



# 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 &  
10.00am in Vietnamese

**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



Thánh Lễ chào đón Tân Niên và cầu bình an cho Năm Mới sẽ được tổ chức vào lúc 10 giờ sáng Thứ Ba, ngày mùng 1 Tháng 2 Năm 2022 tại nhà thờ St. Felix.

Kính mời quý Cộng Đoàn cùng đến hiệp dâng Thánh lễ tạ ơn Thiên Chúa và mừng Năm Mới này cho Ngài cũng như gặp gỡ, chia sẻ và chúc Tết nhau.

Xin lưu ý. Vì dịch COVID, sau Thánh Lễ sẽ không có tiệc nhẹ như mọi năm.

## HAPPY LUNAR NEW YEAR

The Vietnamese Lunar New Year Mass is on Tuesday 1st February 2022 at 10.00am. All welcome.

## Responsorial Psalm

R. I will sing of your salvation.

## Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

The Lord sent me to bring Good News to the poor and freedom to prisoners.

Alleluia

## Comm Antiphon:

Let your face shine on your servant. Save me in your merciful love. O Lord, let me never be put to shame, for I call on you.

**This weeks readings:** Jeremiah 1:4-5, 17-19;  
1 Corinthians 12:31 - 13:13; Luke 4:21-30

**Next Sunday:** 5th Sunday in Ordinary Time - Yr C

**Readings:** Isaiah 6:1-8; 1 Corinthians 15:1-11;  
Luke 5:1-11

# 4th Sunday in Ordinary Time - Yr C - 30 January 2022

Reflection

## Wisdom and guidance

Jesus' statement that no prophet is accepted in his home town reminds us that it is often difficult to hear a challenging message from those who know us best, even if it is true. Perhaps we remember and even regret this aspect of our childhood and adolescence. We may have overlooked the wisdom and guidance of our parents, while allowing the voices of others—teachers, friends, and counsellors—to carry more weight, even when these people were telling us the same thing. Perhaps this developmental stage is unavoidable. Perhaps as we have matured, we have come to a new appreciation for our parents and others whose perspective and experience we once rejected. Today's Gospel provides an opportunity to talk about and to learn from such experiences.

As you gather as a family, consider proverbs or other wise sayings that are familiar to your family ("Blood is thicker than water;" "All that glitters is not gold."). Consider what these proverbs mean and whether you believe them to be true. Why or why not? Jesus challenges the people of Nazareth by reminding them of old sayings that seem to have a lot of truth in them. Let's listen to this Gospel and consider what these proverbs mean. Read aloud today's Gospel, Luke 4:21-30. Ask: **What were the proverbs that Jesus quoted?** (Physician, cure yourself; No prophet is accepted in his native place.) Consider the meaning of these proverbs and look for examples from your own family life that show their truth. Consider how your family might accept one another's wisdom and guidance and not reject the prophets in your midst. Conclude by praying together the Prayer to the Holy Spirit.

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### Fight poverty with your used stamps - Thank you

A huge thank you to all those who sent in stamps to help Mary MacKillop International fight poverty overseas. If anyone still has stamps which they would like to donate please do so by the end of this week.

### Volunteers Wanted

We are still looking for volunteers in the following ministries; Piety Stall, Altar Society, Ministers of the Word, Catechists or helpers. Please come forward and help your Parish. See one of the priests after Mass or contact the Parish Office.

*Volunteers do not necessarily have the time; they have the heart.* – Elizabeth Andrew

### 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.: .....

Address:.....

Email : .....

WOULD LIKE ENVELOPES

WOULD LIKE TO CONTRIBUTE USING CREDIT CARD

WOULD LIKE TO CONTRIBUTE VIA DIRECT DEBIT

## GOSPEL: Luke 4:21-30

### A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke.

*Jesus, like Elijah and Elisha, was not sent only to the Jews.*

Jesus began to speak in the synagogue, 'This text is being fulfilled today even as you listen.' And he won the approval of all, and they were astonished by the gracious words that came from his lips. They said, 'This is Joseph's son surely?' But he replied, 'No doubt you will quote me the saying, "Physician, heal yourself" and tell me, "We have heard all that happened in Capernaum, do the same here in your own countryside."' And he went on, 'I tell you solemnly, no prophet is ever accepted in his own country.

