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# St Felix deValois Parish

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Mass times: Saturday 6pm (Vigil), Sunday 8am, 10am (Children's Liturgy), 6pm, 12noon (Polish).  
 Vietnamese Mass: 7 pm 1st Thurs of each month. **Saturday Morning Benediction - 7.00am.**  
 Reconciliation: Saturday 4.30 - 5.30 pm. Or by appointment Rosary: Saturday 8.25am  
**This week - Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday & Saturday - 8.00am. Thursday - 9.00am.**  
 Uniting Centre - Wednesday - 10am. Yagoona Nursing Home - Friday - 10.15am.  
 Wednesday - 7.00pm Young Adults Bible Study in Meeting Room, 8.00pm Benediction.

**BAPTISMS:** Baptism preparations are held on the 1st Sunday of each month after 10am mass in the presbytery. Baptisms by appointment.

**MARRIAGES:** Please contact priest at least 6 months prior to wedding date.

**SICK CALLS:** Anytime. If you know of anyone who needs anointing please ring the presbytery.

Let's Celebrate

Dear Parishioners of St Felix

You are cordially invited to the Ordination to the Diaconate of  
 Richard Ddumba, Moses Tamale & Sebastian Hew



Here at St Felix Church  
 550 Chapel Road, Bankstown

At 6 pm  
 on 1st July 2016

Refreshments will be available after the Mass



Be part of it!

## June 21, 2016 Catholicism 101 "Mercy Series"

In 2015, Pope Francis called a Jubilee Year of Mercy, in response, Catholic Youth Services will host the "Mercy Series" which aims to breakdown the spiritual and corporal works of Mercy and provide a basic theoretical understanding of them and then to show by the example of others in our community how we can practically live these works out in our lives. SESSION FIVE we are excited to welcome Fr Duncan Wong FSSP who will speak practically on both "To Bury the Dead and to pray for the Living and the Dead" TUESDAY 21, JUNE 2016, supper from 7:30pm (straight after City Silence) with the talk beginning at 8pm.

## A pilgrimage, a faith journey

The time for holidays is coming soon - why not try a pilgrimage? The places for pilgrimages are holy and are renowned for bringing us closer to God. A pilgrimage is neither a religious holiday nor a tour of a holy place. It is a journey on which we encounter God. Abraham's great act of faith is rooted in his acceptance to journey from his own land to a foreign country (Gen 12: 1-20). He was to start a new life, living a completely different way than before. Like Abraham, whenever we make a pilgrimage, we agree to put aside whatever keeps us from God, and undergo a true conversion of heart. Even so, to be a Christian is to be a pilgrim. The way we live our daily lives should be a journey towards God. We are called to be messengers of Christ wherever we go (Decree on Apostolate of Lay people, no. 14).

## 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 to Marie at [admin@stfelixparish.org.au](mailto:admin@stfelixparish.org.au)

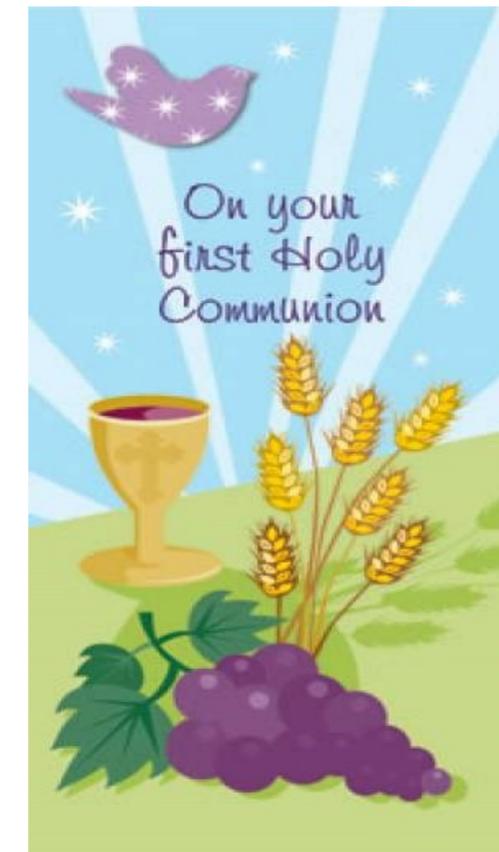
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## We congratulate these candidates who will be receiving the Sacrament of Holy Communion for the first time this weekend.

