



# 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

### 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.

**Rosary:** Saturday 8.25am.

### 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

# Happy Mothers' Day

## A Mothers' Day Prayer

Loving God, we pray:

for new mothers, coming to terms with new responsibility ;  
for expectant mothers, wondering and waiting;  
for those who are tired, stressed or depressed;  
for those who struggle to balance the tasks  
of work and family;  
for those who are unable to feed their children  
due to poverty;  
for those whose children have physical, mental or  
emotional disabilities;  
for those who raise children on their own;  
for those who have lost a child;  
for those who care for the children of others;  
for those whose children have left home;  
and for those whose desire to be a mother  
has not been fulfilled.

Bless all mothers, that their love may be deep and tender,  
and that they may lead their children to know and  
do what is good, living not for themselves alone,  
but for God and for others. Amen.

## Responsorial Psalm

**R.** We are his people, the sheep of his flock.

## Gospel Acclamation

**Alleluia, alleluia!**

I am the good shepherd, says the Lord;  
I know my sheep, and mine know me.

**Alleluia!**

## Comm Antiphon:

The Good Shepherd has risen, who laid down his life for his  
sheep and willingly died for his flock, alleluia.

**This weeks readings:** Acts 13:14, 43-52;  
Revelation 7:9, 14-17; John 10:27-30

**Next Sunday:** 5th Sunday of Easter

**Readings:** Acts 14:21-27; Revelation 21:1-5;  
John 13:31-35.

# 4th Sunday of Easter - Year C - 8 May 2022

## Would you like to become a Catholic?

We have commenced a new program to prepare people who would like to become Catholic. This program is called the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA program). If you know someone who wants to become a Catholic or if you want to learn more about Catholicism it is still possible to join. Please see one of the priests after Mass or contact the Parish Office.

## 1st Holy Communion - Registrations open

First Holy Communion for candidates in Year 4 and above will be celebrated this year on Sunday 19th June. If you would like your child to celebrate this Sacrament please complete a registration form which can be found in the Church foyer. The first compulsory Parents Meeting will be held in the Church on Tuesday 10th May. Please ensure all registrations are returned to the Parish Office before the first meeting.

## CWF May Parish Appeal

CWF May Parish Appeal The Charitable Works Fund (CWF) May Appeal is happening this weekend and we need your help. The devastation of the last two years has especially taken its toll on the most vulnerable in Sydney: those facing unemployment, homelessness, mental health concerns, and more. Special envelopes are available at the parish. Alternatively, you can learn more and donate securely at [www.ourfaithourworks.org/cwf](http://www.ourfaithourworks.org/cwf). Donations of \$2 or more are tax deductible.

## Return and Earn - Collection Bin Ended

The Return and Earn blue bin providers have advised that they are no longer servicing our area and the bins have been taken away.

We greatly appreciate your contributions in the past but please do not leave any more empty containers at the Church as we no longer have the Return and Earn service. Thank you.

## Children & Young People's Participation in Catholic Communities Guide

The Archdiocese of Sydney together with the Dioceses of Parramatta and Broken Bay have worked together to create the Children & Young People's Participation in Catholic Communities Guide.

This guide helps inform all adults within the Catholic Community with information on how to provide children and young people with an opportunity to experience meaningful contributions to decision making, to be heard and to be taken seriously. You can download a copy of this resource from the Safeguarding website [www.sydneycatholic.org/safeguarding-and-child-protection/](http://www.sydneycatholic.org/safeguarding-and-child-protection/)

## 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

**Reflection**

# One with God

Not only can we recognize family members' voices, we can also read the tone of their voices and know something about how they are feeling. In our relationship with Jesus, we know Jesus' voice and are called to follow. Jesus doesn't just bring us closer to the Father, Jesus puts us directly into contact with God the Father, removing all distance between us. In the Gospel of John, Jesus identifies so closely with the Father that he tells us that they are one—not just close, but actually one. Knowing Jesus means knowing the Father.

Read with your family today's Gospel, John 10:27-30. Ask your family members to talk about some ways that Jesus brings them closer to God and closer to one another.

Pray together the *Acts of Faith, Hope, and Love*.

