



# 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 & 7.00pm

**Thursday** - 8.00am & 7.00pm

**Friday** - 8.00am

**Saturday** - 8.00am

## Nursing Home

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



*"... 'Love the Lord your God with all your heart and  
with all your soul and with all your mind.' "*

*Matthew 22:37*

## Responsorial Psalm

**R.** I love you, Lord, my strength.

## Gospel Acclamation

**Alleluia, alleluia!**

All who love me will keep my words,  
and my Father will love them and we will come to them.

**Alleluia!**

## Comm Antiphon:

We will ring out our joy at your saving help  
and exult in the name of our God.

**This weeks readings:** Exodus 22:20--26;  
1Thessalonians 1:5-10; Matthew 22:34-40.

**Next Sunday:** 31st Sunday in Ordinary Time - Yr A

**Readings:** Malachi 1:14 - 2:2, 8-10;  
1Thessalonians 2:7-9, 13; Matthew 23:1-12.

# 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time - Yr A - 29 October 2023

## Masses for All Saints and All Souls day

This Wednesday, 1st November is All Saints day. Mass will be celebrated in our Parish at 8.00am and 7.00pm.

On Thursday, 2nd November is All Souls and Mass will also be celebrated at 8.00am and 7.00pm.

## Mass Intentions for November

November is a special time when we pray for all our deceased family, friends, relatives and all souls in Purgatory. Offerings for the deceased during November will be collected and remembered as a whole at each Mass. All names will be placed on the altar and remain there for the entire month. Please note that during the month of November, no separate Mass intentions will be mentioned; every Mass will be offered for all intentions that are placed on the altar.

## Baptism

This week, we welcome into the Catholic faith:

*Angeline Ivy Gabrielle Hoang*

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



## Saint of the Day for November 1 - All Saints

### Solemnity

Today is the **Solemnity of All Saints**. The Church celebrates all the saints: canonized or beatified, and the multitude of those who are in heaven enjoying the beatific vision that are only known to God. During the early centuries the Saints venerated by the Church were all martyrs. Later the pope set November 1 as the day for commemorating all the Saints. We all have this "universal call to holiness." What must we do in order to join the company of the saints in heaven? We "must follow in His footsteps and conform [our]selves to His image seeking the will of the Father in all things. [We] must devote [our]selves with all [our] being to the glory of God and the service of [our] neighbour. In this way, the holiness of the People of God will grow into an abundant harvest of good, as is admirably shown by the life of so many saints in Church history" (*Lumen Gentium*, 40).

## Commemoration of all the faithful departed - November 2

Today is the **Commemoration of the All the Faithful Departed (All Souls' Day)**. The Church, after celebrating the feast of All Saints, today prays for all who, in the purifying suffering of Purgatory, await the day they will join in heavenly glory. The celebration of the Mass, which re-presents the Sacrifice of Christ on Calvary, has always been the principal means by which the Church fulfills the great responsibility of charity toward the dead. Death cannot break the bonds of the Body of Christ. — *Daily Roman Missal*

"All who die in God's grace and friendship, but still imperfectly purified, are indeed assured of their eternal salvation; but after death they undergo purification, so as to achieve the holiness necessary to enter the joy of heaven. "The Church gives the name Purgatory to this final purification of the elect, which is entirely different from the punishment of the damned" ([CCC 1030-1031](#)).

## Saint of the Day for November 4 - St Charles Borromeo, bishop

### Memorial

Today is the **Memorial of St. Charles Borromeo (1538-1584)**, bishop. Charles was a member of a noble family and a nephew of Pope Pius IV. He was made a Cardinal at the age of 23 and assisted the Pope in administering the affairs of the Holy See and in governing the Church. Soon thereafter he was made Archbishop of Milan. His endeavours on behalf of the 19th Ecumenical Council of Trent (1545-1564) were especially meritorious and fruitful. He helped to direct and guide it and bring it to a successful conclusion. He then proceeded to enforce its decrees in the Archdiocese of Milan and thoroughly reformed Catholic life in his See. During a plague he walked barefooted in the public streets, carrying a cross, with a rope around his neck, offering himself as a victim to God for the transgressions of his people.

## Reflection

## Love

Children learn about love from real, concrete examples witnessed in family life. We can help children to love God and love their neighbours by showing everyday acts of love, generosity, and kindness—our own expressions of our love for God. These acts, small and large, are the expression of what Jesus identified as the two greatest commandments: love God and love neighbour.

