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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. Praise the Lord, my soul!

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

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

Alleluia

Comm Antiphon:

Like the deer that yearns for running streams, so my soul is
yearning for you, my God; my soul is thirsting for God, the
living God.

This weeks readings: Isaiah 35:4-7; James 2:1-5;
Mark 7:31-37

Next Weekend: 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Readings: Isaiah 50:5-9; James 2:14-18; Mark 8:27-35

23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time - Yr B - 5 September 2021

Reflection

Health and Healing

Today's Gospel invites us to consider how we witness the healing presence of Christ in our care for and ministry to those who are sick. We notice that the deaf man is brought to Jesus for healing by his friends. These people beg Jesus to lay his hands on this deaf man so that he might be healed. Jesus' healing power is shown in his opening of the man's ears and the restoring of his speech. When family members care for one another when they are sick, they bring Christ's healing presence. When we pray for those who are ill, we ask God to show his healing power. When health is restored, we share that good news with others.

As you gather as a family, recall a time when a family member was ill. What steps were taken to help restore this family member to health? Talk about what it feels like to care for a person who is ill, and about how it feels to be the sick person being cared for. In today's Gospel, we hear about a time when Jesus healed a man who was deaf. Read today's Gospel, Mark 7:31-37. Notice how the man who was cured and his friends could not honor Jesus' request to keep quiet about Jesus' power to heal. We continue to celebrate Jesus' healing presence in our lives by giving thanks to God for the gift of healing and health. Conclude in prayer, thanking Jesus for the gifts of health and healing. Pray together for those who are sick. After each person is named, pray, "Jesus, heal us."

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Christian Based faith-Special Religious Education (SRE) learning online

As the COVID-19 crisis continues to disrupt our schools, we know that many families are challenged in maintaining the continuity of their children's education. In agreement with the NSW Department of Education, Christian SRE are committed to supporting you through this time by providing access to useful resources that are aligned with the relevant and approved SRE curriculums. Explore resources including home lesson plans, faith stories, videos and much more at <https://www.christiansre.com.au/learningfromhome>

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:.....

Email :

WOULD LIKE ENVELOPES

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GOSPEL: Mark 7:31-37

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark.

He makes the deaf hear and the dumb speak.

Returning from the district of Tyre, Jesus went by way of Sidon towards the Sea of Galilee, right through the Decapolis region. And they brought him a deaf man who had an impediment in his speech; and they asked him to lay his hand on him. He took him aside in private, away from the crowd, put his fingers into the man's ears and touched his tongue with spittle. Then looking up to heaven he sighed; and he said to him, 'Ephphatha,' that is, 'Be opened.' And his ears were opened, and the ligament of his tongue was loosened and he spoke clearly. And Jesus ordered them to tell no one about it, but the more he insisted, the more widely they published it. Their admiration was unbounded. 'He has done all things well,' they said 'he makes the deaf hear and the dumb speak.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

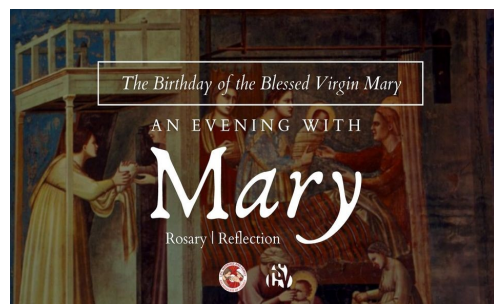
Evening with Mary – Birthday of the Blessed Virgin

“She is the flower of the field from whom bloomed the precious lily of the valley.” [St Augustine]

On the Birthday of the Blessed Virgin Mary, join Sydney Catholic Youth and Life, Marriage and Family Office for an evening with Mary to pray the Rosary together on Zoom. Reflections will be lead by Fr Noel Custodio.

Date: Wednesday, 8 September. **Time:** 7:00 pm - 7:30 pm.

[Register here](#) in advance for this meeting



Mass Intentions Recently Deceased: Enid Sneddon

Anniversary: Amedee Vella

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

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; Rosa House; Nivea Wanigesekera; Annick Duval; Henriette Tam Tinh Lam.

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;
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St. Felix Primary School: 9796 7875 Frances Bonanno - Principal;
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