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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, Thursday, Friday & Saturday - 8.00am. Friday - 6pm Ordination.
 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

Be part of it

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

THIS FRIDAY

Annual Marriage Mass & Renewal of Vows

The Marriage Mass & Renewal of Vows will take place on Sunday, 3rd July at St Mary's Cathedral, Sydney at 10.30am. All married couples are welcome. Mass will be celebrated by the Most Reverend Bishop Terence Brady. Married couples wishing to renew their vows should register with the Life, Marriage and Family Centre on 9307 8404 or LMFEvents@sydneycatholic.org. Registered couples celebrating 50th, 55th, 60th or 65th wedding anniversaries will also receive a special certificate from Archbishop Fisher.

"In the Footsteps of Mary MacKillop"

Have you considered participating in the National Pilgrimage?

In this Sesquicentenary Year, the Sisters of St Joseph invite you to participate in this pilgrimage, giving you the opportunity to journey to significant places in Australia made holy by St Mary MacKillop. While on pilgrimage you are invited to reflect on St Mary MacKillop's life and to recognise her relevance in your own life.

DATES: 9 to 19 November 2016

COST EX SYDNEY: \$2,860.00 (all inclusive: airfares, accommodation, coach travel, admission fees and meals). **SINGLE SUPPLEMENT:** \$590.00

For further information please contact Sister Annie Bond rsj on 02 89124818, or MMP.NationalPilgrimage@sosi.org.au.

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

Name:..... Telephone No.:

Address:.....

Email :



13th Sunday in Ordinary Time - C - 26th June 2016



Commitment

A man was a chain-smoker but dreaded the thought of dying of lung cancer. He knew that eventually – or perhaps sooner, he would have to make the final decision, after watching and reading all the recent television advertisements, newspapers and magazines which carried frightening photos and reports of lung cancer. So there came the fateful day, when he made his big decision to quit which was a turning point of his life. He gave up – watching and reading.

In today's Gospel we see a turning point in the life of Jesus. He makes a decision, a commitment, and sets his journey towards Jerusalem, the place where he is eventually going to be arrested, suffer and be crucified. The readings today challenged the people to change their attitudes and to make their decision. There were three disciples who wanted to make a commitment to follow Jesus. The first he warns, "Foxes have holes and the birds of the air have nests, but the Son of Man has nowhere to lay his head," The second asked to fulfil his family duty to bury his father but Jesus answered harshly, "Leave the dead to bury their dead, your duty is to go and spread the news of the kingdom of God." The third said, "First let me say good-bye to my family." Jesus said to him, "Once the hand is laid on the plough, no one who looks back is fit for the kingdom of God."

The readings are saying that a decision to follow God's call will cost a lot. But this cost earns the kingdom. Jesus himself pays the cost and for that reason has the authority from which to ask us to follow him. One of the most important decisions most of us have to make is to get married or to live a celibate life. It often means leaving home and having a new priority of commitment. If the commitment is clearly made and the consequences are accepted, we will deal more easily with the crises that arise. But if we have a foot in both camps, keeping our options open, "I will give it a try but get out if it gets difficult," then we will find it hard to fulfil our commitment. This lack of commitment leads to compromise and to the greater pain of disappointment and infidelity.

Let us pray that we will have the courage to make our commitment and be faithful to the decision which we have to make and live that to the full.

Catechism of the Catholic Church

1738 Freedom is exercised in relationships between human beings. Every human person, created in the image of God, has the natural right to be recognised as a free and responsible being. All owe to each other this duty of respect. The right to the exercise of freedom, especially in moral and religious matters, is an inalienable requirement of the dignity of the human person. This right must be recognised and protected by civil authority within the limits of the common good and public order.

This week's Readings - 1 Kings 19:16, 19-21; Galatians 5:1, 13-18; Gospel - Luke 9:51-62

Planned Giving

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.

