

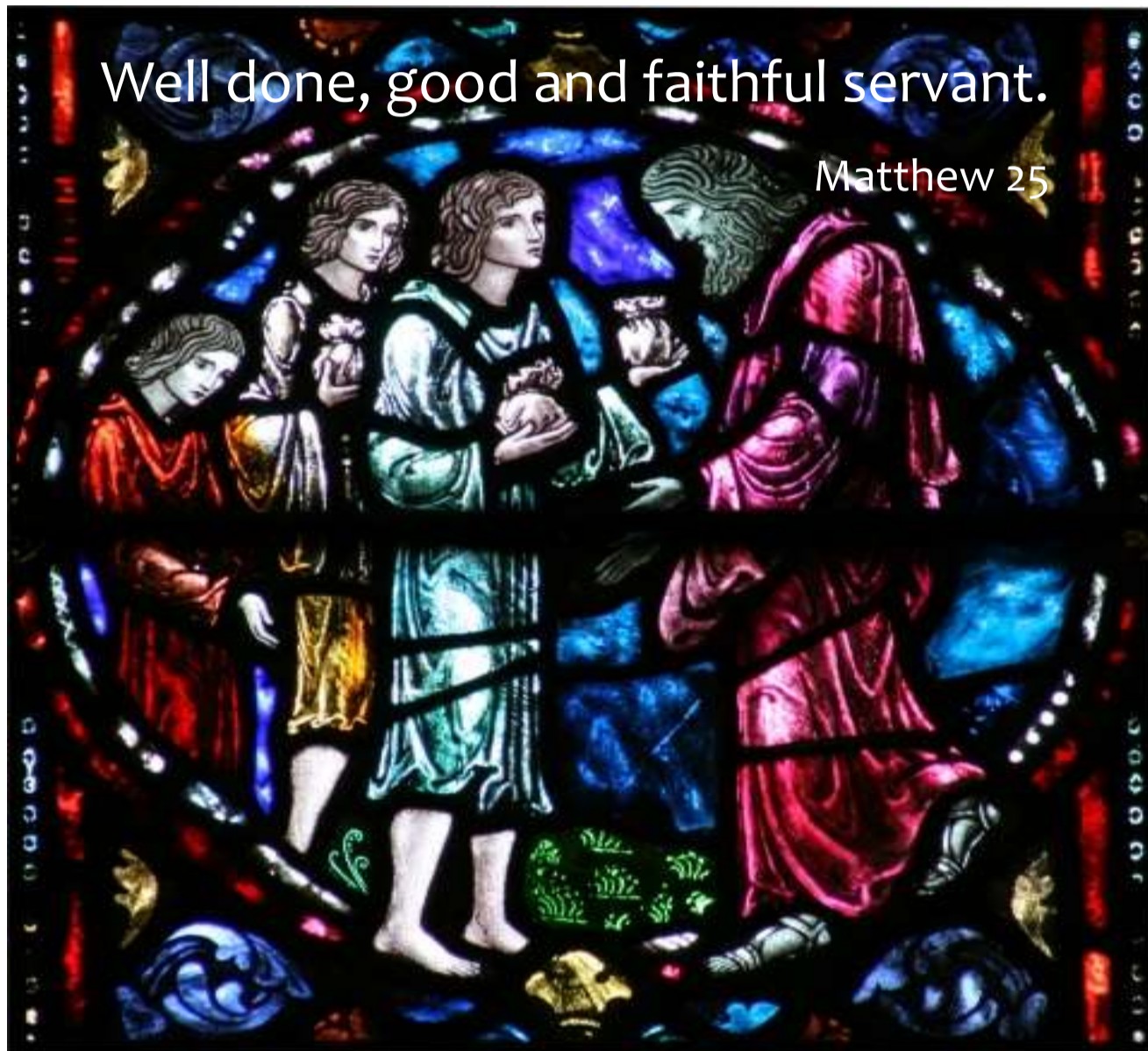


# PYMBLE CATHOLIC PARISH

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*



Well done, good and faithful servant.

Matthew 25

## MY PRAYER FOR TODAY

Dear God,

Thank You for the gifts and talents  
You have given me.

I want to use them and multiply them  
for the blessing of other people  
and for honouring you.

Please give me a willing and obedient  
heart to follow Your leading.

Only in this way can I be fulfilled.

In Your Name I pray.

Amen.



## Baptisms at Pymble Parish

For enquiries please contact the Parish office on 9144 2702 or via email on [office@pymblecatholicparish.org.au](mailto:office@pymblecatholicparish.org.au)

Our upcoming Baptism Formation Class will be held on:

**Monday, 4 December 2023**  
**7:30pm**  
**Sacred Heart Church**  
Bookings are essential.

## POPE FRANCIS' PRAYER INTENTION FOR NOVEMBER



For the Pope

We pray for the Holy Father; as he fulfills his mission, may he continue to accompany the flock entrusted to him, with the help of the Holy Spirit.

