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# ST GERTRUDE'S PARISH

## St Benedict's Shrine

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SMITHFIELD

### 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

**Our Lord Jesus Christ,  
King of the Universe, Year C**

**20 November 2022**



### Welcome into our Parish

Roman Oscar BERLANGIERI  
Baptised this weekend

### We pray for the sick of this Parish

Alyssa Ferreri, Giuseppina Pignataro, Gino Mifsud  
Fr. Anthony David, OSPPE, Fr. Gabriel Taylor,  
OSPPE, Adam Westwood,  
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

Maria Assunta Garofolletti, Rina Crestani,  
Anthony Cini, Paul Bradbury, Salvatore Annetta,  
Fr. Juraj Domsic, OSPPE, George Diacono

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

John Francis Gissane

### PARISH INFORMATION

#### Parish Office:

6 Justin St, Smithfield  
Phone: 9604 1199 Fax 9609 6585

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 - Saturday 4:30 — 5:30 pm

Sunday 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:** [psso@stgertrude.org.au](mailto:psso@stgertrude.org.au)

(Parish Safeguarding Support Officers and  
all WWCC renewals)

**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

Boys & Girls: K-6: Ph: 9609-4414  
Principal: Mrs Linda Katsibras  
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**MARY MACKILLOP COLLEGE**

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Girls: 7-12: Ph: 9725 4322  
Principal: Ms Gilda Pussich  
5 Carnarvon St, Wakeley NSW 2176  
[info@mmwakeley.catholic.edu.au](mailto:info@mmwakeley.catholic.edu.au)  
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**PATRICIAN BROTHER'S COLLEGE**  
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Boys: 7-12: Ph: 9728-4488  
Principal: Mr. Peter Wade  
268 The Horsley Drive, Fairfield NSW 2165  
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### THE HOLY FATHER'S PRAYER For children who suffer

We pray for children who are suffering,  
especially those who are homeless, orphans,  
and victims of war; may they be guaranteed  
access to education and the opportunity to  
experience family affection.

### 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 26 November

St Benedict: Group B: PPC/ Teachers  
St. Therese: Group C: Spanish

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



## Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe, Year C

### ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

How worthy is the Lamb who was slain,  
to receive power and divinity,  
and wisdom and strength and honour.  
To him belong glory and power for ever and ever.

### FIRST READING 2 Sm 5:1-3

A reading from the second book of Samuel

All the tribes of Israel came to David at Hebron. 'Look' they said 'we are your own flesh and blood. In days past when Saul was our king, it was you who led Israel in all their exploits; and the Lord said to you, "You are the man who shall be shepherd of my people Israel, you shall be the leader of Israel."' So all the elders of Israel came to the king at Hebron, and King David made a pact with them at Hebron in the presence of the Lord, and they anointed David king of Israel.

### RESPONSORIAL PSALM

(R.) Let us go rejoicing to the house of the Lord.

1. I rejoiced when I heard them say:  
'Let us go to God's house.'  
And now our feet are standing  
within your gates, O Jerusalem. (R.)
2. Jerusalem is built as a city  
strongly compact.  
It is there that the tribes go up,  
the tribes of the Lord. (R.)
3. For Israel's law it is,  
there to praise the Lord's name.  
There were set the thrones of judgement  
of the house of David. (R.)

### SECOND READING Col 1:12-20

A reading from the second letter of St Paul to the Colossians  
We give thanks to the Father who has made it possible for you to join the saints and with them to inherit the light.  
Because that is what he has done: he has taken us out of the power of darkness and created a place for us in the kingdom of the Son that he loves, and in him, we gain our freedom, the forgiveness of our sins.

He is the image of the unseen God  
and the first-born of all creation,  
for in him were created  
all things in heaven and on earth:  
everything visible and everything invisible,  
Thrones, Dominations, Sovereignities, Powers –  
all things were created through him and for him.  
Before anything was created, he existed,  
and he holds all things in unity.  
Now the Church is his body,  
he is its head.

As he is the Beginning,  
he was first to be born from the dead,  
so that he should be first in every way;  
because God wanted all perfection

to be found in him  
and all things to be reconciled through him and for him,  
everything in heaven and everything on earth,  
when he made peace  
by his death on the cross.

### GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, Alleluia!

Blessed is he who inherits the kingdom of David our Father;  
blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Alleluia!

### GOSPEL Lk 23:35-43

A reading from the holy Gospel according to St Luke

The people stayed there before the cross watching Jesus. As for the leaders, they jeered at him. 'He saved others,' they said, 'let him save himself if he is the Christ of God, the Chosen One.' The soldiers mocked him too, and when they approached to offer him vinegar they said, 'If you are the king of the Jews, save yourself.' Above him there was an inscription: 'This is the King of the Jews.'

