



St Felix deValois Parish

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32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time - Yr A - 8 November 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

Adoration & Benediction:

Tuesday 7.30pm - 8.30pm.
Saturday 7.00am - 8.00am

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

CWF November Parish Appeal



The **Charitable Works Fund (CWF) November Appeal** will be happening this weekend and we need your help. Your donation

CHARITABLE WORKS FUND

Your *local* charity

will help those most vulnerable in Sydney - including our local Aboriginal community, as well as single mothers facing homelessness, people struggling with mental health issues and many others.

Special envelopes are available at the parish.

Alternatively, you can learn more and donate securely at www.ourfaithourworks.org/cwf.

Donations of \$2 or more are tax deductible.

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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PLEASE TAKE IT HOME
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 - Wisdom 6:12-16

A reading from the book of Wisdom
Wisdom is found by those who look for it.

Wisdom is bright, and does not grow dim.
By those who love her she is readily seen,
and found by those who look for her.
Quick to anticipate those who desire her, she
makes herself known to them.
Watch for her early and you will have no trouble;
you will find her sitting at your gates.
Even to think about her is understanding fully
grown; be on the alert for her and anxiety will
quickly leave you.
She herself walks about looking for those who are
worthy of her
and graciously shows herself to them as they go,
in every thought of theirs coming to meet them.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Responsorial Psalm

R. My soul is thirsting for you O Lord my God.

O God, you are my God, for you I long;
for you my soul is thirsting.
My body pines for you
like a dry, weary land without water. **R.**

So I gaze on you in the sanctuary
to see your strength and your glory.
For your love is better than life,
my lips will speak your praise. **R.**

So I will bless you all my life,
in your name I will lift up my hands.
My soul shall be filled as with a banquet,
my mouth shall praise you with joy. **R.**

On my bed I remember you.
On you I muse through the night
for you have been my help;
in the shadow of your wings I rejoice. **R.**

Second Reading - 1 Thessalonians 4:13-14

A reading from the first letter of St Paul to the
Thessalonians

*Those who died as Christians, God will bring to life
with Jesus.*

We want you to be quite certain, brothers, about
those who have died, to make sure that you do not
grieve about them, like the other people who have
no hope. We believe that Jesus died and rose
again, and that it will be the same for those who
have died in Jesus: God will bring them with him.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

Be watchful and ready:
you know not when the Son of Man is coming.

Alleluia!

Gospel - Matthew 25:1-13

A reading from the holy Gospel according to
Matthew

Look, the bridegroom comes. Go out to meet him.

Jesus told this parable to his disciples: "The
kingdom of heaven will be like this: Ten bridesmaids
took their lamps and went to meet the bridegroom.
Five of them were foolish and five were sensible:
the foolish ones did take their lamps, but they
brought no oil, whereas the sensible ones took
flasks of oil as well as their lamps. The bridegroom
was late, and they all grew drowsy and fell asleep.
But at midnight there was a cry, "The bridegroom is
here! Go out and meet him." At this, all those
bridesmaids woke up and trimmed their lamps, and
the foolish ones said to the sensible ones, "Give us
some of your oil: our lamps are going out." But they
replied, "There may not be enough for us and for
you; you had better go to those who sell it and buy
some for yourselves." They had gone off to buy it
when the bridegroom arrived. Those who were
ready went in with him to the wedding hall and the
door was closed. The other bridesmaids arrived
later. "Lord, Lord," they said, "open the door for us."
But he replied, "I tell you solemnly, I do not know
you." So stay awake, because you do not know
either the day or the hour.

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.

Baptism:

This week, we welcome into the Catholic faith:

Alyssa Jane Nguyen

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

COVID-19 update

Restrictions on church attendance are eased
further to allow for up to 300 attendees at Masses,
as long as churches follow a four square metre
rule. **Our Church is permitted to have a
maximum of 110 people** according to this rule.
Weddings allow 110 people although Funerals are
still limited to 100 people. Churches are required
to keep records of all attending Masses for contact
tracing purposes and the NSW Government
recommends that church-goers continue to wear
face masks when attending Mass. Social
distancing and strict hygiene are still required.