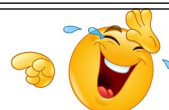
Make a poster together as a family. Write the words *Love God* in the centre of the poster and write the words *Love Neighbour* near each of the four sides of the poster. Read together today's Gospel, Matthew 22:34-40. Talk about how Jesus taught us that our love for God is revealed in the love that we show to other people. On the poster, use pictures and words to show some of the ways that your family shows their love for other people. Pray together that your family will continue to express your love for God by loving others. Pray the *Act of Love*.

*O my God, I love you above all things with my whole heart and soul, because you are all good and worthy of all my love. I love my neighbour as myself for the love of you. I forgive all who have injured me and I ask pardon of those whom I have injured. Amen.*

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**How do eight eights add up to one thousand?**

0001 = 8+8+8+88+888



**The new roster for Readers, Acolytes & Choir is now available in the Sacristy or on our website.**

## Mass Intentions

**Recently Deceased:** Felise Mino; Maria Nguyen Thi Quyen; Elaine Leroy; Lucas Dasivla

**Anniversary:** Jack Vincent; Joseph Rodrigues; Rosy D'Souza; Paul Phan Van Loc; Maria Nguyen Thi Tuu; Phuong Thanh Tran; Anna Teresa Hoang Thi Thom; Rene Bourquin

**Deceased:** deceased members of the Vincent & Lander families; Marie-Therese & Michel & Jacqueline Lecordier; Luc Dasivla; Viviane Maclou; Herve Bonne; Phaolo & Ene; Vincent Vu Dinh Kim

**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; Rolly Porto; Michael Connor; Mariano Bernabe; Maria Nguyen Thi Huyen, Claude Marie; Robert Crouche; Maureen Vincent; Karl Roussety; Chantal Roussety; Peter Cranny; Baby Joseph Akkary; Robert Waring.

## Weekly Rosters

	6.00pm	29 OCTOBER	8.00am	10.00am	6.00pm
Reader 1	Emmanuel Icard	Robyn Molloy	Emanuela Viner	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	
5 NOVEMBER					
Reader 1	Emmanuel Icard	Robyn Molloy	Emanuela Viner	Youth	
Reader 2	" "	" "	" "	" "	
Acolyte	Tuyen Tran (A)	An Dang (A)	Martin Tran (A)	Thanh Vu (A)	
Choir	SMMC	SSOG	St Felix	Sacred Heart Choir	
	29 October	5 November	<b>Notes:</b> SSOG: Singing Servants of God SMMC: St Mary Mackillop's Choir Group 1: Gloria Walker, Lyn Rowe, Khanh Le, Thi Thuy Doan, Theresa Nguyen, Dorie Encarnacion, Line Collet (Florist)		
Altar Society	Group 5	Group 1 (see notes)			
Church Cleaners	Vinh Nguyen	Polish Group			
SVDP	Thom Pham	J Obeid			
Childrens Liturgy	Not available today	Phillip & Ligaya			

## GOSPEL: Matthew 22:34-40

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

*You shall love the Lord your God and your neighbour as yourself.*

When the Pharisees heard that Jesus had silenced the Sadducees they got together and, to disconcert him, one of them put a question, 'Master, which is the greatest commandment of the Law?' Jesus said, 'You must love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind. This is the greatest and the first commandment. The second resembles it: You must love your neighbour as yourself. On these two commandments hang the whole Law, and the Prophets also.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

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

## BENILDE HIGH SCHOOL BANKSTOWN CLASS OF '74 - 50th REUNION IN 2024.

If you attended Benilde High School, Bankstown in 1974 when you would have completed your HSC (or you know someone who did) then please contact: Alex Balbi - 0402 558 656 for more details.

## Catholic Mission Thank you

Thank you for your generous partnership with life-changing mission programs, like supporting Sr Carolina and the Salesian Sisters and their work through the Maria Auxiliadora Clinic in Venilale, Timor-Leste. Your gift is helping the Sr Carolina continue to provide life-saving treatment and access to resources on health and well-being. Your gift also supports mission programs around the world that reach out and give life to those in most need. To learn more about the impact of your support, visit [catholicmission.org.au/our-work](http://catholicmission.org.au/our-work), where you can also sign-up for our regular newsletter. If you have not yet had the opportunity to give, please do so at [catholicmission.org.au/timor](http://catholicmission.org.au/timor). Your action will make a real, lasting impact.



**MARY MACKILLOP TEENS  
GROUP NIGHT IS ON THIS FRIDAY  
3rd NOVEMBER, 6-8PM.  
COME AND JOIN US FOR  
A NIGHT OF  
FAITH, FRIENDSHIP AND FUN.**



### 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;  
**PSSO:** 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;  
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