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20th Sunday in Ordinary Time - Yr A - 16 August 2020

WEEKEND MASS TIMES

Saturday: 6pm (Vigil),

Sunday: 8am, 10am
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.

Polish Mass

6 pm - 1st Friday of every month
plus every Friday during Lent, May,
June, October and November.

DEVOTIONS

Benediction: 2nd & 4th Wednesday
of the Month at 8.30pm.

**No Benediction 7am Saturday until
further notice.**

Vietnamese 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: Ring for an appointment



But I trust in your unfailing love;
my heart rejoices in your salvation.
Psalm 13:5 (N.I.V.)

Penitential Act

I confess to almighty God
and to you, my brothers and sisters,
that I have greatly sinned,
in my thoughts and in my words,
in what I have done and in what I have failed to do,
through my fault, through my fault,
through my most grievous fault;
therefore I ask blessed Mary ever-Virgin,
all the Angels and Saints,
and you, my brothers and sisters,
to pray for me to the Lord our God.

May almighty God have mercy on us,
forgive us our sins,
and bring us to everlasting life.

Amen.

Lord, have mercy. **Lord, have mercy.**
Christ, have mercy. **Christ, have mercy.**
Lord, have mercy. **Lord, have mercy.**

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TO STOP THE SPREAD OF GERMS.**

Gloria

Glory to God in the highest,
and on earth peace to people of good will.

We praise you,
we bless you,
we adore you,
we glorify you,
we give you thanks for your great glory,
Lord God, heavenly King,
O God, almighty Father.

Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son,
Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,
you take away the sins of the world,
have mercy on us;
you take away the sins of the world,
receive our prayer;
you are seated at the right hand of the Father,
have mercy on us.

For you alone are the Holy One,
you alone are the Lord,
you alone are the Most High,
Jesus Christ,
with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God the Father.

Amen.

First Reading - Isaiah 56:1, 6-7

A reading from the prophet Isaiah

I will lead the foreigners to my holy mountain.

Thus says the Lord: Have a care for justice, act with integrity, for soon my salvation will come and my integrity be manifest.

Foreigners who have attached themselves to the Lord to serve him and to love his name and be his servants - all who observe the sabbath, not profaning it, and cling to my covenant - these I will bring to my holy mountain. I will make them joyful in my house of prayer. Their holocausts and their sacrifices will be accepted on my altar, for my house will be called a house of prayer for all the peoples.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Responsorial Psalm

R. O God, let all the nations praise you!

O God, be gracious and bless us
and let your face shed its light upon us.
So will your ways be known upon earth
and all nations learn your saving help. **R.**

Let the nations be glad and exult
for you rule the world with justice.
With fairness you rule the peoples,
you guide the nations on earth. **R.**

Let the peoples praise you, O God;
let all the peoples praise you.
May God still give us his blessing
till the ends of the earth revere him. **R.**

Second Reading - Romans 11:13-15, 29-32

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Romans

The gifts and call of God are irrevocable.

Let me tell you pagans this: I have been sent to the pagans as their apostle, and I am proud of being sent, but the purpose of it is to make my own people envious of you, and in this way save some of them. Since their rejection meant the reconciliation of the world, do you know what their admission will mean? Nothing less than a resurrection from the dead! God never takes back his gifts or revokes his choice.

Just as you changed from being disobedient to God, and now enjoy mercy because of their disobedience, so those who are disobedient now - and only because of the mercy shown to you - will also enjoy mercy eventually. God has imprisoned all men in their own disobedience only to show mercy to all mankind.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

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

Alleluia!

Gospel - Matthew 15:21-28

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew

Woman, you have great faith.

Jesus left Gennesaret and withdrew to the region of Tyre and Sidon. Then out came a Canaanite woman from that district and started shouting, 'Sir, Son of David, take pity on me. My daughter is tormented by a devil.' But he answered her not a word. And his disciples went and pleaded with him. 'Give her what she wants,' they said 'because she is shouting after us.' He said in reply, 'I was sent only to the lost sheep of the House of Israel.' But the woman had come up and was kneeling at his feet. 'Lord,' she said 'help me.' He replied, 'It is not fair to take the children's food and throw it to the house-dogs.' She retorted, 'Ah yes, sir; but even house-dogs can eat the scraps that fall from their master's table.' Then Jesus answered her, 'Woman, you have great faith. Let your wish be granted.' And from that moment her daughter was well again.

