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#### PARISH PLAYGROUP

**When:** Thursday 13 October 2022

**Where:** St. Augustine Catechesis Centre

**Time:** 9:30 am—11:30 am

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# ST GERTRUDE'S PARISH

## St Benedict's Shrine

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### Sunday Masses:

Saturday Vigil 6:00 pm;  
9:00 am (Italian); 10:30am; 6:00pm.

### Weekday Masses:

9:15am Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday;  
7:00 pm Wednesday

**Weekday Public Holidays:** 10:30am

### Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament/Adoration:

Wednesdays after evening Mass with Novena to St Benedict until 8:30 pm; Saturday from 4:30pm—5:30pm; & Friday after the 9:15am Mass

### First Friday of the Month:

9:15 am followed by Devotions  
7pm Mass & Adoration followed by Devotions

**Chaplet of Divine Mercy:** Tuesday after Mass & Friday after 9:15am Mass with Exposition.



### Parish Administrator

Fr Peter James Strohmayer OSPPE

### Assistant Priest

Fr Wojtek Sliwa OSPPE

## St Therese's Church

Corner The Boulevard & Stella Street  
FAIRFIELD WEST

### Sunday Masses:

Saturday Vigil 5:00 pm (Vietnamese);  
7:30 am (English); 12 noon (Spanish); 6:00 pm (Syriac)

### Weekday Masses:

Mon - Fri 7:00 am; Saturday 8:00 am  
**Weekday Public Holiday:** 8:00 am

### First Friday of the Month:

6.30 am Exposition & Confession; 7:00 am Mass

### First Saturday of the Month:

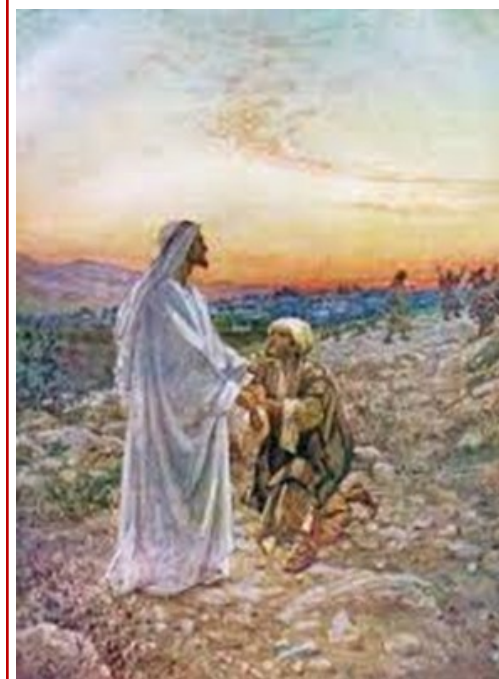
7:00 am Rosary 8:00 am Mass

### Chaplet of Divine Mercy:

Tuesday after Mass

## Twenty Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time C

**9 October 2022**



### Congratulations to

Patrick HAMID & Diana HUYNH  
Married in our Parish

### We pray for the sick of this Parish

Alyssa Ferreri, Giuseppina Pignataro, Gino Mifsud  
Fr. Anthony David, OSPPE, Adam Westwood,  
Fr. Gabriel Taylor, OSPPE, Emile & Mary Kody,  
Kartia Grace Russell, & Ivy Fernandes.

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

### Recently Deceased

Paul Bradbury, Fr. Juraj Domsic, OSPPE,  
Salvatore Annetta, George Diacono,  
Venice Bianchi

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

John Gissane, Hugo Nieva, Frank Walsh,  
Gaetano Zahra

### PARISH INFORMATION

#### Parish Office:

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Email: [office@stgertrude.org.au](mailto:office@stgertrude.org.au)

Website: [www.stgertrude.org.au](http://www.stgertrude.org.au)

**Office Hours:** Monday, Tuesday, Thursday & Friday (closed Wednesday)  
9:00 am - 4:00 pm

**Parish Council:** Denise Namroud

**Finance Committee:** Tan Do

Andrew Maia: Work Health & Safety

**Catechists:** 9725 4317

Mimi Romeo: [catechist@stgertrude.org.au](mailto:catechist@stgertrude.org.au)

**Sacraments:** Contact: Jodie Micallef

Mob: 0412-804-465 (to leave a message)

[sacraments@stgertrude.org.au](mailto:sacraments@stgertrude.org.au)

*Reconciliation/Eucharist/Confirmation*

**Liturgy:** 9725 4317 Anna Kleibert

[liturgy@stgertrude.org.au](mailto:liturgy@stgertrude.org.au)

**Adult Sacraments (RCIA):** Mariola Herbert

Every Sunday at 8:30 am in the

Crying Room (in front of St Benedict's)

Contact Mariola: 0421 944 051.

