Catechist: Bev Lamaro 0409 710 703; Choir: Line Collet 0410 568 103;
Friendship Group: Bev Lamaro 0409 710 703; Youth: Alison De Sousa 0421 660 187;
Pastoral Council: John Sarkis 0400 606 297; St Vincent de Paul: John Ashe 9796 1055;
Childrens Liturgy: Marie El-Chaar 9709 3451; Cemetery Committee: Maureen Vincent 9790 4217;
Sacramental co-ordinator: Gloria Booby 9708 2871; Polish Priests: 8783 0533;
De La Salle Brothers: 9708 2692; St. Felix Primary School: 9796 7875 Lisa Wahab- Principal;
LaSalle Catholic College: 9793 5600 Mr Michael Egan - Principal;
Archdiocesan Website: www.sydney.catholic.org.au



#### **Australian Catholic Youth Festival**

This three day festival will be held in Sydney 7-9 December 2017. The event will attract 15,000 young people and is for those aged Year 9 to 30 years. It's a Catholic Festival a bit like World Youth Day! We look forward to the whole Parish Community being involved. For more information, please go to <a href="https://www.acyf.org.au">www.acyf.org.au</a>.

## 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!

## **Youth Bible Studies and Adoration**

Join in for Bible Study in the presbytery every Wednesday evening at the new time of 7.30pm followed by Adoration at 8.30pm. All welcome. Keep in touch through facebook - <a href="facebook.com/">facebook.com/</a> StFelix100

## **Offertory Volunteers**

We would like to have more families involved with our liturgy by taking up the offertory during the 10 am Mass on Sundays. If you would like to be involved please write your name on the list at the back of the Church.

# **Rome Pilgrimages parish briefings:**

People interested finding out more about the Sydney Archdiocese' Rome Pilgrimage tours are welcome to attend two upcoming briefings (all welcome to attend):

**Sutherland Parish - Venue:** St Patrick's,136 Flora St, Sutherland on Tuesday, 27th June at 6:30pm (Sutherland Rome Pilgrimage 5-12 October 2017)

**Miranda/Sylvania Parish - Venue:** Our Lady Star of the Sea, 50 Kiora Rd, Miranda on Thursday, 29th June 2017 at 6:30pm. (Miranda/Sylvania Rome Pilgrimage 20-27 September 2017)

## Online youth survey

Recently the Australian Bishops released an online youth survey to seek feedback for the Youth Synod in 2018 <a href="www.catholic.org.au/youthsurvey">www.catholic.org.au/youthsurvey</a>. This survey will provide an important means for our young people aged 16-29 to communicate their needs, hopes and desires for our Church with our Australian Bishops. This survey will close on Sunday 2 July 2017.

### 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



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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 Wednesday - 10.00am Uniting Church Centre

Wednesday - 7.30pm Young Adults Bible Study in Meeting Room, 8.30pm 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.

Congratulations to the following candidates who will be receiving the Sacrament of 1st Holy Communion this weekend.

Please keep them in your prayers.



Brooklyn Georgia Lee

Allira Galbouni

Emma Vu

An Duy Bui

**Daniel Younes** 

Oliver Efendi

Thomas Mocha



Jake Roelsgaard Severi

Veronica Phuong Thao Vu

Clinton Chinedu Chukwukelu

Samantha Greige

Reine Shadi Batarseh

Cynthia Epenian

Jason Lawani

James Bui

Lucia Hoang

12th Sunday in Ordinary Time - A - 25 June 2017



# Let go of your fears

A news story said the police caught a man trying to cash a phoney cheque and took him down to the police station. While the officers were distracted, the crook grabbed the cheque off the desk and swallowed it to get rid of the evidence. No problem: the police waited five or six hours and then charged the guy for passing a bad cheque twice.

When we are doing the right thing then we have nothing to be afraid of, we actually want people to know about our action. Fear can be very alienating, when we become aware of our wrong doing we tend to isolate ourselves from God and others. We hide ourselves from the truth as a result we imprison ourselves in lies, guilt, anger, panic, compulsive behaviour etc.

In today's Gospel, Jesus encouraged us, "Have no fear; for nothing is covered up that will not be uncovered, and nothing is secret that will not be known." We often feel insecure and fear the unknown, but when we pray we entrust the unknown into God's caring hands then we'll feel secured and our fear will cease to exist. We tend to pray asking God to give us success, promotion, health, power, possessions. All of these are requests to boost the ego and are ultimately seeking security in the wrong place. They are seeking happiness through asking God to deliver us from the suffering that is the normal burden of life, and when God does not grant what we ask we become frustrated and more fearful.

