



# St Felix deValois Parish

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## 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

### Adoration & Benediction:

Tuesday 7.30pm - 8.30pm.

Saturday 7.00am - 8.00am.

**Rosary:** Saturday 8.25am.

### 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



*"...and from the cloud there came a voice which said,  
'This is my Son, the Beloved;.....'"*

*Matthew 17:5*

## Responsorial Psalm

**R.** Lord, let your mercy be on us, as we place our trust in  
you.

## Gospel Acclamation

**Glory and praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ!**

From the shining cloud the Father's voice is heard:  
this is my beloved Son, hear him.

**Glory and praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ!**

## Comm Antiphon:

This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased;  
listen to him.

**This weeks readings:** Genesis 12:1-4; 2Timothy 1:8-10;  
Matthew 17:1-9.

**Next Sunday:** 3rd Sunday of Lent - Yr A

**Readings:** Exodus 17:3-7; Romans 5:1-2, 5-8;  
John 4:5-15, 19-26, 39-42.

# 2nd Sunday of Lent - Yr A - 5 March 2023

ST FELIX DE VALOIS BANKSTOWN PRESENTS



MACKILLOP TEENS GROUP

EVERY 3RD FRIDAY OF THE MONTH

JOIN US FOR A NIGHT OF  
FAITH, FRIENDSHIP AND FUN

550 Chapel Rd Bankstown 6pm - 8pm

To register please  
sign up here



## Mackillop Teens Group

On Friday the 17<sup>th</sup> of February, 2023, the Parish launched its Inaugural MacKillop Teens Group, named after Australia's first and only Saint, Mary of the Cross MacKillop. The group was started in order to create a community within the Parish that helps teenagers encounter and foster a relationship with God and His Church, and form authentic friendships that will encourage virtuous living.

The opening night was a huge success, drawing in 21 teens ranging from 12 – 17 years old. Fr Van and Fr Will, along with some Youth volunteers led the attendees through a number of games in order to get to know one another, before breaking out into small groups to better familiarise themselves with their peers and discuss their hopes for the group. The night ended with a delicious BBQ dinner, organised and prepared by generous Parish volunteers and parents of our teens.

The MacKillop Teens nights are held every 3<sup>rd</sup> Friday of the month from 6:00pm – 8:00pm, with the next meeting scheduled for Friday the 17<sup>th</sup> of March. We highly encourage any high school students to register and attend, as we continue to strengthen our faith and community at St Felix. *Reporter: Anthony Eltarraf*

## Stations of the Cross

During Lent we will have the Stations of the Cross every Friday evening at 7.00pm in the Church.



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## 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)

Name..... Telephone No.: .....

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WOULD LIKE  
ENVELOPES

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WOULD LIKE TO CONTRIBUTE  
USING CREDIT CARD

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WOULD LIKE TO CONTRIBUTE  
VIA DIRECT DEBIT

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## Reflection

## Transfiguration

As a family, talk about some of your times of highs and lows. How have you been able to use the good times and experiences to sustain you in the difficult ones? Jesus' Transfiguration may have been an event from which Peter, James, and John drew courage when they faced the difficult events of Jesus' Passion. Read together today's Gospel, Matthew 17:1-9. Pray a prayer of thanksgiving for the good times and experiences that your family has had together. Pray that your family will use these experiences to sustain you during times of difficulty. Close by praying today's psalm, Psalm 33.

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## Finance Committee Meeting

The Finance meeting will be held on Thursday 9th March in the presbytery commencing at 7pm.

## Sisterhood Catholic Women's Conference

The Sisterhood conference is a weekend for women aged 18 + to grow in their faith and encounter a community of like minded Catholic women committed to their faith. The conference will be held at The Tops Conference Centre at Stanwell Tops 17-19th March. This is a live in weekend. Places are limited. For more info visit [www.sisterhood.org.au](http://www.sisterhood.org.au) E: [info@sisterhood.org.au](mailto:info@sisterhood.org.au)

