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THIS WEEK'S MASSES

CHURCH IS CURRENTLY CLOSED
DUE TO COVID RESTRICTIONS

WEEKEND MASS TIMES

Sunday: 10am online

Nursing Home Masses

NIL

Vietnamese Mass

NIL

Polish Mass

NIL

DEVOTIONS

NIL

SACRAMENTS

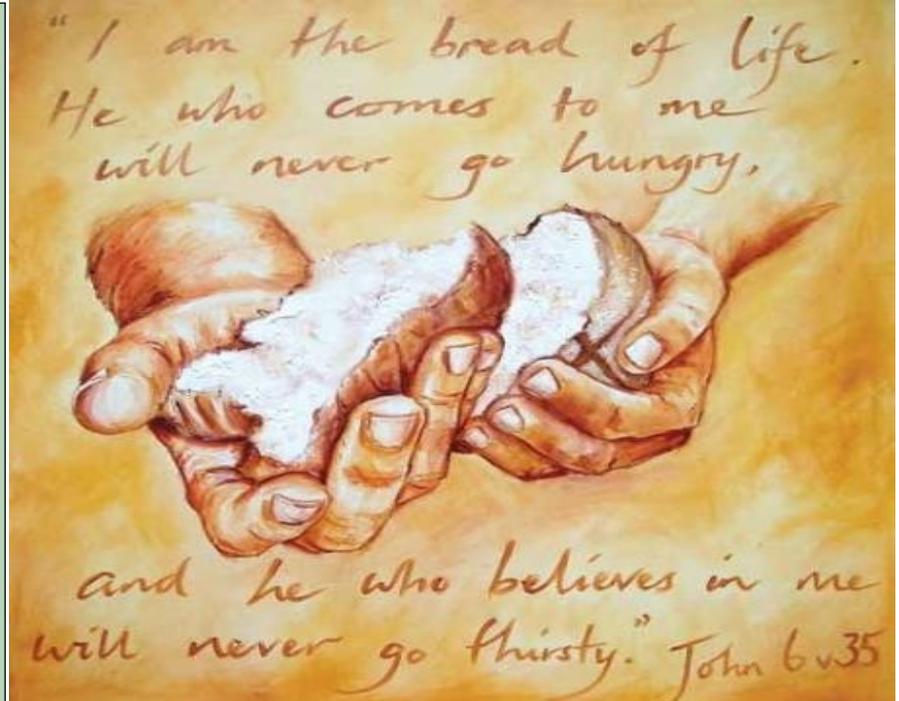
Reconciliation:

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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Online Masses can be viewed via our Facebook page
or the Archdiocese website.

<https://www.sydneycatholic.org/live-masses/>

Responsorial Psalm

R. The Lord gave them bread from heaven.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

No one lives on bread alone,
but on every word that comes from the mouth of God.

Alleluia

Comm Antiphon:

You have given us, O Lord, bread from heaven,
endowed with all delights and sweetness in every taste.

This weeks readings:

Exodus 16:2-4, 12-15; Ephesians 4:17, 20-24; John 6:24-35.

Next Weekend: Solemnity of St Mary of the Cross MacKillop

Readings: 1Kings 17:8-16; Colossians 3:12-17;

Matthew 6:25-34

18th Sunday in Ordinary Time - Yr B - 1 August 2021

Reflection

Praise and thank God

In today's Gospel, the crowd asks Jesus for a sign so that they can believe that he has come from God. This is a curious request, because Jesus has just fed more than 5000 people with just five barley loaves and two fish. How quickly they seem to have forgotten the wonderful thing that Jesus has done for them. Or, maybe they never recognized the miracle in the first place. Sometimes we don't recognize the wonderful things that God has done for us. And, sometimes, we simply forget and ask for further evidence of his love and care. We pray that God will remove our blindness so that we can receive with thanks and praise all the wonderful things that God accomplishes in our lives.

