



# St Felix deValois Parish

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## 19th Sunday in Ordinary Time - Yr A - 9 August 2020

### WEEKEND MASS TIMES

**Saturday:** 6pm (Vigil),

**Sunday:** 8am, 10am  
6pm, 12noon (Polish).

### THIS WEEK'S MASSES

**Tuesday** - 8.00am

**Wednesday** - 8.00am

**Thursday** - 8.00am

**Friday** - 8.00am

**Saturday** - 8.00am

### Nursing Home Masses

NIL

### Vietnamese Mass

7 pm - 1st Thurs of each month.

### Polish Mass

6 pm - 1st Friday of every month  
plus every Friday during Lent, May,  
June, October and November.

### DEVOTIONS

**Benediction:** 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday  
of the Month at 8.30pm.

**No Benediction 7am Saturday until  
further notice.**

**Vietnamese 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:** Ring for an appointment



### Penitential Act

I confess to almighty God  
and to you, my brothers and sisters,  
that I have greatly sinned,  
in my thoughts and in my words,  
in what I have done and in what I have failed to do,  
through my fault, through my fault,  
through my most grievous fault;  
therefore I ask blessed Mary ever-Virgin,  
all the Angels and Saints,  
and you, my brothers and sisters,  
to pray for me to the Lord our God.

May almighty God have mercy on us,  
forgive us our sins,  
and bring us to everlasting life.

**Amen.**

Lord, have mercy. **Lord, have mercy.**  
Christ, have mercy. **Christ, have mercy.**  
Lord, have mercy. **Lord, have mercy.**

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TO STOP THE SPREAD OF GERMS.**

## **Gloria**

Glory to God in the highest,  
and on earth peace to people of good will.

We praise you,  
we bless you,  
we adore you,  
we glorify you,  
we give you thanks for your great glory,  
Lord God, heavenly King,  
O God, almighty Father.

Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son,  
Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,  
you take away the sins of the world,  
have mercy on us;  
you take away the sins of the world,  
receive our prayer;  
you are seated at the right hand of the Father,  
have mercy on us.

For you alone are the Holy One,  
you alone are the Lord,  
you alone are the Most High,  
Jesus Christ,  
with the Holy Spirit,  
in the glory of God the Father.

**Amen.**

## **First Reading - 1 Kings 19:9, 11-13**

A reading from the first book of the Kings  
*Go out and stand on the mountain before the Lord God.*

When Elijah reached Horeb, the mountain of God, he went into the cave and spent the night in it. Then he was told, 'Go out and stand on the mountain before the Lord.' Then the Lord himself went by. There came a mighty wind, so strong it tore the mountains and shattered the rocks before the Lord. But the Lord was not in the wind. After the wind came an earthquake. But the Lord was not in the earthquake. After the earthquake came a fire. But the Lord was not in the fire. And after the fire there came the sound of a gentle breeze. And when Elijah heard this, he covered his face with his cloak and went out and stood at the entrance of the cave.

The word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

## **Responsorial Psalm**

**R. Lord, show us your mercy and love,  
and grant us your salvation.**

I will hear what the Lord God has to say,  
a voice that speaks of peace.  
His help is near for those who fear him  
and his glory will dwell in our land. **R.**

Mercy and faithfulness have met;  
justice and peace have embraced.  
Faithfulness shall spring from the earth  
and justice look down from heaven. **R.**  
The Lord will make us prosper

and our earth shall yield its fruit.  
Justice shall march before him  
and peace shall follow his steps. **R.**

## **Second Reading - Romans 9:1-5**

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Romans  
*I would willingly be condemned if it could help my people.*

What I want to say is no pretence; I say it in union with Christ - it is the truth - my conscience in union with the Holy Spirit assures me of it too. What I want to say is this: my sorrow is so great, my mental anguish so endless, I would willingly be condemned and be cut off from Christ if it could help my brothers of Israel, my own flesh and blood. They were adopted as sons, they were given the glory and the covenants; the Law and the ritual were drawn up for them, and the promises were made to them. They are descended from the patriarchs and from their flesh and blood came Christ who is above all, God for ever blessed! Amen.

The word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

## **Gospel Acclamation**

**Alleluia, alleluia!**

I hope in the Lord, I trust in his word.

