

PYMBLE CATHOLIC PARISH

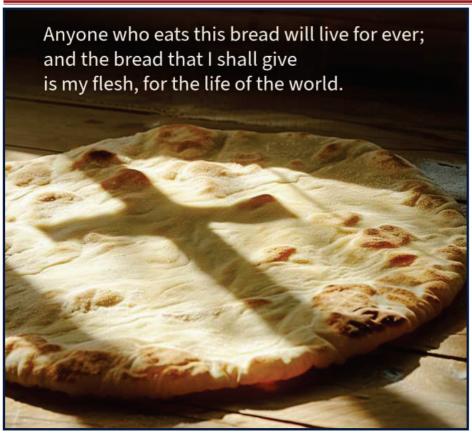
SACRED HEART & OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL SUCCOUR

Building a Christ-centred community of Love and Mercy

Pymble Parish is under the Pastoral care of the Salvatorian Fathers

CELEBRATING YEAR OF PRAYER





Prayer for a Child's First Communion

Lord Jesus

Bless the children coming forward to receive Holy Communion for the first time.

May this day be an initial step into a life-long love of the Eucharist.

Give them a hunger for this sacred food so that they turn to you for comfort, guidance, and wisdom as they grow into full discipleship.

Thank you for their innocence and goodness.

May their hands, extended in anticipation of your Body and Blood, inspire all of us to cherish this sacred sacrament.





Baptisms at Pymble Parish

For enquiries please contact the Parish office on 9144 2702 or via email on office@pymblecatholicparish.org.au Our upcoming Baptism Formation Class will be held on:

> Thursday, 22 August 2024 at 7:30pm Sacred Heart Church

Bookings are essential.

POPE FRANCIS' PRAYER INTENTION FOR AUGUST For political leaders

For political leaders
We pray that political leaders be at the service of their own people, working for integral human development and for the common good, especially caring for the poor and those who have lost their jobs

A warm welcome to all our Parishioners who are celebrating the Eucharist with us this weekend.





Prayer for the Intercession of Blessed Francis Jordan

Lord Jesus Christ, Saviour of the world, you called Francis Mary of the Cross Jordan to be your apostle, to make God known and loved by all people everywhere, using all the means your love inspires. You filled him with universal apostolic zeal, with a deep trust in God's loving providence, with a profound spirit of prayer, with a sincere devotion to Mary, Mother of the Saviour, and with the courage to follow you, even into the mystery of the Cross.

Grant also to me the grace to proclaim the Gospel in this spirit, and make me an effective apostle in today's world.

Through the intercession of Blessed Francis Jordan, I pray to you for my special needs (include your personal intention). I make this prayer through you, my Saviour, who lives and reigns with the Father and the Holy Spirit, forever and ever. Amen.

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Parish Mass Times

Sacred Heart

2 Richard Porter Way, Pymble NSW 2073

Weekdays:

Tuesday to Friday 9:00am

Rosary: Tuesday to Friday after morning Mass

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament: Friday after morning Mass

Weekend:

Sunday: 9:30am and 6:00pm

Reconciliation:

Friday 8:45am

Sunday 5:30pm

Our Lady of Perpetual Succour 64 Kendall St, West Pymble, NSW, 2073

Weekend:

Saturday: 9:00 am

Saturday: 5:00 pm (Vigil Mass) Sunday: 8:00 am (Quiet Mass)

Reconciliation:

Saturdays 9.30 am

Contact details

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Email: office@pymblecatholicparish.org.au
Website: www.pymblecatholicparish.org.au

Office hours: Monday to Thursday 8.30am to 4pm &

Friday 8.30am to 1pm

Daniela in the Parish Office.
For information about the sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation,
Reconciliation and First Eucharist, please contact

Rebecca at rebecca@pymblecatholicparish.org.au

For information about Weddings please contact

PARISH PRIMARY SCHOOLS

SACRED HEART

Principal: Kerry Paxton **Telephone:** (02) 7256 2142
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OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL SUCCOUR

Principal: Jodi Jefferson **Telephone:** (02) 7256 2101



Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults 2024/25

Pymble Parish would like to invite you to this year's RCIA program. It is an opportunity for everyone, Catholic and Non-Catholic, to review the formation of the Catholic Faith in the 21st Century. Ever wondered what is the value in being a practising Catholic in today's Church?