**Children's Liturgy:** Currently not available at this time

### Reconciliation:

Smithfield - Sat 4:30 — 5:30 pm

Sunday 10:15 am & 5:45 pm

(or by appointment)

**Baptisms:** Parish Office 9604 1199

Every 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of the month at 12:00 noon in St Benedict's Shrine Church Smithfield

**Marriages:** Parish Office 9604 1199

By appointment only (6 months required)

**Sick Calls:** 9604 1199 — Any Time

### Safeguarding:

[wwcc@stgertrude.org.au](mailto:wwcc@stgertrude.org.au) (all WWCC renewals)

[pssso@stgertrude.org.au](mailto:pssso@stgertrude.org.au) (Parish Safeguarding Support Officers)

**Other:** FCI (Italian Catholic Federation)

Tony Coiera 0409 908 424

**Parish Playgroup:** Thursday during school term. 9:30 am - 11:30 am.

## Our Schools

### ST GERTRUDE'S PRIMARY SCHOOL SMITHFIELD

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Principal: Mrs Linda Katsibras

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Principal: Ms Gilda Pussich

5 Carnarvon St, Wakeley NSW 2176

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Boys: 7-12: Ph: 9728-4488

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## THE HOLY FATHER'S PRAYER

### For a Church open to everyone

We pray for the Church; ever faithful to, and courageous in preaching the Gospel, may the Church be a community of solidarity, fraternity and welcome, always living in an atmosphere of synodality.

## Novena to St Benedict

Wednesday after the 7:00 pm Mass with Rosary & Exposition

of the Blessed Sacrament.

*Reconciliation is available during this time.*

### Church Cleaners

W/E 15 October

St Benedict: Group A: Frances

St. Therese: Group A: Frances

**Parish Office Hours:** 9:00 am—4:00 pm

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, & Friday  
(closed Wednesday)



## Twenty Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C

### ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

If you, O Lord, should mark iniquities,  
Lord, who could stand?  
But with you is found forgiveness,  
O God of Israel.

### FIRST READING 2 Kgs 5:14-17

A reading from the second book of the Kings  
Naaman the leper went down and immersed himself seven times in the Jordan, as Elisha had told him to do. And his flesh became clean once more like the flesh of a little child. Returning to Elisha with his whole escort, he went in and stood before him. 'Now I know' he said, 'that there is no God in all the earth except in Israel. Now, please, accept a present from your servant.' But Elisha replied, 'As the Lord lives, whom I serve, I will accept nothing.' Naaman pressed him to accept, but he refused. Then Naaman said, 'Since your answer is "No," allow your servant to be given as much earth as two mules may carry, because your servant will no longer offer holocaust or sacrifice to any god except the Lord.'

### RESPONSORIAL PSALM

(R.) The Lord has revealed to the nations his saving power.

1. Sing a new song to the Lord  
for he has worked wonders.  
His right hand and his holy arm  
have brought salvation. (R.)
2. The Lord has made known his salvation;  
has shown his justice to the nations.  
He has remembered his truth and love  
for the house of Israel. (R.)
3. All the ends of the earth have seen  
the salvation of our God.  
Shout to the Lord all the earth,  
ring out your joy. (R.)

### SECOND READING 2 Tm 2:8-13

A reading from the second letter of St Paul to Timothy  
Remember the Good News that I carry. 'Jesus Christ risen from the dead, sprung from the race of David'; it is on account of this that I have my own hardships to bear, even to being chained like a criminal – but they cannot chain up God's news. So I bear it all for the sake of those who are chosen, so that in the end they may have the salvation that is in Christ Jesus and the eternal glory that comes with it. Here is a saying that you can rely on:

If we have died with him, then we shall live with him.  
If we hold firm, then we shall reign with him.  
If we disown him, then he will disown us.  
We may be unfaithful, but he is always faithful,  
for he cannot disown his own self.

### GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, Alleluia!

For all things give thanks to God,  
because this is what he expects of you in Christ Jesus.

Alleluia, Alleluia!

### GOSPEL

Lk 17:11-19

A reading from the holy Gospel according to St Luke

On the way to Jerusalem Jesus travelled along the border between Samaria and Galilee. As he entered one of the villages, ten lepers came to meet him. They stood some way off and called to him, 'Jesus! Master! Take pity on us.' When he saw them he said, 'Go and show yourselves to the priests.' Now as they were going away they were cleansed. Finding himself cured, one of them turned back praising God at the top of his voice and threw himself at the feet of Jesus and thanked him. The man was a Samaritan. This made Jesus say, 'Were not all ten made clean? The other nine, where are they? It seems that no one has come back to give praise to God, except this foreigner.' And he said to the man, 'Stand up and go on your way. Your faith has saved you.'