**Alleluia!**

## **Gospel - Matthew 14:22-33**

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew

*Command me to come to you over the water.*

Jesus made the disciples get into the boat and go on ahead to the other side while he would send the crowds away. After sending the crowds away he went up into the hills by himself to pray. When evening came, he was there alone, while the boat, by now far out on the lake, was battling with a heavy sea, for there was a head-wind. In the fourth watch of the night he went towards them, walking on the lake, and when the disciples saw him walking on the lake they were terrified. 'It is a ghost' they said, and cried out in fear. But at once Jesus called out to them, saying 'Courage! It is I! Do not be afraid.' It was Peter who answered. 'Lord', he said 'if it is you, tell me to come to you across the water.' 'Come' said Jesus. Then Peter got out of the boat and started walking towards Jesus across the water, but as soon as he felt the force of the wind, he took fright and began to sink. 'Lord! Save me!' he cried. Jesus put out his hand at once and held him. 'Man of little faith,' he said 'why did you doubt?' And as they got into the boat the wind dropped. The men in the boat bowed down before him and said, 'Truly, you are the Son of God.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

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

## The Creed

I believe in one God,  
the Father almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth,  
of all things visible and invisible.

I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ,  
the only Begotten Son of God,  
born of the Father before all ages.  
God from God, Light from Light,  
true God from true God,  
begotten not made, consubstantial with the Father  
through him all things were made.  
For us men and for our salvation  
He came down from heaven  
and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin  
Mary, and became man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius  
Pilate, he suffered death and was buried,  
and rose again on the third day  
in accordance with the Scriptures.  
He ascended into heaven and is seated at the  
right hand of the Father.

He will come again in glory to judge the living and  
the dead and his kingdom will have no end.  
I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of  
life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son,  
who with the Father and the Son is adored and  
glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.  
I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic  
Church. I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness  
of sins and look forward to the resurrection of the  
dead and the life of the world to come.

**Amen.**

## New Tap & Go Facility

A new Tap & Go terminal is now available in  
the Church for those who wish to make a donation  
into 2nd Collection with their card. This facility can  
be used as an alternative to placing cash into the  
2nd Collection bag. NO RECEIPTS will be issued  
for any donation made this way. The terminal is  
set to take a minimum \$10 per tap.

If you wish to make donations to the Church  
and obtain a tax receipt, please contact the Parish  
Office and Marie will register you for Planned  
Giving.

## Mini Vinnies Formation Program (MVFP).

Vinnies is proud to announce the launch of the  
Mini Vinnies Formation Program (MVFP) for  
students in Years 4 – 6, who wish to undertake  
Social Justice Formation in their own time. For  
more information please go to <https://bit.ly/MVFPinfo>  
The MVFP will nurture students,  
who undertake the project, to be a light in the  
world, inspired by the spirit of Blessed Frederic  
Ozanam and Gospel values.

## We are COVID SAFE

Following the Government and Archdiocese  
instructions we have a COVID-19 safety plan and are  
committed to keeping you safe. By achieving this we  
need your co-operation and understanding.

- \* If you are unwell please stay home and get tested.
  - \* The maximum amount of people allowed in our  
Premises are; Church **100**, Parish Centre **27** and  
Presbytery Meeting Room **11**.
  - \* You must register your details when entering any of  
our Premises.
  - \* Sanitise your hands when you come into any  
premises.
  - \* Always keep a distance of 1.5m although families  
can sit together but must still keep a 1.5m distance  
from others.
  - \* When coming to receive Holy Communion please be  
mindful to keep 1.5m distance from the person in front  
of you.
  - \* Congregational singing is forbidden.
  - \* Bulletin must be taken with you after use.
  - \* Parishioners are discouraged from mingling before  
or after Mass.
  - \* During this time of Pandemic you are still dispensed  
from attending Sunday Mass. Although live streaming  
of St Felix Masses is no longer available online, you  
can access online Masses  
via the Archdiocese website  
[www.sydneycatholic.org/live-masses/](http://www.sydneycatholic.org/live-masses/)
- We thank you for your patience and support during  
this time.