In previous years, almost everyone who has attended the sessions has thoroughly enjoyed the interactive lecture experience and the discussion between members. The sessions, run for about 1 to 1.5 hours each week, finishing with tea or coffee and an open discussion. There are about 25 sessions in all and we are hoping to start in mid-September. We take breaks during Christmas and school holidays. The whole course is scheduled to be completed before Easter 2024.

If you are interested, please contact the Parish Office via email office@pymblecatholicparish.org.au or phone (02) 9144 2702.

We will respond with dates, agenda and possible session times.

There are no costs involved.



SERRA VOCATIONS MASS AND DINNER MEETING
THURSDAY, 22 AUGUST 2024
AT SACRED HEART CHURCH
COMMENCING WITH MASS AT 6.00 PM
OUR SPECIAL GUEST SPEAKER WILL BE
SISTER VIRGINIA BOURKE SOSJ

Father Aldrin Valdehueza, our Chaplain and Assistant Priest at Epping

HER TOPIC: "THE LIFE AND TIMES OF SAINT MARY MACKILLOP"

Following the Mass, dinner, and a short meeting **Sister Virginia** will speak to us. If you would like to learn more about our very own Saint or be reminded of the wonderful woman she was, we would love you to join us for the evening.

Everyone is welcome.

Please remember to pray <u>every day</u> for vocations to the priesthood, diaconate, the consecrated life, ecclesial women, all seminarians, novices,

and for the residence of Joseph House Discernment Centre. Please also pray for the perseverance of existing vocations.

Carlingford Parish will be celebrating the Mass.

For catering purposes kindly telephone Henry or Anna Leung on **0478 083 116** or email annayytleung@yahoo.com.au or telephone Terry Scanlan on **0438 887 295** or email terry_scanlan@bigpond.com if you are planning to attend.



WHAT'S ON IN OUR PARISH THIS WEEK

Sunday, 11 August

8:00am Mass at OLPS (Quiet Mass)
9:30am Mass at Sacred Heart
11:30am First Eucharist at Sacred Heart
6:00pm Mass at Sacred Heart followed

Tuesday, 13 August

Sts Pontian, pope, martyr and Hippolytus, priest, martyr (Optional)

9:00am Mass at Sacred Heart 7:30pm Charismatic Prayer Group

Wednesday, 14 August St Maxmilian Mary Kolbe, priest, martyr

(Memorial)
9:00am Mass at Sacred Heart

Thursday, 15 August

7:00pm

The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary (Solemnity)

Parish Pastoral Council Meeting

9:00am Mass at Sacred Heart 9:00am Mass at OLPS

3:30pm First Eucharist Practice at OLPS7:00pm Men's Fellowship Meeting

The Rosary is recited after all weekday Masses

Friday, 16 August

St Stephen of Hungary (Optional) Youth off the Streets Collection

9:00am Mass at Sacred Heart followed by Adoration and Litany to the Sacred

Adoration and Litany to the Heart of Jesus

7:00pm Ladies Dinner at Greengate Hotel

Saturday, 17 August

CatholicCare Homelessness Weekend

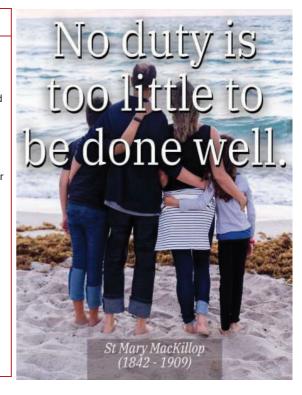
9:00am Mass at OLPS with morning prayer 5:00pm Mass at OLPS followed by Soup

and Slices

Sunday, 18 August

CatholicCare Homelessness Weekend

8:00am Mass at OLPS (Quiet Mass)
9:30am Mass at Sacred Heart
11:00am First Eucharist at OLPS
6:00pm Mass at Sacred Heart



