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"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."

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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

Thirty First Sunday in Ordinary Time C

30 October 2022



Congratulations to

Melissa De ANDREA & Vincent MERCURI
Married in our Parish

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

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

Website: 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

Sacraments: Contact: Jodie Micallef

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

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 - Saturday 4:30 — 5:30 pm

Sunday 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: 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
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Girls: 7-12: Ph: 9725 4322
Principal: Ms Gilda Pussich
5 Carnarvon St, Wakeley NSW 2176
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PATRICIAN BROTHER'S COLLEGE FAIRFIELD

Boys: 7-12: Ph: 9728-4488
Principal: Mr Peter Wade
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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 5 November

St Benedict: Group D: Grace
St. Therese: Group B: Vietnamese

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

Thirty First Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

Forsake me not, O Lord, my God;
be not far from me!
Make haste and come to my help,
O Lord, my strong salvation!

FIRST READING Wis 11:22 - 12:2

A reading from the book of Wisdom
In your sight, Lord, the whole world is like a grain of dust that
tips the scales, like a drop of morning dew falling on the ground.
Yet you are merciful to all, because you can do all things
and overlook men's sins so that they can repent.
Yes, you love all that exists, you hold nothing of what you have
made in abhorrence, for had you hated anything, you would not
have formed it.
And how, had you not willed it, could a thing persist,
how be conserved if not called forth by you?
You spare all things because all things are yours, Lord, lover of
life, you whose imperishable spirit is in all.
Little by little, therefore, you correct those who offend,
you admonish and remind them of how they have sinned,
so that they may abstain from evil and trust in you, Lord.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

(R.) I will praise your name for ever, my king and my God.

1. I will give you glory, O God my King,
I will bless your name for ever.
I will bless you day after day
and praise your name for ever. (R.)
2. The Lord is kind and full of compassion,
slow to anger, abounding in love.
How good is the Lord to all,
compassionate to all his creatures. (R.)
3. All your creatures shall thank you, O Lord,
and your friends shall repeat their blessing.
They shall speak of the glory of your reign
and declare your might, O God. (R.)
4. The Lord is faithful in all his words
and loving in all his deeds.
The Lord supports all who fall
and raises all who are bowed down. (R.)

SECOND READING 2 Thes 1:11 - 2:2

A reading from the second letter of St Paul to the
Thessalonians
We pray continually that our God will make you worthy of his
call, and by his power fulfil all your desires for goodness and
complete all that you have been doing through faith; because in
this way the name of our Lord Jesus Christ will be glorified in
you and you in him, by the grace of our God and the Lord Jesus
Christ.
To turn now, brothers, to the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ
and how we shall all be gathered round him: please do not get
excited too soon or alarmed by any prediction or rumour or any
letter claiming to come from us, implying that the Day of the
Lord has already arrived.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, Alleluia!

God loved the world so much, he gave us his only Son,
that all who believe in him might have eternal life.

Alleluia!

GOSPEL

Lk 19:1 - 10

A reading from the holy Gospel according to St Luke
Jesus entered Jericho and was going through the town when
a man whose name was Zacchaeus made his appearance;
he was one of the senior tax collectors and a wealthy man.
He was anxious to see what kind of man Jesus was, but he
was too short and could not see him for the crowd; so he ran
ahead and climbed a sycamore tree to catch a glimpse of
Jesus who was to pass that way. When Jesus reached the
spot he looked up and spoke to him: 'Zacchaeus, come
down. Hurry, because I must stay at your house today.' And
he hurried down and welcomed him joyfully. They all
complained when they saw what was happening. 'He has
gone to stay at a sinner's house' they said. But Zacchaeus
stood his ground and said to the Lord, 'Look, sir, I am going
to give half my property to the poor, and if I have cheated
anybody I will pay him back four times the amount.' And
Jesus said to him, 'Today salvation has come to this house,
because this man too is a son of Abraham; for the Son of
Man has come to seek out and save what was lost.'

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

You will show me the path of life,
the fullness of joy in your presence, O Lord.
or
Just as the living Father sent me
and I have life because of the Father,
so whoever feeds on me

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.



PPC & PFC MEETING — 15TH NOVEMBER 2022

Due to All Saints Day and the upcoming
Provincial Chapter, the next Parish Pastoral
Council and Parish Finance Council Meeting
will be a joint meeting. This will take place on
**Tuesday 15th November at St. Therese Church Hall at
7pm.** All members are asked to be in attendance.



PARISH PLAYGROUP

When: Thursday 3rd 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!