Let us pray that we can let go of our fear and insecurities as our trust in God is growing and our relationship with God is deepened.

This week's Readings - Jeremiah 20:10-13; Romans 5:12-15; Gospel - Matthew 10:26-33.

## **Planned Giving Envelopes 2017/18**

The new sets of Planned Giving envelopes are now available for collection. Please ensure you check your name with corresponding address and you pick up the correct one. If you are not a member of Planned Giving you may contact the parish office to join the Planned Giving Program. We can offer a 25% tax deduction from July 1 onwards. Instead of Envelopes you could opt for periodic deduction using your credit card which is more economical and efficient for the Parish. Receipts for your contributions for the end of this financial year will be issued at the beginning of July. I would like to thank all contributors for your financial support of the parish. In addition to the financial benefits, your offering enhances the fellowship of the parish as well.

# True evangelisation

The twofold principles of fruitful evangelisation are spirit and truth. With regard to truth, Christianity is a revealed faith, so it is necessary to receive its truth in order to communicate this truth to others. Therefore it is important to invest time into learning about the faith. Truth alone, however, is not enough. One must be moved by the Holy Spirit in order to be fruitful. One must come to know God personally, especially through devotion to daily prayer and the sacraments, to be moved by God effectively to this work of proclaiming the Gospel. And so, true evangelisation begins with study and prayer, so that this work, as God's work, will be fruitful.



# **First Communion Congratulations**

Congratulations to all the candidates who have received the Sacrament of First Holy Communion over the last two weekends. Thankyou to all the parents, teachers and group leaders who helped prepare the children and a special

thanks goes to our Sacramental Co-ordinator Gloria Booby and new REC Jacklyn Guardascione, for all their work with preparation and support. We also wish to acknowledge and thank Ivana Derek for donating the Rosary beads which were given to the Candidates.

# **Holy Fathers Annual Appeal**

This appeal is on next weekend, 1 & 2 July and the proceeds will help our Holy Father, Pope Francis, fulfil his worldwide charitable missions on which many of our less fortunate desperately rely on. Please support this appeal generously.

## **Mass Intentions:**



Recently Deceased: Harold Neville; Joseph Trung; Joe Gonzales; Adib Sissi Anniversary: Phero Phan The Cuong; Vincenzo LaBarbera; Anthony Hoang; Felice & Rina Basile; Gioankim Nguyen Xuan Tiet; Juse Nguyen Van Oanh

Deceased: Ipapandi & Michael Omeros; Vincent Vu Dinh.

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

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

Readings: 2Kings 4:8-11, 14-16; Romans 6:3-4, 8-11; Gospel - Matthew 10:37-42.

### **Craft Stall**

St Felix Craft Group will be conducting a Winter Craft Sale after the 8.00 and 10.00 Morning Masses on Sunday 2nd July. All parishioners are encouraged to have a look and perhaps, make a purchase from our hand-crafted and new donated goods. All proceeds will be going to the St Felix Fete Fund.

## **Liturgy Meeting**

The next Liturgy meeting will be on Tuesday 4 July commencing at 7.00pm in the presbytery

## **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.

**Altar Society: 2/7/17 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: 2/7/17 Thom Pham 9/7/17 John Ashe

Mesake Mar

Robyn Molloy

Church Cleaners: 30/6/17: Samoan Divine Mercy Group Children's Liturgy: 2nd July - HOLIDAYS

Weekend Choir: 2/7 Saturday 6pm - St Anne's Choir

Sunday 8am - Singing Servants of God Sun 10am - St Felix Choir

## Readers & Ministers

**Emmanuel Icard** 

Gloria Booby

	Sat 6pm 25 JU	INE 8am	10am	6pm
С	Gabrielle Nguyen	Imelda Dela Cruz	Jennifer Nguyen	Charbel Eltarraf
R	Stephen Hoang	Joseph Dang	Thu Ha Kim	Elias Eltarraf
Α	Joseph Bui (A)	Joseph Cao (A)	Thong Tran (A)	Thanh Vu (A)
М	Gloria Booby	An Dang	Bev Lamaro	Jacinta Eltarraf
М	Tuyen Tran	Madelyn Nicole	Gordon West	Loreto Eduardo
2 JULY				
С	Emmanuel Icard	Mary Buckley	Emanuela Viner	Lucia Mezentsef
R	Patrick Abourizk	Thuy Linh Nguyen	Thu Ha Kim	Kathleen Mezentsef
Α	Tuyen Tran (A)	Joseph Cao (A)	Anthony Joseph (A)	Thanh Vu (A)

Thong Tran

Joe Luongo

Amelia Mezentsef

**Judy Jones**