

PYMBLE CATHOLIC PARISH

SACRED HEART & OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL SUCCOUR

Building a Christ-centred community of Love and Mercy



Pymble Parish is under the Pastoral care of the Salvatorian Fathers



Hall Mary

Hail Mary, full of grace.
The lord is with thee.
Blessed art thou among women,
and blessed is the fruit of thy womb,
Qesus

Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners, now and at the howr of our death.

amen



We welcome to Pymble Parish the newest members of our community

Hannah Duncan Joseph Bromley Matilda Macdonald Elias Gordon

who will be Baptised, in our Parish this weekend.

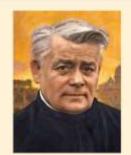


A warm welcome to all our Parishioners who are celebrating the Eucharist with us this weekend.

POPE FRANCIS'
PRAYER INTENTION
FOR MAY

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.



Prayer for the Intercession of Blessed Francis Jordan

Lord Jesus Christ, Saviour of the world, you called Francis
Mary of the Cross Jordan to be your apostle, to make God
known and loved by all people everywhere, using all the
means your love inspires. You filled him with universal
apostolic zeal, with a deep trust in God's loving providence,
with a profound spirit of prayer, with a sincere devotion to
Mary, Mother of the Saviour, and with the courage to
follow you, even into the mystery of the Cross.

Grant also to me the grace to proclaim the Gospel in this spirit, and make me an effective apostle in today's world.

Through the intercession of Blessed Francis Jordan, I pray to you for my special needs (include your personal intention). I make this prayer through you, my Saviour, who lives and reigns with the Father and the Holy Spirit, forever and ever. Amen.

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Parish Team

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Parish Mass Times

Sacred Heart

2 Richard Porter Way, Pymble NSW 2073

Weekdays:

Tuesday to Friday 9:00am

Rosary: Tuesday to Friday after morning Mass **Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament:** Friday after

morning Mass

Weekend:

Saturday (Vigil Mass): 5:30pm Sunday: 7:45am, 9:30am and 6:00pm

Reconciliation: Friday 8:30am, Saturday 5:00pm

Sunday 5:30pm

Our Lady of Perpetual Succour 64 Kendall St, West Pymble, NSW, 2073

Weekdays:

Tuesday: 12pm

During School Term as advertised in the Parish weekly calendar section

Weekend:

Saturday: 9:00am and 5:00pm (Vigil Mass)

Sunday: 9:00am

Reconciliation: Saturday 9:30am

Contact details

Address: 2 Richard Porter Way, Pymble, NSW 2073 **Postal address:** PO BOX 231 Turramurra NSW 2074

Telephone: (02) 9144 2702

Email: office@pymblecatholicparish.org.au **Website:** www.pymblecatholicparish.org.au

Office hours: Monday to Thursday 8.30am to 4pm &

Friday 8.30am to 1pm

For information about Baptisms and Weddings please contact Daniela in the Parish Office.

For information about the sacraments of Confirmation, Reconciliation and First Eucharist, please contact Melanie on melanie@pymblecatholicparish.org.au

PARISH PRIMARY SCHOOLS

SACRED HEART

Principal: Mrs Mary Hor **Telephone:** (02) 94408056 www.shpdbb.catholic.edu.au

OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL SUCCOUR

Principal: Mrs Sue Host **Telephone:** (02) 9498 6060 www.olpsdbb.catholic.edu.au



Michael Shao

Congratulations to Michael on the occasion of his Baptism, Confirmation, and First Holy Communion received on Easter Vigil.

Dear Michael, we thank you for your decision to follow Jesus. We wish you God's many blessings and we will keep you in our prayers.





Baptisms at Pymble Parish

If you would like to know or if you have any questions about the Baptism process in our Parish, please contact the Parish office on 9144 2702 or office@pymblecatholicparish.org.au
Our upcoming Baptism Formation Class will be held on

Wednesday, 11 May 2022 7:30pm at the Sacred Heart Church Bookings are essential.

WHAT'S ON IN OUR PARISH THIS WEEK

Sunday, 1 May

7:45am Mass at Sacred Heart

9:00am Mass at OLPS

Mass at Sacred Heart 9:30am 6:00pm Mass at Sacred Heart

Tuesday, 3 May

Feast of Saints Philip and James

9:00am Mass at Sacred Heart

No Litany & Rosary today due to Funeral at 10am

7.30pm Charismatic Prayer Group

Wednesday, 4 May

9:00am Mass at Sacred Heart

Thursday, 5 May

9:00am Mass at Sacred Heart Parish Council Meeting 7:00pm

Friday, 6 April

9:00am Mass at Sacred Heart

10:00am Bible Study 7:30pm Taize Group

Saturday, 7 May

9:00am Mass with Morning Prayer

at OLPS

5:00pm Mass at OLPS

5:30pm Mass at Sacred Heart

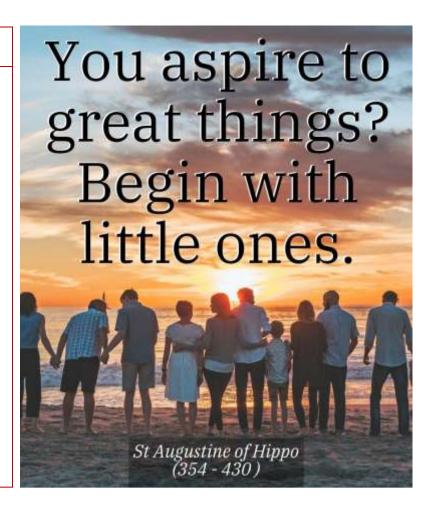
Sunday, 8 May Mother's Day

7:45am Mass at Sacred Heart

9:00am Mass at OLPS

9:30am

Mass at Sacred Heart 6:00pm Mass at Sacred Heart



Parish Prayer Zone

Praying for others gets our focus off ourselves and onto the needs of those around us. As we "carry each other's burdens," we "will fulfil the law of Christ" (Galatians 6:2). Praying for each other makes us stronger and helps us to grow our faith and Christian love.

