

29th SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME

FIRST READING

Is 53:10-11

A reading from the prophet Isaiah

The Lord has been pleased to crush his servant with suffering.
If he offers his life in atonement, he shall see his heirs, he shall have a long life and through him what the Lord wishes will be done.
His soul's anguish over he shall see the light and be content.
By his sufferings shall my servant justify many, taking their faults on himself.

The word of the Lord.
All: Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps 32:4-5. 18-20. 22. R. v.22

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

1. The word of the Lord is faithful and all his works to be trusted.
The Lord loves justice and right and fills the earth with his love. (R.)

2. The Lord looks on those who revere him, on those who hope in his love.
to rescue their souls from death, to keep them alive in famine. (R.)

3. Our soul is waiting for the Lord.
The Lord is our help and our shield.
May your love be upon us, O Lord, as we place all our hope in you. (R.)

SECOND READING

Heb 4:14-16

A reading from the letter to the Hebrews

Since in Jesus, the Son of God, we have the supreme high priest who has gone through to the highest heaven, we must never let go of the faith that we have professed. For it is not as if we had a high priest who was incapable of feeling our weaknesses with us; but we have one who has been tempted in every way that we are, though he is without sin. Let us be confident, then, in approaching the throne of grace, that we shall have mercy from him and find grace when we are in need of help.

The word of the Lord.
All: Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Mk 10:45

Alleluia, alleluia!

The Son of Man came to serve and to give his life as a ransom for all.

Alleluia!

GOSPEL

Mk 10:35-45

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark

James and John, the sons of Zebedee, approached Jesus. 'Master,' they said to him, 'we want you to do us a favour.' He said to them, 'What is it you want me to do for you?' They said to him, 'Allow us to sit one at your right hand and the other at your left in your glory.' 'You do not know what you are asking' Jesus said to them. 'Can you drink the cup that I must drink, or be baptised with the baptism with which I must be baptised?' They replied, 'We can.' Jesus said to them, 'The cup that I must drink you shall drink, and with the baptism with which I must be baptised you shall be baptised, but as for seats at my right hand or my left, these are not mine to grant; they belong to those to whom they have been allotted.'

When the other ten heard this they began to feel indignant with James and John, so Jesus called them to him and said to them: 'You know that among the pagans their so-called rulers lord it over them, and their great men make their authority felt. This is not to happen among you. No; anyone who wants to become great among you must be your servant, and anyone who wants to be first among you must be slave to all. For the Son of Man himself did not come to be served but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many.'

The Gospel of the Lord
All: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ

Next Week: 30th SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME

Readings: Jer 31:7-9; Heb 5:1-6; Mk 10:46-52

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ST GERTRUDE'S PARISH

St Benedict's Church

Corner Justin & Neville Street
SMITHFIELD

Sunday Masses:
Saturday Vigil 6.00pm;
8.00am (Italian); 10.30am; 6.00pm.

Weekday Masses:
9.15am Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday;
7pm Wednesday


Weekday Public Holidays: 10.30am

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament/Adoration:
Wednesdays after evening Mass with Novena to St Benedict till 7.30pm; Saturdays from 4.45pm—5.45pm; & Fridays after the 9.15am Mass

First Friday of the Month:
7pm Mass & Adoration

Chaplet of Divine Mercy: Tuesdays after Mass

ST. GERTRUDE'S PARISH • SMITHFIELD



Parish Priest
Fr Jarek Zan OSPPE

Assistant Priest
Fr Wojtek Sliwa OSPPE

St Theresa's Church

Corner The Boulevard & Stella Street
FAIRFIELD WEST

Sunday Masses:
Saturday Vigil 5pm (Vietnamese);
7.30am & 9.00am; 12 noon (Spanish); 5pm (Arabic)

Weekday Masses:
Mon - Fri 7.00am; Saturday 8am

Weekday Public Holidays: 8.00am


First Friday of the Month:
from 6.30am

First Saturday of the Month:
7am Rosary 8am Mass

Chaplet of Divine Mercy:
Tuesdays after Mass

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21st October, 2018



We welcome the following

Mia SUCIC & Zoe QUINLAN
Baptised in our Parish Community

We pray for the sick of this parish

Allanah Cassar Falappi, John Denniss,
Santina Ponili, Kartia Grace Russell, Gino Mifsud,
Rina Favotto, Ivy Fernandes, Alina Przewoznik,
Philomena Greenwood,

Bless our sick today so that they may bear their illness in union with Jesus' sufferings and restore them quickly to health

