

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;
6pm 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



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; 11am (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:

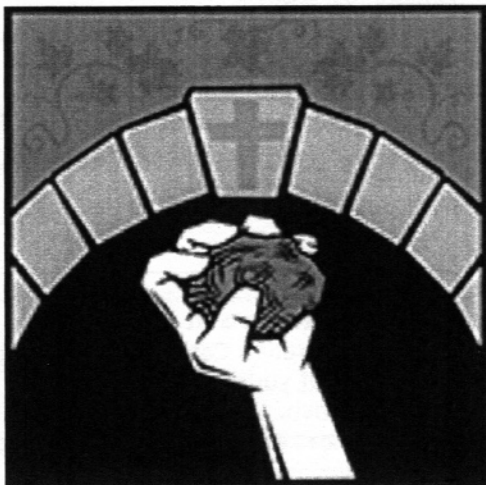
7am Rosary 8am Mass

Chaplet of Divine Mercy:

Tuesdays after Mass

27th SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME

SUNDAY 8 October 2017



We welcome the following

Kara Bun & Maddison Bachar
Baptised in our Parish Community

We pray for the sick of this parish

Paul Bradbury Maria Blanda, Max Hazmoth,
Indu Vassallo, Kartia Grace Russell,
Frank Trimboli, Gino Mifsud, Rina Favotto, Neang
Nep, Eric Pasquetti, Emely Jade, Sandra Roy,
Patricia Battistel, Ivy Fernandes, Maria Perre,
Tania Perre, Alina Przewoznik,
Philomena Greenwood, Ernesto DiDomizio,
Stella Zappacosta, Antoinette Jansen.

*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

Eva Di Federico, Rita Vanolini, Antonio Tionvinne,
Filipo Leto,
Antonio Zumbo, Judith Niblett, Aldo Di Bona,

Recently Deceased

*And for those whose Anniversaries occur
at this time:*

Maria Cado, John Webb, Antonia Comin,
Marsilo Vignaduzzo, Mary Magro

PARISH INFORMATION

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

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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

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
6pm Mass with Rosary &
Exposition of the Blessed
Sacrament



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

Rosary for Vocation to
Religious life and Priesthood.
After Mass on Thursdays
at St Therese's Church,
Fairfield West



Church Cleaners

Monday 9 October ~ Mary's Group

Parish Collections Week- Ending 01/10/2017

1st Collection \$1,132.05 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: \$1,701.35 and \$802.90 Loose Money.

Thank you for your generous support & May God Bless you all!

Month of Prayer and Fasting for Marriage and Families during October

Today and throughout this week we pray for all families in distress.

Heavenly Father, grant healing to all families in distress, especially those burdened with strained relationships. Draw close to all families who have experienced violence, upheaval, illness or division: May all who have been wounded find ready comfort and healing.

† *Rosary 15 minutes before weekday Masses in Smithfield during October &*

† *7pm Week nights at Fairfield West*

Scripture and the Church's history give us many examples of the miraculous impact when a whole community undertakes prayer and fasting together. Join us for a month of prayer and fasting to be held in parishes, schools and homes across the nation during the month of October 2017 because all families need our prayers and need God's Grace. <http://www.acmfc.org.au>

Altar Servers Meeting

Tuesday 10 October @ 4.30pm– 5.15pm (no meetings during school holidays)

CATECHIST NEWS

CATECHIST MEETING & MORNING TEA
Wednesday 11 October, 10am - 11am
Parish House.

Bus to Penrose Park Friday 13 October, 2017

Feast of Our Lady of Fatima

Cost: \$20 pp (non-refundable)

Bus Leaves from Fairfield West Church @ 7.45am
& Smithfield Church 8am. Returning approximately 5pm
For bookings: please contact Parish Office on 9604 1199 during business hours Tuesday to Friday

ROSARY PROCESSION

Please join our Parish for the Rosary Procession on Saturday 14 October 5:30pm before 6:00pm Mass in honour of Our Blessed Mother.

The procession will begin inside the Shrine and will proceed around the boundaries of the Church then conclude inside the Church for the 6:00 pm Vigil Mass



Parish BBQ ~ Saturday 14 October ~ 2017
after the 6pm Vigil Mass in the Montefano Hall.

