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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: 10:00am

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 Priest

Fr Peter James Strohmayer OSPPE

Assitant Priest

Fr Casimir Zielinski 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

The Most Holy BODY and Blood of CHRIST, Year A

11 June 2023



Congratulations to

Joseph Franco & Sara Buccafurri
Married in our Parish

We pray for the sick of this Parish

Fr. Anthony David, OSPPE,
Alyssa Ferreri, Ray Wilson, Gino Mifsud,
Helen Maric, Adam Westwood,
Emile & Mary Kodosy, 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

Kennia Yolanda Navarro, Robert Wasniowski,
Thomas Zammit, Dino Di Federico.

And for those whose Anniversary occur at this time

Antonia Brozzesi, Vince Orlando, Tania Elkhouri,
Raymond Rawson, Francesca Carbone.

PARISH INFORMATION

Parish Office:
22 Neville 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:
Reconciliation/Eucharist/Confirmation
Contact: Jodie Micallef
Mob: 0412-804-465 (*to leave a message*)
sacraments@stgertrude.org.au

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: Parish Office

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)

Parish Youth: High Schoolers/Teenagers:
1st and 3rd Sunday of the month following the 6pm Mass.

Over 18s: 2nd & 4th Sunday of the month following the 6 pm Mass.

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: 9609-4144
Principal: Mrs Linda Katsibras
1-11 Justin, Street, Smithfield NSW 2164
www.stgsmithfield.syd.catholic.edu.au
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www.instagram.com/stgsmithfield/

MARY MACKILLOP COLLEGE WAKELEY

Girls: 7-12: Ph: 9725 4322
Principal: Ms Gilda Pussich
5 Carnarvon St, Wakeley NSW 2176
info@mmcwakeley.catholic.edu.au
mmcwakeley.syd.catholic.edu.au

PATRICIAN BROTHERS' COLLEGE FAIRFIELD

Boys: 7-12: Ph: 9728-4488
Principal: Mr Peter Wade
268 The Horsley Drive, Fairfield NSW 2165
info@pbcfairfield.catholic.edu.au
www.pbcfairfield.catholic.edu.au

THE HOLY FATHER'S PRAYER For the abolition of torture

We pray that the international community may commit in a concrete way to ensuring the abolition of torture and guarantee support to victims and their families.

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 17th June

St Benedict: Group A: Frances
St. Therese: Group B: Vietnamese

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

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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."

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Corpus Christi Sunday , Year A

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

He fed them with the finest wheat
and satisfied them with honey from the rock.

FIRST READING Dt 8:2-3. 14-16

A reading from the book of Deuteronomy

Moses said to the people: 'Remember how the Lord your God led you for forty years in the wilderness, to humble you, to test you and know your inmost heart – whether you would keep his commandments or not. He humbled you, he made you feel hunger, he fed you with manna which neither you nor your fathers had known, to make you understand that man does not live on bread alone but that man lives on everything that comes from the mouth of the Lord.

'Do not then forget the Lord your God who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery: who guided you through this vast and dreadful wilderness, a land of fiery serpents, scorpions, thirst; who in this waterless place brought you water from the hardest rock; who in this wilderness fed you with manna that your fathers had not known.'

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

(R.) Praise the Lord, Jerusalem.

1. O praise the Lord, Jerusalem!
Zion, praise your God!
He has strengthened the bars of your gates,
he has blessed the children within you. (R.)
2. He has established peace on your borders,
he feeds you with finest wheat.
He sends out his word to the earth
and swiftly runs his command. (R.)
3. He makes his word known to Jacob,
to Israel his laws and decrees.
He has not dealt thus with other nations;
he has not taught them his decrees. (R.)

SECOND READING 1 Cor 10:16-17

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Corinthians

The blessing-cup that we bless is a communion with the blood of Christ, and the bread that we break is a communion with the body of Christ. The fact that there is only one loaf means that, though there are many of us, we form a single body because we all have a share in this one loaf.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!

I am the living bread from heaven, says the Lord;
whoever eats this bread will live for ever.

Alleluia!

GOSPEL Jn 6:51-58

A reading from the holy Gospel according to St. John

Jesus said to the Jews:

'I am the living bread which has come down from heaven.

Anyone who eats this bread will live for ever;
and the bread that I shall give
is my flesh, for the life of the world.'

Then the Jews started arguing with one another: 'How can this man give us his flesh to eat?' they said. Jesus replied:

'I tell you most solemnly,
if you do not eat the flesh of the Son of Man
and drink his blood,
you will not have life in you.
Anyone who does eat my flesh and drink my blood
has eternal life,
and I shall raise him up on the last day.
For my flesh is real food
and my blood is real drink.
He who eats my flesh and drinks my blood
lives in me
and I live in him.
As I, who am sent by the living Father,
myself draw life from the Father,
so whoever eats me will draw life from me.
This is the bread come down from heaven;
not like the bread our ancestors ate:
they are dead,
but anyone who eats this bread will live for ever.'

