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### CATHOLIC Care Volunteer Program

The Archdiocese of Sydney is working alongside our social welfare agency Catholic Care to roll out a volunteer program to help the needy access groceries, cooked meals, medicines and other necessities at this difficult time. You are asked to nominate a volunteer coordinator (not your Parish Priest or parish secretary) and 5-10 people in your parish who are young and healthy enough to carry out these visits to the needy. Please provide their contact details to Laura Rahill at laura.rahill@sydneycatholic.org

### A MESSAGE FROM THE ARCHDIOCESE **OF SYDNEY**

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

> SAFEGUARDINGENQUIR-IES@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 LE-GAL OBLIGATION TO REPORT CRIMES TO THE PO-LICE.

Do you own a business? We would love to help you by letting everyone know. If you would like to advertise your business in our Weekly Bulletin, Please contact the Parish Office on 9604 1199. Limited spaces available.

Low and flexible rates apply.

### **Advertising Space Available - Beginning New Financial Year**

Quarterly (No Easter Ads): \$330 Half Year (26 Weeks - No Easter Ads): \$550 Annually (No Easter Ads): \$990

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## The Parish does not imply any endorsement for advertisements listed in this bulletin.

# ST GERTRUDE'S PARISH

### St Benedict's Church

Corner Justin & Neville Street

SMITHFIELD

**Sunday Masses:** 

Saturday Vigil 6.00pm; 7.30am (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 until 8.30pm; 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

21 June 2020



**Parish Priest** Fr Jarek Zan OSPPE

### **Assistant Priests**

Fr Wojtek Sliwa OSPPE & Fr Peter James Strohmayer OSPPE

### St Theresa's Church

Corner The Boulevarde & Stella Street FAIRFIELD WEST

**Sunday Masses:** 

Saturday Vigil 5pm (Vietnamese); 9.00am; 12 noon (Spanish); 6pm (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

# PARISH INFORMATION

### 12th SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME Parish Office:

### 6 Justin St, Smithfield

Tuesday-Friday 10am - 2pm Phone: 9604 1199 Fax 9609 6585 Email: office@stgertrude.org.au Website: www.stgertrude.org.au

Parish Council:

Denise Namroud

### Finance Committee:

Tan Do

Andrew Maia: Work Health & Safety

**Catechists:** 9725 4317

Mimi Romeo: catechist@stgertrude.org.au

Sacraments: 9725 4317 Helena Mertin sacraments@stgertrude.org.au 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 1<sup>st</sup> 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

Other: FCI (Italian Catholic Federation) Tony Coiera 0409 908 424

### THE HOLY FATHER'S PRAYER Intention for JUNE The Way of the Heart

We pray that all those who suffer may find their way in life, allowing themselves to be touched by the Heart of Jesus.

## ~ Solemnitiy ~

Wednesday 24 June The Nativity of St John the Baptist

### Pope Francis's Prayer to Mary during Coronavirus Pandemic

O Mary, you always shine on our path as a sign of salvation and of hope. We entrust ourselves to you, Health of the Sick,

who at the cross took part in Jesus' pain, keeping your faith firm. You, Salvation of Your People, know what we need, and we are sure you will provide so that, as in Cana of Galilee, we may return to joy and to

feasting after this time of trial. Help us, Mother of Divine Love, to conform to the will of the Father and to do as we are told by Jesus, who has taken upon himself our sufferings and carried our sorrows to lead us, through the cross, to the joy of the resurrection. Amen.

Under your protection, we seek refuge, Holy Mother of God. Do no disdain the entreaties of we who are in trial, but deliver us from every danger, O glorious and blessed Virgin. Amen

**Church Cleaners:** 

No rostered cleaners during this time.

### We pray for the sick of this parish

Giuseppina Pignataro, Charbel Kassas, Fr Anthony David OSPPE, Kevin Dicconson, Adam Westwood, Emile & Mary Kodsy, Kartia Grace Russell, Gino Mifsud & Ivy Fernandes.

