



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

Friday 11am - Bupa Greenacre

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

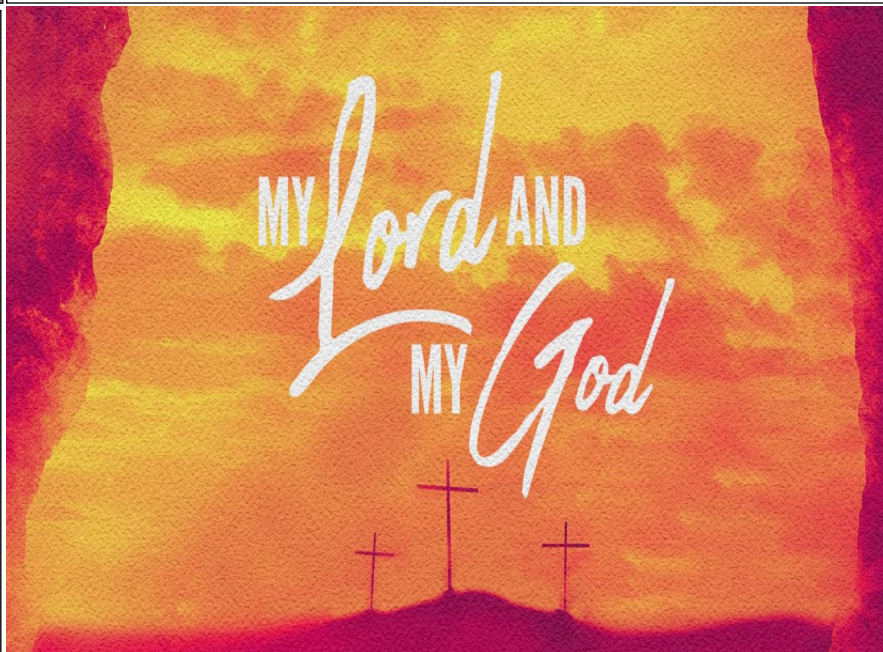
Reconciliation:

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.



*"... Because you have seen me, you have believed;
blessed are those who have not seen and yet have
believed "*

John 20:29

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 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 2:42-47; 1 Peter 1:3-9;
John 20:19-31.

Next Sunday: 3rd Sunday of Easter - Yr A

Readings: Acts 2:14, 22-33; 1 Peter 1:17-21;
Luke 24:13-35.

2nd Sunday of Easter - 16 April 2023

First Holy Communion – Registrations Open

First Holy Communion for candidates in Year 4 and above will be celebrated this year on Sunday 18th June. If you would like your child to celebrate this Sacrament please complete a registration form which can be found in the Church foyer. The first compulsory Parents Meeting will be held in the Church on Wednesday 10th May. Please ensure all registrations are returned to the Parish Office before the first meeting.

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
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**MARY MACKILLOP TEENS GROUP NIGHT IS ON THIS FRIDAY 21ST APRIL.
COME AND JOIN US FOR A NIGHT OF FAITH, FRIENDSHIP AND FUN.**

Wedding Congratulations

*Aurora Doueihy & Sam Aleksic
Paul Alexander Smibert & Thi Bich Ngoc Dang*

are married at St Felix this week. Please keep them in your prayers.



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 :

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Reflection

Have faith and believe.

Many of us can relate to Thomas's response to the news that the disciples had seen Jesus. We want to see for ourselves too, but we grow in faith, trusting the experience and knowledge of others.

Many of us have heard the saying "Seeing is believing." As your family gathers, take some time to consider what that saying means. What are some things we believe because we see them? Is there anything we believe without seeing? Today's Gospel reminds us that faith sometimes asks us to believe things we cannot see with our eyes. Read today's Gospel, John 19:19-31, with your family. Think about Thomas's response to the reports about the risen Lord. Is Thomas's doubt reasonable? How does Jesus respond to Thomas? Jesus grants Thomas the evidence that Thomas needs to believe, but Jesus also affirms the faith of those who will be called upon to believe without first-hand experience. We are among those whom Jesus calls blessed. Discuss with your family the basis of each member's faith in Jesus—the witness of the first disciples, the Gospels, the continuing activity of the Holy Spirit, the community of the Church.

Pray together that your faith in Jesus will be strong. Pray an act of faith together.

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Thank you

Thank you to all the volunteers who helped with preparation of the Church set up, Music, liturgy and all those who helped make our Easter celebrations so special. Thankyou also to our Youth for once again performing the re-enactment of the Stations of the Cross for Good Friday.

Mass Intentions

Recently Deceased:

Anniversary: Anna Ngoc Xien Tran; Lucien Descombes; Maria Le Thi Tam; Joseph Tram Duc Van.

Deceased: J.B Nghi; Maria Mun; Maria Ngo; Theresa Nga; Rosa Nguyet;

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	16 APRIL	8.00am	10.00am	6.00pm
Reader 1	Emmanuel Icard	Maxwell Asuzu	Andrew Nguyen		
Reader 2	" "	" "	" "	" "	" "
Acolyte	Joseph Bui (A)	An Dang (A)	Anthony Joseph (A)	Thanh Vu (A)	
Choir	St Anne	SSOG	St Felix	Elias	
23 APRIL					
Reader 1	Viviane Chayna	Ligaya Castillo	Thu Ha Kim	Anthony Eltarraf	
Reader 2	" "	" "	" "	" "	" "
Acolyte	Tuyen Tran (A)	An Dang (A)	Martin Tran (A)	Thanh Vu (A)	
Choir	SMMC	SSOG	St Felix	Holy Spirit Choir	
	16 April	23 April	Notes: <u>SSOG:</u> Singing Servants of God <u>SMMC:</u> St Mary Mackillop's Choir <u>Group 4:</u> 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	A Nguyen	D Rodrigues			

GOSPEL: John 20:19-31

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 that the nails made in his hands and can put my finger 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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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