Please remember in your prayers

Immacolata Carioti, Enrico Muoio,
Agostino Santucci, Giuseppe Castagnola,
Santa Reitano, Domenic Napoletano,
Filippa Crisafulli,
Recently Deceased

And for those whose Anniversaries occur at this time :

Eva Di Federico, Luciano Signor, Lucia Elda,
Agnes & Gaetano Cordina

PARISH INFORMATION

Parish Office:
6 Justin St, Smithfield
Tuesday-Friday 10am - 2pm
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Email: office@stgertrude.org.au
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Reconciliation/Eucharist/Confirmation

Liturgy: 9725 4317 Anna Kleibert
liturgy@stgertrude.org.au

Adult Sacraments (RCIA) Mariola Herbert
Every Sunday at 8.30am in the
Crying Room (in front of St Benedict's)
Contact Mariola: 0421 944 051.

Children's Liturgy
Mariola Herbert

Reconciliation:
Smithfield - Sat 4.45—5.45 pm
(or by appointment)

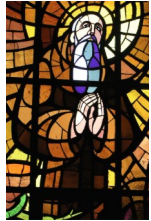
Baptisms: Parish Office 9604 1199
1st Sundays of the month during the
10.30am Mass at St Benedict's Church; &
Every 3rd Sunday at 12noon St Benedict's

Marriages: Parish Office 9604 1199
By appointment only (6 months required)

Sick Calls: 9604 1199
Any Time

Novena to St Benedict

Every Wednesday after the 7pm Mass
with Rosary & Exposition of the
Blessed Sacrament



Reconciliation is available during this time.
Everyone is encouraged to
participate!

LIVING the GOSPEL

Servant Leadership

What does it really mean to practice servant leadership? It means placing the needs of others before your own desires for prestige or authority. We've all known people who have been given a position of leadership and they really only wanted the job as recognition of their popularity; a thank you for previous work done; an opportunity to demonstrate their strength of will or cleverness with words. Servant leadership is about collaborating; it's about empowering people to do their best; it's about trusting others and about rolling up your sleeves and getting on with the job.

Church Cleaners

Week ending 27th October ~
Group D

Parish Collections Week- Ending 14/10/2018
1st Collection \$1,400.20 goes to Fr. Jarek & Fr Wojtek as well as the upkeep of their Order of St Paul the First Hermit.
2nd Collection: Envelopes and/or Credit Card payments: \$1,789.25 and \$987.30 Loose Money.
Thank you for your generous support & May God Bless you all!

Rosary during month of October
Please join parishioners in saying the Rosary Week Nights at 7pm at St Therese's Church F/ West and before Masses in St Benedict's Church Smithfield.

Month Of Prayer For Marriage And Families
Once again we are celebrating the Month of Prayer for Marriage and Families in October. Please go to this link to find resources you can use for the month: <https://www.dropbox.com/sh/hne65hypizxp4mt/AABQIXVIFpuwNiiSjVROan6Ja?dl=0>
There are promotional posters and prayers to be used by families in the home and for prayers of intercession for the four Sundays in October for use during weekend Masses. For more info or assistance email Chris Gordon at the Life Office: christopher.gordon@sydneycatholic.org
Like and join us on Facebook: m.facebook.com/PrayForMarriage/?tsid=0.012018370298937597&source=result

November Masses
During the Month of November we pray for all our deceased relatives and friends. During this month a total of 30 Masses will be collectively offered for the intentions of the deceased at both St. Benedict's Shrine and St. Therese's Church.
On Sundays the Mass will be at 10.30am at St. Benedict's Shrine and 9am at St. Therese's Church as well as the daily Masses during the month.
If you wish to include your loved ones in these collective Masses offered for the deceased during the month of November, then please fill out the *November Mass Envelopes* which are available in the Church foyer and on the seats.

Plenary Indulgence
A Plenary Indulgence may be gained, by those rightly prepared, which is applicable only to the souls in purgatory, who devoutly visit a cemetery or church and pray for the departed. The indulgence is plenary each day from the 1st to the 8th of November, on other days of the year it is partial.
A November plenary indulgence can be gained only once a day. In order to obtain it, the faithful must, in addition to the sacred deed mentioned above and being in the state of grace:
- have the interior disposition of complete detachment from sin, even venial sin;
- have sacramentally confessed their sins;
- receive the Holy communion
- pray for the intentions of the supreme Pontiff (one Our Father and one Hail Mary is the minimum, but any other additional prayers may be added)