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

### We remember in your prayers

Joseph Ruggier, Elisabetta Meduri, Francesco Tosello, Teresina Bordin. Jill Wilson, Giuseppe Bruscino, Giuseppa Portolesi

**Recently Deceased** 

### And for those whose Anniversaries occur at this time

Nola Tierney, Lucia Crema, Mariga Basic, Martin Sartor, George Sledge, Giusseppi Sinicropi, Mario Licciardello, Tommaso Caruso & Richard Soulie, Giuseppe Pignataro



### 12th SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME

ENTRANCE

Cf. Ps 27:8-9

The Lord is the strength of his people, a saving refuge for the one he has anointed. Save your people, Lord, and bless your heritage, and govern them for ever.

FIRST READING

Jer 20:10-13

A reading from the prophet Jeremiah

Jeremiah said:

'I hear so many disparaging me,
"Terror from every side!
Denounce him! Let us denounce him!"
All those who used to be my friends
watched for my downfall,
"Perhaps he will be seduced into error.
Then we will master him
and take our revenge!"
But the Lord is at my side, a mighty hero;
my opponents will stumble, mastered,
confounded by their failure;
everlasting, unforgettable disgrace will be theirs.
But you, Lord of Hosts, you who probe with justice,
who scrutinise the loins and heart,

let me see the vengeance you will take on them, for I have committed my cause to you. Sing to the Lord, praise the Lord, for he has delivered the soul of the needy from the hands of evil men.'

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

RESPONSORIAL PSALM PS 68:8-10. 14. 17. 33-35. R. v.14

### (R.) Lord, in your great love, answer me.

- It is for you that I suffer taunts, that shame covers my face, that I have become a stranger to my brothers, an alien to my own mother's sons. I burn with zeal for your house and taunts against you fall on me. (R.)
- This is my prayer to you, my prayer for your favour. In your great love, answer me, O God, with your help that never fails: Lord, answer, for your love is kind; in your compassion, turn towards me. (R.)
- The poor when they see it will be glad and God-seeking hearts will revive; for the Lord listens to the needy and does not spurn his servants in their chains. Let the heavens and the earth give him praise, the sea and all its living creatures. (R.)

**SECOND READING** Rom 5:12-15

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Romans

Sin entered the world through one man, and through sin death, and thus death has spread through the whole human race because everyone has sinned. Sin existed in the world long before the Law was given. There was no law and so no one could be accused of the sin of 'law-breaking', yet

death reigned over all from Adam to Moses, even though their sin, unlike that of Adam, was not a matter of breaking a law.

Adam prefigured the One to come, but the gift itself considerably outweighed the fall. If it is certain that through one man's fall so many died, it is even more certain that divine grace, coming through the one man, Jesus Christ, came to so many as an abundant free gift.

The word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

### GOSPEL ACCLAMATION Jn 15:26. 27

Alleluia, alleluia!

The Spirit of Truth will bear witness to me, says the Lord, and you also will be my witnesses.

Alleluia!

### **GOSPEL** Mt 10:26-33

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew

Jesus instructed the Twelve as follows: 'Do not be afraid. For everything that is now covered will be uncovered, and everything now hidden will be made clear. What I say to you in the dark, tell in the daylight; what you hear in whispers, proclaim from the house-tops.

'Do not be afraid of those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul; fear him rather who can destroy both body and soul in hell. Can you not buy two sparrows for a penny? And yet not one falls to the ground without your Father knowing. Why, every hair on your head has been counted. So there is no need to be afraid; you are worth more than hundreds of sparrows.

'So if anyone declares himself for me in the presence of men, I will declare myself for him in the presence of my Father in heaven. But the one who disowns me in the presence of men, I will disown in the presence of my Father in heaven.'

The Gospel of the Lord

All: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ

**COMMUNION ANTIPHON** 

NTIPHON Ps 144:15

The eyes of all look to you, Lord, and you give them their food in due season.

Next Week: 13th SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME

Readings: 2 Kg 4:8-11, 14-16; Rom 6:3-4, 8-11;

Mt 10:37-42

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### Timetable - Masses

All Mass Times are now same as before Covid-19 and as shown on front page of bulletin with the exception of the Italian Mass which has changed from 8am to 7.30am Sunday and there is currently no 7.30am Mass at St Therese on Sundays.

