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*A huge thank you to the Youth who prayerfully led our Parish Community  
 through an emotional and moving Stations of the Cross.*



# 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, Thursday, Friday - 8.00am.**

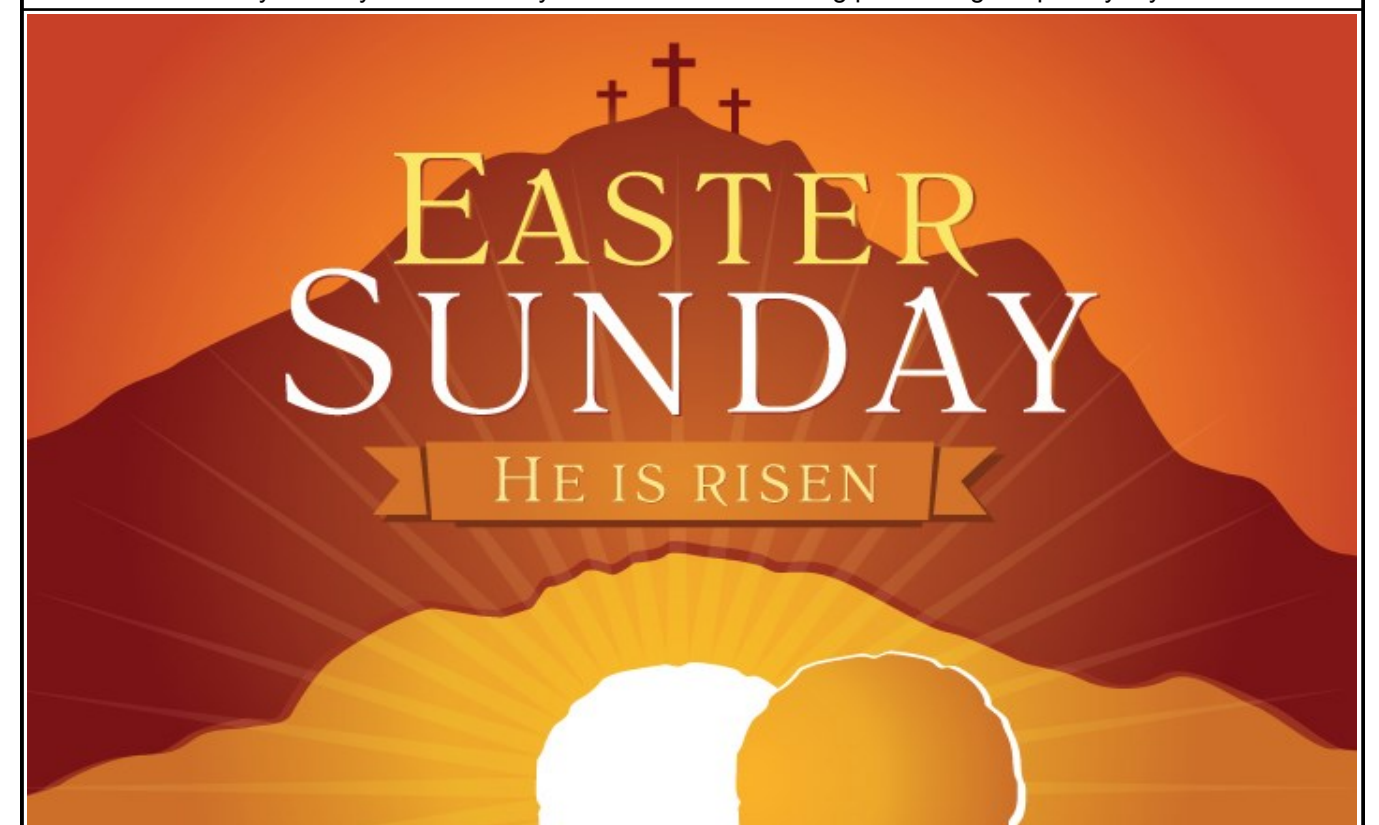
Friday - 11.00am Bupa Greenacre.