Next Week: 32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time Yr. C
Scripture: 2 Macc 7:1-2, 9-14; 2 Thess 2:16 - 3:5
Gospel: Lk 20:27 - 38

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SOLEMNITY — ALL SAINTS DAY TUESDAY 1ST NOVEMBER

Mass times as follows:

St. Therese's Church: 7:00 am

St. Benedict's Shrine: 9:15 am Whole School Mass
7:00 pm

COMMEMORATION OF ALL THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED — WEDNESDAY 2ND NOVEMBER

Mass times as follows:

St. Therese's Church: 7:00 am

St. Benedict's Shrine: 9:15 am
7:00 pm (No Novena after Mass)



FIRST FRIDAY- 4TH NOVEMBER 2022

Mass times as follows:

St Therese's Church:

6:30 am exposition and
confession

7:00 am Mass

St. Benedict's Shrine: 9:15 am Mass followed by
devotions.

7:00 pm: Mass followed by
devotions.

FIRST SATURDAY— 5TH NOVEMBER 2022

Mass times as follows:

St Therese's Church: 7:00 am exposition and confession
8:00 am Mass

St. Benedict's Shrine: 10:00 am Rosary



WELCOME FR. ARNOLD AND FR. BARTŁOMIEJ

As we approach the Province Chapter,
the Parish would like to extend our
warmest welcome to Fr. Arnold Chrapkowski (General
Superior of the Pauline Order) and Fr. Bartłomiej Maziarka
(General Secretary of the Pauline Order). Fr. Arnold and
Fr. Bartłomiej will be visiting our Parish from **Friday 4th
November**. The purpose of the visit is to meet with the
Parishioners of the Parish but to also witness the Pastoral
Care given to the Parishioners.



PROVINCE CHAPTER OF THE PAULINE FATHERS IN AUSTRALIA 7-11 November, 2022

After a two year delay, the Province Chapter
of the Pauline Fathers will take place from
November 7-11 this year. The Chapter is
called to discuss the future vision of the
Pauline Order in Australia and to elect the Provincial and his
Councilors. Present at the meeting will be all the members of
the Australian Province of the Pauline Fathers, as well as
Father General—currently Fr. Arnold Chrapkowski—and his
delegate from Poland. Fr. General will also make a visitation
to St. Gertrude's Parish at the beginning of November.

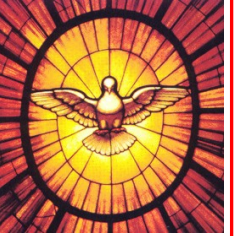
Please pray for the Pauline Fathers and Brothers in Australia
as we prepare for this important meeting, that the Holy Spirit
may open our hearts and minds to discern correctly the
governance of the Order in Australia and to make good
decisions for the people we serve.

Thank you for your continued support and prayers.

SACRAMENTAL NEWS!

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.



2023 SACRAMENT OF PENANCE AND FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

Is your child in Year 3 or beyond? Join us in 2023 for our
Parish Sacrament Programs. Information regarding enrolment
into the 2023 Sacrament of Penance and First Holy
Communion preparation program will be available soon.
Please keep an eye out in the Parish Bulletin, the Parish
Website, our Facebook Page and your local school
communications.

For all enquiries, please contact the Sacramental Office by
emailing sacraments@stgertrude.org.au or

phone 0412-804-465 to leave a message.

Thank you.
God bless

Jodie

REMINDER - SAFEGUARDING REFRESHER TRAINING

It is an Archdiocese requirement that every **three** years
Volunteers (Readers, Acolytes, Senior Altar Servers, Collectors,
Catechist, Children's Liturgy, Eucharistic Ministres) are required to
complete Refresher Safeguarding Training. Volunteers can
complete this using any **ONE** of the following options:

1. Register online

Volunteers can register for the new Refresher Training via this
link and complete training in their own time [https://forms.gle/
XQTnkQwfWQ4Rfwxx9](https://forms.gle/XQTnkQwfWQ4Rfwxx9).

2. ZOOM

The Safeguarding Office is also offering Refresher training via
ZOOM, on the following date:

Thursday 17 November, 9am - 10am

Volunteers can register their attendance by emailing
safeguardingtraining@sydneycatholic.org

3. Refresher sessions

Refresher training is also available in The St. Augustine
Catechesis Centre on the following date:

Tuesday 8th November, 7pm - 8pm

Thank you to all who have completed.



REMINDER ~ PLEASE TURN OFF MOBILE PHONES

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



CWF COLLECTION

The next CWF Collection will take place on the
weekend of the 12th and 13th of November. More information
about the Collection will be in the bulletin next week.

PARISH DONATIONS

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Second Collection (Parish) Account : Smithfield Catholic Church
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Thank you for your continued support and generosity .God Bless.