Return & Earn Container

The Parish has a new Blue bin at the side of
Church. You are welcome to place your
uncrushed, unbroken Aluminum cans, plastic
bottles, cardboard poppers and drink containers for
recycling. The Parish gets 10 cents for each
container returned. A small way to support the
Parish and protect the environment at the same
time.

Thùng Đựng Lon Tái Chế

Xin chỉ bỏ vào thùng những lon hay vỏ chai như
chỉ dẫn trên nắp thùng. Xin đừng làm bể hay đập
đẹp lon hay vỏ chai. Chân thành cảm ơn.

Parish Pastoral Council Meeting

The next meeting for PPC is on Thursday
19 November commencing at 7.00pm in the
Parish Centre.

Use QR Code to register

During this time of COVID all parishioners
need to sign in at the door before entering the
Church. It would be a great help if you have a
mobile to **scan the QR code and enter your
details** as required. Thank you.

1st Reconciliation - Thank you

Candidates received the Sacrament of 1st
Reconciliation on Wednesday. We would like to
thank our Sacramental Co-ordinator Gloria Booby,
our REC Courtney Cohen and the teachers at St
Felix primary for preparing the children and helping
with the Liturgy on Wednesday evening.

Mass Intentions for November

Offerings for the deceased during November
will be collected and remembered as a whole at
each Mass. All names will be placed on the Altar
and remain there for the entire month.

Mass Intentions:

Recently Deceased: Thomas Shuttleworth; Giuse
Tran Trong Phu; Cong Nhan Nguyen

Anniversary: Fahme Abdul Ahad

Deceased: *All names for the deceased are on the
Altar*

Sick: Marie Abi-Saab, Tom Quilty, Jason Timbs &
Bart Hennely, Dau (Xuan); Gerard Go; Fatima
Fernandes; Marian Periera; 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; Eugene
Maulguet; Tuet Anh Ngo; Cassandra O'Keefe.

Reflection

Ready to receive Jesus

In the daily activities of family life, we can easily find excuses for not attending to our spiritual lives. If not given top priority, prayer and reading Scripture risk becoming occasional activities rather than daily practices. In today's Gospel, Jesus reminds us that if we fail to give our spiritual life priority, we will find ourselves unprepared to receive Jesus. Daily prayer and spiritual practice keeps us ready to receive Jesus.

Gather together as a family and talk about some of the things our faith calls us to do every day and every week to keep God first in our lives. Talk about what might happen if we don't do these things regularly. Explain to your family that Jesus taught us that it is important to keep ourselves ready to receive him when he comes again. Tell them to listen as you read the parable that Jesus tells in today's Gospel. Read aloud Matthew 25:1-13. Talk with your family about why Jesus says that it is so important to remain ready to receive the Kingdom of Heaven. Pray together that your family will always keep God first in your lives so that you will all be prepared to receive Jesus when he comes. Pray together the *Act of Hope*.

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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.



ROSTERS

	Sat 6pm	8 NOVEMBER	8am	10am	6pm
Reader 1	Gloria Booby	Philip Castillo	Henrietta Owusu	Nhung Bui	
Reader 2	Jessica Vujevic	Ligaya Castillo	Emanuela Viner	Harriet Owusu	
Acolyte	Joseph Bui (A)	An Dang (A)	Thong Tran (A)	Thanh Vu (A)	
Choir	St Anne	SSOG	Amelia & Kathleen	Elias	
15 NOVEMBER					
Reader 1	Emmanuel Icard	Kiara Asuzu	Thu Ha Kim	Anthony Tran	
Reader 2	Gabrielle Nguyen	Maxwell Asuzu	Anthony Rowe	" "	
Acolyte	Joseph Bui (A)	An Dang (A)	Anthony Joseph (A)	Thanh Vu (A)	
Choir	St Anne	SSOG	St Felix	Elias	
	8 November	15 November	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 3:</u> Youth Group, Tram Vu (<i>Florist</i>)		
Altar Society	Group 2	Group 3 (<i>see notes</i>)			
Church Cleaners	Charbel Karam	Vinh Nguyen			
SVDP	J Obeid	A Nguyen			

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 Companions:** 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;
Archdiocesan Website: www.sydney.catholic.org.au