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Mission to fight poverty

Catholic communities all over the world are looking for teachers, health and community development workers, administrators and others to mentor workers in their fields of expertise. See more than 40 volunteer positions at www.palms.org.au/projects/. The positions would suit anybody with the appropriate qualifications. Healthy retired people find it a most gratifying and stimulating mission. Australian donors cover your costs and outstanding support is provided through the church's single biggest global volunteer mission agency.



[Want to hear more from returned volunteers?](#)

Information Session: Time: Wednesday November 29th, 5:45 - 7:00 pm
 Place: Save the Children office,
 Suite 302 (Level 3), 418a Elizabeth St, Surry Hills
 (Entrance to the building is on Devonshire St.)

Youth Bible Studies and Adoration

Join in for Bible Study in the presbytery every Wednesday evening at 7.30pm followed by Adoration at 8.30pm. All welcome. Keep in touch through facebook - [facebook.com/StFelix100](https://www.facebook.com/StFelix100)

Australian Catholic Youth Festival – Invitation to Mass in the Domain

Archbishop Anthony Fisher OP has invited all to attend Mass in the Domain on Saturday 9 December for the Australian Catholic Youth Festival. To allow all to attend, the Archbishop has cancelled vigil Masses in the Archdiocese on that day. The Mass at 6.30pm will follow an afternoon of concerts and festivities beginning at 4pm and featuring Australian and international musicians and performers, including Matt Maher. The Archbishop also invites the people of Sydney to pray for the success this important event. Prayer cards have been distributed to parishes (see attached). A special App is available with information about the Festival. Please download it for FREE here: www.xt3.com/acyf2017/apps/

The Epiphany Pilgrimage

Are you looking for a different way to start the new year? Maybe to meet some new people, get fit and conclude the Christmas season on a spiritual high? The Epiphany Pilgrimage is a 7 day, 110 km Catholic pilgrimage through the Blue Mountains which coincides with the Feast of the Epiphany in early January. The pilgrimage begins at Our Lady of the Way Parish in Emu Plains on January 2 2018 and finishes at the Chapel of the Magi at the top of the mountains in Bell on January 8 2018. Throughout the journey pilgrims walk through the beautiful Blue Mountains bushland and engage in daily Mass and Adoration at each of the six parishes along the route. For further info & registration go to www.epiphanypilgrimage.org or see <https://www.facebook.com/epiphanypilgrimage/>

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

Name..... Telephone No.:

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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, Thursday, Friday, Saturday - 8.00am. Wednesday - 9.00am.

Wednesday - 7.30pm Bible Study followed by Adoration at 8.30pm.

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.



Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe - A - 26 November 2017



Precious Life

Our life has been entrusted to us by God. We serve God, and love ourselves rightly, when we are good stewards of the life we have been entrusted, striving to keep ourselves healthy and directing everything to our spiritual well-being. From our Baptism we have been able to look forward to fullness of life as "the child of God, for so indeed we are". We strive through love of God and one another, to become perfect as our heavenly Father is perfect. The meaning of our life, therefore, is not defined by this world only. We are citizens of God's kingdom and, with all our brothers and sisters, the life which we are stewarding profits us to eternal life.

To destroy that life, or the life of another, knowingly, freely and deliberately, is a serious sin. It is murder. The innocent sounding names that people may use to describe what they are doing, like "assisted dying", do not change the reality. To assist someone is to alleviate their suffering while appreciating their life to the end. We should visit, comfort, encourage, not kill.

Jesus taught us to feed the hungry, give drink to the thirsty, welcome the stranger, clothe the naked, visit the sick and imprisoned. This has a physical and spiritual meaning, and easily applies especially to those whom the world would too readily "let go" and "assist to die". God forgive us. The Christian works of mercy outline for us some of the fundamental support we should be providing our chronically suffering or dying brothers and sisters; food, water, warmth, shelter, company, and aid in their sickness. Saint Pope John Paul II acknowledged limits to medical care. Medical intervention ought not be overzealous, and the sick person themselves may reject extraordinary efforts. However, in a place like Australia, the Christian works of mercy, and the provision of air and basic medicine should be considered ordinary care and always provided.

God bless,
Father Michael.

This weeks readings - Ezek 34:11-12,15-17; 1Corinth 15:20-26,28; Gospel - Matthew 25:31-46.

New Parish Priest

It is with great pleasure we announce that the Archbishop has appointed Fr Van Nguyen as our new Parish Priest. Fr Van is known by many of you and comes from Campsie Parish. He will commence here at St Felix on Tuesday 12th December. We thank Fr Michael Lanzon for administering at the Parish for the month of November.

