

GOSPEL: Luke 24:46-53

A reading from the holy gospel according to Luke

Jesus said to his disciples: 'You see how it is written that the Christ would suffer and on the third day rise from the dead, and that, in his name, repentance for the forgiveness of sins would be preached to all the nations, beginning from Jerusalem. You are witnesses to this. 'And now I am sending down to you what the Father has promised. Stay in the city then, until you are clothed with the power from on high.' Then he took them out as far as the outskirts of Bethany, and lifting up his hands he blessed them. Now as he blessed them, he withdrew from them and was carried up heaven. They worshipped him and then went back to Jerusalem full of joy; and they were continually in the Temple praising God.

The Gospel of the Lord.

Feasts of the Week

3 June — St Charles Lwanga and companions, Martyrs, Memorial

Died on this day in 1886. Between 1885 and 1887, these twenty two martyrs were among many newly baptised Catholics and Anglicans who were killed for their faith and virtue in Uganda by a debauched and brutal ruler. They included judges, catechists, soldiers, and teenage pages under the leadership of Charles Lwanga, who was burned alive. Remembered for the heroic calm of their fidelity to Christ.

5 June — St Boniface, Bishop and Martyr, Memorial

Born in Devon (England) about 675. Died in the Netherlands on this day in 754. A monk and teacher who went to evangelise the Germanic peoples. Was ordained bishop and given wide-ranging papal commissions throughout Germany and Gaul. Founded monasteries and established dioceses, presided at synods, and maintained close associations with various emperors. Remembered as a determined missionary and as a Church organiser and reformer whose work shaped the future of Europe. He is buried at his abbey of Fulda and is honoured as Apostle of Germany.

6 June — St Marcellin Champagnat, Educator, Optional Memorial

Born on 20 May 1789 in St Etienne (France). Died on this day in 1840 at Marlies (France). Went to the seminary as an illiterate farm-worker and was ordained priest at 27 years of age. Responding to the needs of his impoverished rural community, he formed a group of teenagers as teachers and religious educators, thus founding the Marist Brothers Institute within the Society of Mary. Remembered for his determination, leadership and organisational ability, and his contribution to Catholic education.

6 June — St Norbert, Bishop, Optional Memorial

Born in the Rhineland (Germany) about 1080. Died at Magdeburg on this day in 1134. A cleric in minor orders, he converted from a comfortable life in 1115, was ordained to the presbyterate, and took up a life of poverty. Founded a community of canons at Prémontré (France), austere in discipline and active in pastoral ministry. Later, as archbishop of Magdeburg, he resisted the alienation of Church property. Remembered for his zealous reform of clerical life and for the example of his attachment to the values of the gospel.

A message from the Archdiocese of Sydney

Child sexual abuse is a crime. The appropriate people to deal with a crime are the police. If you – or anyone you know – have been abused, please contact the police. Alternatively, you can contact the Safeguarding and Ministerial Integrity Office at (02) 9390 5810 or safeguardingenquiries@sydneycatholic.org.

You may also want to speak to your Parish Priest who will be able to provide support and guidance.

Catechist & Friendship Group: Bev Lamaro 0409 710 703; **Choir:** Line Collet 0410 568 103;
Youth: Alison De Sousa 0421 660 187; **Pastoral Council:** Patrick Abou-rizk 0416 035 993 ;
St Vincent de Paul: Diago Rodrigues 0439643859; **Bankstown Josephite Associates:** Robyn Molloy 9707 1292;
Children's Liturgy: Marie El-Chaar 9709 3451; **Cemetery Committee:** Maureen Vincent 9790 4217;
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WEEKEND MASS TIMES

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

THIS WEEK'S MASSES

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

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



Responsorial Psalm

R. God mounts his throne to shouts of joy: a blare of trumpets for the Lord.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

Go and teach all people my gospel.
I am with you always, until the end of the world.
Alleluia!

Comm Antiphon: Behold, I am with you always,
even to the end of the age, alleluia.

This weeks readings - Acts 1:1-11; Ephesians 1:17-23;
Luke 24:46-53

Next Weekend: Pentecost Sunday - Year C. Readings:
Acts 2:1-11; Romans 8:8-17; John 14:15-16, 23-26

Ascension of the Lord - Yr C - 2 June 2019

Parish Pastoral Council meeting

The Parish Council will meet on Tuesday 4th June commencing at 7.00pm in the presbytery.

Youth Fundraiser BBQ

The youth and young adults will be holding a fundraising breakfast BBQ after the 8am and 10am Masses next Sunday.

Youth and Young Adults—Upcoming Events

Wed 12th June — 7.30pm — Bible study followed by Adoration at 8.30pm

Wed 19th June — 7.30pm — Catechesis Night

Wed 26th June — 7.30pm — Bible study followed by Adoration at 8.30pm

All welcome. Keep in touch through facebook - [facebook.com/StFelix100](https://www.facebook.com/StFelix100)

Australian Catholics Magazine

New editions of the Australian Catholics Magazine are available at the church doors. This issue of the magazine focus on mental health and wellness from a Catholic point of view and contains numerous articles on the topic. Please take a copy home.

