

Parish Priest
 Rev Dr Janusz Bieniek CSMA
Assistant Priest
 Rev George Gorzkowski CSMA
Visiting Priest
 Rev Thomas Lasen CSMA

Parish Office
 Margaret
 Thu 10am-2pm
 Maria, Colleen, Linda (volunteers)
 Mon, Tue, Wed, Fri: 10am-2pm
Accounts Carmela (volunteer)
Pastoral Coordinator
 Valerie (volunteer)
Catechist Coordinator
 Margaret T (volunteer)
Youth Coordinator
 Olivia (volunteer)

Mass Schedule
Saturday (Vigil Masses):
 5.00pm
 6.30pm Spanish
Sunday:
 8.00am
 10.00am Family Mass
 3.00pm Cantonese (4th)
 12.15pm Mandarin (1st & 3rd)
 6.00pm Youth Mass
 Monday - Friday: 8.30am
 Saturday: 9.15am
 Thursday (2nd):
 7.30pm Healing Mass
 Friday (1st):
 7.00pm Sacred Heart Mass

Reconciliation
 Saturday: 9.45am, 4.15pm

Anointing of the Sick
 9.15am 1st Saturday of the month
 Within the Mass
 Or call the priest anytime

Marriage
 Contact the priest 6 months prior

Devotions
 Monday - Friday:
 9.00am Rosary & Divine Mercy
 Tuesday:
 6.00pm Marian Cenacle
 7.00pm St Michael & Holy Angels
 Thursday:
 10.30am Marian Cenacle Croatian
 6.30pm Charismatic Prayer Group

Friday:
 9.00am Padre Pio (1st)
 6.00pm Sacred Heart of Jesus (1st)
 Adoration & Holy Mass
Saturday:
 9.45am Perpetual Help Novena
 1.00pm Alliance of Two Hearts
 3.00pm Divine Mercy (4th)
 6.00pm Our Lady of Fatima (1st)

Blessed Sacrament Adoration
 Monday to Friday
 7.30am - 8.30am; 9.00am onwards
Saturday
 9.45am - 12pm
 Tuesday evening
 6.00pm - 9.00pm
 Friday evening
 7.30pm - 9.00pm

RCIA (from July until Easter)
 Tuesdays 8.00pm (except 1st)
Legion of Mary
 Wednesdays 7.30pm
Baptism Instruction
 Wednesdays 7.30pm (1st)
RCIA Cantonese (Margaret)
 Sundays 10.30am
RCIA Mandarin (Elsie/Urey)
 Sundays 10.50am (1st & 3rd)



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26 MARCH 2023
FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT YEAR A

EASTER TRIDUUM
Holy Thursday 6 April
 7.00pm **Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper & Washing of the Feet**
 8.30pm Vigil at the Altar of Repose
Good Friday 7 April
 10.00am Stations of the Cross
 3.00pm **The Passion of the Lord**
 7.30pm Divine Mercy Novena
Holy Saturday 8 April
 3.00pm Divine Mercy Novena
Easter Sunday 9 April
 6.00pm **Easter Vigil Mass** (Sat, 8 April)
 8.00am Easter Sunday Mass
 10.00am Easter Sunday Mass
 3.00pm Divine Mercy Novena
 6.00pm Easter Sunday Mass

STATIONS OF THE CROSS
 Friday, 31 March
 at 7.30 pm



Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
Sacrament of Reconciliation
 Tuesdays of Lent in the Church
 8.00 pm - 9.00 pm

Holy Thursday Altar of Repose
 8.30pm Vigil commences at the Altar of Repose in the Bethany College Chapel (no assigned group)
 9.00pm Filipino community & Legion of Mary
 9.30pm Chinese & Indonesian & Indian communities
 10.00pm Spanish community
 10.30pm Croatian & Charismatic communities

First Saturday Devotion to Our Lady of Fatima
 1st of April
 Rosary after the 5.00 pm Mass
 Offered for the intentions of Pope Francis