Together as a family, name the wonderful gifts that God has given you and some of the remarkable deeds that God has accomplished in our world. Observe that it is important to stop to count our blessings because we can easily miss recognizing all of the wonderful things that God does for us. Read together today's Gospel, John 6:24-35. Ask: Why are the people seeking out Jesus? (because he has fed them) What do they want from Jesus? (a sign that he has come from God) What does Jesus tell them? (He says that he will give them something greater and more important than the bread that fed their physical hungers; he will give them bread that will give them eternal life.) Recall that we have this gift from Jesus in the Eucharist. Pray together, thanking God for all that he has given to us, especially for the gift of eternal life and the Eucharist. Pray together the Magnificat.

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Feast of Mary MacKillop - Sunday August 8

No Masses will be celebrated at Mary MacKillop Place. The Chapel remains closed, Prayer resources are available on the website – <https://www.marymackillopplace.org.au/feast-day-resources/>

"Know that I am with you always": Nurturing Discipleship in Challenging Times

Online reflection mornings during lockdown with the Dominican Sisters of St Cecilia.

While our churches remain closed and we are unable to gather in person, this series of online reflection mornings with the Dominican Sisters of St Cecilia and the Parish Renewal Team offers the clergy and the faithful of Sydney an opportunity to be nourished by the Word of God and to pray together. The focus of these mini-retreats is to nurture our growth as disciples in challenging times, so that we can have confidence in God's power to accomplish His mission through us. Each event includes a talk, lectio divina, a time of personal prayer, and sharing with one another.

Dates: Saturday 7 August, Saturday 14 August. **Time:** 10:00 AM – 12:00 PM

Platform: Online via Zoom – [register here](#) or at www.gomakedisciples.org.au/cas-events

COVID-19 Prayer resources

The Archdiocese of Sydney website has a dedicated page of prayer resources including links to popular podcasts in this time of pandemic. You'll find the webpage at this address:

www.sydneycatholic.org/coronavirus-updates/prayer-resources-for-the-coronavirus-pandemic/

Support your Archdiocese of Sydney newspaper – The Catholic Weekly

While our churches are closed at this time, the Catholic Weekly is producing a free digital flipbook edition. Sign up for updates directly to your email inbox here: www.catholicweekly.com.au/catholic-weekly-newspaper-online/.

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

Name..... Telephone No.:

Address:.....

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GOSPEL: John 6:24-35

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John.

Whoever comes to me will never be hungry; whoever believes in me will never thirst.

When the people saw that neither Jesus nor his disciples were there, they got into boats and crossed to Capernaum to look for Jesus. When they found him on the other side, they said to him, 'Rabbi, when did you come here?' Jesus answered:

'I tell you most solemnly, you are not looking for me because you have seen the signs but because you had all the bread you wanted to eat. Do not work for food that cannot last, but work for food that endures to eternal life, the kind of food the Son of Man is offering you, for on him the Father, God himself, has set his seal.'

Then they said to him, 'What must we do if we are to do the works that God wants?' Jesus gave them this answer, 'This is working for God: you must believe in the one he has sent.' So they said, 'What sign will you give to show us that we should believe in you? What work will you do? Our fathers had manna to eat in the desert; as scripture says: He gave them bread from heaven to eat.'

Jesus answered:

'I tell you solemnly, it was not Moses who gave you bread from heaven, it is my Father who gives you the bread from heaven, the true bread; for the bread of God is that which comes down from heaven and gives life to the world.'

'Sir,' they said 'give us that bread always.' Jesus answered: 'I am the bread of life. He who comes to me will never be hungry; he who believes in me will never thirst.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Mass Intentions Recently Deceased: Anthony Pham Gian

Anniversary: Maria Nguyen Thi Lan

Deceased: Mary Mun; JB Nghi; Mary Ngo; Therese Nga; Rose Nguyet; Ly Buu Tran.

Sick: 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; Gladyse Broudou; Jenny; Hoa Mai; Wayne Waters; Enid Sneddon; Rosa House; Nivea Wanigesekera; Annick Duval.

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

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;
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