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A MESSAGE FROM THE ARCHDIOCESE OF SYDNEY

"A message from the Archdiocese of Sydney: Child sexual abuse is a crime. The appropriate people to deal with crimes 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 safeguardingenquiries@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 legal obligation to report crimes to the police."

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

FCI – Italian Catholic Federation



ALL Nationalities are welcome.

Bingo Numbers called out in ENGLISH

Next Bingo 10:00 am

Friday 3 June in Montefano Hall

\$10 entry includes

Bingo Games, prizes

Morning Tea/Coffee and light Lunch.

Come join us, united as a Parish.



PARISH PLAYGROUP

Our Parish Playgroup will be on this week

When: Thursday 26th May 2022

Where: Demountable next to the Paddock

Time: 9:30 am—11:30 am

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

Hope to see you all there!!

Advertising Space Available - Beginning New Financial Year

Quarterly (No Easter Ads): \$330

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ST GERTRUDE'S PARISH

St Benedict's Shrine

Corner Justin & Neville Street
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 4:45pm—5:45pm; & Fridays 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 Strohmayr 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

Sixth Sunday of Easter

22 May 2022

Peace I leave with you;

My peace I give to you. Not as the world gives do I give to you.

let not your hearts be troubled, neither let them be afraid.

John 14:27

Welcome into our Parish

Alexander Stephen WILLIAMS
Baptised this weekend

We pray for the sick of this Parish

Giuseppina Ronzini, Alyssa Ferreri,
Giuseppina Pignataro,
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.

Recently Deceased

Maria Pito, Rose Rogers, Domenic John Pavisa,
Santo Zoccoli, Agatino Sacca, Ana Paternoster,
Bounkeo Sivieng,
Nicola Giampola, Lucy Sophia Ziober,
Natala Limonelli, Gaetano Vaccari,
Rocco Cavallaro, Bernadette McCormick,
Peter Forner, Paul Cilia, John Cini,
Antonio Giannini, Alma Gordon,
Emma Bertoldi, Mary Portelli,

And for those whose Anniversary occur at this time

Gabrielle Palozzo, Anton Jarkey, Merlene Nagli,
Lawrence Charles Chachia, Marija Stefulj,
Geoffrey Manche, Richard Wozniak

PARISH INFORMATION

Parish Office:

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Website: www.stgertrude.org.au

Office Hours: Monday, Tuesday, Thursday & Friday (closed Wednesday)

10:00 am - 2:00 pm

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

sacraments@stgertrude.org.au

Reconciliation/Eucharist/Confirmation

Liturgy: 9725 4317 Anna Kleibert

liturgy@stgertrude.org.au

Adult Sacraments (RCIA): Mariola Herbert

Every Sunday at 8:30 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 4:45 — 5:45 pm

Sunday 10:15 am & 5:45 pm

(or by appointment)

Baptisms: Parish Office 9604 1199

Every 1st & 3rd 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 (all WWCC renewals)

psso@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.

THE HOLY FATHER'S PRAYER

For Faith-Filled Young People

We pray for all young people, called to live life to the fullest; may they see in Mary's life the way to listen, the depth of discernment, the courage that faith generates, and the dedication to service.

Novena to St Benedict

Wednesday after the 7:00 pm Mass with Rosary & Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament.

Reconciliation is available during this time.

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 not disdain the entreaties of we who are in trial, but deliver us from every danger, O glorious and blessed Virgin. Amen

Church Cleaners

*W/E 28th May
St Benedict: Group A Frances
Therese's: Group D Syriacs*

Parish Office Hours: 10:00 am—2:00 pm
Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, & Friday
(closed Wednesday)

COVID19 Safety Procedures
Please see Church Notice Boards

FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

Proclaim a joyful sound and let it be heard;
proclaim to the ends of the earth:
The Lord has freed his people, alleluia.

FIRST READING

Acts 15:1-2, 22-29

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles

Some men came down from Judaea and taught the brothers, 'Unless you have yourselves circumcised in the tradition of Moses you cannot be saved.' This led to disagreement, and after Paul and Barnabas had had a long argument with these men it was arranged that Paul and Barnabas and others of the church should go up to Jerusalem and discuss the problem with the apostles and elders.

