



# 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

**Tuesday** - 10.30am Bupa Yagoona

**Wednesday** - 10.00am Uniting

## 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.

## Project Compassion

Thu lives in Vietnam. When Thu was 12 years old, he stepped on an unexploded land mine and lost his leg.

Living with a disability in rural Vietnam presented many challenges for Thu, who worked mainly as a rice farmer. Thu also took on the role of caring for his wife, Linh, after she suffered a stroke.

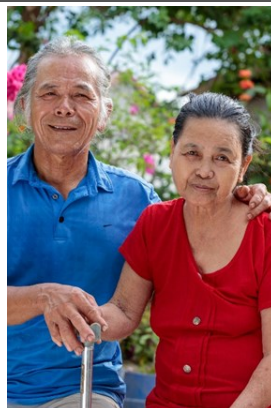
With the support of the Centre for Sustainable Rural Development, Thu can now earn extra income and care for his wife as she recovers from a stroke.

**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](http://caritas.org.au/project-compassion), or by calling 1800 024 413.



## Responsorial Psalm

**R.** The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.

## Gospel Acclamation

**Glory to you, Word of God, Lord Jesus Christ!**

I am the light of the world, says the Lord;  
whoever follows me will have the light of life.

**Glory to you, Word of God, Lord Jesus Christ!**

## Comm Antiphon:

The Lord anointed my eyes: I went, I washed,  
I saw and I believed in God.

**This weeks readings:** 1Samuel 16:1, 6-7, 10-13;  
Ephesians 5:8-14; John 9:1, 6-9, 13-17, 34-38.

**Next Sunday:** 5th Sunday of Lent - Yr A

**Readings:** Ezekiel 37:12-43; Romans 8:8-11;  
John 11:1-45.

# 4th Sunday of Lent - Yr A - 19 March 2023

ST FELIX DE VALOIS BANKSTOWN PRESENTS



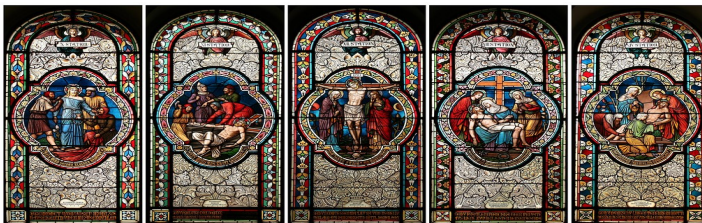
MACKILLOP TEENS GROUP

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



## Stations of the Cross

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

## Day of the Unborn Child - 26th March

### Feast of the Annunciation Mass and Procession

on Sunday 26th March at St Mary's Cathedral

- 10:30am Mass (Archbishop Anthony Fisher OP as Principal Celebrant)

- 12 noon Street Procession

- 1:30pm Benediction

Pick up a flyer in the Church foyer for more information or visit [www.lifeandfamily.com.au](http://www.lifeandfamily.com.au)

## Parish Pastoral Council

The next PPC meeting will be on Thursday 23rd March commencing at 7.00pm in the presbytery.

## Choir Practice

All choirs are invited to come and practice for the Holy Thursday & Easter Vigil Masses. Practice times will be in the Church on Monday 20th March at 7.30pm; Thursday 30th March at 7.00pm and Monday 3rd April at 7.30pm.

## Walking With Our Lady Through Holy Week

### A Womens Retreat Day with the Dominican Sisters of Saint Cecilia

**Date:** 1st April - **Time:** 10am-4pm - **Where:** St Peter Chanel Church, 62 Kingsland Rd, Berala

Along with talks and discussion, the day will include time for silence and prayer during a Holy Hour. An opportunity for the Sacrament of Reconciliation will be available. Morning tea and lunch are provided.

Register online: <https://www.trybooking.com/CGHGO>

## 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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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

## Grow in faith

When infants are baptized, parents, with the help of the godparents, assume responsibility for raising the child as a follower of Jesus. The process of maturation in the faith is much like the example found in the story of the man born blind. The man is cured of his blindness, a symbol of his sin. Each time he meets someone after the healing, the man comes to a deeper awareness of who Jesus is. In a similar way, we who are baptized continue to mature in faith as our relationship with and knowledge about Jesus grows.

Invite each member of your family to draw a timeline of his or her life. On the timelines, ask family members to identify significant moments in their lives, especially their life of faith. Invite each person to reflect upon who Jesus was to him or her at each significant moment. How has each person's relationship with Jesus changed or matured? Then read together today's Gospel, John 9:1-41. Note how the relationship between Jesus and the man born blind changes and grows throughout the Gospel.

