



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

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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



Donate to the Charitable Works Fund May 2023 Appeal

6th & 7th May 2023 is our parish appeal.

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Responsorial Psalm

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

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

I am the way, the truth, and the life, says the Lord;
no one comes to the Father, except through me.

Alleluia!

Comm Antiphon:

I am the true vine and you are the branches, says the Lord.
Whoever remains in me, and I in him, bears fruit in plenty,
alleluia.

This weeks readings: Acts 6:1-7; 1 Peter 2:4-9;
John 14:1-12.

Next Sunday: 6th Sunday of Easter - Yr A

Readings: Acts 8:5-8, 14-17; 1 Peter 3:15-18;
John 14:15-21.

5th Sunday of Easter - Yr A - 7 May 2023

First Holy Communion – Information evening

First Holy Communion for candidates in Year 4 and above will be celebrated this year on Sunday 18th June. The first compulsory Parents Meeting will be held in the Church this Wednesday 10th May at 6.30pm. Please ensure all registrations are returned to the Parish Office before this first meeting.

Reminder – Help stop the spread of covid and flu

With winter now approaching we are reminded to be aware of ourselves and those around us. To help reduce the spread of viruses among our community, we ask that you stay up to date with vaccinations and stay home if you have cold & flu symptoms. Thank you.

Mary MacKillop Place is looking for Volunteer Gardeners!

Are you someone who enjoys being surrounded by nature's beauty while spending time outdoors? Mary MacKillop Place is a welcoming sacred space, a unique oasis away from the hustle and bustle of the city. Our extensive and stunning gardens are an essential part of this peaceful spiritual haven.

We are currently seeking volunteers to help us maintain these beautiful gardens. No prior gardening experience is necessary, and all the training, supplies and support you need will be provided. If you are someone who would welcome the opportunity to garden, be it for couple of hours, a day or two a week or fortnight, we need you!

Please contact Sr Annie Bond, Ministry & Mission Manager or email annie.bond@mmp.org.au.

Don't miss international speaker Sherry Weddell

Begin the path to discovering your charisms! Join Sherry Weddell as she presents on the topic: **"Charisms: The Power of the Holy Spirit Unleashed."**

These events will be dedicated to exploring the power of the Holy Spirit working in our lives and renewing the Church for mission. Endowed with spiritual gifts, each of us is chosen by God in a special way to witness to Christ in the world and to build His Kingdom here on earth.

Monday 22 May 2023 | 6:00pm – 9:00pm | Liverpool Catholic Club

Wednesday 24 May 2023 | 6:00pm – 9:00pm | Australian Catholic University Strathfield

Cost: \$30 plus booking fees. Refreshments served from 6:00pm – 6:45pm. Talk commences at 7:00pm. Registrations close Friday 12 May, and places are limited – Register online at:

<https://www.gomakedisciples.org.au/cas-events/>

Wedding Congratulations

Matthew Howell & Madeline Head

are married at St Felix this weekend. 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

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Reflection

"I am the way, the truth & the life."

Members of the same family often bear close resemblances to one another. Sometimes physical resemblances are shared within a family, but often the similarities are behavioural characteristics and mannerisms. We hear this observation affirmed through a number of common phrases: "He's a chip off the old block" or "She's her mother's daughter." Today's Gospel points to a mystery of faith that might be examined in light of these familial relationships. In Jesus we see and know the Father. Likewise, the Father is known through the life and work of the Son, Jesus.

Talk together as a family about whether people outside of your family recognize common traits of your family. Are there physical resemblances that people recognize and so know each individual as a member of your family? Are there mannerisms that are shared by members of your family? What are some common interests and work that people might associate with your family? As you read today's Gospel, John 14:1-12, keep in mind that members of the same family share many characteristics, even though each person in the family is an individual. What does Jesus tell his disciples about his relationship with the Father? The relationship between the Father and Jesus is so close that Jesus says that those who have seen and known Jesus have also seen and known the Father. Jesus promises his disciples that because of their faith in him and in the Father, they too will be able to do the work of the Father as Jesus did. End your discussion by praying together that others will recognize in your family the work of the Father. Pray together the Lord's Prayer.

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Mass Intentions Recently Deceased: Anna Tam Nguyen; Maria Nguyen Thi Hien

Anniversary: Maud Lyonnet; Claude Verrier; Frank & Edna Lander; Toma; Phyllis Vujkovic

Deceased: J.B Nghi; Maria Mun; Maria Ngo; Theresa Nga; Rosa Nguyet; Philipphe Nguyen Cong Nhan; Boutrous Elias; Micae Lai Dinh Trung; Fahme Abdul Ahad; Deceased members of the Vincent & Lander families; Madalena Ng T Kim Oanh; Micae Ng Van Noi; Martino Duong V Qui; Lucia Duong T Thuy Hong

Sick: Annick Duval; Fatima Fernandes; Marian Periera; Monina Rodriguez Pineda; Tenshi Asriel Magdaleno Arcenas; Maria Carta; Teresita Martinez; Jun Ibarra; Abida Gill; Josette Ackad; Rosa House; Nivea Wanigesekera; Henriette Tam Tinh Lam; Laura Malss; Rita Gattellari; Rolly Porto; Aranka Novak; Hoa Vu; Michael Connor; Mariano Bernabe.

Weekly Rosters

	6.00pm	7 MAY	8.00am	10.00am	6.00pm
Reader 1	Emmanuel Icard	Robyn Molloy	Emanuela Viner	Anthony Eltarraf	
Reader 2	" "	" "	" "	" "	
Acolyte	Tuyen Tran (A)	An Dang (A)	Martin Tran (A)	Thanh Vu (A)	
Choir	SMMC	SSOG	SMMC	Elias	
	14 MAY				
Reader 1	Viviane Chayna	Philip Castillo	Helen Vujevic	Anthony Tran	
Reader 2	" "	" "	" "	" "	
Acolyte	Joseph Bui (A)	An Dang (A)	Martin Tran (A)	Thanh Vu (A)	
Choir	St Anne	SSOG	St Felix	Elias	
	7 May	14 May	Notes: <u>SSOG:</u> Singing Servants of God <u>SMMC:</u> St Mary Mackillop's Choir <u>Group 2:</u> 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	Thom Pham	J Obeid			

GOSPEL: John 14:1-12

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John.

I am the way, the truth, and the life.

Jesus said to his disciples:

'Do not let your hearts be troubled. Trust in God still, and trust in me. There are many rooms in my Father's house;

if there were not, I should have told you. I am now going to prepare a place for you, and after I have gone and prepared you a place, I shall return to take you with me; so that where I am you may be too.

You know the way to the place where I am going.'

Thomas said, 'Lord, we do not know where you are going, so how can we know the way?' Jesus said:

'I am the Way, the Truth and the Life. No one can come to the Father except through me.

If you know me, you know my Father too. From this moment you know him and have seen him.'

Philip said, 'Lord, let us see the Father and then we shall be satisfied.' 'Have I been with you all this time, Philip,' said Jesus to him 'and you still do not know me? 'To have seen me is to have seen the Father, so how can you say, "Let us see the Father"? Do you not believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in me?

The words I say to you I do not speak as from myself: it is the Father, living in me, who is doing this work. You must believe me when I say that I am in the Father and the Father is in me; believe it on the evidence of this work, if for no other reason. 'I tell you most solemnly, whoever believes in me will perform the same works as I do myself, he will perform even greater works, because I am going to the Father.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Baptism

This week, we welcome into the Catholic faith:

Joyce Therese Dinh

May she always know the love of God and feel His guiding hand throughout her life.



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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