



# 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

**Friday** - 11.00am 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.

**Baptisms:** Ring for an appointment

## PROJECT COMPASSION

As the eldest child in a low-income farming family in rural Malawi, Memory faced many barriers to her education. But, with the support of Caritas Australia, she enrolled in a technical school and became the first female carpenter in her village.



### Please donate to Project Compassion.

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.** Let my tongue be silenced, if I ever forget you!

## Gospel Acclamation

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

God loved the world so much, he gave us his only Son, that all who believe in him might have eternal life.

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

## Comm Antiphon:

Jerusalem is built as a city bonded as one together. It is there that the tribes go up, the tribes of the Lord, to praise the name of the Lord.

**This weeks readings:** 2 Chronicles 36:14-16, 19-23; Ephesians 2:4-10; John 3:14-21.

**Next Sunday:** 5th Sun of Lent - Yr B

**Readings:** Jeremiah 31:31-34; Hebrews 5:7-9; John 12:20-30.

# 4th Sunday of Lent - Yr B - 10 March 2024

## Children's Liturgy

Children's liturgy is on Sunday during the 10am Mass. All young primary aged students are welcome. Please come on time so the children don't miss out!

## Stations of the Cross

The Parish will have Stations of the Cross in the Church every Friday during Lent at 7.00pm.

## Welcome Families of Years 5 & 6

This Sunday during 10am Mass we welcome the Year 5 & 6 children from the primary school and their families who are helping with the liturgy and hosting morning tea.

## Morning Tea

Morning Tea is on after the 10am Masses on the 2nd & 4th Sunday's of the month. Join us for a cuppa & chat after 10am Mass today.

## Invitation to all singers and choirs

Join a combined choir for the Easter Triduum at St Felix Bankstown.  
Rehearsals are on Wednesday 20th March & Wednesday 27th March 2024 from 7.00pm - 8.00pm.

For more information contact Alison on 0421 660 187.



## Easter Roster for Holy Week

We are looking for volunteers to help with the extra Masses during Holy week. Minister's of the Word, Acolytes, Altar Servers, please add your name to the blank roster in the Sacristy.

## St Felix Parish Holy Week Mass Times

**Holy Thursday 28th March** - 7.00pm The Lord's Supper.

**Good Friday 29th March** - 10.30am Stations of the Cross. (*youth re-enactment*)  
- 3.00pm The Lord's Passion.

**Easter Saturday 30th March** - 7.00pm Easter Vigil Mass.

**Easter Sunday 31st March** - 8.00am, 10.00am & 6.00pm Masses.



What can you break, even if you never pick it up or touch it?

A promise.



## 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.: .....

Address:.....

Email : .....

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# Live in the light of God

Parents whose children are afraid of the dark are struck by John's observation that darkness is preferred to light. Perhaps this is as it should be. God made us to live in the light of his love. But this original friendship with God was corrupted by sin. Our sin causes us to shy away from Christ, the light that has come into the world. During the season of Lent, we try to fight this tendency by remembering God's great mercy and the salvation that we have received through Jesus. We do not fear confessing our sins, knowing that God forgives us, and so, during Lent, we seek out opportunities to celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation.

After your family gathers, sit for a time in darkness, then light a candle. Invite people to talk about what it felt like to be in the darkness and to compare that to their feelings when the candle was lit. What are we able to see by the limited glow of the candlelight that we couldn't see when we were sitting in darkness? Read today's Gospel, John 3:14-21. John's Gospel teaches us that Jesus was the light that came into the world. In this light we know ourselves to be sinners, but we are not condemned. Instead we have been saved because we have been forgiven through Jesus' sacrifice on the cross. Conclude in prayer together, thanking God for the great gift of forgiveness we have received through Jesus. Pray together the Act of Contrition..

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## Mass Intentions Recently Deceased: Rosa Thi Di Nguyen.