*Act of Faith - O my God, I firmly believe that you are one God in three divine Persons, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. I believe that your divine Son became man and died for our sins, and that he will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe these and all the truths which the holy Catholic Church teaches, because you have revealed them, who can neither deceive nor be deceived. Amen.*

*Act of Hope - O my God, relying on your infinite mercy and promises, I hope to obtain pardon of my sins, the help of your grace, and life everlasting, through the merits of Jesus Christ, my Lord and Redeemer. Amen.*

*Act of Love - O my God, I love you above all things with my whole heart and soul, because you are all good and worthy of all my love. I love my neighbour as myself for the love of you. I forgive all who have injured me and I ask pardon of those whom I have injured. Amen.*

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## Mass Intentions

**Recently Deceased:** Sandra Whaites (nee Goodwin)

**Anniversary:** Sosefina & Filimino Tuimaoe; Toma Nguyen Van Chung

**Deceased:** Maria Mun; JB Nghi; Maria Ngo; Theresa Nga; Rosa Nguyet; Anna Doran; Fahme Abdul Ahad; Madalena Ng T K Oanh; Micae Ng V Noi; Lucia Duong T Thuy Hong; Martino Duong V Qui

**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; 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; Jenny; Hoa Mai; Wayne Waters; Rosa House; Nivea Wanigesequera; Annick Duval; Henriette Tam Tinh Lam; Phyllis Vujkovic; Laura Malss; Rita Gattellari.

## Weekly Rosters

8 MAY				
Reader 1	Gloria Booby	Philip Castillo	Emanuela Viner	Nhung Bui
Reader 2	Emmanuel Icard	Ligaya Castillo	Mary O'Hea	Harriet Owusu
Acolyte	Joseph Bui (A)	An Dang (A)	Martin Tran (A)	Thanh Vu (A)
Choir	St Anne	SSOG	Jessica Nohra	Elias

15 MAY				
Reader 1	Patrick Abourizk	Kiara Asuzu	Helen Vujevic	Anthony Tran
Reader 2	Gloria Booby	Maxwell Asuzu	Emanuela Viner	“ ”
Acolyte	Joseph Bui (A)	An Dang (A)	Anthony Joseph (A)	Thanh Vu (A)
Choir	St Anne	SSOG	St Felix	Elias

	8 May	15 May	<b>Notes:</b> <u>SSOG:</u> Singing Servants of God <u>SMMC:</u> St Mary Mackillop's Choir <u>Group 3:</u> Youth Group, Tram Vu ( <i>Florist</i> )
Altar Society	Group 2	Group 3 ( <i>see notes</i> )	
Church Cleaners	Polish Group	El Shaddai Group	
SVDP	D Rodrigues	Andrew Nguyen	

## GOSPEL: John 10:27-30

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John.

*I give my sheep eternal life.*

Jesus said:

'The sheep that belong to me listen to my voice;

I know them and they follow me.

I give them eternal life;

they will never be lost

and no one will ever steal them from me.

The Father who gave them to me is greater than anyone,

and no one can steal from the Father.

The Father and I are one.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

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

## Campion College Winter Program

Registration for the Campion College Winter Program is now open! If you know a 16–20-year old with an interest in history, literature, philosophy and theology, encourage them to sign up for our immersive four-day program from 5-8 July 2022. Attendance is fully funded but spaces are limited!

Find out more and register on the Campion College

website: <https://www.campion.edu.au/event/winter-program>

## Two day escape to Port Stephens

St Brendan's Friendship Club are organising a two day escape to Port Stephens on Sunday 12th & Monday 13th June 2022 (Public Holiday). Interested parties will need to book ASAP. Please see details on the flyer in the Church foyer for more information or call Venero or Catina on 9707 1403 or 0403 852 811

## Support Caritas Ukraine Appeal

As millions of people are likely to be displaced due to Russia's invasion, your support is more important than ever for the people of Ukraine. Donate generously to the Caritas Ukraine Appeal:

<https://www.caritas.org.au/donate/ukraine-appeal/> Donations over \$2 are tax deductible.

## 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 Michael Egan - Principal;

**Archdiocesan Website:** [www.sydney.catholic.org.au](http://www.sydney.catholic.org.au)