**The NSW Government has recommended  
parishioners wear face masks when  
attending religious services as an additional  
safeguard to help combat the spread of  
COVID-19.**

## Catholic Weekly

The Catholic Weekly is available again. You  
may purchase your copy from the Church foyer for  
just \$2

## Mass Intentions:

**Recently Deceased:** Gioan Baotixita Pham Huu  
Nghĩ; Maria Caterina Mai Thi Dam

**Anniversary:** Maria Nguyen Thi Nguyet  
**Deceased:**

**Sick:** Marie Abi-Saab, Tom Quilty, Jason Timbs &  
Bart Hennely, Dau (Xuan); Gerard Go; Fatima  
Fernandes; Marian Periera; Catherine & Lourdes  
Raspanti; baby Alan Dien Quan Nguyen; Monina  
Rodriguez Pineda; Tenshi Asriel Magdaleno  
Arcenas; Rose Nuner; Maria Carta; Teresita  
Martinez; Maria Kovatsun; Frannie; Madelyn  
Nicole; Jun Ibarra; Abida Gill; Vo Van Kiet; Maria  
Bui Thi Don; Josette Ackad; Nivea Wani; Diana  
Emilie Perez; Billy; Ginette Sharok.

## Reflection

## Reach out

The mission of the Church is to continue the work of Jesus. The family, the domestic church, participates in this mission too.

Talk about how your family participates in the mission of the Church. Discuss ways in which you seek to reach out to your neighbours and people in need through acts of kindness, mercy, and justice. Then read together today's Gospel, Matthew 14:22-33. Talk about how Peter wanted to be like Jesus, to walk on water like Jesus did. Note that Peter was successful for a time, but then he doubted Jesus, and he began to sink into the water. Talk about how your family's acts of mercy and justice are rooted in your faith in Jesus. Pray together that Jesus will continue to work through your family to prepare the kingdom of heaven. Pray together the Morning Offering or the Lord's Prayer.

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## ROSTERS

Sat 6pm		9 AUGUST	8am	10am	6pm
Reader 1	Gabrielle Nguyen	Ligaya Castillo	Anthony Rowe	Anthony Tran	
Reader 2	Emmanuel Icard	Philip Castillo	Thu Ha Kim	Nhung Bui	
Acolyte	Tuyen Tran (A)	An Dang (A)	Thong Tran (A)	Thanh Vu (A)	
Choir	St Anne	SSOG	St Felix	Youth 1	
16 AUGUST					
Reader 1	Patrick Abourizk	Maxwell Asuzu	Helen Vujevic		
Reader 2	Kalisiana Mar	Kiara Asuzu	Mary O’Hea	Anthony Eltarraf	
Acolyte	Joseph Bui (A)	An Dang (A)	Anthony Joseph (A)	Thanh Vu (A)	
Choir	St Anne	SSOG	Youth	Youth 2	
	9 August	16 August	<b>Notes:</b> SSOG: Singing Servants of God SDMG: Samoan Divine Mercy Group SMMC: St Mary Mackillop’s Choir Group 3: Youth Group, Samoan Divine Mercy Group, Tram Vu ( <i>Florist</i> )		
Altar Society	Group 2	Group 3 ( <i>see notes</i> )			
Church Cleaners	Charbel Karam	Vinh Nguyen			
SVDP	D Rodrigues	Andrew Nguyen			

### A message from the Archdiocese of Sydney

Child sexual abuse is a crime. The appropriate people to deal with a crime are the police. If you – or anyone you know – have been abused, please contact the police. Alternatively, you can contact the Safeguarding and Ministerial Integrity Office at (02) 9390 5810 or [safeguardingenquiries@sydneycatholic.org](mailto:safeguardingenquiries@sydneycatholic.org).

You may also want to speak to your Parish Priest who will be able to provide support and guidance. The Archdiocese has a legal obligation to report crimes to the police.

**Catechist & Friendship Group:** Bev Lamaro 0409 710 703; **Choir:** Alison De Sousa 0421 660 187;  
**Youth:** Aurora Doueihy 0428 755 022; **Pastoral Council:** Patrick Abou-rizk 0416 035 993;  
**St Vincent de Paul:** Diago Rodrigues 9791 5209; **Bankstown Josephite Associates:** Robyn Molloy 9707 1292;  
**Children's Liturgy:** Marie El-Chaar 9709 3451; **Cemetery Committee:** Maureen Vincent 9790 4217;  
**Sacramental co-ordinator:** Gloria Booby 0413 294 224; **Safeguarding Officer:** Anthony Chadrawy 9790 1933;  
**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)