Smithfield YOUTH MASS

Every 1st & 3rd Sunday of the month at the 6pm Mass

Next Mass ~ Sunday 15 October

Youth group meet 7 - 8 pm ~ 15 October

Youth group meet on the 3rd Sunday of the month.
Youth program 7pm - 8pm followed by a BBQ & fellowship in the Demountable.

All Youth Welcome!

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

Enrolments have now closed!

- Holy Communion Parent Night – Wednesday 11th October at 7:30 p.m. in the Montefano Hall.
- Preparation classes begin 15th October.
- Ceremonies: Saturday 25th November at the 6 p.m. Mass and Sunday 26th November at the 10:30 a.m. Mass.

Enquiries, please contact Helena - 9725 4317 (Tuesday or Friday) or sacraments@stgertrude.org.au

Sunday 22 October ~ Children's Mass with Blessing of Pets

to be held in grass area behind Montefano Hall 10.30am Mass
Everyone Welcome!



Australian Catholic Youth Festival

We are ready to go to the Australian Catholic Youth Festival
We already have a number of youth registered from our parish.

Registration has been extended till October 20.

If you are between Year 9 and Age 30, then come with us.

Please direct your inquiries to Fr Wojtek via the parish office.

The parish will offer partial subsidy.

Need to Speak to a Priest?

A Priest will be available in the Parish Office every Thursday from 3pm – 4pm. This time will be allocated for any parishioner who needs to speak to a priest for either personal or general matters – *no appointment necessary.*

Visitation of the Statue of Our Lady of Fatima & Icon of Our Lady of Jasna Góra for reflection and prayer

If you are interested in taking the Statue and Icon home, then please write your details on the 'Schedule' at the back of St Benedict's Church.

Postal Plebiscite:

It's ok to vote NO in the postal plebiscite. Redefining marriage in Australia will have serious consequences. We have seen no safeguards for individuals of faith. Radical gay sex education will return to schools. For more info or to get involved see: www.coalitionformarriage.com.au

~ Please Note ~

WEDNESDAY EVENING MASS TIME CHANGE

Commencing Wednesday 1 November for the period of

Daylight Saving



Wednesday evening Mass, Rosary & Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament & Novena to St Benedict will

change to 7:00 pm

All Parish Volunteers/Helpers & Parish Committee Members are invited to attend a

**Thanksgiving Mass on
Wednesday 6 December at 7:00 pm**

on the Feast of St Nicholas

followed by a celebration in Montefano Hall

(In appreciation for all your contributions throughout 2017)

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Please insert your details below, tear off this section & place in letterbox at Parish Office

Name:

Contact No:

Attending: ☐ Yes / ☐ No

FCI - Italian Catholic Federation

*sincerely thanks all sponsors, parishioners, friends & members for their sponsorship, donations, hard work, participation, attendance & generous support to make
2017 Annual Charity Night
held on 16 September a great success.*

A special thank you to Fr Jarek, Fr Wojtek, Br Zachary, Br Joseph Maria & all other special guests.

It would not have been as successful without your support & prayers.

Attendance was over 200 persons. Thank you

*Looking forward to working together for our Parish
Hope to see many more attending in 2018.*

† Cristo Regni

Indigenous Appeal

The Bible Society's RIM's (Rural Indigenous Ministries Support) Project, is a major undertaking and part of The Bible Society of Australia's 200th Anniversary push to provide scriptures to Australia's first people, our Aboriginals.

Richard Allcock will be attending All Masses at Smithfield this weekend; he will present a brief talk about the Bible Society's RIMS Project followed by an invitation for support from parishioners.

It is important to note that the RIMS Indigenous Project is Tax Deductible and all donations above \$2.00 is claimable.



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Heart Women's Conference

Date: 19-21 October 2017

Venue: Fairfield RSL, 14 Anzac Ave, Fairfield

A time to come together as women to be refreshed and renewed in our busy lives. Spoil yourself. Dream again. Feel loved, honoured and cared for. Invite your daughters, mothers, sisters and friends!

Men – What women in your life can you spoil by sending them to Heart 2017?

Register: Heart.TheCatholicGuy.com

Email: heart@TheCatholicGuy.com

Phone: 1300 734 880

WE NEED YOU !!

