



# St Felix deValois Parish

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## 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

**Tuesday** - 10.30am Bupa Yagoona

## 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



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## 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 4:1-13  
Mark 16:15-20

**Next Weekend:** Pentecost Sunday.

**Readings:** Acts 2:1-11; Galatians 5:16-25;  
John 15:26-27, 16, 12-15

**The Ascension of the Lord - Yr B - 16 May 2021**

## LATEST COVID-19 update effective Thursday 6th May 2021

The Government has reintroduced some COVID restrictions. From 5PM Thursday 6th May:

- **Face masks must be worn indoors** (apart from the celebrant)
- **No congregational singing is permitted**

Other current restrictions are still to be observed.

- All attendees are still required **to use the QR code for signing in**, those parishioners who do not have this facility must sign in on paper.
- **Strict hygiene** is still required.
- Do not leave any printed materials or loose items lying around - please take them with you.

## Congratulations Ben

Our congratulations go to Ben Saliba who has been admitted to Candidacy this weekend at St Mary's Cathedral. What is Candidacy? It is a rite by which one who aspires to ordination as deacon or presbyter publicly manifests his will to offer himself to God and the Church so that he may exercise a sacred order. The Church in accepting this offering chooses and calls him to prepare himself to receive a sacred order. In this way he is properly admitted into the ranks of candidates for the diaconate or presbyterate. The rite of admission is celebrated when the candidates have reached a maturity of purpose and are shown to have necessary qualifications.

Please keep Ben in your prayers as he continues his journey into the priesthood.

## Mass Intentions:

**Recently Deceased:** Maria Nguyen Thi Lan; Ivan Musa; Milica Ravic

**Anniversary:** Judes Collet; Michel Bru; Robert Forbes; Anna Thi Xuyen Tran; Dominico Nguyen Van Huy; Sosefina & Mino Tuimaog; Mathew Chu Van Minh; Paul Do Van Cao; Giuse Chu Van Hop; Maria Cynthia Joanne Ha.

**Deceased:** Mary Mun; JB Nghi; Mary Ngo; Therese Nga; Rose Nguyet; Anderjana Sultana; Toma Le Van Thien; Anna Nguyen Thi Gam; Maria Le Thi Binh; Anna Ngoc Anh; Jim Fallon; Norma Copton

**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; Cassandra O'Keefe; Lagi Amoa; Clarence Ally; Jane Aquino; Connie Naumanen; Glory Bereira; Gladys Broudou; Jenny; Hoa Mai; Wayne Waters.

## Weekly Rosters

	Sat 6pm	16 MAY	8am	10am	6pm
Reader 1	Patrick Abourizk	Kiara Asuzu	Helen Vujevic	Anthony Tran	
Reader 2	Emmanuel Icard	Maxwell Asuzu	Thu Ha Kim	" "	
Acolyte	Joseph Bui (A)	An Dang (A)	Anthony Joseph (A)	Thanh Vu (A)	
Choir	St Anne	SSOG	St Felix	Elias	
<b>23 MAY</b>					
Reader 1	Gabrielle Nguyen	Joseph Dang	Anthony Rowe	Harriet Owusu	
Reader 2	Gloria Booby	Thuy Linh Nguyen	Emanuela Viner	" "	
Acolyte	Tuyen Tran (A)	An Dang (A)	Thong Tran (A)	Thanh Vu (A)	
Choir	SMMC	SSOG	St Felix	Jess	
	<b>16 May</b>	<b>23 May</b>	<b>Notes:</b> SMMC: St Mary MacKillop Choir SSOG: Singing Servants of God Group 4: Denice Severi, Margaret Eastburn, Giovanna LaBarbera, Denise Ashe, Eric Valencia, Bach Lam ( <i>Florist</i> )		
Altar Society	Group 3	Group 4 ( <i>see notes</i> )			
Church Cleaners	El Shaddai group	Vinh Nguyen			
SVDP	A Nguyen	D Rodrigues			

Reflection

## Jesus' Place In Heaven

It can be very important whom we sit next to. 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 at God's right hand, 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 helpful. Our children remind us of this each time we are called upon to referee a conflict. Jesus, honoured 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. Observe that in today's Gospel we will learn about Jesus' place in heaven. Read together today's Gospel, Mark 16:15-20. Talk about what we might learn about the relationship between God and Jesus from today's Gospel and what we 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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### Saturday 22nd May - Anniversary of Solemn Dedication of St Felix Church

In our parish the 22nd May each year is a Solemnity, the highest rank of feast day, as it is the anniversary of when our parish church was solemnly dedicated. Although the church has been in use for many decades it was only dedicated in 2001 and this year we celebrate the 20th anniversary of that event. The 8am Mass on Saturday May 22nd will be a Mass to celebrate this very local Solemnity.

### Parish Pastoral Committee Meeting

The first PPC meeting for the year will be held next Tuesday 25th May commencing at 7pm in the presbytery.

### St Brendan's Friendship club

Another outing is being organised by St Brendan's, this time to Cataract Dam on Monday 14 June 2021. (Public Holiday) Cost is \$65 Adults & \$55 for children. This includes morning tea & lunch. To book contact Venero or Catina on 9707 1403 or 0403 852 811. (See flyer on noticeboard)

### 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](mailto:admin@stfelixparish.org.au)

Name..... Telephone No.: .....

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WOULD LIKE ENVELOPES

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## **GOSPEL: Mark 16:15-20**

**A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark.**

*The Lord Jesus was taken into heaven and is seated at the right hand of God.*

Jesus showed himself to the Eleven, and said to them, 'Go out to the whole world, proclaim the Good News to all creation. He who believes and is baptised will be saved; he who does not believe will be condemned. These are the signs that will be associated with believers: in my name they will cast out devils; they will have the gift of tongues; they will pick up snakes in their hands, and be unharmed should they drink deadly poison; they will lay their hands on the sick, who will recover.'

And so the Lord Jesus, after he had spoken to them, was taken up into heaven: there at the right hand of God he took his place, while they, going out, preached everywhere, the Lord working with them and confirming the word by the signs that accompanied it.

The Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

## **CWF Thank you**

Thank you for supporting the CWF May Parish Appeal. On behalf of this parish, we sincerely thank you for supporting the Charitable Works Fund (CWF) May Appeal. Through your generous gift, we are able to continue in our mission to provide care for the most vulnerable in our community through our CWF agencies and ministries. For more information, please visit [www.ourfaithhourworks.org/cwf](http://www.ourfaithhourworks.org/cwf)

**Please return all donation envelopes by the end of the week.**

## **Tap & Go Facility**

You may be aware of the Tap & Go Facility which is positioned in the Church foyer. For your convenience you can make a donation to the Church by tapping your card onto the machine. Each tap is now set at \$10. Thank you

## **Keeping COVID safe**

You'll find information and updates here: <https://www.sydneycatholic.org/coronavirus-updates/>.



## **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](mailto: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](http://www.sydney.catholic.org.au)