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

The Creed

I believe in one God,
the Father almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all things visible and invisible.

I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ,
the only Begotten Son of God,
born of the Father before all ages.
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten not made, consubstantial with the Father
through him all things were made.
For us men and for our salvation
He came down from heaven
and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin
Mary, and became man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius
Pilate, he suffered death and was buried,
and rose again on the third day
in accordance with the Scriptures.
He ascended into heaven and is seated at the
right hand of the Father.

He will come again in glory to judge the living and
the dead and his kingdom will have no end.
I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of
life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son is adored and
glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.
I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic
Church. I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness
of sins and look forward to the resurrection of the
dead and the life of the world to come.
Amen.

New Tap & Go Facility

A new Tap & Go terminal is now available in
the Church for those who wish to make a donation
into 2nd Collection with their card. This facility can
be used as an alternative to placing cash into the
2nd Collection bag. NO RECEIPTS will be issued
for any donation made this way. The terminal is
set to take a minimum \$10 per tap.

If you wish to make donations to the Church
and obtain a tax receipt, please contact the Parish
Office and Marie will register you for Planned
Giving.

Congratulations Sister

Theresa Thi Nga Nguyen L.S.S

We congratulate Sister Theresa who made
her final vows last Saturday 8th August here at St
Felix Church.

Bishop Vincent Long Van Nguyen OFM Conv.
was the principal celebrant together with several
concelebrating priests. It was lovely to see many
Lasallian Brothers and religious brothers and
sisters there. The Mass and the music was
inspiring and uplifting.

We wish her continued blessings in responding
to Jesus' call to follow her vocation inspired by
the charism of St John Baptist de La Salle.

We are COVID SAFE

Following the Government and Archdiocese
instructions we have a COVID-19 safety plan and are
committed to keeping you safe. By achieving this we
need your co-operation and understanding.

* If you are unwell please stay home and get tested.

* The maximum amount of people allowed in our
Premises are; Church **100**, Parish Centre **27** and
Presbytery Meeting Room **11**.

* You must register your details when entering any of
our Premises.

* Sanitise your hands when you come into any
premises.

* Always keep a distance of 1.5m although families
can sit together but must still keep a 1.5m distance
from others.

* When coming to receive Holy Communion please be
mindful to keep 1.5m distance from the person in front
of you.

* Congregational singing is forbidden.

* Bulletin must be taken with you after use.

* Parishioners are discouraged from mingling before
or after Mass.

* During this time of Pandemic you are still dispensed
from attending Sunday Mass. Although live streaming
of St Felix Masses is no longer available online, you
can access online Masses
via the Archdiocese website
www.sydneycatholic.org/live-masses/

We thank you for your patience and support during
this time.

**The NSW Government has recommended
parishioners wear face masks when attending
religious services as an additional safeguard to
help combat the spread of COVID-19.**

Mass Intentions:

Recently Deceased: Gioan Baotixita Pham Huu

Nghi; Maria Caterina Mai Thi Dam; Keith Fisher;

Lucia Duong Thi Thuy Hong; Anthony Mangan

Anniversary: Ambrosio DeBellis; Maria Nguyen

Thi Nguyet; Maria Portia Mariano; Sergio Ondus Sr;

Paul Phan Hop Trong; Maria Ngo Thi Tuyen;

Emmanuel Leo Icard; Lethi Truoc; Mathew Chu

Van Minh; Mathew Chu Van Tuynh.

