

**GOSPEL: John 20:1-9**

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John

*After eight days, Jesus came in and stood among them.*

In the evening of that same day, the first day of the week, the doors were closed in the room where the disciples were, for fear of the Jews. Jesus came and stood among them. He said to them, 'Peace be with you,' and showed them his hands and his side. The disciples were filled with joy when they saw the Lord, and he said to them again, 'Peace be with you.'

'As the Father sent me,  
so am I sending you.'

After saying this he breathed on them and said:

'Receive the Holy Spirit.  
For those whose sins you forgive,  
they are forgiven;  
for those whose sins you retain,  
they are retained.'

Thomas, called the Twin, who was one of the Twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. When the disciples said, 'We have seen the Lord,' he answered, 'Unless I see the holes they made, and unless I can put my hand into his side, I refuse to believe.' Eight days later the disciples were in the house again and Thomas was with them. The doors were closed, but Jesus came in and stood among them. 'Peace be with you,' he said. Then he spoke to Thomas, 'Put your finger here; look, here are my hands. Give me your hand; put it into my side. Doubt no longer but believe.' Thomas replied, 'My Lord and my God!' Jesus said to him:

'You believe because you can see me.  
Happy are those who have not seen and yet believe.'

There were many other signs that Jesus worked and the disciples saw, but they are not recorded in this book. These are recorded so that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that believing this you may have life through his name.

The Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**



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**WEEKEND MASS TIMES**

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

**THIS WEEK'S MASSES**

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

**Nursing Home Masses**

NIL

**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 .



## Divine Mercy Sunday

**Responsorial Psalm**

R. Give thanks to the Lord for he is good, his love is everlasting.

**Gospel Acclamation**

**Alleluia, alleluia!**

You believe in me, Thomas, because you have seen me;  
happy are those who have not seen me, but still believe!  
**Alleluia!**

**Comm Antiphon:** Bring your hand and feel the place of the nails, and do not be unbelieving but believing, alleluia.

**This weeks readings** - Acts 4:32-35; 1John 5:1-6;  
Gospel - John 20:19-31.

**Next Weekend:** 3rd Sun Easter - Year B. **Readings**  
Acts 3:13-15, 17-19; 1John 2:1-5; Gospel - Luke 24:35-48.

## Second Sunday of Easter - Yr B - 8th April 2018

**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.sydney.catholic.org.au](http://www.sydney.catholic.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](mailto:admin@stfelixparish.org.au)

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## Parish Pastoral Council Meeting

The next PPC meeting will be on Tuesday 10th April commencing at 7.00pm in the presbytery.

## Project Compassion

Caritas Australia would like to THANK YOU for supporting Project Compassion 2018. If you still have your Project Compassion box or set of envelopes at home, please bring them back this week or visit [www.caritas.org.au](http://www.caritas.org.au) to make your donation online. [www.caritas.org.au/projectcompassion](http://www.caritas.org.au/projectcompassion) #projectcompassion 1800 024 413

## In the Footsteps of Mary MacKillop 2018 National Pilgrimage

The Sisters of St Joseph invite you to join the National Pilgrimage, giving you the opportunity to journey to significant places in Australia made holy by St Mary MacKillop. Commence in Melbourne 23 October, travel through Victoria & South Australia, conclude in Sydney 3 November 2018. COST EX SYDNEY: \$3,230.00 (all inclusive: airfares, accommodation, coach travel, admission fees and meals). SINGLE SUPPLEMENT: \$700.00. For further information, please contact Sr Therese Leydon 0417 683123 or Sr Annie Bond 02 89124818, or email [national.pilgrimage@mmp.org.au](mailto:national.pilgrimage@mmp.org.au).

## Mass Intentions:



**Recently Deceased:** Joseph Cao Huong; Carmel Mascara; George Malouf.

**Anniversary:** Rafic Farah; Maria Le Thi Tam; Joseph Nguyen Duc Lien; Maria Vu Thi Hoa; Stephanie Wilson.

**Deceased:** Halina Wilczynska; Maria Thuc Trinh Dang; Joseph Binh Chanh Lam.

**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; Dinh Thi An; Teresita Martinez; Georgina Omeros; Maria Kovatsun; Frannie.