**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.

[www.sds.org.au](http://www.sds.org.au)

## Parish Team

### Pastoral care

#### Salvatorian Fathers

**Parish Priest:** Fr. Ireneusz Czech SDS

**Email:** fr.irek@pymblecatholicparish.org.au

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**Assistant Parish Priest:** Fr. Paul Tran SDS

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### Parish Staff

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Youtube QR code:



Podbean QR code:



## 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:

Saturday (Vigil Mass): 5:30pm

Sunday: 7:45am, 9:30am and 6:00pm

**Reconciliation:** Friday 8:45am, Saturday 5:00pm

Sunday 5:30pm

### Our Lady of Perpetual Succour

64 Kendall St, West Pymble, NSW, 2073

#### Weekdays:

Tuesday: 12pm

*During School Term as advertised in the Parish weekly calendar section*

#### Weekend:

Saturday (Vigil Mass): 9:00am and 5:00pm

Sunday: 9:00am

**Reconciliation:** Saturday 9:30am

## Contact details

**Address:** 2 Richard Porter Way, Pymble, NSW 2073

**Postal address:** PO BOX 231 Turramurra NSW 2074

**Telephone:** (02) 9144 2702

**Email:** office@pymblecatholicparish.org.au

**Website:** www.pymblecatholicparish.org.au

**Office hours:** Monday to Thursday 8:30am to 4pm &

Friday 8:30am to 1pm

*For information about Baptisms and Weddings please contact Daniela in the Parish Office.*

*For information about the sacraments of Confirmation, Reconciliation and First Eucharist, please contact Melanie at [melanie@pymblecatholicparish.org.au](mailto:melanie@pymblecatholicparish.org.au)*

## PARISH PRIMARY SCHOOLS

### SACRED HEART

**Principal:** Mary Hor

**Telephone:** (02) 7256 2142

[www.shpdbb.catholic.edu.au](http://www.shpdbb.catholic.edu.au)

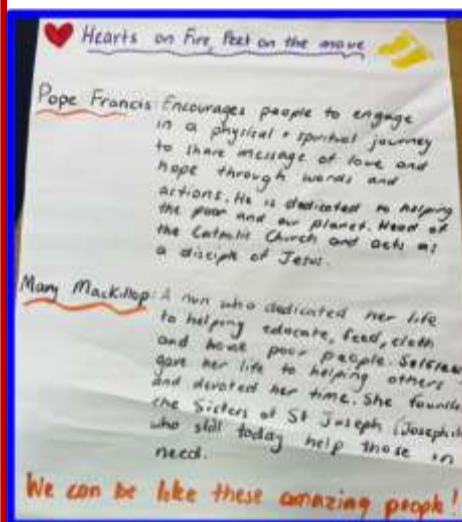
### OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL SUCCOUR

**Principal:** Jodi Jefferson

**Telephone:** (02) 7256 2101

### Religious Education in 3W at Sacred Heart

During Religion this term we have been focusing on "Reaching out to others" and "Mission". We have developed an understanding and appreciation of the nature and challenges of Christian mission through the study of Jesus' instructions in the 'Mission of the Twelve' (Lk 9: 1-6).



We have investigated the work of Catholic Mission and individuals committed to reaching out to others such as Pope Francis, Father Chris Riley, and Mary MacKillop. We looked in depth at the Catholic Mission website and enjoyed learning about all the different ways people from around the world help the community of Timor Leste.

During Week 4 we participated in fundraising activities at school such as a disco, raffle and crazy sock day. All funds raised were donated to Catholic Mission Australia and will help support the community of Timor Leste.



### Volunteer Accountant/Finance Officer

**Are you a retired Accountant looking to contribute your financial skills to a Catholic Charity?**

[Palms Australia](http://Palms Australia) facilitates our response, as church, to global communities who seek mentors to build the capacity of their organisations and individuals and so reduce poverty. Securing a part-time volunteer Accountant will allow Palms to use more of their donations to recruit, prepare, send, and support the qualified and experienced Catholics who volunteer for our mission abroad.

Kevin Wilson will be delighted to discuss the possibilities.

**Ph 9560 5333 OR E-mail [kevin@palms.org.au](mailto:kevin@palms.org.au)**

## WHAT'S ON IN OUR PARISH THIS WEEK

**Sunday, 19 November**

**World Day of the Poor**

7:45am Mass at Sacred Heart  
 9:00am Mass at OLPS  
 9:30am Mass at Sacred Heart  
 6:00pm Mass at Sacred Heart

**Tuesday, 21 November**

**The Presentation of Blessed Virgin Mary (Memorial)**

9:00am Mass at Sacred Heart  
 12:00pm Mass at OLPS  
 7:00pm Faith Formation: Eucharist  
 7:30pm Charismatic Prayer Group

**Wednesday, 22 November**

**St Cecilia, virgin, martyr (Memorial)**

9:00am Mass at Sacred Heart

**Thursday, 23 November**

**St Clement I, pope, martyr (Optional)**

**St Columban, abbot (Optional)**

9:00am Mass at Sacred Heart  
 6:00pm Serra Mass and Meeting  
 7:00pm Pymble Men's Fellowship Meeting

**Friday, 24 November**

**Sts Andrew Dung-Lac, priest, and companions, martyrs (Memorial)**

9:00am Mass at Sacred Heart with Adoration and Litany to the Sacred Heart of Jesus  
 10:00am Lectio: Jesus Calls (via ZOOM)