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

- **LESSONS** started on Friday 19th October and continue over 5 weeks.
Location: Parish Office, 6 Justin Street, Smithfield.
- **PARENT ONLY WORKSHOP:** Tuesday 30th October at 7:30 pm. Estimated to finish at 9:15 pm. Presented by the Sacramental Team.
- **RECONCILIATION** during Week 5 of classes.
Location: St Benedict's Shrine.
- **FIRST RECONCILIATION:** Tuesday 20th November, 7 pm. First Reconciliation candidates ONLY.
- **REHEARSALS:**
 - * **CEREMONY 1** – Monday 19th November, 7 pm
 - * **CEREMONY 2** – Friday 23rd November, 7 pm
- **PRAYER PARTNERS THIS WEEKEND: 20 & 21 OCTOBER**

Sacramental time is a special time of grace for all in our community.
This weekend, before or after the Masses, children preparing for FIRST HOLY COMMUNION will ask members of the community to be "Prayer Partners." Accepting an invitation to be a "Prayer Partner" involves taking the prayer card and praying for the candidate during the time leading up to FIRST HOLY COMMUNION.
Should you be invited to become a "Prayer Partner" please accept the candidate's invitation and reassure him/her of your support. If you do not receive a prayer card, please pray for all the children.

FIRST RECONCILIATION & FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2019
Enrolments for 2019 will take place during Mass, over the weekends of 3/4 and 10/11 November 2018. Enrolment forms will be available from next weekend. Please read the information carefully as there are a number of changes taking place regarding the Sacramental programme for First Reconciliation and First Holy Communion.

For more information please contact Helena via email: sacraments@stgertrude.org.au or call 9725 4317 and leave a message.

Smithfield YOUTH MASS
Held on the 1st & 3rd Sunday of the Month at the 6pm evening Mass
Next Mass: Sunday 21 October at 6pm
Youth Program is held on the 3rd Sunday of the month . 7pm - 8pm in the Montefano Hall. All Youth Welcome!
Next YOUTH PROGRAM: 21 October 2018

Altar Servers Meeting
Next meeting will be Tuesday 23 October in St Benedict's Church 4:30pm to 5:15pm

Catechist Meeting
Friday 26 October ~ 10am
In the Parish Office

Children's Mass with Blessing of Pets
~ Sunday 28 October ~
10.30am Mass
to be held on the grass area behind the Montefano Hall.
Bring your creatures, great and small to this Mass.
Everyone Welcome!

YOUTH GROUP ~ MUSIC REHEARSALS
Monday 29 October at 7.00pm Group 2
(last Monday of the Month)
Monday 12th November at 7.00pm Group 1
(Second Monday of the Month)

PARISH MINISTRY EXPO
~ Sunday 11th November ~
Thanksgiving Mass for Volunteers at 10:30am St Benedict's Church
Over the next few weekends' representatives from various ministries will talk briefly about their roles in the church.
Come and see why the church has no hands but yours!
Followed by EXPO and BBQ

St Gertrude's Parish Playgroup
Playgroup will be closed next week.
The renovations are coming along well and final touches will be made in the coming week.
Playgroup will re-open on Thursday 1st November 2018, 10 am – 12 pm.
Cost: \$3 donation (to cover the cost of craft supplies).
Location: Demountable classroom on the paddock.
Hope to see you there!

Pray for the Plenary Council
Across Australia, Catholics are gathering to pray, talk and listen to one another about our experiences of faith and the Church. Many parishes within the Archdiocese have commenced their journey towards the Plenary Council 2020, sharing and reflecting on the future of the Catholic church in Australia. Please continue to pray for the community of the Sydney Archdiocese that we will respond well to the call of the Holy Spirit, by engaging in the preparatory phase of the Plenary with open and humble hearts, listening to what the Spirit is saying to each one of us as we share our experiences of faith towards the preparation of the agenda of the Plenary Council. The Plenary Council
Prayer: <http://plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au/pray/>
Want to know more or on how to become involved, please contact 9390 5147 or email plenarycouncil@sydneycatholic.org

ANNOUNCEMENT The Maltese Culture Association of NSW invites the Maltese Community Council affiliated associations' members and the general public to attend our annual Mass on Tuesday 20th November 2018 at 7.00pm at Our Lady Queen of Peace, Old Prospect Rd Greystanes to commemorate our deceased members. Refreshments will be served afterwards at the Saint George Preca Hall.
For more info. ring Charles N Mifsud 0421 662 298

The Catholic Archdiocese of Sydney Safeguarding Office
If you or a person close to you has been abused by someone working or ministering within the Archdiocese of Sydney we invite you to contact us. We will listen to you respectfully, offer support and discuss the options you have available to you. Please contact the Safeguarding and Ministerial Integrity Office on ph 02 9390 5812.

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