

Sunday 26th September 2021

Mass Times: ~~Monday – Friday 9.30am, Saturday: 9:30am, 5:30pm Sunday 9:00am, 11:00am~~

Baptisms & other sacraments: please call the office to organise.



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Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time Year B

The question of legitimacy of ministry is not a new one. There is a certain amount of tension between the institutional and the charismatic aspects of the church. To say that one is Spirit-driven and the other is not is to misunderstand Jesus' promise to remain with the church until the end of time. God normally calls ministers through the structures of the community. The authorities of the church are usually the ones who make the ultimate decisions about the needs of the church, how these needs are to be met, and who is to meet them. That is one of the responsibilities of their office.

However, God calls in other ways as well. A solid biblical tradition maintains that the Spirit is not confined to human structure or custom. We see this in the judges, the prophets, and even the early kings. The Pentecost story describes the coming of the Spirit upon all people – sons and daughters, young and old, slaves and free. When God calls it is up to us to recognise that call and to test its spirit. Perhaps the primary criterion we have for judging is the biblical measure: By their fruits you shall know them.

Today we also see that those who benefit from exploitation of the vulnerable will reap the fruits of their sin. This warning stems from the belief in the justice of God. Just as we believe that God will not allow the righteous to go unrewarded, so we are confident that neither will the wicked escape punishment.

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Let us pray

For all those waiting to be Baptised, may God look over them and we pray for the return of sacraments in our Churches.

Sick: Philip Tascone, Patricia Brown

Recent death: Beatriz Marta Gonzalez

Anniversary:

Michael Dupuche,

Nell Pierce,

Erik Sorensen,

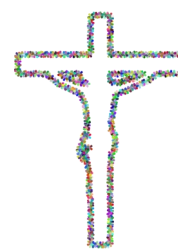
Pat Smith,

John James,

Wanda Najdecki,

Tony Sabatino,

John O'Connor

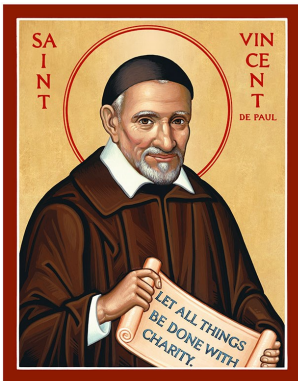


Please refer to the following Archdiocesan guidelines and resources for the COVID-19 pandemic:

<https://www.cam.org.au/Guidance-for-Parishes-COVID-19>

SEPTEMBER: Our Lady of Sorrows

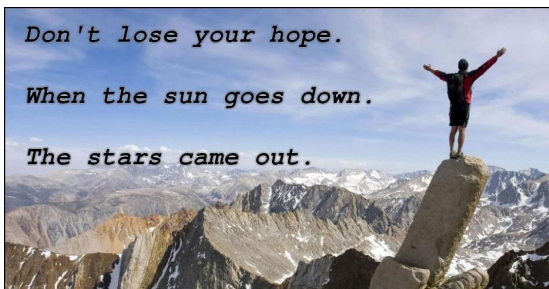
26th St Cosmas & St Damian, 27th Saint Vincent de Paul, 28th Saint Wenceslaus,
29th Sts Michael, Gabriel and Raphael, Archangels



1st Oct St Therese of the Child Jesus

2nd Oct Holy Guardian Angels

Born in Gascony (France) in 1581; died in Paris on this day in 1660. A parish priest who worked for the apostolic renewal of the clergy, founding the Congregation of the Mission (Vincentians or Lazarists) for missionary work in rural areas and for the formation of clergy. Committed above all to the oppressed and disadvantaged, he founded the Daughters of Charity with Louise de Marillac to work with the needy.



Don't lose your hope.

When the sun goes down.

The stars came out.



A weekly series bringing 'light' to this time of lockdown...

Well and truly done with sourdough starters? Not interested in another DIY project? To help fill the void during lockdown, each week we'll suggest some inspiring content to bring 'light' to this difficult time. Pop on the kettle and check out the recommendations at: www.bit.ly/LockdownLight

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Podcasts for Christian living: Parents of the Saints—How Did They Do It?

In this podcast, Jason Evert speaks with Patrick O'Hearn about his new book 'Parents of the Saints: The Hidden Heroes Behind Our Favourite Saints', offering key insights into the families of popular saints. Listen at www.bit.ly/ChristianLiving4

Getting to know your Bible: Praying with Scripture

Getting Started: In this short video, Fr James Martin SJ introduces us Lectio Divina—a way of praying with the Bible that helps us listen to God. Watch at www.bit.ly/BibleGettingStarted4

Going Deeper: Pray as You Go is an online prayer tool that provides a guided contemplation of each day's Gospel passage. Set aside 10-15 minutes, find a comfy space and visit www.bit.ly/BibleGoingDeeper4

This weeks religious humour

The Pope is visiting Australia. He's in Adelaide and realises that he needs to be in Melbourne in just a few hours. He tells his driver to step on it. The driver isn't going fast enough for the Pope. He tells him "Pull over, I'll drive". The Pope floors it. Halfway there, he gets stopped by the local police. The officer goes up to the driver's side window, and asks, "Do you know how fast you were going?" The Pope replies, "Do you know who I am?" The officer realising who it is radios in, "Tell the Senior Sergeant we have a situation here."

The Senior Sergeant gets on the radio and asks, "Did you pull the Premier's wife over again?" The officer replies, "It's bigger than that." The Senior Sergeant asks, "You didn't pull the Supreme Court Judge over again, did you?" The officer replies, "It's bigger than that." The Senior Sergeant finally asks, "Then, who did you pull over?" The officer replies, "I don't know, but he has the Pope for a driver!"

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SAFETY OF CHILDREN AND ALL VULNERABLE PEOPLE

St Finbar's Parish hold the care, safety and wellbeing of children and all vulnerable people as a central and fundamental responsibility for our community.

COVID REMINDERS

**CHURCH IS CURRENTLY CLOSED DUE TO OUR
STATE'S LOCKDOWN RESTRICTIONS.**

FUNERALS ARE PERMITTED WITH 10 PERSONS AND
OTHER CONDITIONS APPLY.

SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM IS ON HOLD.