### COMMUNION ANTIPHON

The rich suffer want and go hungry,  
but those who seek the Lord lack no blessing.

or

When the Lord appears, we shall be like him,  
for we shall see him as he is.

### PLEASE ADVISE THE PARISH OFFICE

There are many groups in our Parish who are doing great work and sharing prayer time. These are usually published in the bulletin. However, if any group who has booked a facility changes their plans, then the Parish Office needs to be notified IMMEDIATELY. This is for reasons of OH&S and as a courtesy to the priests in the Parish. Thank you for your cooperation in this matter.

### MEN'S DISCIPLESHIP RETREAT DAY

A retreat day for men will be held at John The Baptist Parish, Bonnyrigg with Bishop Danny Meagher.

Date: 8.30—3 pm, Saturday, 22nd October 2022.

Cost: \$15 (Lunch included)

Register at : <https://trybooking.com/CBWXY>



### REMINDER ~ PLEASE TURN OFF MOBILE PHONES

Please remember to turn off your mobile phones – or switch to silent – when entering the Church.

**Next Week:** 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time Yr. C

**Scripture:** Ex 17:8-13; 2 Tim 3:14-4:2

**Gospel:** Lk 18:1-8

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### BACK TO SCHOOL — TERM 4

After a welcome break students return to school this week for Term 4. This also means a return to increased traffic during morning drop-off and afternoon pick-up. 40km/hr speed limits are also in effect from Monday 10<sup>th</sup> October. Please continue to use the zebra crossing and drive safely to keep our students safe. Best wishes to all our staff and students for Term 4!



### 2022 HSC BEGINS THIS WEEK

Please keep our 2022 HSC cohort in your prayers as they begin their HSC Exams this Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> October. This can be a stressful time for our school communities, particularly the students sitting their HSC exams. We wish all our HSC students from our local Catholic and State Schools every success in your exams.



### SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> October

Next Saturday the Parish will celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation. We welcome Bishop Terrence Brady who will confer the Sacrament to our Confirmation Candidates this year. Please continue to pray for our Candidates and their families.



### RIP FR. JURAJ DOMSIĆ, OSPPE

Please keep in your prayers the soul of  
Fr. Juraj Domsic. OSPPE  
Fr. Juraj entered eternal life on 29<sup>th</sup> September  
after being in the Pauline Order for 48 years  
and 44 years as a priest..

### PLEASE PRAY FOR FR. GABRIEL TAYLOR, OSPPE



Fr. Gabriel Taylor for some time has been treated for skin cancer. On a recent routine visit, the doctors found that the cancer has spread and entered the bone of the skull. Fr. Gabriel is awaiting a date for an operation to treat the cancer. Please keep him in your prayers.



### OCTOBER—THE MONTH OF THE ROSARY

It is a tradition in the Catholic Church to dedicate October to the Most Holy Rosary. October is designated by the Catholic Church as the "Month of the Rosary" because in this month the Church celebrates the Marian advocacy of "Our Lady of the Rosary" on October 7.

The dedication of the month of October to the Holy Rosary became common in the Church thanks to Pope Leo XII, an enthusiastic promoter of encyclicals on the rosary. St. John Paul II called the rosary his favourite prayer, "in which we meditate with Mary upon the mysteries which she as a Mother meditated on in her heart (Lk.2:19.)"  
Each family is encouraged to pray the rosary daily, especially in the month of October.

## SACRAMENTAL NEWS! CONFIRMATION 2022



Please continue to pray for these  
Candidates and their families as  
they prepare for this important  
Sacrament of Initiation.

### Important Dates:

#### Second Rite of Reconciliation:

Thursday, 13 October.

All candidates will participate in the Second Rite of Reconciliation. As this is a communal liturgy, beginning with listening to the Word of God, please be seated at St. Benedict's Shrine Church by 5:55pm for a 6:00pm start.

#### Confirmation Rehearsal:

Thursday, 13 October at 7.00 pm-8.00 pm in St Benedict's Shrine Church

#### Confirmation Mass:

Saturday, 15 October at 1.00pm in St Benedict's Shrine Church

For all enquiries, please contact the Sacramental Office by emailing [sacraments@stgertrude.org.au](mailto:sacraments@stgertrude.org.au) or

phone 0412-804-465 to leave a message.

Thank you.

God bless

Jodie

### REQUIEM MASS: SALVATORE ANNETTA



A Funeral Mass will be held for the late Salvatore Annetta at 10:30am, Wednesday 12th October at St. Benedict's Shrine.

Rosary and Viewing will take place on Tuesday evening at 5pm.

The Parish wishes to extend to the family of Salvatore our prayers and condolences.

### FCI – Italian Catholic Federation

ALL Nationalities are welcome.

**Bingo Numbers called out in English & Italian**

**Next Bingo 10:00 am Friday 21 October**

**Montefano Hall \$15 entry includes**

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