One of the criminals hanging there abused him. 'Are you not the Christ?' he said. 'Save yourself and us as well.' But the other spoke up and rebuked him. 'Have you no fear of God at all?' he said. 'You got the same sentence as he did, but in our case we deserved it: we are paying for what we did. But this man has done nothing wrong. Jesus,' he said, 'remember me when you come into your kingdom.' 'Indeed, I promise you,' he replied, 'today you will be with me in paradise.'

### COMMUNION ANTIPHON

The Lord sits as King for ever.  
The Lord will bless his people with peace.

### NOVEMBER MASS OFFERINGS

November is the month that we traditionally pray for all our deceased relatives and friends. November Mass Offering Envelopes are available in the pews of the church and at the doors of the church for those wishing to have their loved ones included in the November Masses. These offerings for the deceased will be offered as a collective Gregorian Mass.



**REMINDER ~ PLEASE TURN OFF MOBILE PHONES**  
Please remember to turn off your mobile phones – or switch to silent – when entering the Church.

**Next Week:** First Sunday of Advent, Year A  
**Scripture:** Is 2:1-5; Rom 13:11-14  
**Gospel:** Mt 24:37-44

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### COMMISSIONING OF EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF COMMUNION

Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> November

This Sunday the Parish will commission the new Extraordinary Ministers of Communion at the 10:30 am Mass.  
Congratulations and thank you all for undertaking this important ministry of service to our Parish.

### FIRST MASS OF FR. CASIMIR ZIELINSKI SUNDAY 27<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER

By special Decree, Fr. Casimir Zielinski will celebrate a Mass of Thanksgiving in our Parish on Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> November. This is a special time for the Parish and Fr. Casimir as it is with joy we celebrate the ordination of a priest to the Pauline Order in Australia but also the opportunity to give thanks for his vocation. Fr. Casimir will celebrate:

9.00am Italian

10.30am English

There will be some refreshments in the Montefano Hall following the 10.30am Mass.

Please continue to pray for vocations to priesthood and religious life, especially to the Pauline Order.



### PIETY STALL

Copies of the **Blessed Advent and Christmas Daily Reflections** are available for purchase @ \$10 each.  
**Columban Calendars** are also available for sale @ \$10 each.



### ST THERESE CHURCH

Please be aware that St Therese Church will not be available this week from (21s - 27th November) after the 7.00 am Mass due to work commencing on the sound system in the church.



Please note that Fr. Peter James will not be available this week, from 21st - 27th November 2022.

### PRIMARY/HIGH SCHOOLERS YOUTH GROUP

Our Primary/High Schoolers Youth Group will be meeting at **7:00 pm. Sunday 20th November**, 2022 in the Augustine Catechesis Centre.

Please join us as we meet, have fun and pray together!



### MEN'S ROSARY GROUP

Our Men's Rosary Group will be meeting at **7pm on Thursday 24th November 2022** at St Benedict's Shrine.

The Rosary is the "weapon" for these days! - St Padre Pio



### CHRISTMAS CHOIR PRACTICE

Christmas choir rehearsals for the **Children's Vigil Mass** will be held on Mondays at 6.30pm in the Church. All children who would like to sing for this Mass are welcome.

**Christmas Carol Service and Midnight Mass** rehearsal will commence on Monday 21st November at 7.30pm in the Church. All welcome to attend.

### SACRAMENTAL NEWS!

2023 FIRST RECONCILIATION AND  
FIRST HOLY COMMUNION  
ENROLMENTS OPEN



Enrolments for the 2023 First Reconciliation and First Holy Communion Sacramental Preparation Program are now open. Children in 2023 who are enrolled in Year 3 and above, who have been **Baptised** in the **Catholic Church**, are eligible to enrol in the combined First Reconciliation/First Communion Program. To enrol please complete the online form by scanning the following **QR code** or **logging onto** <https://tinyurl.com/3zfneh5r>.



The form can also be accessed by visiting the **Parish Website**. Enrolments are due by no later than **Sunday, 18 December**. **Late enrolments will not be accepted.**

For all 2023 Sacramental Preparation Program dates and further information please visit the Parish Website.

<https://www.stgertrude.org.au/ministries/sacramental-program/>

### CONFIRMATION PHOTOS

If you ordered Confirmation photos, the collection date is **Thursday, 24 November** between 7.00pm-8.30pm in the Montefano Hall. If you would like to purchase the photo of your child's anointing or the group photo, please visit the hall on this day also. Both eftpos and cash will be accepted.

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

### PARISH PLAYGROUP



**When:** Thursday 24th November 2022

**Where:** St. Augustine Catechesis Centre

**Time:** 9:30am—11.30am

Playgroup will meet every Thursday during the school term. New and existing families are invited to attend.

Hope to see you all there!

### FCI – Italian Catholic Federation

**ALL Nationalities are welcome.**

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

**Next Bingo 10:00 am Friday 2nd December**

**Montefano Hall \$15 entry includes**

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