**Saturday, 25 November**

**St Catherine of Alexandria, virgin, martyr (Optional)**

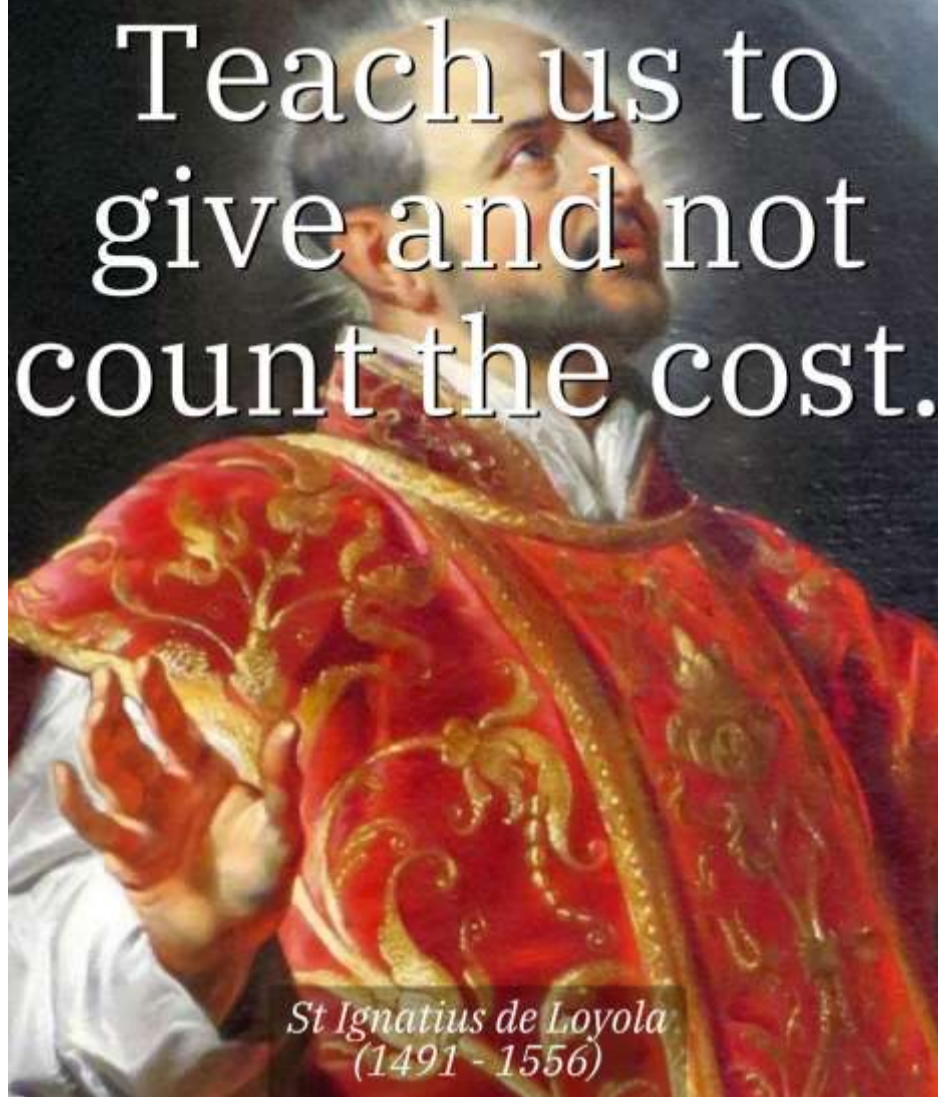
9:00am Mass at OLPS  
 5:00pm Family Mass at OLPS  
 5:30pm Mass at Sacred Heart

**Sunday, 26 November**

**Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe (Solemnity)**

7:45am Mass at Sacred Heart  
 9:00am Mass at OLPS  
 9:30am Family Mass at Sacred Heart  
 6:00pm Mass at Sacred Heart

*The Rosary is recited after all weekday Masses*



## 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:

Sarinder Tamana, Frieda Nassar, Bruce Fisher, Desmond Buckley, Seema Shrestha Thapa, Vivienne Fernandes, Colleen Hussin, Charlotte Dos Remedios, David Tarrant, Anthony Dixon, Anne Seeto, Concetta Giaquinto, Michael Ludemann, Albert Chan

### Death Anniversaries:

Bambi Hontanosas, Antonio Canete, Nora Leguin Peter Goh, Kwong Tsui Tso, Jason Dias, Silvy Albert, Charles & Joan Bernie, Erlinda Guyot & Elena Yu, Vicente Tan Snr & Rosario Tan, Veronica Schreuder, Les Cashman, Lydia Tan, Manuel Tan, Simeon Lagura, Catalina Lagura, Paula Freeman, M. V. Francis, Judith English, Ric Cashman, Desmond Buckley, Mina De Mello, Mary Costa Silva

### Prayers for the sick:

Margaret Browne, Paul Lum, Danny Ung, Ryan Kim, David Gardener

### Weekly prayer intention:

This week we pray for all the students undertaking their HSC exams at the moment. Give them the gifts of wisdom, right judgement, knowledge and courage. Bless them with calm hearts and clarity of mind as they sit for their exams. 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.

## Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

As you know we have our Divine Mercy Chapel on the right side of our church at Sacred Heart. We would like to invite those in our Parish who wish to come to adore our Lord Jesus present in the Blessed Sacrament.

We are setting up a roster for private adoration **every Friday from 8am to 9pm**. Thank you to those who have placed their names down. If you wish to be part of this, please place your name and contact details for an hour each Friday on the form that is placed outside the Crying Room. We can have up to four people at any time. Please contact the Parish Office if you need further information.

### Friday Roster for the Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

8am - 8.45am	Peter	4pm - 5pm	Paulette
10am - 11am	Lynette, Ximena	5pm - 6pm	Cindy, Marie
11am - 12pm		6pm - 7pm	Eric
12pm - 1pm		7pm - 8pm	Elzbieta
1pm - 2pm	Gerry & Carmen	8pm - 9pm	Paul, Rod
2pm - 3pm			
3pm - 4pm	Jo		



**"Frequent visits to the Blessed Sacrament will turn ordinary men into Saints."**

- St. John Bosco

# AMAZING CATECHISTS

TEACHING AND LEARNING THE FAITH TOGETHER



Do you have 30 minutes a week to teach children about the Word of God and how much He loves us?

We need catechists to support children in our five public schools with their faith formation.

Training, teacher manuals, colourful student workbooks and other resources are provided: **no experience required.**

If you are retired, at university, have flexible working arrangements or just seeking a way to give back to the community: **please join us.**

Our mission is for one catechist for one-year group.

Schools with catechist assignments across one or more year groups:

- \* **Gordon East Public School**  
Tuesday: 9:15-9:45am
- \* **Gordon West Public School**  
Tuesday: 12:30-1:00pm
- \* **Turramurra Public School**  
Wednesday: 9:15-9:45am  
Wednesday: 9:55-10:25am
- \* **West Pymble Public School**  
Wednesday: 1:15-1:50pm
- \* **Pymble Public School**  
Wednesday: 1:40-2:10pm  
Wednesday: 2:15-2:45pm

Please consider joining this wonderful Ministry.

Contact **Michele** at 0409 651 637 or [michele@pymblecatholicparish.org.au](mailto:michele@pymblecatholicparish.org.au)

Pymble Catholic Parish | 02 9144 2702

## LECTIO: JESUS CALLS

Catholics can impact the world for Jesus Christ  
With Dr Mary Healy



### INVITATION

You are invited to join our 10 part **Jesus Calls** series based on the Lectio program by Dr Mary Healy.

### TOPICS

The series topics include:

- Why Study Acts?
- Clothed with Power
- Proclaiming the Kerygma (proclamation)
- Signs and Wonders
- How Jesus Makes an Evangelist
- Sacraments and the Spirit
- Leadership in the Church
- Charisms of the Spirit
- Joy in Persecution
- The Belly of the Beast

FOR INFORMATION AND RSVP

(02) 9144 2702

PYMBLE CATHOLIC PARISH  
2 RICHARD PORTER WAY PYMBLE

### CONTEXT

Practical advice showing how modern Catholics can effectively impact their world. Explore topics such as the call of Jesus, the power of the Sacraments, the role of charisms, techniques from St Paul for reaching a secular culture ...

### JOIN IN

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

Friday, 13 October 2023  
From 10am-11:30am Via Zoom  
And following weekly

### DR MARY HEALY

Dr Mary Healy is professor of Scripture at Sacred Heart Major Seminary in Detroit and an author and international speaker. She is a general editor of the Catholic Commentary on Sacred Scripture.



## St Vincent de Paul Annual Christmas and Hamper Appeal

This weekend marks the launch of the Annual Vinnies Christmas and Hamper Appeal.

Hamper Cards are available at the back of the Church this weekend. Boxes are available for packing your hampers. Please take a card and return your hamper on the weekend of 2/3 December.

Please return the hampers to:

- **For OLPS**, please leave at the back of the Church before 11am on 3 December for dispatch to Glebe
- **For Sacred Heart**, please leave in the Crying Room before 7pm on 3 December for dispatch to Wyong and our local clients

If you are unable to provide a family hamper, there are cards on the notice board for small gifts which will be delivered by Vinnies volunteers to lonely residents in Aged Care facilities in our community who will have no family.

When choosing your gift or hamper contents, please do not include alcohol or chocolate (as it will melt).

Please sign the sheet for tracking purposes when taking a hamper or gift card. You should also identify each of the boxes by the hamper number/gift number and the Hamper card attached to each box. If your hamper comprise of more than one box, be sure to mark boxes with a marking pen, with "1 of 2" and "2 of 2" etc so that they are not separated.

If you are unable to assist with a hamper or gift, then you are invited to make a cash donation. Envelopes for this purpose are on the table at the back of the church. If your details are on the envelope, you will receive a tax deductible receipt.

As in previous years, your generosity is greatly appreciated by Vinnies clients and members.