**HELP BRING THE MESSAGE OF GOD'S LOVE TO CHILDREN IN
PUBLIC SCHOOLS.**

Come and join our Catechist team

Contact : Mimi Romeo – 97254317

27th SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME

FIRST READING *Is 5:1-7*

A reading from the prophet Isaiah

Let me sing to my friend
the song of his love for his vineyard.
My friend had a vineyard
on a fertile hillside.
He dug the soil, cleared it of stones,
and planted choice vines in it.
In the middle he built a tower,
he dug a press there too.
He expected it to yield grapes,
but sour grapes were all that it gave.

And now, inhabitants of Jerusalem
and men of Judah,
I ask you to judge
between my vineyard and me.
What could I have done for my vineyard
that I have not done?
I expected it to yield grapes.
Why did it yield sour grapes instead?

Very well, I will tell you
what I am going to do to my vineyard:
I will take away its hedge for it to be grazed on,
and knock down its wall for it to be trampled on.
I will lay it waste, unpruned, undug;
overgrown by the briar and the thorn.
I will command the clouds
to rain no rain on it.
Yes, the vineyard of the Lord of hosts
is the House of Israel,
and the men of Judah
that chosen plant.
He expected justice, but found bloodshed,
integrity, but only a cry of distress.

The word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM *Ps 79:9. 12-16. 19-20. R. Is 5:7*

(R.) The vineyard of the Lord is the House of Israel.

1. You brought a vine out of Egypt;
to plant it you drove out the nations.
It stretched out its branches to the sea,
to the Great River it stretched out its shoots.
(R.)
2. Then why have you broken down its walls?
It is plucked by all who pass by.
It is ravaged by the boar of the forest,
devoured by the beasts of the field. (R.)
3. God of hosts, turn again, we implore,
look down from heaven and see.
Visit this vine and protect it,
the vine your right hand has planted. (R.)
4. And we shall never forsake you again:
give us life that we may call upon your name.
God of hosts, bring us back;
let your face shine on us and we shall be saved. (R.)

SECOND READING *Phil 4:6-9*

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Philippians

There is no need to worry; but if there is anything
you need, pray for it, asking God for it with prayer

and thanksgiving, and that peace of God, which is
so much greater than we can understand, will
guard your hearts and your thoughts, in Christ
Jesus. Finally, brothers, fill your minds with every-
thing that is true, everything that is noble, every-
thing that is good and pure, everything that we
love and honour, and everything that can be
thought virtuous or worthy of praise. Keep doing all
the things that you learnt from me and have been
taught by me and have heard or seen that I do.
Then the God of peace will be with you.

The word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION *See Jn 15:15*

Alleluia, alleluia!

I call you friends, says the Lord,
because I have made known to you
everything I have learnt from my Father.
Alleluia!

GOSPEL *Mt 21:33-43*

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew

Jesus said to the chief priests and the elders of the
people, 'Listen to another parable. There was a
man, a landowner, who planted a vineyard; he
fenced it round, dug a winepress in it and built a
tower; then he leased it to tenants and went
abroad. When vintage time drew near he sent his
servants to the tenants to collect his produce. But
the tenants seized his servants, thrashed one,
killed another and stoned a third. Next he sent
some more servants, this time a larger number,
and they dealt with them in the same way. Finally
he sent his son to them. "They will respect my
son," he said. But when the tenants saw the son,
they said to each other, "This is the heir. Come on,
let us kill him and take over his inheritance." So
they seized him and threw him out of the vineyard
and killed him. Now when the owner of the vine-
yard comes, what will he do to those tenants?'
They answered, 'He will bring those wretches to a
wretched end and lease the vineyard to other
tenants who will deliver the produce to him when
the season arrives.' Jesus said to them, 'Have you
never read in the scriptures:

It was the stone rejected by the builders
that became the keystone.

This was the Lord's doing
and it is wonderful to see?

'I tell you, then, that the kingdom of God will be
taken from you and given to a people who will
produce its fruit.'

The Gospel of the Lord

All: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ

Next Week : 28th SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME

Readings: Is 25:6-10; Phil 4:12-14, 19-20; Mt 22:1-14

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