'There were many widows in Israel, I can assure you, in Elijah's day, when heaven remained shut for three years and six months and a great famine raged throughout the land, but Elijah was not sent to any one of these: he was sent to the widow at Zarephath, a Sidonian town. And in the prophet Elisha's time there were many lepers in Israel, but none of these was cured, except the Syrian, Naaman.' When they heard this everyone in the synagogue was enraged. They sprang to their feet and hustled him out of the town; and they took him up to the brow of the hill their town was built on, intending to throw him down the cliff, but he slipped through the crowd and walked away.

The Gospel of the Lord.

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

## Mass Intentions

**Recently Deceased:** Connie Naumanen

**Anniversary:** Vaoliko Pesamino; Nguyen Van Bao

**Deceased:** Maria Mun; JB Nghi; Maria Ngo; Theresa Nga; Rosa Nguyet; Kim Anh

**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; Lagi Amoa; Clarence Ally; Jane Aquino; Glory Bereira; Gladyse Broudou; Jenny; Hoa Mai; Wayne Waters; Rosa House; Nivea Wanigesekera; Annick Duval; Henriette Tam Tinh Lam; Phyllis Vujkovic; Sandra Whaites

## Weekly Rosters

30 JANUARY				
Reader 1	Gloria Booby	Imelda Dela Cruz	Mary O'Hea	Anthony Tran
Reader 2	Patrick Abourizk	Kiara Asuzu	Helen Vujevic	" "
Acolyte	Tuyen Tran (A)	An Dang (A)	Thong Tran (A)	Thanh Vu (A)
Choir	SMMC	SSOG	St Felix	Jess
6 FEBRUARY				
Reader 1	Emmanuel Icard	Mary Buckley	Thu Ha Kim	Anthony Eltarraf
Reader 2	Patrick Abourizk	Robyn Molloy	Anthony Rowe	" "
Acolyte	Tuyen Tran (A)	An Dang (A)	Anthony Joseph (A)	Thanh Vu (A)
Choir	SMMC	SSOG	St Felix	Elias

	30 January	6 February	<b>Notes:</b> SSOG: Singing Servants of God SMMC: St Mary Mackillop's Choir Group 1: Gloria Walker, Lyn Rowe, Khanh Le, Thi Thuy Doan, Theresa Nguyen, Dorie Encarnacion, Hien & Vu Bui ( <i>Florist</i> )
Altar Society	Group 5	Group 1 ( <i>see notes</i> )	
Church Cleaners	Youth Group	Polish Group	
SVDP	Andrew Nguyen	Thom Pham	

## Readers, Acolytes and Choir roster

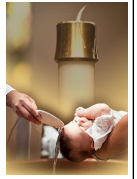
The new roster for Readers, Acolytes and Choir is available from the Sacristy. A copy may also be viewed on the Parish website.

## Baptism

This week, we welcome into the Catholic faith:

*Abigail Giselle Marie Hoang*

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



## Covid Update

Some of the following guidelines that are relevant to our church have been updated:

- It is NOT necessary to verify whether an attendee is vaccinated or not.
- Covid Safe check-in using QR code is required.
- Masks must be worn indoors.
- Social distancing and sanitisation should be observed.
- Congregational singing is permitted while wearing a mask.
- Capacity of the church is now capped at 2sqm rule, giving our parish 220 people at each Mass with extra seating outside.
- Social gatherings whether indoors or outdoors are NOT recommended.

There is an extraordinary increase in numbers each day in NSW with Covid infections. We ask you all to adhere to the rules and especially wear a mask inside the Church, check-in with QR code and spread out to maintain social distancing.

We know it is difficult for some people but we ask you to follow the above rules in order to protect ourselves and others as an exercise of 'love of neighbour'.

**We hope to get through this difficult time together.**

**Thank you.**

## 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)