### Christmas Hamper Content Suggestions

- |                            |                                   |
|----------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| • Christmas Stocking       | • Noodles                         |
| • Christmas Pudding        | • Pasta                           |
| • Dried Fruit              | • Pasta Sauce (jar)               |
| • Rice                     | • Large Cans of Tuna              |
| • Canned Ham               | • Long Life Custard               |
| • Peanut butter            | • Rice crackers                   |
| • Cans of Salad Vegetables | • Vegemite                        |
| • Cordial                  | • Shortbread                      |
| • Christmas Cake           | • Large Cans of Fruit             |
| • Tea/Coffee               | • Baked Beans                     |
| • Mince Pies               | • Long Life Milk                  |
| • Cake Mix                 | • Sultanas                        |
| • Jelly                    | • Breakfast Cereal                |
| • Jam                      | • Toiletries (soap, shampoo, etc) |

### Important:

Please do not include alcohol, and no chocolate please (as it will melt).


**Remember:** A wrapped hamper looks good and brings the spirit of Christmas to the recipients. But please use strong paper so that it does not tear easily in transit.

**Thank you for your Support!**

Thank You High Tea  
for our  
Volunteers of 2023

SATURDAY | 25 | NOVEMBER  
3 - 5 pm  
OUTSIDE  
SACRED HEART CHURCH

RSVP Marie D'Alessandri  
0404893908 by 18.11.23  
for catering purposes  
and any dietary  
requirements!


Join us for St Vincent de Paul

## COMMISSIONING MASS

Pymble St Vincent de Paul invites all parishioners to attend **9.30 am** Mass on **November 19** at **Sacred Heart** to share in the commissioning ceremony of members of the Society. This is a very special occasion for Vinnies members and one that we would like to share with the whole Parish Community.

Following the Commissioning Mass all parishioners are invited to Morning Tea as a thank you and acknowledgment of the generous support which we receive from the Parish community at Sacred Heart Church and School and OLPS Church and School.

We would also like to at this time formally thank Fr Irek and Fr Paul for their unwavering support of the work we do within the wider community.

 **Thank You from Catholic Mission**

Thank you for supporting this year's Catholic Mission Parish Appeal. Thank all to all the parishioners who contributed to the appeal. Your generosity and prayers are supporting lifechanging mission programs like the Maria Auxiliadora Clinic in Venilale, Timor-Leste, where they are addressing critical health issues such as tuberculosis, malnutrition, and maternal mortality.

# GLASSWARE SALE

Bargain!!!  
Second hand, good quality glasses!



6 glasses.	\$15
12 glasses.	\$25
24 glasses.	\$40
36 glasses.	\$60


Champagne flutes,  
wine glasses, and  
highball glasses!

**Sacred Heart 26 NOV after each Mass**  
**OLPS 9 & 10 DEC after each Mass**

### NOVEMBER MASSES

During the month of November we will pray for the deceased by offering a Mass every day for those whose names are on the special November envelopes. The envelopes are available at the back of the Church, so please collect one if you wish to include your deceased relatives and friends in our prayers.

**Please write their names on the envelopes and return your envelope to the Parish Office or one of the priests.**



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!



**Family Mass**  
**SUNDAY 26 NOVEMBER**  
 SACRED HEART CHURCH 9:30AM

You are warmly invited to Family Mass on Sunday 26 November, hosted by Kindergarten families.

Family Mass is an opportunity for our community to come together, celebrate the Eucharist and listen to the Gospel. This joyful celebration will be followed by morning tea. Come and enjoy Mass and the good company of our beautiful community.

**Family Mass Student Choir** - A fun way for students of all ages to participate in Mass, all students are welcome to join in the choir. Please arrive at Church by 8:45am for rehearsal.




**Join the Nativity Play - Spread the Joy of Christmas!**

Be Part of a Timeless Tradition at Our Lady of Perpetual Succour Church, West Pymble (OLPS), and Sacred Heart Church, Pymble Are you ready to be a star in our Nativity Play? We are calling all children to bring the magic of Christmas to life through this heartwarming production. Share the stage with us and make unforgettable memories!

- When:** Sunday, 24th December 2023  
**Time:** 5:00 PM - Mass at OLPS (Play participation only)  
 5:00 PM - Mass at Sacred Heart (Play or Choir participation)

If you would like to participate, please contact:

- Louise Johnston** - [louise.johnston@dbb.catholic.edu.au](mailto:louise.johnston@dbb.catholic.edu.au) for the 5:00 PM Mass at OLPS or,  
**Liz Tamana** - [elizabethetamana@gmail.com](mailto:elizabethetamana@gmail.com) for the 5:00 PM Mass at Sacred Heart.

**RSVP by 24th November**

**Sacred Heart Schedule:**

- Nativity Play Rehearsals:**
- December 8th: 3:15 PM - 4:30 PM
  - December 13th: 3:15 PM - 4:30 PM
  - December 22nd: 9:30 AM

- Choir & Music Rehearsals:**
- December 22nd: 9:30 AM
  - December 24th: 3:30 PM (before the 5:00 PM Mass)

Let's come together to celebrate the spirit of Christmas and create beautiful memories. Your participation and dedication will make this Nativity Play truly special. We look forward to sharing this magical experience with you!



**PARISH RECONCILIATION NIGHT**

**Sacred Heart Church**  
**Tuesday, 19 December 2023**  
**7-8pm**

Everyone is encouraged to join us for this special celebration in preparation for Christmas. Reconciliation will take place on **Tuesday, 20th December 2022** between **7 and 8pm** at **Sacred Heart Church**. A number of priests will be available on the evening.