## Mass Intentions

**Recently Deceased:** Joyce Van Heer; Godfrey Van Heer

**Anniversary:** Maria Lai Tu Chan; Joseph Saliba; Phaolo Phan Van Tho; Dominico Nguyen Van Huy

**Deceased:** J.B Nghi; Maria Mun; Maria Ngo; Theresa Nga; Rosa Nguyet; GB Tien Bo Vu; Boutrous Elias

**Sick:** Annick Duval; Jason Timbs & Bart Hennely, Dau (Xuan); Gerard Go; Fatima Fernandes; Marian Periera; baby Alan Dien Quan Nguyen; Monina Rodriguez Pineda; Tenshi Asriel Magdaleno Arcenas; Maria Carta; Teresita Martinez; Maria Kovatsun; Frannie; Jun Ibarra; Abida Gill; Vo Van Kiet; Maria Bui Thi Don; Josette Ackad; Billy; Lagi Amoa; Clarence Ally; Jane Aquino; Glory Bereira; Jenny; Hoa Mai; Rosa House; Nivea Wanigesekera; Henriette Tam Tinh Lam; Laura Malss; Rita Gattellari; Rolly Porto; Aranka Novak; Hoa Vu; Michael Connor.

## Weekly Rosters

	6.00pm	5 MARCH	8.00am	10.00am	6.00pm
Reader 1	Wesley Aguiar	Maxwell Asuzu	Emanuela Viner	Anthony Tran	
Reader 2	" "	" "	" "	" "	
Acolyte	Tuyen Tran (A)	An Dang (A)	Anthony Joseph (A)	Thanh Vu (A)	
Choir	SMMC	SSOG	St Felix	Elias	
12 MARCH					
Reader 1	Emmanuel Icard	Ligaya Castillo	Helen Vujevic	Nhung Bui	
Reader 2	" "	" "	" "	" "	
Acolyte	Joseph Bui (A)	An Dang (A)	Martin Tran (A)	Thanh Vu (A)	
Choir	St Anne	SSOG	SMMC	Elias	
	5 March	12 March	<b>Notes:</b> <b>SSOG:</b> Singing Servants of God <b>SMMC:</b> St Mary Mackillop's Choir <b>Group 2:</b> Robyn Molloy, Jeannette Chong, Anna Gabut, Line Collet (Florist)		
Altar Society	Group 1	Group 2 (see notes)			
Church Cleaners	Polish Group	El Shaddai group			
SVDP	J Obeid	A Nguyen			

## GOSPEL: Matthew 17:1-9

**A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew.**

*His face shone like the sun.*

Jesus took with him Peter and James and his brother John and led them up a high mountain where they could be alone. There in their presence he was transfigured; his face shone like the sun and his clothes became as white as the light. Suddenly Moses and Elijah appeared to them; they were talking with him. Then Peter spoke to Jesus. 'Lord,' he said 'it is wonderful for us to be here; if you wish, I will make three tents here, one for you, one for Moses and one for Elijah.' He was still speaking when suddenly a bright cloud covered them with shadow, and from the cloud there came a voice which said, 'This is my Son, the Beloved; he enjoys my favour. Listen to him'. When they heard this, the disciples fell on their faces, overcome with fear. But Jesus came up and touched them. 'Stand up,' he said 'do not be afraid.' And when they raised their eyes they saw no one but only Jesus. As they came down from the mountain Jesus gave them this order. 'Tell no one about the vision until the Son of Man has risen from the dead.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

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



## Project Compassion



Tereesa is a Gamilaroi woman from Western Sydney who struggled with homelessness while raising her four children. At just 16 years old, she had to leave school after falling pregnant with her first child. A single mother struggling with homelessness, Tereesa's only concern was finding stability for her children.

Seeking a better future for her family, Tereesa joined Baabayn Aboriginal Corporation's Young Mums and Bubs Group, supported by Caritas Australia. Baabayn helped Tereesa access housing and psychological support. Today, Tereesa is studying a certificate in Community Services so that she can strengthen her skills and give back to her community.

Tereesa now works at Baabayn, providing support to young mothers and mentoring the next generation of young people.

**Please donate to Project Compassion 2023.**

Together, we can help vulnerable communities face their challenges today and build a better tomorrow  
**For All Future Generations.**

You can donate through Project Compassion donation boxes and envelopes available from your parish, by visiting [caritas.org.au/project-compassion](https://caritas.org.au/project-compassion), or by calling 1800 024 413.

### 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 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:** Anthony Eltarraf 0403 111 641; **Pastoral Council:** Patrick Abou-rizk 0416 035 993;

**St Vincent de Paul:** Diago Rodrigues 9791 5209; **Bankstown Josephite Companions:** Robyn Molloy 9707 1292;

**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 Michael Egan - Principal;

**Archdiocesan Website:** [www.sydney.catholic.org.au](http://www.sydney.catholic.org.au)