- Kathrine Woodley
- Anna Maria Greige
- Jessica Victor
- Edgar Bo
- Timothy Vuong
- Rebecca El Deghal
- David Ranieri
- Daniel Ranieri
- Samantha Moussa



- Sebastian Frost
- Joseph Vu
- Mary Epenian
- Teresa Nguyen
- Divine Saena
- Ricardo Listianto
- Margaret Tran
- Dylan Axalan
- Amy Hoang

12th Sunday in Ordinary Time - C - 19th June 2016



## Who do you say I am?

One evening the Pope was on his way back to the Vatican after visiting a religious congregation. He felt like driving the car so he told his driver to change seats. He was not used to driving for some time since he was made a pope, so he started to speed a bit. The car was stopped by the police for speeding. The constable had a quick look in the car then he went to his car and called the headquarters. He said: "Excuse me Captain, I stopped a speeding car but the man in the car is quite famous so I don't know if I should give him a ticket". The Captain asked "Who is he, our Prime Minister?" "No Sir." Answered the constable. "Is he the President of America?" again asked the Captain. "Actually, I'm not quite sure who he is but his driver is the Pope." replied the constable.

In today's Gospel, Jesus questions his disciples about his true identity, "Who do the crowds say I am?" He was interested in the signs of the times, what people in general were thinking, "John the Baptist; others Elijah; and others say one of the ancient prophets come back to life." And so, having heard what the crowds say about him, he narrows the question down and asks his disciples "Who do you say I am?" Peter answered in a moment of brilliance, "You are the Christ of God." Saying this Peter shared the popular expectation of the Christ who would bring glory to Israel by defeating their enemies through force and violence. Jesus then tells his disciples that he is a Messiah who will certainly give life which will come through suffering, rejection by the authorities and through being raised up after three days in the tomb. Jesus rejects the spiral of violence which is part of the Jewish nationalist dream for liberation. He offers an example of self-giving love, a sacrificial love that has the power to touch and transform those who face suffering with the eyes of faith.

Jesus brings a new ingredient into the meaning of discipleship and suffering, "If anyone wants to be a follower of mine, let him renounce himself and take up his cross every day and follow me." Jesus calls us to follow Him by leaving the self behind and live life with complete faith and trust in God. It is strange enough that when we are willing to face our suffering with faith then we will find it is easier to bear.

Let us pray that we will try to live out our Baptismal promises as disciples of Jesus and live our life full of joy and hope in Jesus' unconditional love.

### Catechism of the Catholic Church

1501 Illness can lead to anguish, self-absorption, sometimes even despair and revolt against God. It can also make a person more mature, helping him discern in his life what is not essential so that he can turn toward that which is. Very often illness provokes a search for God and a return to him.

This week's Readings - Zechariah 12:10-11. 13:1; Galatians 3:26-29; Gospel - Luke 9:18-24

### Planned Giving

The Financial Year for Planned Giving ends on Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> June. Therefore all donations must be in by that date if you wish to claim your tax back for this financial year. All planned giving donations are 100% tax deductible.

The new envelopes for next Financial Year are now available in the Church foyer. **Please ensure you pick up your correct envelope by checking both your name and address.** Tax receipts for this financial year will be made available at the beginning of July.

### Next Weekend - 13th Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year C

Readings: 1Kings 19:16, 19-21; Galatians 5:1, 13-18; Gospel - Luke 9:51-62.