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.



Thank you for supporting Caritas  
 Australia's Project Compassion Appeal.  
 Please return all donations  
 by next weekend.

**Thanks**

**Easter Sunday - A - 16 April 2017**





## New Life

The Easter mystery of Christ death and resurrection lies at the heart of the Church's liturgical life. Today we celebrate the Resurrection of Christ, his return to life after his crucifixion. In Gospel stories we see Mary Magdalene and the disciples caught up in their sense of grief and failure. They wanted a political Messiah who will drive out all their enemies and restore their kingdom to its greatness. After Jesus' resurrection, the disciples let go of their expectations, they accepted the reality of not trying to do their will but God's will.

In everybody there is a desire to change. There is a desire to set aside the less perfect for the more perfect; to rise after a fall; to better one's financial situation; to improve one's health; to overcome one's faults. We often try to hide our faults and mistakes from sight. Wisdom is not in denial but in acceptance. Change does not come by hiding or denying a problem, rather, it comes through an acceptance of honest self acknowledging. Painful feeling happens as the result, but we have to accept it and work through it, then we will live joyfully and meaningfully. In the Passion of Christ we see Jesus face the horrible suffering and death freely and willingly. *"Father! Everything is possible for you. Take this cup away from me. But let it be as you, not I, would have it."* In accepting the will of his Heavenly Father, Jesus was able to eventually transcend the limits of his humanity and rise from the death.

Easter is about new life that is about acknowledging the reality of the ordinary patterns of our lives, with the hope and joy of resurrection. Let us pray that we will be able to live our life with an open heart and mind to the will of God so that we can recognise the wonder and beauty in us and in others.

### Catechism of the Catholic Church

641 Mary Magdalene and the holy women who came to finish anointing the body of Jesus, which had been buried in haste because the Sabbath began on the evening of Good Friday, were the first to encounter the Risen One. Thus the women were the first messengers of Christ's resurrection for the apostles themselves. They were the next to whom Jesus appears: first Peter, then the twelve. Peter had been called to strengthen the faith of his brothers, and so sees the Risen One before them; it is on the basis of his testimony that the community exclaims: "The Lord has risen indeed, and has appeared to Simon!"

This week's Readings - Acts 10:34, 37-43; Colossians 3:1-4; Gospel - John 20:1-9

### Easter Raffle

The beautiful basket of Easter goodies donated by CCI was won last week by Mr Ghosn.

### Time for Us - to go on a date - An Evening for Married Couples to Dance, Dine & Pray

**Saturday 29th April OR Saturday 3rd June.** An opportunity for couples to foster their relationship. The evening will unfold with a short input on male leadership followed by a lesson in ballroom dancing, fine dining and prayer. The evening commences at 5pm and concludes 10pm, Investment: \$150 per couple. To register or for more information contact Sr M Julie - [juliebricar@gmail.com](mailto:juliebricar@gmail.com) or phone: 0408 738 334.

## EASTER BLESSINGS TO ALL

### RCIA:

This weekend, we receive the following candidates into full reception with the Church;

*Renee Adelina Lo, Adele Foo,  
Laura Marjuki, Joseph Dac Thai Trang, Jared John Banks,  
Victoria Maryann Banks, Denice Roelsgaard Helena Severi,  
Stephen Francis Xavier Nguyen  
and Simon Leslie Wicks*



### Mass Intentions: Recently Deceased: Ruby Roderick, Bhanmat Nanesh

**Anniversary:** Anna Do Thi Hang; Elizabeth Amanda Van; Jes Nuner; Mary Sultana; Lucien Descombes.

**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; Mary Chadrawy; Micae Ng; Maria Thuc Trinh Dang; Joseph Binh Chanh Lam; Anton Sy Phuong Lam; Dominic Tung Phuong Lam; Mary Nuner; Charles Nuner; Steve Nuner; Carmen Nuner; John Field; George & Andreana Sultana; deceased members of Condor & Kardos families.