NOVENA TO THE DIVINE MERCY		
Good Friday	7 April	7.30pm
Holy Saturday	8 April	3.00pm
Easter Sunday	9 April	3.00pm
Easter Monday	10 April	7.30pm
Easter Tuesday	11 April	7.30pm
Easter Wednesday	12 April	7.30pm
Easter Thursday	13 April	7.30pm
Easter Friday	14 April	7.30pm
Easter Saturday	15 April	3.00pm
Divine Mercy Sunday	16 April	3.00pm

STATIONS OF THE CROSS
 GOOD FRIDAY 7th APRIL 2023 @ 10AM
 ST MARY'S STAR OF THE SEA
 PRIMARY SCHOOL GROUNDS

St Pio Prayer Group
 Friday, 31st March
 after the 8.30 am Mass
 All are invited!



Parish Pastoral Council + Holy Week Liturgy Meeting
 7 pm on Monday, 27th March
 Old Parish Office

FEAST OF DIVINE MERCY
 16 April 2023
 Divine Mercy Hour 3-4 pm
 3.00 pm Hour of Mercy
 4.00 pm Adoration and Benediction
 5.00 pm Stations of the Cross
 6.00 pm Holy Mass
 Opportunity for Reconciliation
 Blessing of sacramentals

Anointing of the Sick
 Within the Mass
 9.15 am Saturday, 1st April



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 Thank you!



Sunday Mass Collections

	12 March	19 March
1st Collection blue bag	\$1021.80	\$868.20
2nd Collection red bag	\$708.45	\$562.40
Planned Giving	\$490.00	\$1075.00

First Reading 1 Sm 16:1. 6-7. 10-13

The Lord said to Samuel, 'Fill your horn with oil and go. I am sending you to Jesse of Bethlehem, for I have chosen myself a king among his sons.' When Samuel arrived, he caught sight of Eliab and thought, 'Surely the Lord's anointed one stands there before him,' but the Lord said to Samuel, 'Take no notice of his appearance or his height for I have rejected him; God does not see as man sees; man looks at appearances but the Lord looks at the heart.' Jesse presented his seven sons to Samuel, but Samuel said to Jesse, 'The Lord has not chosen these.' He then asked Jesse, 'Are these all the sons you have?' He answered, 'There is still one left, the youngest; he is out looking after the sheep.' Then Samuel said to Jesse, 'Send for him; we will not sit down to eat until he comes.' Jesse had him sent for, a boy of fresh complexion, with fine eyes and pleasant bearing. The Lord said, 'Come, anoint him, for this is the one.' At this, Samuel took the horn of oil and anointed him where he stood with his brothers; and the spirit of the Lord seized on David and stayed with him from that day on.

Responsorial Psalm Ps 94:1-2. 6-9. R. v.8

R: The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.

All: The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.

R: The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.
Fresh and green are the pastures where he gives me repose.
Near restful waters he leads me, to revive my drooping spirit.

All: The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.

R: He guides me along the right path; he is true to his name. If I should walk in the valley of darkness no evil would I fear. You are there with your crook and your staff; with these you give me comfort.

All: The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.

R: You have prepared a banquet for me In the sight of my foes. My head you have anointed with oil; my cup is overflowing.

All: The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.

R: Surely goodness and kindness shall follow me all the days of my life. In the Lord's own house shall I dwell for ever and ever.

All: The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.

Second Reading Eph 5:8-14

You were darkness once, but now you are light in the Lord; be like children of light, for the effects of the light are seen in complete goodness and right living and truth. Try to discover what the Lord wants of you, having nothing to do with the futile works of darkness but exposing them by contrast. The things which are done in secret are things that people are ashamed even to speak of; but anything exposed by the light will be illuminated and anything illuminated turns into light. That is why it is said: Wake up from your sleep, rise from the dead, and Christ will shine on you.

Gospel Acclamation Jn 8:12

Glory to you, Word of God, Lord Jesus Christ!

I am the light of the world, says the Lord;

whoever follows me will have the light of life.

Glory to you, Word of God, Lord Jesus Christ!