Then the apostles and elders decided to choose delegates to send to Antioch with Paul and Barnabas; the whole church concurred with this. They chose Judas known as Barsabbas and Silas, both leading men in the brotherhood, and gave them this letter to take with them:

'The apostles and elders, your brothers, send greetings to the brothers of pagan birth in Antioch, Syria and Cilicia. We hear that some of our members have disturbed you with their demands and have unsettled your minds. They acted without any authority from us, and so we have decided unanimously to elect delegates and to send them to you with Barnabas and Paul, men we highly respect who have dedicated their lives to the name of our Lord Jesus Christ. Accordingly we are sending you Judas and Silas, who will confirm by word of mouth what we have written in this letter. It has been decided by the Holy Spirit and by ourselves not to saddle you with any burden beyond these essentials: you are to abstain from food sacrificed to idols, from blood, from the meat of strangled animals and from fornication. Avoid these, and you will do what is right. Farewell.'

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

O God, let all the nations praise you!

- O God, be gracious and bless us
and let your face shed its light upon us.
So will your ways be known upon earth
and all nations learn your saving help. (R.)
- Let the nations be glad and exult
for you rule the world with justice.
With fairness you rule the peoples,
you guide the nations on earth. (R.)
- Let the peoples praise you, O God;
let all the peoples praise you.
May God still give us his blessing
till the ends of the earth revere him. (R.)

SECOND READING

Rv 21:10-14, 22-23

A reading from the book of the Apocalypse

In the spirit, the angel took me to the top of an enormous high mountain and showed me Jerusalem, the holy city, coming down from God out of heaven. It had all the radiant glory of God and glittered like some precious jewel of crystal-clear diamond. The walls of it were of a great height, and had twelve gates; at each of the twelve gates there was an angel, and over the gates were written the names of the twelve tribes of Israel; on the east there were three gates, on the north three gates, on the south three gates, and on the west three gates. The city walls stood on twelve foundation stones, each one of which bore the name of one of the twelve apostles of the Lamb.

I saw that there was no temple in the city since the Lord God Almighty and the Lamb were themselves the temple, and the city did not need the sun or the moon for light, since

it was lit by the radiant glory of God and the Lamb was a lighted torch for it.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!
All who love me will keep my words,
and my Father will love them and we will come to them.
Alleluia!

GOSPEL

Jn 14:23-29

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John

Jesus said to his disciples:

'If anyone loves me he will keep my word,
and my Father will love him,
and we shall come to him
and make our home with him.
Those who do not love me do not keep my words.
And my word is not my own:
it is the word of the one who sent me.
I have said these things to you
while still with you;
but the Advocate, the Holy Spirit,
whom the Father will send in my name,
will teach you everything
and remind you of all I have said to you.
Peace I bequeath to you,
my own peace I give you,
a peace the world cannot give, this is my gift to you.
Do not let your hearts be troubled or afraid.
You heard me say:
I am going away, and shall return.
If you loved me you would have been glad to know
that I am going to the Father,
for the Father is greater than I.
I have told you this now before it happens,
so that when it does happen you may believe.'

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

If you love me, keep my commandments, says the Lord,
and I will ask the Father and he will send you another Paraclete,
to abide with you for ever, alleluia.



SOLEMNITY OF OUR LADY HELP OF CHRISTIANS TUESDAY 24TH MAY

Mass Times

St. Therese's Church	7:00am
St. Benedict's Shrine	9:15am
	7:00pm

SAFEGUARDING REFRESHER COURSE

Reminder - volunteers who completed Safeguarding Induction Training more than three years ago are required by the Archdiocese to complete Refresher Training. To complete the Online Safeguarding Refresher Training please follow this link <https://forms.gle/XuQFsRsvq3BYtXqT9>

Next Week: The Ascension of the Lord
Scripture: Acts 1:1-11; Eph 1:17-23
Gospel: Luke 24:46-53

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CONGRATULATIONS FR WOJTEK PRIESTLY ORDINATION: 28 MAY 2011

With heartfelt gratitude, our parish thanks you Fr Wojtek for the immense gift of your 'YES' to Christ and His Church.