**Sick:** Jason Timbs & Bart Hennely, Dau (Xuan); Kim Do; Henriette Tam Tinh Lam; Gerard Go; Theresa Tinh Thi Doan; Christine Formosa; Maria Tuu Nguyen; Fatima; Catherine & Lourdes Raspanti; Tim Logue; Jeanette Chong; baby Alan Dien Quan Nguyen; Monina Rodriguez Pineda; Tenshi Asriel Magdaleno Arcenas; Vaoliko Pesamino, Ethan Chau.

### Next Weekend - 2nd Sunday of Easter - Year A

Readings: Acts : 2:42-47; 1Peter 1:3-9; Gospel - John 20:19-31.

### Easter Time

The fifty days from the Sunday of the Resurrection to Pentecost Sunday are celebrated in joy and exultation as one feast day, indeed as one 'great Sunday'. These are the days above all others in which the *Alleluia* is sung. The Sundays of this time of year are considered to be Sundays of Easter....  
GNLYC 22-24

### Nazareth Senior College, Bankstown

**40 year Reunion for the Class of 1977.** Saturday September 9 at 7pm at Revesby Workers Club. Please contact Lea De Angelis on 0418484198 or Lynda Griffiths (Bonanno) on 0408898830 for details. Please pass on to any ex-students!

### Lismore Flood Appeal

Archbishop Fisher is supporting the Diocese of Lismore Flood Appeal that was launched by Bishop Gregory Homeming to help those who have suffered in the recent floods on the North Coast of NSW. To donate to the Appeal see [www.dioceseoflismorefloodappeal.org](http://www.dioceseoflismorefloodappeal.org)

**Altar Society: 23/4/17 Group 4:** Maureen Vincent, Laura Malss, Phyllis Vujkovic, Margaret Eastburn, Giovanna LaBarbera, Denise Ashe, Hien & Vu Bui (*Florist*)

**St Vincent de Paul: 23/4/17** J Obeid **30/4/17** Andrew Nguyen

**Church Cleaners: 21/4/17:** Vinh Nguyen **Children's Liturgy:** 23rd April - HOLIDAYS

**Weekend Choir:** **Saturday 6pm** - Samoan Divine Mercy Group Choir  
**Sunday 8am** - Singing Servants of God **Sunday 10am** - Children's Choir

### Readers & Ministers

|   | Sat 7pm          | 16 APRIL           | 8am                | 10am               | 6pm |
|---|------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|-----|
| C | Gabrielle Nguyen | Janice Rodrigues   | Helen Vujevic      | Kathleen Mezentsef |     |
| R | Patrick Abourizk | Jeanette Rodrigues | Jessica Vujevic    | Lucia Mezentsef    |     |
| A | Tuyen Tran (A)   | Joseph Cao (A)     | Anthony Joseph (A) | Thanh Vu (A)       |     |
| M | Emmanuel Icard   | Maria Huong        | Gordon West        | Phu Nguyen         |     |
| M | Gloria Booby     | Robyn Molloy       | Thong Tran         | Judy Jones         |     |

|   | Sat 6pm        | 23 APRIL       |                |                  |  |
|---|----------------|----------------|----------------|------------------|--|
| C | Stephen Hoang  | Joseph Dang    | Anthony Rowe   | Charbel Eltarraf |  |
| R | Gloria Booby   | Robyn Molloy   | Emanuela Viner | Elias Eltarraf   |  |
| A | Joseph Bui (A) | Joseph Cao (A) | Thong Tran (A) | Thanh Vu (A)     |  |
| M | Gloria Booby   | Mesake Mar     | Bev Lamaro     | Jacinta Eltarraf |  |
| M | Tuyen Tran     | Madelyn Nicole | Helen Vujevic  | Loreto Eduardo   |  |