*“To celebrate the sacrament of reconciliation means to be wrapped in a warm embrace” Pope Francis*



**CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD**

**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED TO LEAD AND ASSIST**

**Please consider helping to share the Gospel**

We are looking for additional leaders to assist with Children's Liturgy at Sacred Heart Church. We offer Children's Liturgy at the Sunday 9:30am Mass at Sacred Heart on the first and third Sundays of each month during school terms. Commitment to lead or assist would be once or twice a term.

If you have any questions or would like to join our team, please contact the Parish Office on 9144 2702.



*Music for Pymble Parish*

**Music is an important part of our liturgies and we strive to have music in various forms at all of our Masses. Our Mass and Liturgy is enriched by the talent and time shared by the accomplished musicians of our Parish.**

**We are looking for:**

- o Musicians/Singers at both Churches
- o Projectionists at OLPS
- o A music co-ordinator

**Please contact the Parish Office if you are able to assist in any way.**

# OLPS KIDS PLAY

## SCHOOL READINESS AND TODDLER PLAYGROUP

Fridays - during school term  
9.00 AM - 10.00 AM

OLPS Catholic Primary School  
64 Kendall St West Pymble 2073

Scan for dates and to register:



## Arrupe House, Pymble Nursing Appointment

Arrupe House, located at Pymble is a small community of retired Jesuits, Priests and Brothers.

Expressions of interest are invited for an experienced Registered Nurse to work with a small team of nurses. This position is casual part-time, with morning duties from 7am to 11.30am, 2 days per week.

Position to commence January 2024.

Please email your CV to [arrupehouse@sjasl.org.au](mailto:arrupehouse@sjasl.org.au).

## Children, the young, and the vulnerable must be safe

Supported by adults who ...



### CARE

for us as we are a precious gift from God

### RESPECT

our rights, abilities, contributions, needs and wishes

### ASK

us how we are feeling and what we are thinking, ask us what we need



### LISTEN

to what we are really saying



TELL us about dangers - and what's being done to protect us



SEE what other adults are doing, and how they are behaving



DO what they are supposed to do and what they say they will do

### STEP UP AND SPEAK OUT

when we are being hurt, bullied or treated badly.



## SACRED HEART PYMBLE KIDS PLAY



9:00 - 10:00 on  
Wednesday 29th November

School readiness and toddler playgroup - available for all ages



Scan for details and to register



## Children's Liturgy at Pymble Parish

Children are welcome to join us at our Children's liturgies at both of our Churches. Children's Liturgy is a great way to engage and nourish the children of our Parish with the God's Word. The dates for Term 4 are as follows:



Sacred Heart Sunday 9:30am Mass	OLPS Sunday 9am Mass
19 November 3 December	Every Sunday during School term

## Thanksgiving Mass for our OLPS Volunteers Sunday 3 December 2023 at 9:00 am



Thank you and blessings to our Parishioners who have assisted throughout this year and in past years during our rich 63 year history.

Altar Servers  
Acolytes  
Readers  
Musicians

Eucharistic ministers  
Collection Counters

Altar Society (floral arrangements)  
And the care and laundering of the Mass cloths

Your contribution to OLPS Parish life is so necessary and appreciated and we thank you most sincerely.

Please join us for morning tea after Mass.

## Celebrating Art and Inclusion Fr. Irek Supports Benedict Day's Exhibition at Boonah Creative Arts Centre

On November 11, Fr. Irek showed his support for Benedict Day, a member of our parish, whose artwork was exhibited at the Boonah Creative Arts Centre in West Pymble.

Established in 1995 by CatholicCare, the centre caters to the requirements of artists with disabilities. Additionally, it serves as a public gallery space.

(Shop 27, The Philip Mall, Kendall Street, West Pymble).



Margaret Day (Ben's mum), Benedict Day and Fr Irek Czech

Ben's artwork:

**'The Waterlillies'**

Acrylic



**HORNSBY  
CATHEDRAL  
PARISH**

**Position Vacant at  
Hornsby Cathedral  
Parish Office**

Hornsby Cathedral Parish is seeking to recruit a Administration Assistant working 5 days/35 hours per week in their Parish Office at Waitara.

The role plays an important part in the Parish team, with a wide range of responsibilities including general administrative tasks, working with the Parish team on Parish communications to profile and raise awareness of programs and ministries within the Parish, maintaining parish records including sacramental register updates, taking bookings for sacraments including baptisms and funerals, assisting with the setup of parish facilities for events and much more.

The ideal candidate will have a good understanding of, and commitment to, Catholic values and teachings, experience in an office administrative role, well-developed communication and interpersonal skills and time management skills and proficiency with Microsoft Office Suite.

The role requires a physical presence in the office, with a schedule to be Monday-Friday 9am-4.30pm.

If this role interests you, please email a brief cover letter and CV to Fr Brendan Lee via email: [Brendan.lee@bbcatholic.org.au](mailto:Brendan.lee@bbcatholic.org.au)

Applications close **Sunday 19 November 2023**.