Mass Intentions:

Recently Deceased: Maria

Anniversary: Carmela Pulitano, Bernard Danh, Eugenie Thien Tai Tran, Phaolo Minh Truc Le, Jean Marie An, Guise Hoang Xuan Trung, Phaolo Do Van Dieu, Matthew Chu Van Minh, Joseph Chu Minh Tam, Phero Phan The Cuong, Phalo Phan Van Tho.

Deceased: Anna and Phero

Sick: Sr Ann Myriam Crouch, Christopher Amodeo, Marie Abi-Saab, Tom Quilty, Jason Timbs & Bart Hennely, Dau (Xuan); Gerard Go; Fatima Fernandes; Rukmani Krishnan; Catherine & Lourdes Raspanti; baby Alan Dien Quan Nguyen; Monina Rodriguez Pineda; Tenshi Asriel Magdaleno Arcenas; Rose Nuner; Maria Carta; Dinh Thi An; Teresita Martinez; Maria Kovatsun; Frannie; Madelyn Nicole; Andrew Nguyen; Jun Ibarra; Abida Gill; Vo Van Kiet; Maria Portia Mariano; Brian Dimmock; Maria Bui Thi Don; Josette Ackad; Linda Yusnanda; Diana Emilie Perez (*daughter of Rosa House*)

Weekly Rosters

Altar Society: 9/6/19 Group 1: Robyn Molloy, Rosa House, Jeannette Chong, Anna & Willy Gabut, Hien & Vu Bui (Florist)

St Vincent de Paul: 9/6/19 D Rodrigues 16/6/19 Andrew Nguyen

Church Cleaners: 7/6/19: Polish group **Children's Liturgy: 9th June - Maricel**

Weekend Choirs: 9/6 Saturday 6pm - St Anne's Choir
Sunday 8am - Singing Servants of God Sunday 10am - St Mary Mackillop Choir. 6pm - Youth Choir

Readers & Ministers

	Sat 6pm	2 JUNE	8am	10am	6pm
C	Gloria Booby		Thuy Linh Nguyen	Anthony Rowe	Lucia Mezentsef
R	Patrick Abourizk		Imelda Dela Cruz	Mary O'Hea	Kathleen Mezentsef
A	Joseph Bui (A)		An Dang (A)	Anthony Joseph (A)	Thanh Vu (A)
M	Emmanuel Icard		Mesake Mar	Tu Nguyen	Paul Ngoc
M	Judy Jones		Robyn Molloy	Bev Lamaro	Phu Nguyen
9 JUNE					
C	Kalisiana Mar		Philip Castillo	Helen Vujevic	Elias Eltarraf
R	Emmanuel Icard		Ligaya Castillo	Jessica Vujevic	Charbel Eltarraf
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

Reflection

Jesus is taken to heaven and the disciples remain in Jerusalem awaiting his sending of the Spirit.

Any family that has tried to sit down to a family dinner or packed the car for a trip has heard children argue at least once about who should sit where. To sit next to someone, especially if that person is important, is to have a place of honour. Jesus has this place of honour, seated now at the right hand of the Father (as we say in the Nicene Creed and the Apostles' Creed), but there's more to this metaphor than where Jesus sits in relation to God. To be in the place of honour is also to be in a place of power. Knowing people in powerful places can be very helpful. Children remind us of this each time we are called upon to referee a conflict. Jesus, honoured now at God's right hand, is a powerful ally for us.

As you gather as a family, recall a time when there was a discussion, or perhaps even an argument, about where people were going to sit. Talk about why it might be important to a person to sit in a particular place. Mention that in this Sunday's Gospel we learn about Jesus' place in heaven. Read together Luke 24:46-53. Talk about how in the Creed we describe Jesus' place in heaven as "seated at the right hand of the Father." Discuss what we might learn about the relationship between God and Jesus from today's Gospel and from the Creed and what we can learn about Jesus' relationship to us. Observe that one of the things we learn is that Jesus continues to help us from this place of honour in heaven. Pray together the Apostles' Creed.

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Position Vacant – Surry Hills

We currently have a secretarial position available in Surry Hill Parish. Days of work are negotiable. Need PACS and MYOB experience in addition to Administrative duties. If you are interested, please send your updated resume and cover letter to parish.support@sydneycatholic.org

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25th Anniversary National Pilgrimage. The Sisters of St Joseph invite you to join the 25th anniversary National Pilgrimage, giving you the opportunity to journey to places in Australia made holy by St Mary MacKillop. The Pilgrimage commences in Melbourne 22 October, visiting Penola, Adelaide and other significant places, and concludes in Sydney 2 November 2019. Cost \$3,575 – \$4,390 (twin share) depending on capital city of departure (Australia or New Zealand). Single supplement for all areas \$685 pp.

For a brochure, application form or further information please email national.pilgrimage@mmp.org.au or call Sr Therese Leydon rsj on 0417 683 123, or Sr Annie Bond rsj on (02) 8912 4818.