**Anniversary:** Gioan Quang Vuong Nguyen; Joseph Saliba; Lai Tu Chan; Teresa Folinazzo; Luigino Folinazzo; Luigina Folinazzo; Joseph Nguyen Duc Lien; Maria Vu Thi Hoa; Renee Verrier; Ivan Verrier; Phanxico Xavier Maria Nang

**Deceased:** Phero Nguyen Thai Hanh; Ine Phan; Giuse Loc; Fahme Abdul Ahad; Micae Lai Dinh Trung; Lucia Duong Thi Thuy Hong; Madalena Ng T Kim Oanh; Fabiano Sao; Matta Thinh; Matta Tien; Giuse Nguyen Van Ngo; Maria Dang Thi Suy; Giuse Nguyen Van Hoa; Giuse Nguyen Tram Kim Lan.

**Sick:** Annick Duval; Josette Ackad; Rosa House; Nivea Wanigesekera; Henriette Tam Tinh Lam; Laura Malss; Rolly Porto; Michael Connor; Mariano Bernabe; Robert Crouche; Sabrina Crouche-Pousson; Corinne Cerdor; Francoise Motet; Karl Roussety; Chantal Roussety; Peter Cranny; Baby Joseph Akkary; Robert Waring; Nguyen Kim Hong; Tony Teres; Maria Nguyen Thi Huyen; Katherine Azjan; Kath Hart; Jeannette Chong; Andy Lee.

## Weekly Rosters

	6.00pm	10 MARCH	8.00am	10.00am	6.00pm
Reader 1	Patrick Abourizk	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	-	
	17 MARCH				
Reader 1	Gloria Booby	Robyn Molloy	Andrew Nguyen	Youth	
Reader 2	" "	" "	" "	" "	
Acolyte	Joseph Bui (A)	An Dang (A)	Martin Tran (A)	Thanh Vu (A)	
Choir	St Anne	SSOG	St Felix	Sacred Heart Choir	
	10 March	17 March	<b>Notes:</b> <u>SSOG</u> : Singing Servants of God <u>SMMC</u> : St Mary Mackillop's Choir <u>Group 3</u> : Tram Vu (Florist)		
Altar Society	Group 2	Group 3 (see notes)			
Church Cleaners	El Shaddai Group	Vinh Nguyen			
SVDP	Andrew Nguyen	Thom Pham			
Childrens Liturgy	Belinda, Cindy & Denice	Grace & Simon			

## GOSPEL: John 3:14-21

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

*God sent his Son into the world that we might be saved through him.*

Jesus said to Nicodemus:

'The Son of Man must be lifted up as Moses lifted up the serpent in the desert, so that everyone who believes may have eternal life in him. Yes, God loved the world so much that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believed in him may not be lost but may have eternal life. For God sent his Son into the world not to condemn the world, but so that through him the world might be saved.

No one who believes in him will be condemned; but whoever refuses to believe is condemned already, because he has refused to believe in the name of God's only Son. On these grounds is sentence pronounced: that though the light has come into the world men have shown they prefer darkness to the light because their deeds were evil. And indeed, everybody who does wrong hates the light and avoids it, for fear his actions should be exposed; but the man who lives by the truth comes out into the light, so that it may be plainly seen that what he does is done in God.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

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

## St Felix Parish Sacramental Program 2024

### First Holy Communion – Yr 4 students or above

Registrations open Monday 8<sup>th</sup> April 2024

First Holy Communion Celebration Masses on Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> June 2024 at 2.00pm & 4.00pm.

### Confirmation – Yr 6 students or above

Registrations open Monday 1<sup>st</sup> July 2024

Confirmation Celebration Mass on Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> September 2024 at 6.30pm with Archbishop Anthony Fisher OP.

### Reconciliation – Yr 3 or above

Registrations open Monday 30<sup>th</sup> September 2024

1<sup>st</sup> Rite Reconciliation Celebration on Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> November 2024 at 6.30pm.

*Registration forms will be available from the Church foyer during open registration time for each Sacrament and handed out to Parish students. For further information contact the Parish office.*

### A message from the Archdiocese of Sydney

Child sexual abuse is a crime. The appropriate people to deal with crimes 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 [safeguardingenquiries@sydneycatholic.org](mailto:safeguardingenquiries@sydneycatholic.org). 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;  
**MacKillop Teens:** Brendan Bourizk 0401 406 002; **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:** Mary Doumit 0410 302 007;  
**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 Paul Forrester - Principal;  
**Archdiocesan Website:** [www.sydney.catholic.org.au](http://www.sydney.catholic.org.au)