1st Reconciliation

The Sacrament of 1st Reconciliation will be celebrated this Wednesday 29th at 7.00pm. Please keep these children in your prayers. We would like to thank all the teachers, class leaders and our Sacramental co-ordinator, Gloria Booby for all the work and preparation given to these children over the last few weeks.

Carols by candlelight - Wednesday 13th December

The St Felix Youth and Young Adults group invite you, your family and friends, to a night of prayerful carols and meditation as we prepare the way for Jesus' coming at Christmas on Wednesday 13th December 2017.

Carols and meditation will commence in the church at 7pm and conclude at 8pm with a community BBQ near the grotto.

Choir for the Carols by Candlelight REHEARSALS

All Parish choirs are invited to join in the combined choir rehearsals on Sunday 3rd and Tuesday 5th December at 7.30pm in the church as we prepare for the carols night.



Mass Intentions:

Recently Deceased: Maria Nguyen Thi Tuu; Shirley Salter; John Paul Bautista (*Rosa House's grandson*)

Anniversary: Andreana Sultana Dusan John Vujkovic; Gioan Baotixita Tu Nguyen.

Deceased: ALL NAMES OF DECEASED FOR THIS MONTH ARE IN THE BOOK INFRONT OF THE ALTAR.

Sick: Jason Timbs & Bart Hennely, Dau (Xuan); Gerard Go; Fatima; Catherine & Lourdes Raspanti; Tim Logue; baby Alan Dien Quan Nguyen; Monina Rodriguez Pineda; Tenshi Asriel Magdaleno Arcenas; Vaoliko Pesamino, Ethan Chau, Douglas Needham; Anne McKinlay; Jovie Casuso; Reyes & Adelle Lim

Next Weekend - 1st Sunday of Advent - Year B

Readings: Isaiah 63:16-17, 64:1,3-8; 1Corinthians 1:3-9; Gospel - Mark 13:33-37.

Feasts of the week

30 November – St Andrew, apostle. Feast.

Born at Bethsaida (Galilee). A fisherman and perhaps a disciple of John the Baptist (24 June). Introduced his brother, Simon Peter (29 June), to Jesus and became one of the first to follow Christ. Mentioned a number of times in the gospels, for example, in introducing some Gentiles to Jesus (*John 12:20ff.*). Widely venerated since ancient times and remembered as one of the twelve who bore witness to the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus.

SVDP Piety Stall

Now selling - 2017 Columban Calendars at \$9 each and Christmas Cards, packet of 10 for \$7.

A Christmas Celebration 2017 at St Mary's Cathedral

Friday 15 December 2017. Celebrate the beauty and wonder of Christmas with the St Mary's Cathedral Choir and the Orchestra of the Antipodes including congregational carols and music to lift your spirits in the joy of the season! For tickets and more information please visit www.achristmascelebration.com.au

Christmas Remembrance Service – 17 December 2017 at 7:30pm

All are welcome to join in St Mary's Cathedral as we remember and pray for all those who have died and whose memory we cherish over the Christmas season.

Altar Society: 3/12/17 Group 1: Gloria Walker, Margaret Chan, Lyn Rowe, Khanh Le, Thi Thuy Doan, Theresa Nguyen, Dorie Encarnacion, Michael & Jacinta Viner, Hien & Vu Bui (*Florist*).

St Vincent de Paul: 3/12/17 A Nguyen 10/12/17 J Obeid

Church Cleaners: 1/12/17: Polish Group **Children's Liturgy:** 3rd Dec - Ligaya

Weekend Choir: 3/12 Saturday 6pm - St Anne's Choir.

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

Readers & Ministers

	Sat 6pm	26 NOVEMBER 8am	10am	6pm
C	Stephen Hoang	Mary Buckley	Jessica Vujevic	Charbel Eltarraf
R	Emmanuel Icard	Robyn Molloy	Jennifer Nguyen	Elias Eltarraf
A	Joseph Bui (A)	Joseph Cao (A)	Thong Tran (A)	Thanh Vu (A)
M	Tuyen Tran	An Dang	Gordon West	Judy Jones
M	Cindy Hoang	Chris Kreltszheim	Helen Vujevic	Jacinta Eltarraf
3 DECEMBER				
C	Patrick Abourizk	Thuy Linh Nguyen	Anthony Rowe	Lucia Mezentsef
R	Gabrielle Nguyen	Imelda Dela Cruz	Mary O'Hea	Kathleen Mezentsef
A	Tuyen Tran (A)	Joseph Cao (A)	Anthony Joseph (A)	Thanh Vu (A)
M	Joseph Bui	Madelyn Nicole	Rosa House	Paul Ngoc
M	Gloria Booby	Robyn Molloy	Jessie Kovacevic	Phu Nguyen