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Sunday

Next Sunday 3 July is Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Sunday. It is an important day on the Catholic calendar. Celebrations will be held throughout the nation where Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people celebrate their spirituality, identity, culture and survival.

SVDP Piety Stall

New Stock has arrived! New videos, cards, invitations, bibles plus lots more. Visit and support the Piety Stall. All proceeds help the needy in our community.

The Holy Father's Appeal

Our parish will be holding a special appeal next weekend (2/3 July) for the **Holy Father**. The Holy Father's Appeal supports Pope Francis' charitable works around the world and is an important source of funding that allows the Church to extend its help to where it's most desperately needed. Your support with this appeal would be greatly appreciated.

Mass Intentions: Recently Deceased: Giuse Hoang Xuan Trung; Barbara Kierdal; Teresa



Nader.

Anniversary: Eugenie Thien Tai Tran; Vincenzo LaBarbera; Benito Perantuono; Guise Nguyen Thu Truong; Margaret Goodwin; Joseph Bay; Theresa Thi; Gioan Kim Nguyen Xuan Tiet.

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; Anna Can; Joseph Hieu; John Field; Charles Nuner; Jess Nuner; Mary Nuner; Carmen Gorrell; Marina Tonel; Benjamin Tonel; Ramon Tonel; Gil Tonel.

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

28 June - St Irenaeus, bishop, martyr. Memorial.

Born probably at Smyrna (Turkey) about 130. Died at Lyons (France) about 200. A pupil of Saint Polycarp (23 February) who became a presbyter and bishop of Lyons, the principal city of Gaul. Intervened in Rome for patience and reconciliation in Church disputes. Among the first theologians of the Western Church, he refuted gnosticism and further developed the theology of the incarnation. Remembered for his fidelity to apostolic tradition and traditionally venerated as a martyr.

29 June - Sts Peter & Paul, apostles. Solemnity.

Died as martyrs at Rome under Nero, between 64-67. This pre-eminent feast day of the city of Rome has been observed on this date since the mid-third century. It commemorates the martyrdoms of Peter the "chief of the apostles" and Paul the "apostle to the Gentiles". Remembered for their faith, their courage, and their leadership during the difficult days of the birth of the Church.

Next Weekend - 14th Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year C

Readings: Isaiah 66:10-14; Galatians 6:14-18; Gospel - Luke 10:1-12, 17-20.

Feast Day of Our Lady of Perpetual Help - 150TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE IMAGE TO THE REDEMPTORIST ORDER.

All are welcome to attend a special Mass at 5.30pm on **Monday, 27 June 2016** at St Mary's Cathedral for the feast of Our Lady of Perpetual Help and the 150th anniversary of the gifting of the image to the Redemptorist Order. This significant anniversary is important for many, especially those with special devotion to this feast

Altar Society: 3/7/16 Group 1: Gloria Walker, Margaret Chan, Nice Collins, Lydia Leslie, Lyn Rowe, Khanh Le, Thi Thuy Doan, Theresa Nguyen, Hien & Vu Bui (*Florist*)

St Vincent de Paul: 3/7/16 M T Tran 10/7/16 Joanne Ashe

Church Cleaners: 1/7/16: Polish Group **Children's Liturgy:** 3rd July- HOLIDAYS

Weekend Choir: Saturday 2/7 - 6pm - St Anne's Choir
Sunday 3/7 - 8am - Singing Servants of God. 10am - St Felix Choir

Readers & Ministers

	Sat 6pm	26 JUNE	8am	10am	6pm
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	

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C	Stephen Hoang	Imelda Dela Cruz	Emanuela Viner	Elias Eltarraf
R	Rushna Peter	Joseph Dang	Rita Dang	Anthony Eltarraf
A	Tuyen Tran (A)	Joseph Cao (A)	Anthony Joseph (A)	Thanh Vu (A)
M	Emmanuel Icard	Maria Huong	J Chong & Tu Nguyen	Amelia Mezentsef
M	Gloria Booby	Robyn Molloy	J Luongo	Judy Jones