi Tin; Rev. John Lander.
Deceased: Benjamin Tonel; Gil Tonel; Marina Tonel; Ramon Tonel; Vincent & Dominic; deceased members of the Reaiche Family; deceased members of the Lander & Vincent families; Ruby Roderick; Eddie Helmawan; Daminh Tiem; Nguyen Thi Tu.
Sick: Jason Timbs & Bart Hennely, Dau (Xuan); Gerard Go; Fatima; Catherine & Lourdes Raspanti; 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); Teresita Tenorio; Zenaida Elizondo; Maria Portia Mariano; Madelyn Nicole; Andrew Nguyen; Paul Truc Le.
(Please advise the office when the names of the sick can be removed)

Weekly Rosters

Altar Society: 16/9/18 Group 3: Youth Group, Samoan Divine Mercy Group, Tram Vu (*Florist*)

St Vincent de Paul: 16/9/18 D Rodrigues **23/9/18** A Nguyen

Church Cleaners: 14/9/18: Charbel Karam **Children's Liturgy:** 16th Sept - Maricel

Weekend Choirs: 16/9 Saturday 6pm - St Anne's Choir.

Sunday 8am - Singing Servants of God. **10am** - Samoan Divine Mercy Group. **6pm** - Youth Choir.

Readers & Ministers

	Sat 6pm	9 SEPTEMBER 8am	10am	6pm
C	Kalisiana Mar	Philip Castillo	Jennifer Nguyen	Elias Eltarraf
R	Emmanuel Icard	Ligaya Castillo	Emanuela Viner	Kenneth Gan
A	Tuyen Tran (A)	An Dang (A)	Thong Tran (A)	Thanh Vu (A)
M	Cindy Hoang	Thao Nguyen	Jeannette Chong	Amelia Mezentsef
M	Gloria Booby	Melanie Campisi	Ala Pesamino	Jacinta Eltarraf
16 SEPTEMBER				
C	Gabrielle Nguyen	Kiara Asuzu	Jessica Vujevic	Kathleen Mezentsef
R	Patrick Abourizk	Maxwell Asuzu	Thu Ha Kim	Lucia Mezentsef
A	Joseph Bui (A)	An Dang (A)	Anthony Joseph (A)	Thanh Vu (A)
M	Gloria Booby	Mesake Mar	Tu Nguyen	Paul Ngoc
M	Emmanuel Icard	Robyn Molloy	Helen Vujevic	Phu Nguyen

Reflection

Celebrate Jesus' healing presence

Today's Gospel invites us to consider how we witness the healing presence of Christ in our care for and ministry to those who are sick. We notice that the deaf man is brought to Jesus for healing by his friends. These people beg Jesus to lay his hands on this deaf man so that he might be healed. Jesus' healing power is shown in his opening of the man's ears and the restoring of his speech. When family members care for one another when they are sick, they bring Christ's healing presence. When we pray for those who are ill, we ask God to show his healing power. When health is restored, we share that good news with others. As you gather as a family, recall a time when a family member was ill. What steps were taken to help restore this family member to health? Talk about what it feels like to care for a person who is ill, and about how it feels to be the sick person being cared for. In today's Gospel, we hear about a time when Jesus healed a man who was deaf. Read today's Gospel, Mark 7:31-37. Notice how the man who was cured and his friends could not honour Jesus' request to keep quiet about Jesus' power to heal. We continue to celebrate Jesus' healing presence in our lives by giving thanks to God for the gift of healing and health. Conclude in prayer, thanking Jesus for the gifts of health and healing. Pray together for those who are sick. After each person is named, pray, "Jesus, heal us."

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Feasts of the Week

13 September – St John Chrysostom, bishop, doctor. Memorial.

Born in Antioch about 347. Died in exile in Comana (Turkey) on 14 September 407. After some years as a hermit, he was a priest at Antioch, where his brilliant preaching and catechesis earned him the sobriquet "Chryso-tom" (*golden-mouthed*). Appointed patriarch of Constantinople in 397. His re-forms, preaching, and ascetic life led to opposition from court and clergy and eventual banishment. Remembered for his simplicity of life, his care of the poor, the courage of his witness, and his effective preaching of the Scriptures.

14 September - The Exaltation of the Holy Cross. Feast.

Originally this day commemorated the dedication of Constantine's Basilica of the Holy Sepulchre in the fourth century; after the celebration, the wood of the cross was venerated. The feast spread in the West after the recovery of the relics of the cross from Persia in the seventh century. A feast of the Lord, it celebrates the "lifting up" of the Son of Man on the cross, into glory, and the paradox of the cross as a sign of humiliation and death, yet the source of victory and life.

15 September - Our Lady of Sorrows. Memorial.

This commemoration originated in the medieval devotion to the seven sorrows of Mary. Approved for the Servite order in the seventeenth century, it was extended to the whole Western Church in 1814 by Pius VII in thanksgiving for his release from captivity under Napoleon. In the light of Simeon's prophecy about a sword piercing Mary's soul (*Luke 2:35*), the feast celebrates Mary, first disciple and first to share in the pain and triumph of the cross.

WYD Fundraiser

Students from Lasalle Bankstown will again be selling chocolates and raffle tickets after masses next weekend, to assist their journey to World Youth Day in Panama 2019. Chocolates are \$1 to \$2.50 in price and Raffle tickets are \$2. The first prize in the raffle draw is a Toyota Yaris. We would very much like to thank you for your support as we prepare for our pilgrimage to Panama.

Josephite Assoc Meeting

A meeting of the Josephite Associates will be held in the presbytery meeting room this Sunday 9th September at 2.00pm. Anyone wishing to be involved or wish to know more about the Associates are welcome to attend or contact Robyn Molloy for more information on 9707 1292.

Choir Meeting

A meeting of all choir leaders or a representative is requested with Fr Van in the presbytery on Tuesday 11th September commencing at 7.00pm.