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED for
Children's Liturgy
Sunday, 10.00 am Mass

Pray for the sick: Fred Perera, Reco Chandra, Darrell Boesen, Annabelle.

Pray for the recently deceased: Maria DiMatteo, Kin Zarro.

Pray for those whose death anniversary occurs about now especially Matthew Micallef.

Pray for the Poor Souls in Purgatory.

Gospel Jn 9:1-41

There was a man named Lazarus who lived in the village of Bethany with the two sisters, Mary and Martha, and he was ill. – It was the same Mary, the sister of the sick man Lazarus, who anointed the Lord with ointment and wiped his feet with her hair. The sisters sent this message to Jesus, 'Lord, the man you love is ill.' On receiving the message, Jesus said, 'This sickness will end not in death but in God's glory, and through it the Son of God will be glorified.' Jesus loved Martha and her sister and Lazarus, yet when he heard that Lazarus was ill he stayed where he was for two more days before saying to the disciples, 'Let us go to Judaea.' The disciples said, 'Rabbi, it is not long since the Jews wanted to stone you; are you going back again?' Jesus replied: 'Are there not twelve hours in the day? A man can walk in the daytime without stumbling because he has the light of this world to see by; but if he walks at night he stumbles, because there is no light to guide him.' He said that and then added, 'Our friend Lazarus is resting, I am going to wake him.' The disciples said to him, 'Lord, if he is able to rest he is sure to get better.' The phrase Jesus used referred to the death of Lazarus, but they thought that by 'rest' he meant 'sleep', so Jesus put it plainly, 'Lazarus is dead; and for your sake I am glad I was not there because now you will believe. But let us go to him.' Then Thomas – known as the Twin – said to the other disciples, 'Let us go too, and die with him.' On arriving, Jesus found that Lazarus had been in the tomb for four days already. Bethany is only about two miles from Jerusalem, and many Jews had come to Martha and Mary to sympathise with them over their brother. When Martha heard that Jesus had come she went to meet him. Mary remained sitting in the house. Martha said to Jesus, 'If you had been here, my brother would not have died, but I know that even now, whatever you ask of God, he will grant you.' 'Your brother' said Jesus to her 'will rise again.' Martha said, 'I know he will rise again at the resurrection on the last day.' Jesus said: 'I am the resurrection and the life. If anyone believes in me, even though he dies he will live, and whoever lives and believes in me will never die. Do you believe this?' 'Yes, Lord,' she said 'I believe that you are the Christ, the Son of God, the one who was to come into this world.' When she had said this, she went and called her sister Mary, saying in a low voice, 'The Master is here and wants to see you.' Hearing this, Mary got up quickly and went to him. Jesus had not yet come into the village; he was still at the place where Martha had met him. When the Jews who were in the house sympathising with Mary saw her get up so quickly and go out, they followed her, thinking that she was going to the tomb to weep there. Mary went to Jesus, and as soon as she saw him she threw herself at his feet, saying, 'Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died.' At the sight of her tears, and those of the Jews who followed her, Jesus said in great distress, with a sigh that came straight from the heart, 'Where have you put him?' They said, 'Lord, come and see.' Jesus wept; and the Jews said, 'See how much he loved him!' But there were some who remarked, 'He opened the eyes of the blind man, could he not have prevented this man's death?' Still sighing, Jesus reached the tomb: it was a cave with a stone to close the opening. Jesus said, 'Take the stone away.' Martha said to him, 'Lord, by now he will smell; this is the fourth day.' Jesus replied, 'Have I not told you that if you believe you will see the glory of God?' So they took away the stone. Then Jesus lifted up his eyes and said: 'Father, I thank you for hearing my prayer. I knew indeed that you always hear me, but I speak for the sake of all these who stand round me, so that they may believe it was you who sent me.' When he had said this, he cried in a loud voice, 'Lazarus, here! Come out!' The dead man came out, his feet and hands bound with bands of stuff and a cloth round his face. Jesus said to them, 'Unbind him, let him go free.' Many of the Jews who had come to visit Mary and had seen what he did believed in him.