### Baptism:

This week, we welcome into the Catholic faith:

**Lola Isabel Escolme**

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



**Mass Intentions: Recently Deceased:** Giuse Hoang Xuan Trung, Anna Nguyen Thi Tam



**Anniversary:** Eugenie Thien Tai Tran; Daminh Dinh Van Duong; John Field; Anton Van Sam; Robert Page.

**Deceased:** Zwain & Salam Chadrawy; Gergis, Marie & Fannie Chadrawy; Pauline Chadrawy & husband; Daniel & Rashide Chadrawy; Hanna Chadrawy; Merchad & Emila Maklouf; Anthony, John & Joseph Maklouf; Antoinette & Eva Maklouf; Joseph Mowad & Charles Paul; Vincent Vu Dinh; Anna Do Thi Hang; Elizabeth Amanda Van; Alexander Page; Irene Page; Alex Page.

**Sick:** Jason Timbs & Bart Hennely, Dau (Xuan); Kim Do; Henriette Tam Tinh Lam; Gerard Go; Theresa Tinh Thi Doan; Christine Formosa.

### Feasts of the Week

**21 June - St Aloysius Gonzaga, religious. Memorial.**

Born in Lombardy (Italy) in 1568. Died in Rome on this day in 1591 of the plague, contracted while caring for its victims. Devout and ascetical from the time of his childhood in a family of Italian nobility. Pursued a religious vocation as a Jesuit against enormous family opposition. Remembered for his youthful ideal of perfection and his determination to achieve it.

**22 June - Sts John Fisher, bishop and Thomas More, martyrs. Memorial.**

**John Fisher:** Born at Beverley (England) in 1469. Died at London on this day in 1535. Chancellor at Cambridge and bishop at Rochester, combining diligent pastoral ministry with the defence of Catholic doctrine.

**Thomas More:** Born in London in 1478. Died there for the faith on 6 July 1535. An Oxford scholar, a noted humanist and apologist, an incorruptible judge and Lord Chancellor, a devoted husband and loving father. Drawn into conflict with Henry VIII, both were imprisoned and beheaded for treason. Remembered for their wide learning, for their devotion to the Church, and for their uncompromising integrity and courage. An opportunity to celebrate all the English martyrs, Catholic and Protestant, of the Reformation era. Coming from every walk of life, people rich and poor, married and single, women and men died on the scaffold, perished in prison, or suffered harsh persecution for their faith.

**24 June - The Nativity of St John the Baptist. Solemnity.**

This feast was observed on this date in the fourth century. It celebrates the holy birth of "the greatest of all the prophets," the one who leapt for joy in his mother's womb, who prepared the way for Christ, announced his presence, and baptised him in the Jordan River.

**Altar Society: 26/6/16 Group 4:** Maureen Vincent, Laura Malss, Phyllis Vujkovic, Margaret Eastburn, Giovanna LaBarbera, Denise Ashe, Chris Kreltszheim

**St Vincent de Paul:** 26/6/16 D Rodrigues 3/7/16 M T Tran

**Church Cleaners: 24/6/16:** Mai Hai **Children's Liturgy:** 26th June- Maree

**Weekend Choir: Saturday 25/6 - 6pm - St Anne's Choir**  
**Sunday 26/6 - 8am - Singing Servants of God. 10am - St Felix Choir**

### Readers & Ministers

	Sat 6pm	19 JUNE	8am	10am	6pm
C	Patrick Abourizk	Thuy Linh Nguyen	Anthony Rowe	Charbel Eltarraf	
R	Kalisiana Mar	Maureen Vincent	Rita Dang	Anthony Eltarraf	
A	Joseph Bui (A)	Joseph Cao (A)	Anthony Joseph (A)	Thanh Vu (A)	
M	Tuyen Tran	Maria Huong	J Chong	Loreto Eduardo	
M	Emmanuel Icard	Robyn Molloy	Tu Nguyen	Amelia Mezentsef	

### 26 JUNE

C	Emmanuel Icard	Kiara Asuzu	Jennifer Nguyen	Kathleen Mezentsef
R	Patrick Abourizk	Maxwell Asuzu	Thu Ha Kim	Lucia Mezentsef
A	Joseph Bui (A)	Joseph Cao (A)	Thong Tran (A)	Thanh Vu (A)
M	Gloria Booby	Mesake Mar	B Lamaro & J Kovacevic	Paul Ngoc
M	Tuyen Tran	Madelyn Nicole	Tu Nguyen	Phu Nguyen