Parish Prayer Zone

Praying for others gets our focus off ourselves and onto the needs of those around us. As we "carry each other's burdens," we "will fulfil the law of Christ" (Galatians 6:2). Praying for each other makes us stronger and helps us to grow our faith and Christian love.

Recently Deceased:

Henryk Loska, Tony Mazzei, Stanley MacDonald, Dianne Ross, Joan Gillett, Gail O'Toole, Joseph Pettinger, Kathleen Morrison, Denise Lindsay, Marie Jones, Refaat Saber, Geoff Riley, Greg Tysoe, Nancy Dal Cin, Victor Ho, Ursula Middleton, Michael Ryan

Death Anniversaries:

Beryl Jean Conroy, Chris Drinkwater, Ranjan Fernando, Roshan Perera, Chris Drinkwater, Antonino Celio, Nona Gutierrez, Silvya Albert, Joseph Lin, John McLeod, Christian McLeod, Tonya McLeod, Praveen Delunha, Thelma Lovery, Roy Freeman

Pravers for the sick:

Catherine Sanchez, Pamela Seaman, Joseph Hendryjanto, Margaret Browne, Danny Ung

Weekly prayer intention:

This week we pray for peace in the world, in our country and in our own home. Lord, help us to act out your greatest commandment of all, to love one another as You have loved us. Amen.

If you would like the names of your relatives to be included in the prayer list (anniversary of deaths, recently deceased, illnesses, wedding celebration or anniversaries, birthdays, etc.) please contact the Parish Office by midday each Wednesday. Remember that due to privacy policy, names of the sick can only be put on the bulletin with permission of the immediate family. This list will be updated every month and we would appreciate if we are advised of any updates. Thank you.





We will be holding a cake stall at West Pymble on 23 November 2024 to raise funds towards our Pastoral Works Fund quota for 2024/25.

Can you help with cooking up some homemade jams, relishes and chutneys to contribute to our stall?

With so much produce in season now, we can take advantage to bottle these up for sale at our stall!

If you run out of space to store your home made goodies at home, please drop your jams and chutneys off at the Parish Office. Please contact Marie D'Alessandri on 0404893908 or marie@dalla.net.au if you have any questions.

We are so grateful for your support!

Reminder: August frozen meal donations for the Father Chris Riley's Youth Off The Streets program should be dropped of at the Parish office between 9am and 10am on Friday, 16 August 2024. At 10am sharp, the meals will be transported to Youth Off The Streets. Collections are scheduled for the third Friday of each month except January. Thank you for your support for this important program.



Donor envelopes available during Mass Saturday and Sunday 10 & 11 August

Join us for a free seminar and cuppa

I worked with asbestos, am I entitled to compensation?

Wills gone Wild

Sunday 25th August 2024 10:30 AM Sacred Heart Church Conference Room 2 Richard Potter Way Pymble NSw 2073

LAWYERS

Please inform the Parish Office if you have recently changed your address, phone number or email. For Parishioners who give via credit card, please let us know if your credit card has expired or if you have changed your card. Thank you!



INVITATION TO CELEBRATE TOGETHER



First Eucharist **Celebrations**

Congratulations to the candidates for First Eucharist who have been preparing for this sacrament of initiation

The First Eucharist celebrations:

11:30am Sunday, 11 August 2024 Sacred Heart Pymble

11:00am

Sunday, 18 August 2024 Our Lady of Perpetual Succour West Pymble

Please continue to pray for these children, and their families

ALL ARE WELCOME TO ATTEND



IN THE FOOTSTEPS OF

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FIND OUT MORE PHONE: (02) 8912 4818 or EMAIL: national.pilgrimage@mmp.org.au LINK: www.marymackillopplace.org.au







Have you ever thought, "I'm not done yet? I still have something to give to the Parish?"