Pray together that your relationship with Jesus will continue to grow and develop, becoming ever deeper. Conclude by praying together the Lord's Prayer.

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## The Catholic Weekly

**In this week's edition:** - NSW Election: Promises to tackle housing crisis. - Leila Abdallah on the power of forgiveness. Buy your copy today for just \$2 from the Church foyer.

## Mass Intentions

**Recently Deceased:** Ane Ho Thi Ut; Elias Choufetty

**Anniversary:** Thi Hanh Thu Do; Joseph Nguyen Duc Lien; Maria Vu Thi Hoa; Andre Lebreux

**Deceased:** J.B Nghi; Maria Mun; Maria Ngo; Theresa Nga; Rosa Nguyet; Micae Lai Dinh Trung; George Touma; Wadi Sassine; Deceased members of Hobeiche, El-Daher, Touma & Sassine families.

**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	19 MARCH	8.00am	10.00am	6.00pm
Reader 1	Viviane Chayna	Robyn Molloy	Andrew Nguyen	Anthony Tran	
Reader 2	" "	" "	" "	" "	
Acolyte	Joseph Bui (A)	An Dang (A)	Anthony Joseph (A)	Thanh Vu (A)	
Choir	St Anne	SSOG	St Felix	Elias	
26 MARCH					
Reader 1	Gloria Booby	Philip Castillo	Thu Ha Kim	Nhung Bui	
Reader 2	" "	" "	" "	" "	
Acolyte	Tuyen Tran (A)	An Dang (A)	Martin Tran (A)	Thanh Vu (A)	
Choir	SMMC	SSOG	St Felix	Holy Spirit Choir	
	19 March	26 March	<b>Notes:</b> <b>SSOG:</b> Singing Servants of God <b>SMMC:</b> St Mary Mackillop's Choir <b>Group 4:</b> Margaret Eastburn, Denise Ashe, Eric Valencia, Bach Lam ( <i>Florist</i> )		
Altar Society	Group 3	Group 4 ( <i>see notes</i> )			
Church Cleaners	Vinh Nguyen	Mai Hai			
SVDP	D Rodrigues	Andrew Nguyen			



## GOSPEL: John 9:1, 6-9, 13-17, 34-38

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

*The blind man went off and washed himself and came away with his sight restored.*

As Jesus went along, he saw a man who had been blind from birth. He spat on the ground, made a paste with the spittle, put this over the eyes of the blind man and said to him, 'Go and wash in the Pool of Siloam' (a name that means 'sent'). So the blind man went off and washed himself, and came away with his sight restored.

His neighbours and people who earlier had seen him begging said, 'Isn't this the man who used to sit and beg?' Some said, 'Yes, it is the same one.' Others said, 'No, he only looks like him.' The man himself said, 'I am the man.'

They brought the man who had been blind to the Pharisees. It had been a sabbath day when Jesus made the paste and opened the man's eyes, so when the Pharisees asked him how he had come to see, he said, 'He put a paste on my eyes, and I washed, and I can see.' Then some of the Pharisees said, 'This man cannot be from God: he does not keep the sabbath.' Others said 'How could a sinner produce signs like this?' And there was disagreement among them. So they spoke to the blind man again, 'What have you to say about him yourself, now that he has opened your eyes?' 'He is a prophet', replied the man.

'Are you trying to teach us,' they replied 'and you a sinner through and through, since you were born!' And they drove him away.

Jesus heard they had driven him away, and when he found him he said to him, 'Do you believe in the Son of Man?' 'Sir,' the man replied 'tell me who he is so that I may believe in him'. Jesus said, 'You are looking at him; he is speaking to you.' The man said, 'Lord, I believe', and worshipped him.

The Gospel of the Lord.

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

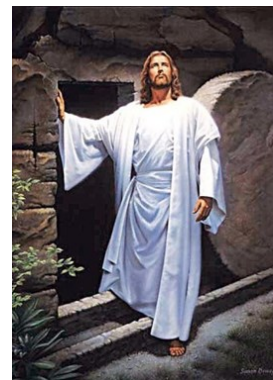
## St Felix Parish Holy Week Mass Times

**Holy Thursday - 7.00pm The Lord's Supper.**

**Good Friday - 10.30am Stations of the Cross.**  
(re-enactment by youth)  
**- 3.00pm The Lord's Passion.**

**Easter Saturday - 7.00pm Easter Vigil Mass.**

**Easter Sunday - 8.00am, 10.00am & 6.00pm Masses.**



### 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)