*This role will be subject to a WWCC and National Police History Check.*

Pymble Catholic Parish

**Catechists in the Classroom**



**Catechist – Mrs Margaret Tang**

**School – Turramurra Public School**

**Class – Kindergarten**



Towards the final units of kindergarten SRE curriculum, children learn about thanksgiving and preparing for Christmas.

They are reminded to be with God, to thank Him for things that have been given to them.

As reminders, they are shown photos in nature and people in daily life. They are encouraged to draw things in their silent prayer page in their workbooks, to think about saying thanks. Three pieces of works from their workbooks have been chosen to illustrate their thoughts in that moment.

There's a prayer to thank God for the sun, star, clouds, home, parents, and a pet.

There's a second prayer on her love for God and thanking Him for home, a sister and water because of her enjoyment in swimming.

There's a third prayer to thank God for school and friends.



**Please note:**

As well as the Student Workbook, Margaret also uses the lesson Power Points that are freely available to download at the following link:

<https://www.bbcatholic.org.au/evangelisation/ccd/urriculum>

**Join the Christmas Eve  
Choir Celebration  
at the 9pm Mass!**



Raise your voice in joyous harmony as we come together to sing at the **9pm Christmas Eve** Mass. The choir will kick off with some festive carols at 8:45pm. For those interested, there will be a rehearsal on **Wednesday, 13 December at 7pm**. Your participation is greatly appreciated!

For inquiries or to express your interest in joining the choir, please contact Annette Leahy at [annette.leahy1@dbb.catholic.edu.au](mailto:annette.leahy1@dbb.catholic.edu.au)

Let the spirit of Christmas resound through our voices as we celebrate this special occasion together!



# SALVATORIAN'S FOUNDATION DAY

142nd Anniversary of the Salvatorian Order

Join us to celebrate with Mass at 6pm followed by a light supper in the Jordan Room. All welcome!

8th December | St Patrick's Church Gosford



Please **RSVP** to the Parish office on 02 9144 2702 or via email to [info@pymblecatholicparish.org.au](mailto:info@pymblecatholicparish.org.au) by **Monday, 27th November** for catering purposes.



ARE SPOTS AVAILABLE FOR OUR MEMORY INNOVATIONS CENTRE PROGRAMS

Are you noticing changes in your memory? Or are you feeling unsteady on your feet? You might like to join our Senior Living CatholicCare programs.

## LET'S GET MOVING

A group exercise class catering to all fitness and mobility levels. The exercises are designed to improve your cardiovascular fitness, strength and balance in a relaxed and fun atmosphere.

Tuesdays 11.00am – 12.00pm or 1.30pm – 2.30pm

Thursday 11.00am – 12.00pm or 1.30pm – 2.30pm

## BRAIN GAMES

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Pymble Parish

## Readings and Carols on Christmas Eve

*Please* join in with a series of readings and carols as together we recall events surrounding the birth of Our Lord Jesus Christ

**4:00pm, Sunday, 24 December 2023**

Followed by Mass at 5:00pm  
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# Liturgy of the Word

## Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Year A

### Entrance Antiphon

The Lord said: I think thoughts of peace and not of affliction.

You will call upon me, and I will answer you, and I will lead back your captives from every place.

### First Reading

Proverbs 31: 10-13, 19-20, 30-31

#### A reading from the book of Proverbs

A perfect wife—who can find her?  
She is far beyond the price of pearls.  
Her husband's heart has confidence in her,  
from her he will derive no little profit.  
Advantage and not hurt she brings him  
all the days of her life.  
She is always busy with wool and with flax,  
she does her work with eager hands.  
She sets her hands to the distaff,  
her fingers grasp the spindle.  
She holds out her hand to the poor,  
she opens her arms to the needy.  
Charm is deceitful, and beauty empty;  
the woman who is wise is the one to praise.  
Give her a share in what her hands have worked  
for,  
and let her works tell her praises at the city  
gates.

### Responsorial Psalm 127: 1-5

**(R.) Happy are those who fear the Lord.**

- O blessed are those who fear the Lord  
and walk in his ways!  
By the labour of your hands you shall eat.  
You will be happy and prosper. **(R.)**
- Your wife like a fruitful vine  
In the heart of your house;  
your children like shoots of the olive,  
around your table. **(R.)**
- Indeed thus shall be blessed  
the man who fears the Lord.  
May the Lord bless you from Zion  
in a happy Jerusalem  
all the days of your life. **(R.)**

### Second Reading

1 Thessalonians 5: 1-6

#### A reading from the first letter of St Paul to the Thessalonians

You will not be expecting us to write anything to you, brothers, about 'times and seasons', since you know very well that the Day of the Lord is going to come like a thief in the night. It is when people are saying, 'How quiet and peaceful it is' that the worst suddenly happens, as suddenly as labour pains come on a pregnant woman; and there will be no way for anybody to evade it.

But it is not as if you live in the dark, my brothers, for that Day to overtake you like a thief. No, you are all sons of light and sons of the day: we do not belong to the night or to darkness, so we should not go on sleeping, as everyone else does, but stay wide awake and sober.

### Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!  
Live in me and let me live in you, says the Lord;  
my branches bear much fruit.  
Alleluia!