Pymble Parishioners who are Catechists come from diverse walks of life. There are people doing extra uni study. Business Professionals who have flexible working conditions, retired business owners, teachers, young mums and retirees in general from the paid workforce including a pilot. So, no stereotypes there!

Due to a Catechist retiring from teaching in Primary School, please consider becoming a Catechist for the following classes:-

Tuesday

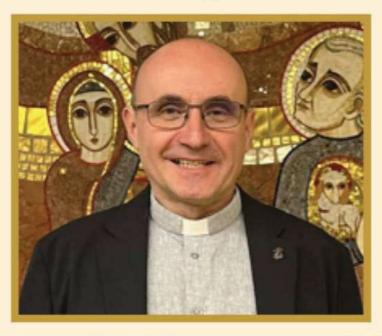
Gordon East Public School: Yrs 3-6 (small class), 9.15am - 9.45

Turramurra Public School: Yr 2, (small class), 9.50am - 10.20am Gordon West Public School: Yrs 5 & 6 combined (small class), 12.30pm -

West Pymble Public School: Yrs 5 & 6 (small class), 1.15pm - 1.50pm

Please text Michele Brack 0409 651 637 or email michele@pymblecatholicparish.org.au for more details and information on how to become a Catechist.

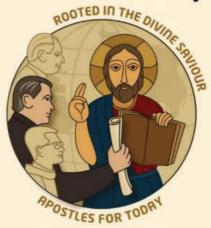
Fr Christopher Kowalczyk SDS



We are delighted to be able to announce that Fr Christopher Kowalczyk SDS has been elected to the position of Superior General of the Society of the Divine Saviour, the Salvatorians. Fr Chris succeeds Fr Milton Zonta SDS in the role. Fr Chris served as the assistant parish priest in the Pymble parish from 2019 to 2022.

The Salvatorian Superior General holds the highest office of the Society with authority over all administrative functions, houses, and individual members. The Superior General works with a governing Council containing the Vicar General and three consultors. Together, they promote the spirit of the Society and foster international unity directing and coordinating the activities of the entire Society.

Our congratulations to Fr Chris and our best wishes to him for his six year term leading the Society.

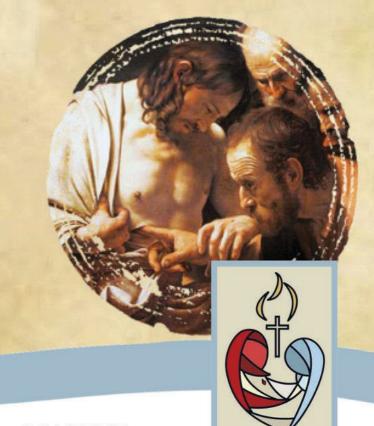


We pray for Fr Chris and ask that God bless his work in service of the Society and guide him during his term of office.

3 August 2024 | Kraków Poland

LECTIO: JESUS

The Crucifixion, Resurrection, and proclamation of Christ's divinity



INVITATION

You are invited to join our nine part Jesus series based on the Lectio program by Dr Brant Pitre.

TOPICS

The Jesus program topics include:

- Were the Gospels Anonymous?
- · The Early Church Fathers
- Are the Gospels Biographies?
- When Were the Gospels Written?
- The Kingdom of God and the Messiah
- · Did Jesus Claim to Be God?
- · The Crucifixion of Jesus
- The Resurrection of Jesus
- Question and Answer

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION:



CONTEXT

Can we trust the Gospels? Do we know who wrote them? Do the Gospels communicate truth – or fables? Who is Jesus? Who did Jesus claim to be? We draw evidence from early writings attesting to the authenticity and authorship of the Gospels.

