

GOSPEL: John 2:13-25

A reading from the holy gospel according to John

Destroy this sanctuary, and in three days I will raise it up.

Just before the Jewish Passover Jesus went up to Jerusalem, and in the Temple he found people selling cattle and sheep and pigeons, and the money changers sitting at their counters there. Making a whip out of some cord, he drove them all out of the Temple, cattle and sheep as well, scattered the money changers' coins, knocked their tables over and said to the pigeon-sellers, 'Take all this out of here and stop turning my Father's house into a market.' Then his disciples remembered the words of scripture: Zeal for your house will devour me. The Jews intervened and said, 'What sign can you show us to justify what you have done?' Jesus answered, 'Destroy this sanctuary, and in three days I will raise it up.' The Jews replied, 'It has taken forty-six years to build this sanctuary: are you going to raise it up in three days?' But he was speaking of the sanctuary that was his body, and when Jesus rose from the dead, his disciples remembered that he had said this, and they believed the scripture and the words he had said.

During his stay in Jerusalem for the Passover many believed in his name when they saw the signs that he gave, but Jesus knew them all and did not trust himself to them; he never needed evidence about any man; he could tell what a man had in him.

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.



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NOW CO-EDUCATIONAL!




OPEN DAY
Wednesday 14 March
3pm - 5.30pm

- Hear about the exciting changes coming to our school.
- Take a tour and see our new facilities.
- Chat with our principal.
- Take part in interactive activities.

ENROLLING NOW FOR 2019 & 2020

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 0413 294 224; Polish Priests: 8783 0533;
 De La Salle Brothers: 9708 2692; St. Felix Primary School: 9796 7875 Frances Bonanno - Principal;
 LaSalle Catholic College: 9793 5600 Mr Michael Egan - Principal;
 Archdiocesan Website: www.sydneycatholic.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 with your details to Marie at admin@stfelixparish.org.au

Name..... Telephone No.:

Address:.....

Email :

WOULD LIKE ENVELOPES

CONTRIBUTE WITH CREDIT CARD

MAKE CHANGES TO MY DONATION

WEEKEND MASS TIMES

Saturday: 6pm (Vigil),
Sunday: 8am,
10am (Children's Liturgy),
6pm, 12noon (Polish).

THIS WEEK'S MASSES

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

Stations of the Cross
Friday - 7.30pm

Nursing Home Masses
No visits this week.

Vietnamese Mass
7 pm - 1st Thurs of each month.

DEVOTIONS

Benediction: Saturday 7.00am.
Rosary: Saturday 8.25am.
Divine Mercy Prayer:
6.30pm - 1st Wed of each month.

SACRAMENTS

Reconciliation:
Saturday 4.30 - 5.30 pm
Or by appointment.

Marriages: By arrangement with at least 6 months notice.

Care for the Sick: Any time.
Please call the Presbytery.

Baptisms: By appointment.
Preparation classes are held in the Presbytery on the 1st Sunday of each month after 10AM Mass .

PROJECT COMPASSION
FOR A JUST FUTURE



PLEASE GIVE GENEROUSLY

Project Compassion

Bayan is a young Syrian girl in Jordan who struggled to overcome the trauma of living in a conflict zone, facing the prospect of missing out on school. With Caritas Australia's support, Bayan is excelling in her studies, with ambitions to become an ophthalmologist.

Please donate to Project Compassion 2018 and help equip young people to succeed in the future, bringing stability to vulnerable youth, providing just futures for others like Bayan.

Please collect a Parish box or envelopes to donate today.

Responsorial Psalm
R. Lord, you have the words of everlasting life .

Gospel Acclamation
Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory!
God loved the world so much, he gave us his only Son, that all who believe in him might have eternal life.
Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory!

Comm Antiphon: The sparrow finds a home, and the swallow a nest for her young: by your altars, O Lord of hosts, my King and my God. Blessed are they who dwell in your house, for ever singing your praise.

This weeks readings - Exodus 20:1-17; 1Corinthians 1:22-25; Gospel - John 2:13-25

Next Weekend: 4th Sunday of Lent - Year B. Readings:
2Chronicles 36:14-16, 19-23; Ephesians 2:4-10;
Gospel - John 3:14-21

3rd Sunday of Lent - Yr B - 4th March 2018

Stations of the Cross

The Stations of the Cross are prayed in the Church every *Friday commencing at 7.30pm* during the season of Lent. All Welcome.

Volunteers for Easter Masses

We are looking for volunteer readers, ministers, acolytes, altar servers and volunteers to help carry the offertory & sacred oils during our special Easter Masses. Please write your names on the blank roster forms found in the Sacristy for the Masses you wish to serve. Everyone's assistance makes our liturgies extra special.

Palms

We are looking for Palm leaves for the Palm Sunday Masses and also long branches to help decorate the Church. If anyone has any Palm Trees please let Fr Van know or contact the office ASAP.

Catholic Schools Week

From 4-10 March 2018 St Felix will be celebrating Catholic Schools Week, we take the opportunity to strengthen relationships between our school and valued community members. A warm invitation is extended for you to join in with our whole school Mass on Tuesday, 6th March at 9am, followed by open classrooms from 10:15-10:50am.