### Gospel

Matthew 25: 14-30

#### A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew

Jesus spoke this parable to his disciples: 'The kingdom of heaven is like a man on his way abroad who summoned his servants and entrusted his property to them. To one he gave five talents, to another two, to a third one; each in proportion to his ability. Then he set out. The man who had received the five talents promptly went and traded with them and made five more. The man who had received two made two more in the same way. But the man who had received one went off and dug a hole in the ground and hid his master's money. Now a long time after, the master of those servants came back and went through his accounts with them. The man who had received the five talents came forward bringing five more. "Sir", he said "you entrusted me with five talents; here are five more that I have made." His master said to him, "Well done, good and faithful servant; you have shown you can be faithful in small things, I will trust you with greater; come and join in your master's happiness." Next the man with the two talents came forward. "Sir," he said "you entrusted me with two talents; here are two more that I have made." His master said to him, "Well done, good and faithful servant; you have shown you can be faithful in small things, I will trust you with greater; come and join in your master's happiness." Last came forward the man who had the one talent. "Sir," said he "I had heard you were a hard man, reaping where you have not sown and gathering where you have not scattered; so I was afraid, and I went off and hid your talent in the ground. Here it is; it was yours, you have it back." But his master answered him, "You wicked and lazy servant! So you knew that I reap where I have not sown and gather where I have not scattered? Well then, you should have deposited my money with the bankers, and on my return I would have recovered my capital with interest. So now, take the talent from him and give it to the man who has the five talents. For to everyone who has will be given more, and he will have more than enough; but from the man who has not, even what he has will be taken away. As for this good-for-nothing servant, throw him out into the dark, where there will be weeping and grinding of teeth."

### Gospel Reflection

**Meditation:** What can economics and productivity teach us about the kingdom of heaven? Jesus' story about a businessman who leaves town and entrusts his money with his workers made perfect sense to his audience. Wealthy merchants and businessmen often had to travel abroad and leave the business to others to handle while they were gone.

Why did Jesus tell this story and what can it teach us? Most importantly it tells us something about how God deals with us, his disciples and servants. The parable speaks first of the Master's trust in his servants. While he goes away he leaves them with his money to use as they think best. While there were no strings attached, this was obviously a test to see if the Master's workers would be industrious and reliable in their use of the money entrusted to them. The master rewards those who are industrious and faithful and he punishes those who sit by idly and who do nothing with his money.

The essence of the parable seems to lie in the servants' conception of responsibility. Each servant entrusted with the master's money was faithful up to a certain point. The servant who buried the master's money was irresponsible. One can bury seeds in the ground and expect them to become productive because they obey natural laws. Coins, however, do not obey natural laws. They obey economic laws and become productive in circulation. The master expected his servants to be productive in the use of his money.

#### God rewards those who use their gifts for serving him and the good of others

What do coins and the law of economics have to do with the kingdom of God? The Lord entrusts the subjects of his kingdom with gifts and graces and he gives his subjects the freedom to use them as they think best. With each gift and talent, God gives sufficient means (grace and wisdom) for using them in a fitting way. As the parable of the talents shows, God abhors indifference and an attitude that says it's not worth trying. God honours those who use their talents and gifts for doing good. Those who are faithful with even a little are entrusted with more! But those who neglect or squander what God has entrusted to them will lose what they have.

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# Pymble Parish Roster 25/26 November 2023

Sacred Heart (Pymble)	Saturday 5.30pm	Sunday 7.45am	Sunday 9.30am	Sunday 6.00pm
Acolytes	J Walton	C De Sousa	T McLeod	A Wahab
Altar Servers	A Centofanti	Volunteers	Family Mass	S Marawan
Music	M Lulan	Quiet Mass	A Castillo	T Sato
Projector	J Witcombe	C Greedy	M Ortiz	G Jose
Readers	L Hopcroft	M Dias	Family Mass	Youth
Altar Society	25 November: Kim / Joanna			
Counters	26 November: P Ward / T Ryan / J Witcombe			
OLPS (West Pymble)	Saturday 5.00pm	Sunday 9.00am		
Acolytes	J Pease	M D'Silva		
Altar Servers	E & Z Victor	J, J & J D'Silva		
Readers	Family Mass	I Chisholm		
Music and Projector	M Mead D Blahut			
Altar Cloth	25 November: P Ryan			

## Children's Corner



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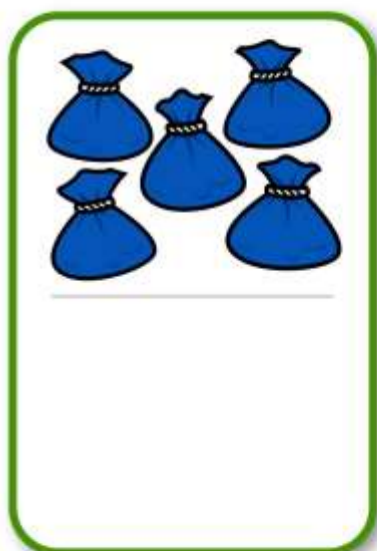
"Come and share in my happiness!"

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T	I	D	N	J	A	P	P	L	S
M	E	O	M	Y	H	R	E	K	S

FINISH

The first two servants doubled the talents they were given by their Master. Draw the extra talents for each servant and draw the single talent that the lazy servant buried in the ground.



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