JOIN IN

Please join in with this opportunity to learn, share your thoughts and to get to know others in our Parish community.

7pm alternate Tuesday evenings Sacred Heart Church Pymble Next Event 20 August 2024

DR BRANT PITRE

Dr Brant Pitre is Distinguished Research Professor of Scripture at the Augustine Institute, Graduate School of Theology.



Entrance Antiphon Psalm 73: 20, 19, 22, 23

Look to your covenant, O Lord, and forget not the life of your poor ones for

Arise, O God, and defend your cause, and forget not the cries of those who seek you.

First Reading 1 Kings 19: 4-8

A reading from the first book of Kings

Elijah went into the wilderness, a day's journey, and sitting under a furze bush wished he were dead. 'Lord', he said 'I have had enough. Take A reading from the holy Gospel according to my life: I am no better than my ancestors.' Then John he lay down and went to sleep. But an angel touched him and said, 'Get up and eat.' He looked round, and there at his head was a scone baked on hot stones, and a jar of water. He ate and drank and then lay down again. But the angel of the Lord came back a second time and touched him and said, 'Get up and eat, or the journey will be too long for you.' So he got up and ate and drank, and strengthened by that food he walked for forty days and forty nights until he reached Horeb, the mountain of God.

Responsorial Psalm Ps 33: 2-9 R.v.9

(R.) Taste and see the goodness of the Lord.

- I will bless the Lord at all times, his praise always on my lips; in the Lord my soul shall make its boast. The humble shall hear and be glad. (R.)
- Glorify the Lord with me. Together let us praise his name. I sought the Lord and he answered me; from mall my terrors he set me free. (R.)
- Look towards him and be radiant; Let your faces not be abashed This poor man called; the Lord heard him and rescued him from all his distress. (R.)
- The angel of the Lord is encamped around those who revere him, to rescue them.

Taste and see that the Lord is good. He is happy who seeks refuge in him. (R.)

Second Reading Ephesians 4: 30 - 5:2

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the **Ephesians**

Do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God who has marked you with his seal for you to be set free when the day comes. Never have grudges against others, or lose your temper, or raise your voice to anybody, or call each other names, or allow any sort of spitefulness. Be friends with one another, and kind, forgiving each other as readily as God forgave you in Christ.

Try, then, to imitate God, as children of his that Jesus is the "bread of life" he loves, and follow Christ by loving as he loved you, giving himself up in our place as a fragrant offering and a sacrifice to God.

Gospel Acclamation John 6: 51

Alleluia, alleluia!

I am the living bread from heaven, says the Lord;

Whoever eats this bread will live forever. Alleluia!

Gospel John 6: 41-51

The Jews were complaining to each other about Jesus, because he had said, 'I am the bread that came down from heaven.' 'Surely this is Jesus son of Joseph' they said. 'We know his father and mother. How can he now say, "I have come down from heaven"?' Jesus said in reply, 'Stop complaining to each other.

'No one can come to me unless he is drawn by the Father who sent me, and I will raise him up at the last day. It is written in the prophets: They will all be taught by God, and to hear the teaching of the Father, and learn from it, is to come to me. Not that anybody has seen the Father, except the one who comes from God: he has seen the Father. I tell you most solemnly, everybody who believes has eternal life. I am the bread of life. Your fathers ate the manna in the desert and they are dead; but this is the bread that comes down from heaven. so that a man may eat it and not die.

I am the living bread which has come down from heaven.

Anyone who eats this bread will live for ever; and the bread that I shall give is my flesh, for the life of the world?

Gospel Reflection

Meditation: God offers his people abundant life, but we can miss it. What is the bread of life which Jesus offers? It is first of all the life of God himself - life which sustains us not only now in this age but also in the age to come. The Rabbis said that the generation in the wilderness have no part in the life to come. In the Book of Numbers it is recorded that the people who refused to brave the dangers of the promised land were condemned to wander in the wilderness until they died. The Rabbis believed that the father who missed the promised land also missed the life to come. God sustained the Israelites in the wilderness with manna from heaven. This bread foreshadowed the true heavenly bread which Jesus would offer his followers.

