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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



SAFEGUARDING SUNDAY 2021

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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. I will walk in the presence of the Lord, in the land of the living.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

My only glory is the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ,
which crucifies the world to me and me to the world.

Alleluia

Comm Antiphon:

How precious is your mercy, O God! The children of men
seek shelter in the shadow of your wings.

This weeks readings: Isaiah 50:5-9; James 2:14-18;
Mark 8:27-35

Next Weekend: 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Readings: Wisdom 2:12, 17-20; James 3:16 - 4:3;
Mark 8:27-35

24th Sunday in Ordinary Time - Yr B - 12 September 2021

Reflection

God's plan

Peter had expectations about what it meant to call Jesus the Messiah, the Christ. Jesus was indeed the Messiah, but his life and death would show a different understanding of what it means to be the Messiah. We, too, have expectations of God and our own ideas about what we think God ought to be doing in our world. Like Peter, however, we may risk limiting our image of God by thinking only in human ways. God's plan is always more than we can ever imagine.

As you gather as a family, talk about what we expect God to be doing in our world and in our family life. Then read today's Gospel, Mark 8:31-35. Why do you think Peter was so upset by what Jesus was saying? Notice how Jesus reprimands Peter. Do we sometimes forget to let God be God for us? That is, do we sometimes get discouraged because God doesn't act in our world in the ways that we expect? Pray together that we will remember that God is always working for the world's salvation in ways that are beyond our imagination. Conclude by praying together today's psalm, Psalm 116.

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Safeguarding Sunday, 12 September 2021

This week the Catholic Archdiocese of Sydney celebrated National Child Protection Week for the fifth year in a row, and today, the week culminates with the celebration of Safeguarding Sunday. The celebration of this past week, leading up to Safeguarding Sunday, has provided us with an opportunity to reflect on how we can improve the ways we care for, protect and listen to the Children and Young People in our communities.

To help us reflect, the Safeguarding Office has developed two new resources; the Children's Activity Book and A Guide for Young People to Better Understand their Wellbeing. Additionally, the Safeguarding Offices of the Archdiocese of Sydney, the Diocese of Parramatta and the Diocese of Broken Bay, have collaborated on the development of a resource. Entitled Children and Young People's Participation in Catholic Communities, this guide promotes community awareness to support, engage, listen to and communicate with Children and Young People. These resources can be accessed on the Safeguarding website: <https://www.sydneycatholic.org/safeguarding-and-child-protection/>

I encourage you all to take the time to reflect on how we can all participate in the shared responsibility of caring for and protecting our Children and Young People.

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/

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

WOULD LIKE TO CONTRIBUTE USING CREDIT CARD

WOULD LIKE TO CHANGE MY DONATION

GOSPEL: Mark 7:27-35

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark.

Your are the Christ...the Son of Man was destined to suffer much.

Jesus and his disciples left for the villages round Caesarea Philippi. On the way he put this question to his disciples, 'Who do people say I am?' And they told him. 'John the Baptist,' they said, 'others Elijah; others again, one of the prophets.' 'But you,' he asked, 'who do you say I am?' Peter spoke up and said to him, 'You are the Christ.' And he gave them strict orders not to tell anyone about him.

And he began to teach them that the Son of Man was destined to suffer grievously, to be rejected by the elders and the chief priests and the scribes, and to be put to death, and after three days to rise again; and he said all this quite openly. Then, taking him aside, Peter started to remonstrate with him. But, turning and seeing his disciples, he rebuked Peter and said to him, 'Get behind me, Satan! Because the way you think is not God's way but man's.'

He called the people and his disciples to him and said, 'If anyone wants to be a follower of mine, let him renounce himself and take up his cross and follow me. For anyone who wants to save his life will lose it; but anyone who loses his life for my sake, and for the sake of the gospel, will save it.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Humanitarian crises unfolding in Afghanistan and Lebanon

As the situations in Afghanistan and Lebanon deteriorate, you can help to support families caught up in the crises. Please donate to Caritas Australia so that we are able to respond to crises like these and others across the world. Visit caritas.org.au/lebanon or www.caritas.org.au/afghanistan or call 1800 024 413 toll free to provide much needed support.

Mass Intentions Recently Deceased: Enid Sneddon

Anniversary: Antonietta Martino, Dominico Nguyen Van An, Joseph Nguyen Van Thu

Deceased: Mary Mun; JB Nghi; Mary Ngo; Therese Nga; Rose Nguyet; Peter Tong Le, Joseph and Anna, Fahme Abdul Ahad

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;

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