### Weekday Mass Timetable

As restrictions gradually ease, places of worship are allowed 50 worshippers as long as social distancing can be maintained. As such, St. Therese church has a capacity of 40 worshippers only and St. Benedict's 50. For those wishing to attend weekday Mass we have returned to our usual weekday timetable. **There is no need to book for Masses.** However, some who normally attend St. Therese at 7:00am may want to consider attending St. Benedict's 9:15am to evenly spread the number of worshippers.

Please Note: Church will be opened 1/2 hour before the Mass begins

### **Parish Devotions**

A reminder that as we gradually come back a sense of normality that we will return to our usual timetable of devotions.

Communal Rosary Thursday after 7am Mass Weekday before 9.15am

Divine Mercy Chaplet Tuesday after 7am Mass

Friday after 9.15am Mass with Exposition.

Novena to St. Benedict Reconciliation/confession

Wednesday after 7pm Mass Saturday 4.45-5.45pm Wednesday 7.30pm (during Novena to St. Benedict)

You are most welcome to come and to pray.

### **Daily Rosary Groups**

During the current Pandemic a number of small "virtual" rosary groups were established to pray the rosary daily and to retain a sense of community. We ask all those Parishioners to continue to pray together every day and as our Parish is in the process of gradual re-opening, we hope that in the near future we will be able to offer a regular monthly celebration with Mass and devotion to Our Lady. Thank you to all our Parishioners who love so deeply the Holy Rosary devotion.

Visitation of the Statue of Our Lady of Fatima & Icon of Our Lady of Jasna Góra will commence from this Wednesday 24 June.

If you are interested, please add your details to the Planning Sheet located in the Foyer of the Church and speak with one of the Fathers to book for their visit to recite the Rosary at your home.

Please Note: The Icon & Statue needs to be collected from

St Benedict's Shrine on Wednesday nights during the 7pm Mass and returned the following Wednesday at the 7pm Mass.

### Church use during COVID-19.

Please take note that during the current Pandemic situation if a family has chosen a priest from outside the Smithfield Parish to preside at a wedding or funeral or other religious service, then it is a requirement that the family arrange for the church to be cleaned and sanitised. The Parish will only take responsibility for Parish events with our priests.

### **HOUSE RENTAL**

House on The Boulevard, Fairfield West (next door to St Therese's Church) is currently available to rent. If you are interested in renting this property, please contact Daniel from LJ Hooker Fairfield Heights on 02 9727 7766.

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### **Parish Donations**

First Collection (Priests)

Account Name:

Smithfield House – Order of St Paul the First Hermit

BSB 066711 Acct. No. 007392

Second Collection (Parish)

Account Name:

**Smithfield Catholic Church** 

BSB: 062784 Acct. No. 6675001

Thank you for your continued support and generosity
God Bless.

Safeguarding: The Catholic Archdiocese of Sydney have introduced new requirements for volunteers 18yrs and over. All volunteers must sign a Volunteer Acceptance Form, a Code of Conduct for Working with Children and complete a Safeguarding Induction Training Course.

The **ONLINE Induction Training Course** is available to new parish volunteers. Please register by following this link:-

https://goo.gl/forms/wSkRi3ZO6PzkRfbo1.

Additionally, some new volunteers are also required to attend an Interview. These include \* Ministers of the Word, Extraordinary Ministers of Communion, Children's Liturgy, Catechists, Collectors, Acolytes etc.

\*\* The Safeguarding Office takes the safety and welfare of all clergy, employees and volunteers seriously so it is with great upset that the Safeguarding Office wishes to inform you that due to the Coronavirus (COVID-19)

situation, <u>ALL</u> Safeguarding Training will be postponed until the start of September 2020.

Thank you for your co-operation. Any concerns please contact psso@stgertrude.org.au. or the Parish Office on 9604 1199 Tuesday—Friday 10am-2pm.