Jesus makes a claim only God can make: He is the true bread of heaven that can satisfy the deepest hunger we experience. The manna from heaven prefigured the superabundance of the unique bread of the Eucharist or Lord's Supper which Jesus gave to his disciples on the eve of his sacrifice. The manna in the wilderness sustained the Israelites on their journey to the Promised Land. It could not produce eternal life for the Israelites. The bread which Jesus offers his disciples sustains us not only on our journey to the heavenly paradise, it gives us the abundant supernatural life of God which sustains us for all eternity.

The food that makes us live forever When we receive from the Lord's table we unite ourselves to Jesus Christ, who makes us sharers in his body and blood and partakers of his divine life. Ignatius of Antioch (35-107 A.D.), an early church father and martyr, calls it the "one bread that provides the medicine of immortality, the antidote for death, and the food that makes us live for ever in Jesus Christ" (Ad Eph. 20,2). This supernatural food is healing for both body and soul and strength for our journey heavenward.

Do you hunger for the "bread of life"? Jesus offers us the abundant supernatural life of heaven itself - but we can miss it or even refuse it. To refuse Jesus is to refuse eternal life, unending life with the Heavenly Father. To accept Jesus as the bread of heaven is not only life and spiritual nourishment for this world but glory in the world to come. When you approach the Table of the Lord, what do you expect to receive? Healing, pardon, comfort, and rest for your soul? The Lord has much more for us, more than we can ask or imagine. The principal fruit of receiving the Eucharist or Lord's Supper is an intimate union with Christ. As bodily nourishment restores lost strength, so the Eucharist strengthens us in charity and enables us to break with disordered attachments to creatures and to be more firmly rooted in the love of Christ. Do you hunger for the "bread of life"?

Lord Jesus, you are the living bread which sustains me in this life. May I always hunger for the bread which comes from heaven and find in it the nourishment and strength I need to love and serve you wholeheartedly. May I always live in the joy, peace, and unity of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, both now and in the age to come.

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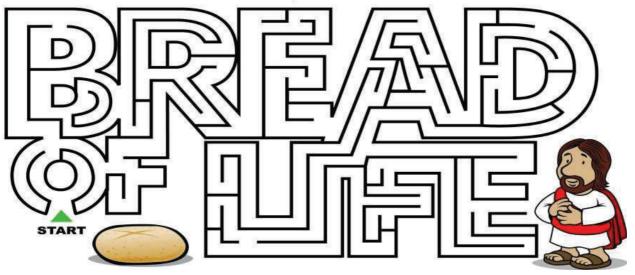
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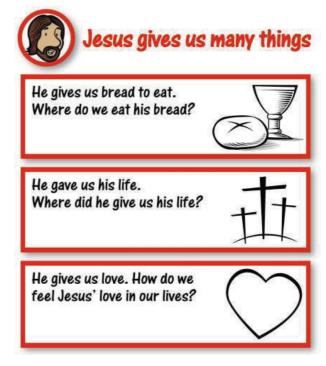
Pymble Parish Roster 17/18 August 2024		
Sacred Heart (Pymble)	Sunday 9:30am	Sunday 6pm
Acolytes	E Leahy	P Adams
Altar Servers	M & G Heng	W Rusak
Readers	J Gardiner / D McGreal	L Menzies
Altar Society	17 August: Jo / Carmel	
Counters	18 August: M Boland / M Tang / T Scanlan	
OLPS (West Pymble)	Saturday 5:00pm	Sunday 8:00am
Acolytes	J Pease	J Walton
Altar Servers	A Pease	E & M Rothemund
Readers	B Nairn	L Johnston / F Barnden
Altar Cloth	17 August: N Simpkins	

Children's Corner

Can you make your way through the BREAD OF LIFE maze?







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