Mass Intentions: Recently Deceased: Baby Yvette Elena Gallo-Sanz

Anniversary: Bernard Danh; Eugenie Thien Tai Tran; Rien Christoffelsz; Godfrey Van Heer; Giovanni Frisina

Deceased: Vicent Pham Can; Maria.

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; Jovie Casuso; Reyes & Adelle Lim, Madelyn Nicole, Rose Nuner; Maria Carta; Carmel Mascara; George Malouf; Dinh Thi An; Teresita Martinez.

(Please advise the office when the names of the sick can be removed)

Weekly Rosters

Altar Society: 11/3/18 Group 2: Robyn Molloy, Enid Sneddon, Teresa Neang, Jeannette Chong, Anna & Willy Gabut, Letoe Hansell, Maria Huong Nguyen (*Florist*)

St Vincent de Paul: 11/3/18 John Ashe 18/3/18 D Rodrigues

Church Cleaners: 9/3/18: Charbel Karam **Children's Liturgy:** 11th March - Belinda

Weekend Choirs: 11/3 Saturday 6pm - St Anne's Choir

Sunday 8am - Singing Servants of God. **10 am** - St Felix Choir. **6pm** - Youth Choir.

Readers & Ministers

	Sat 6pm	4 MARCH	8am	10am	6pm
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)	An Dang (A)	Anthony Joseph (A)	Thanh Vu (A)	
M	Emmanuel Icard	Mesake Mar	Rosa House	Paul Ngoc	
M	Gloria Booby	Robyn Molloy	Bev Lamaro	Phu Nguyen	

11 MARCH

C	Kalisiana Mar	Philip Castillo	Jennifer Nguyen	Elias Eltarraf
R	Emmanuel Icard	Ligaya Castillo	Emanuela Viner	Anthony Eltarraf
A	Joseph Bui (A)	An Dang (A)	Thong Tran (A)	Thanh Vu (A)
M	Cindy Hoang	Mesake Mar	Jeannette Chong	Amelia Mezentsef
M	Gloria Booby	Thao Nguyen	Ala Pesamino	Jacinta Eltarraf

Reflection

God is with us

Today's Gospel invites us to reflect upon our worship of God. For Jesus and his Jewish contemporaries, the Temple was an important, holy place where they gathered to worship God. The Christian understanding of worship was transformed in light of Jesus' Resurrection. In the Christian understanding, God is worshiped in a person, the person of Jesus Christ. As we read in today's Gospel, Jesus is himself the Temple that will be destroyed, but in three days God will raise him up again. As you gather as a family, talk about places and times when you have experienced God's presence. After his Resurrection, Jesus' disciples understood that Jesus was present with them as they gathered to pray and especially when they gathered to share a meal. Read together today's Gospel, John 2:13-25. Jesus teaches us in today's Gospel that he is God's presence with us. Thank God for Jesus' presence with us, especially in the Sacrament of the Eucharist. Pray together the Lord's Prayer.

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Parish Safeguarding Support Officer Volunteer Required

The Safeguarding Office of the Archdiocese of Sydney has recently launched an initiative to recruit Parish Safeguarding Support Officers (PSSO) to support the Parish Priest to implement proactive Safeguarding measures to ensure safe environments for children, young people and the vulnerable in Parish communities. This is a voluntary position only. The ways in which the PSSO could support and assist the Parish Priest:

- Providing Safeguarding induction to all workers and training to volunteers of the Parish who work with children, including reading and signing of the *Code of Conduct for Working With Children and Young People*
- Raising awareness of Safeguarding in your Parish
- Creating Risk Assessments for Parish events/activities
- Responding to Safeguarding audit and compliance requirements
- Reporting any issues or concerns that come to your attention according to Archdiocesan protocols
- Monitoring the Visiting Clergy Register in line with current protocols
- Any other Safeguarding issues as requested by the Parish Priest

For more information about this important support role, please speak with your Parish Priest to express your interest in becoming the Parish Safeguarding Support Officer.

Thank you Woolworths

A huge thank you goes to Woolworths Bankstown Square and the store Manager Mr Imran Zaki for the 20 bags of non-perishable food which was donated for St Felix Primary school to help our needy families. This has been organized through the wonderful work of our St Vincent de Paul Society.

Mount St Joseph Open day

Wednesday 7 March 2018 from 4.00pm to 7.00pm

Guided Tours and Performances. 4.30pm and 6.30pm

PRINCIPAL'S ADDRESS: The growth and success of girls at Mount St Joseph.

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MSJ – 40 year reunion

A 40 year MSJ reunion for the graduating class of 1978 is to be held on Saturday 5th May 2018 at the Revesby Workers Club from 12 midday. For further details, contact Tracey Jungen (Lown) at msjreunion@gmail.com

Chanel College Reunion

Chanel College 60th Anniversary Reunion will be in April 2018 for students of THE MARIST FATHERS ERA [1958-1970]. For details send your email address to chanel.geelong@gmail.com OR your postal details to PO Box 3069 Geelong West 3218.