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

## Weekly Rosters

**Altar Society: 15/4/18 Group 3:** Robyn Molloy, Enid Sneddon, Teresa Neang, Jeannette Chong, Anna & Willy Gabut, Letoe Hansell, Maria Huong Nguyen (*Florist*)

**St Vincent de Paul:** 15/4/18 John Ashe 22/4/18 Thom Pham

**Church Cleaners: 13/4/18:** Charbel Karam **Children's Liturgy:** 15th April - HOLIDAYS

**Weekend Choirs: 15/4 Saturday 6pm** - St Anne's Choir

**Sunday 8am** - Singing Servants of God. **10 am** - Samoan Divine Mercy Group. **6pm** - Youth Choir.

### Readers & Ministers

	Sat 6pm	8 APRIL 8am	10am	6pm
C	Patrick Abourizk	Philip Castillo	Jennifer Nguyen	Elias Eltarraf
R	Gloria Booby	Ligaya Castillo	Anthony Rowe	Anthony Eltarraf
A	Joseph Bui (A)	An Dang (A)	Thong Tran (A)	Thanh Vu (A)
M	Emmanuel Icard	Mesake Mar	Ala Pesamino	Paul Ngoc
M	Cindy Hoang	Robyn Molloy	Joe Luongo	Loreto Eduardo

### 15 APRIL

C	Gabrielle Nguyen	Janice Rodrigues	Emanuela Viner	Kathleen Mezentsef
R	Patrick Abourizk	Jeanette Rodrigues	Thu Ha Kim	Lucia Mezentsef
A	Tuyen Tran (A)	An Dang (A)	Anthony Joseph (A)	Thanh Vu (A)
M	Cindy Hoang	Melanie Campisi	Gordon West	Phu Nguyen
M	Gloria Booby	Robyn Molloy	Rosa House	Judy Jones

Reflection

## Forgive others & seek peace

Within normal family life, there are many opportunities for conflict. Jesus did not promise us the absence of conflict in our lives. Instead, he gave us the gifts of peace, forgiveness, and reconciliation so that we could reduce conflict. The measure of Christian family life is not the absence of conflict, but the manner in which conflict is resolved. Filled with the gift of the Holy Spirit, we ask Jesus to help us to bring peace and forgiveness to situations of conflict in our families.

As your family gathers, take this opportunity to examine how your family resolves conflict. Recall a recent argument or disagreement and discuss how the conflict was resolved. Consider whether the conflict was resolved peacefully, in the spirit of Jesus. If not, discuss alternatives that might be tried in the future. Read together today's Gospel, John 20:19-31. Recall that we have each received Jesus' gift of the Holy Spirit and that the Holy Spirit helps us to be people who forgive others and seek peace.

Pray together the Prayer to the Holy Spirit or the Peace Prayer of Saint Francis.

Lord, make me an instrument of your peace:  
where there is hatred, let me sow love;  
where there is injury, pardon;  
where there is doubt, faith;  
where there is despair, hope;  
where there is darkness, light;  
where there is sadness, joy.

O divine Master, grant that I may not so much seek  
to be consoled as to console,  
to be understood as to understand,  
to be loved as to love.  
For it is in giving that we receive,  
it is in pardoning that we are pardoned,  
and it is in dying that we are born to eternal life.

Amen.

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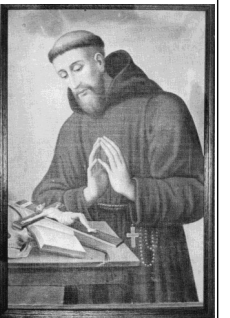
## Feasts of the Week

### 9 April - The Annunciation of the Lord. Solemnity.

This feast originated in the East during the sixth century and gained universal observance in the West during the eighth century. It is a feast of the Lord, commemorating the announcement to the Virgin Mary of the Word made flesh, Mary's acceptance of God's will, and the conception of Christ nine months before Christmas. Its occurrence close to Easter links the incarnation with the whole mystery of human redemption in Christ.

### 11 April - St Stanislaus, bishop, martyr. Memorial.

Born at Szczepanow (Poland) about 1030. Died on this day in 1079 at Cracow, murdered on the orders of the king for his outspoken condemnation of corruption. He had become bishop of Cracow in 1072. Remembered for his reforms, his preaching, and his pastoral concern.



## Mt Carmel Retreat Centre

Journeying with the disciples of Emmaus: Time to reflect with two "insignificant disciples" as they return (from Emmaus) to Jerusalem after meeting the Risen Lord.

Gospel People. Presenter: Bishop Greg Homeming, OCD

April 13: 6:00 pm – April 15: 1:30 pm. Cost: \$250.00 (concessions apply)

The Gospels give us the encounters of ordinary people with Jesus in the uniqueness of their own personality, concerns and failings.

Mt Carmel Retreat Centre, 247 St Andrews Road, Varroville, NSW, 2566. Ph: 8795 3400

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## Baptism:

This week, we welcome into the Catholic faith:

*Aydan Luca Hill*

May he always know the love of God and feel His guiding hand throughout his life.