Deceased: Phanxico Xavie Tran Vi; Margarita

Labuguen Lazo; Manuel Lazo; Lovell Johnello

Lazo; Newton Wynia; Josef, Anna, Cecilia, Maria,

Micae

Sick: Marie Abi-Saab, Tom Quilty, Jason Timbs &

Bart Hennely, Dau (Xuan); Gerard Go; Fatima

Fernandes; Marian Periera; Catherine & Lourdes

Raspanti; baby Alan Dien Quan Nguyen; Monina

Rodriguez Pineda; Tenshi Asriel Magdaleno

Arcenas; Rose Nuner; Maria Carta; Teresita

Martinez; Maria Kovatsun; Frannie; Madelyn

Nicole; Jun Ibarra; Abida Gill; Vo Van Kiet; Maria

Bui Thi Don; Josette Ackad; Nivea Wani; Diana

Emilie Perez; Billy; Ginette Sharok.

Reflection

Faith & Trust

Even when spurned by Jesus, the faith of the Canaanite woman makes her bold enough to argue and ask again for what she needs. Her persistence and great confidence that Jesus could heal her daughter reminds us of the confidence with which our children bring to us their own needs. In their faith and trust we can find modern examples of how we might approach God in prayer.

As a family recall some times when a request for something was presented by one family member to another with confidence and persistence. If the request was denied, talk about why that was so. If the request was eventually granted, talk about what led to the change of heart. Then read together today's Gospel, Matthew 15:21-28. Was anyone surprised by Jesus' response to the Canaanite woman? Why or why not? What makes Jesus change his mind and heal the woman's daughter? When we pray, God wants us to be as confident in his mercy. Invite family members to identify the things that they most need from God. Pray these prayers of petition together as a family, confident that God will hear and answer your prayers.

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ROSTERS

	Sat 6pm	16 AUGUST	8am	10am	6pm
Reader 1	Patrick Abourizk	Maxwell Asuzu	Helen Vujevic		
Reader 2	Kalisiana Mar	Kiara Asuzu	Mary O'Hea		Anthony Eltarraf
Acolyte	Joseph Bui (A)	An Dang (A)	Anthony Joseph (A)		Thanh Vu (A)
Choir	St Anne	SSOG	Youth		Youth 2
23 AUGUST					
Reader 1	Gloria Booby	Thuy Linh Nguyen	Henrietta Owusu		Anthony Tran
Reader 2	Jessica Vujevic	Joseph Dang	Emanuela Viner		Nhung Bui
Acolyte	Tuyen Tran (A)	An Dang (A)	Thong Tran (A)		Thanh Vu (A)
Choir	SMMC	SSOG	St Felix		Youth 3
	16 August	23 August	Notes: <u>SSOG:</u> Singing Servants of God <u>SDMG:</u> Samoan Divine Mercy Group <u>SMMC:</u> St Mary Mackillop's Choir <u>Group 4:</u> Denice Severi, Phyllis Vujkovic, Margaret Eastburn, Giovanna LaBarbera, Denise Ashe, Chris Kreltszheim, Eric Valencia, Bach Lam		
Altar Society	Group 3	Group 4 (see notes)			
Church Cleaners	Vinh Nguyen	Mai Hai			
SVDP	Andrew Nguyen	Thom Pham			

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. The Archdiocese has a legal obligation to report crimes to the police.

Catechist & Friendship Group: Bev Lamaro 0409 710 703; **Choir:** Alison De Sousa 0421 660 187;
Youth: Aurora Doueihy 0428 755 022; **Pastoral Council:** Patrick Abou-rizk 0416 035 993;
St Vincent de Paul: Diago Rodrigues 9791 5209; **Bankstown Josephite Associates:** Robyn Molloy 9707 1292;
Children's Liturgy: Marie El-Chaar 9709 3451; **Cemetery Committee:** Maureen Vincent 9790 4217;
Sacramental co-ordinator: Gloria Booby 0413 294 224; **Safeguarding Officer:** Anthony Chadrawy 9790 1933;
Polish Priests: 8783 0533; **De La Salle Brothers:** 9708 2692;
St. Felix Primary School: 9796 7875 Frances Bonanno - Principal;
LaSalle Catholic College: 9793 5600 Mr Michael Egan - Principal;
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