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood
remains in me and I in him, says the Lord.

WELCOME FR CASIMIR



Welcome our new assistant Priest
Fr Casimir Zielinski.
We look forward to meeting you.

PUBLIC HOLIDAY- MONDAY 12TH JUNE

A reminder that this Monday is the King's Birthday Public Holiday in NSW. Mass times as follows:

St. Therese's Church	8:00 am
St. Benedict's Shrine	10:00 am

SOLEMNITY OF THE MOST SACRED HEART OF JESUS FRIDAY 16TH JUNE 2023

The Solemnity of the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus will be celebrated on Friday 16th June 2023.

Mass times as follows:

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

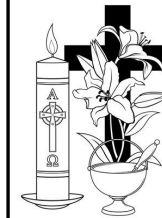


FIRST HOLY COMMUNION SUNDAYS

Children in our Parish community will be celebrating the Sacrament of First Holy Communion on the **18th and 25th June**. Please keep the children and their families in your prayers.

Next Week: 11TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
Scripture: Ex 19:2-6 Rom 5:6-11
Gospel: Mt 9:36-10:8.

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RIP FR GABRIEL TAYLOR, OSPPE

With great sadness and heavy hearts, we announce the loss of our beloved Pauline Brother in Christ Fr Gabriel Taylor.

Fr Gabriel entered eternal life on 8th June after a life dedicated and lived as a priestly disciple of God in proclaiming the Word and pastoral care in our Mother Church.

Fr Gabriel was 73 years old, 36 years in the Order and 13 years as a Priest. May Fr Gabriel Taylor rest in peace. We extend our sincere condolences to Fr Gabriel's family and friends and all the Pauline Fathers and Brothers. Please pray for Fr Gabriel's soul.



RIP WANDA SZYMANSKI

Please keep in your prayers the soul of Mrs. Wanda Szymanski, mother of our former Parish Priest Fr Michael Szymanski.

The Parish wish to extend to Fr Michael and his family our condolences and prayers.

PARISH YOUTH THIS WEEK

There will be a social gathering for youth after Corpus Christi procession.



PARISH PLAYGROUP

When: Thursday 15th June 2023

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!



WYD LISBON 2023 FUNDRAISER

Try some Spanish Paella and leave a donation to help our youth pilgrims get to World Youth Day this July.

After the 10:30 am Mass this Sunday our youth of the Neocatechumenal Way will be selling a Spanish taste sensation created by Chef Julio!
In advance, we thank you all for your help and prayers.

CHURCH WORKS IN PROGRESS

Please be aware that works on the retaining wall on the corner of Justin St. & Neville St. are still in progress. There are changed conditions for entry to St. Benedict's Shrine with restricted access to some areas.

The second phase of our Shrine roof repair is under way. This work covers the Children's' Room and the Sacristy area of the church.

The Church organ will also undergo repairs that will take place from Tuesday to Friday this week. This works are all part of the water damage that occurred March 2022.

Thank you for your prayers for the success of these works. We apologies for the inconvenience.

PARISH CATECHESIS FOR ADULTS AND YOUNG PEOPLE

Come and listen to a series of catechesis **every Monday and Thursday at 7:30pm**. Meeting in St Gertrude's Chapel, Justin St Smithfield, corner of St Gertrude's Primary School. Babysitting available. For information please contact **Louisa on 0413 231 531**

SACRAMENTAL NEWS!

CONGRATULATIONS TO THOSE WHO CELEBRATED THE SACRAMENT OF FIRST RECONCILIATION

SIXTY CHILDREN FROM OUR PARISH community celebrated the Sacrament of Reconciliation for the first time on Thursday 8th June.

We pray that our Lord continues to bless each of them. May his mercy be a comfort to them, and his presence be a constant guide.

We thank Fr Peter James, Fr Casmir, Fr Wojtek and Fr Joseph for being their shepherds and leading these children back to Christ.

CONFIRMATION ENROLEMENTS CLOSE THIS SUNDAY 11TH JUNE

Enrolments for the 2023 Confirmation Sacramental Preparation Program will close **THIS SUNDAY 11th June**.

Late enrolments will not be accepted.

Children in 2023 who are enrolled in Year 6 and above, who have been Baptised in the Catholic Church, and have received the Sacrament of First Reconciliation and First Holy Communion may be eligible to enrol.

To enrol please complete the online form by scanning the following QR code or logging onto <https://tinyurl.com/5f7rsxnb>



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



FCI BINGO IS BACK

Parishioners, come, join us **10:00 am on Friday 23 June** in the Montefano Hall. **Entry only \$15** - includes prizes, morning tea/coffee and light lunch.

ALL NATIONALITIES WELCOME!



REMINDER ~ PLEASE TURN OFF MOBILE PHONES

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

PARISH DONATIONS

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Order of St Paul the First Hermit

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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.