We pay tribute to your apostolic labours, your hours of hidden service, your prayers and love for our parish and your wonderful gift of JOY! We bless and thank you.

May you look to the future with confidence as our Blessed Mother continues to enfold you into her Immaculate Heart.

"The priesthood is the love of the heart of Jesus"
- Cure of Ars



PARISH MOVIE NIGHT: "FR STU"

Join Fr Peter James & Fr Wojtek for a Parish movie night at the cinemas!

We'll have the cinema to ourselves to enjoy the film: Fr. Stu which follows the life of Father Stuart Long, a boxer-turned-priest who inspired countless people to come to the Lord.

We invite you and your friends to join us as we support this Catholic film production.

When: Monday 23rd May 2022

Where: Hoyts Wetherill Park

Time: 6.30pm (125mins)

Doors open 6:15pm

Cost: \$15

**Limited to 154 Tickets*



To book and pay, please see volunteer in Church Foyer to add your name to the list or contact the parish office.

****For those parishioners who have booked, we ask that full payment for tickets is paid by Sunday 22nd May, 2022.***

MEN'S ROSARY GROUP: 26 MAY 2022

Our Men's Rosary Group will be meeting at 7pm, Thursday 26 May 2022 at St Benedict's Shrine.

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

YOUNG ADULT'S 18+ GROUP - NEW TIME!

Our Young Adult Group meeting has been re-scheduled for 7:00 pm, **Monday 30th May**, 2022 in the demountable.

It is Jesus who stirs in you the desire to do something great with your lives! - St John Paul II

THANK YOU PARISHIONERS!

A BIG thank you to you our wonderful parishioners who gave so generously to help build the kingdom of God through the charitable and pastoral activities of the Archdiocese of Sydney. Our parish raised an amazing amount of **\$4322.45**.

"God, who cannot be outdone in generosity, still uses you and me to help our brothers and sisters." - Pope Francis



SACRAMENTAL NEWS!

HOLY COMMUNION

Preparation lessons for Holy Communion are on this weekend, **22nd May in the Montefano Hall at 8.45am**

All children are expected to be at this lesson with their pens and pencils. One parent/Carer/guardian is also to be present.

If you are unable to attend, please contact the sacraments email.

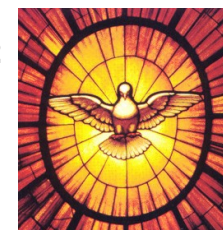


FIRST RECONCILIATION

Congratulations to our youngest parishioners who received their First Reconciliation last week. May they always know the tender and loving heart of Christ who welcomes them. Thank you to all parents and St Gertrude's teachers who assisted on the evening.

CONFIRMATION ENROLMENTS 2022

Children in Year 6 and above, who have made their Reconciliation and First Holy Communion, are eligible to enrol for the Confirmation Program.



Enrolments are open from Sunday 15th May and will close on Sunday 29th May 2022.



To enrol your child, use the QR code to access the online Google enrolment form. The enrolment form can also be accessed by visiting the Parish Website: <http://www.stgertrude.org.au/ministries/sacramental-program>

If enrolling more than one child, please complete an online form for each child.

For planning purposes please enrol during the enrolment period.

Late enrolments will not be accepted.

For all enquiries, please contact the Sacramental Office by emailing sacraments@stgertrude.org.au or phone 9725 4317 to leave a message.

REGINA CAELI

Regina caeli, laetare, alleluia.
Queen of Heaven, rejoice, alleluia.

Quia quem meruisti portare, alleluia.
For He whom you did merit to bear, alleluia.

Resurrexit, sicut dixit, alleluia.
For He whom you did merit to bear, alleluia.

Ora pro nobis Deum, alleluia.
Pray for us to God, alleluia.



REMINDER ~ PLEASE TURN OFF MOBILE PHONES

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

PARISH DONATIONS

First Collection (Priests) Account : Smithfield House –
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Thank you for your continued support and generosity .God Bless.