Recently Deceased:

Anna Kowalczyk, Corey Wittenberg, Ignatius Fernandes, Michael John Hanson, Anthony Abbas, Julie Jillard, Sr Florianna Melinz MSC, Maria Boonjung Kim, Peter Brassil, Zita Leung, Phillip Duggan, Brian Ellis, John Richardson, Rita White, Rita Roache, Orfeo Calacoci, Ivo Felizzi, Fr Manoi Manuel

Death Anniversaries:

Odette McLeod, Margaret Harris, Jane Clare Sprouster, Ed Rickard, Margaretta Hetty, Lilian Castillo, Sergio Contardo, Anna Lobo, Dawn Prins, Joseph Matthew Lyons, Joseph Francis Sprouster, Luciano Dumrique, Santa Celio, Juliana Eujin Cho, Joe Tumulty, Patricia Grass, Kerry Oei, Amanda Duggan

Prayers for the sick:

Alice Chapman, Jeremy Ward, David Gardener

Birthdays this week:

Weekly prayer intention:

This week we pray for all people suffering in Ukraine and Russia. We pray for women, men and children who are suffering in communities and nations around the world that are devastated by war. Loving Father, we pray for your hope and healing to fill their hearts and minds during these turbulent times.

If you would like the names of your relatives to be included in the prayer list (anniversary of deaths, recently deceased, illnesses, wedding celebration or anniversaries, birthdays, etc.) please contact the Parish Office by midday each Wednesday. Remember that due to privacy policy, names of the sick can only be put on the bulletin with permission of the immediate family. This list will be updated every month and we would appreciate if we are advised of any updates. Thank you.



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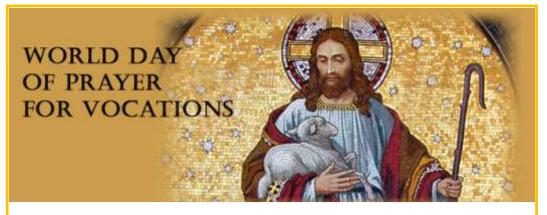
Your LEGACY

After providing for family members in your Will, have you ever considered leaving a Gift directly to your local Parish? This is called a Legacy, Bequest of Gift in Will.

Over the years, many people who have left a special connection to their Faith have left part of their estate to the Parish. Like a gift to a charity, a gift in your Will to the Church ensures other members of our community receive the spiritual care and guidance that has been so important to you and your family.

Your PARISH Many parishes are in need of funding to restore buildings, improve facilities and expand on services for the community. The pastoral outreach that has been important to you will continue for our children, our grandchildren and future generations to of Catholics.

If you would like more information on Gifts in Wills, please contact Fr. Ireneusz. Email: Fr.ireneusz@pymblecatholicparish.org.au



Next week, 8 May, we will be celebrating the World Day of Prayer for Vocations also known as "Good Shepherd Sunday." The purpose of this day is to publicly fulfill the Lord's instruction to, "Pray the Lord of the harvest to send laborers into his harvest" (Mt 9:38; Lk 0:2).

Please, pray that young men and women hear and respond generously to the Lord's call to the priesthood, diaconate, religious life, societies of apostolic life or secular institutes.

An extra collection will be organised at both Churches to support Salvatorian Seminaries around the world.

Thank you for your generosity.



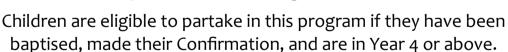
First Reconciliation and First Eucharist 2022 at Pymble Catholic Parish

Preparation for these sacraments will be happening in the coming months.



First Reconciliation services will be in June First Eucharist services will be in August.

Enrolments are now open at: https://www.trybooking.com/BWLBU.



For more details, visit our Parish website: www.bbcatholic.org.au/
pymble/sacraments/sacramental-program

GOT YOUR WEDDING PLANS UNDER CONTROL?



How prepared are you for marriage? Engaged Encounter provides you with deeper insights into each other and into married life. We give you a chance to spend time together to strengthen and enrich your relationship. For further information visit our Web Site:

www.engagedencounter.org.au

Choose any of the coming Weekends:

Apr 30 - May 01; Aug 06-07, Nov 12-13

If covid-19 restrictions prevent a face-to-face seminar, the CEE weekend will be held via Zoom.



Praying the Rosary during the Month of May

May is the month of Mary. We encourage you to use this month as an opportunity to renew your relationship with our spiritual Mother. Please join us in the Marian Devotion (Loreto Litany) after each weekday morning Mass, followed by the Rosary.

Please also note that the Worldwide Rosary Day for 2022 is on Friday 13 May 2022. You can join us in praying the Rosary after our Friday morning Mass at Sacred Heart Church.

Pilgrim Virgin Statue Home Visitation

The Pilgrim Virgin Statue is a Blessed replica of our Lady of the Rosary. From May to October and by request only, you are welcome to transport and install the statue in your home to create a prayerful, sanctifying space where family and friends are encouraged to pray the Rosary. The statue will remain in your home for one week. You are then asked to bring her back for the next family to take her.

Sacred Heart Church

Pick up at 10am from Parish Office Drop off 9am from Parish Office.

Our Lady of Perpetual Succour

Pick up after the 9am Sunday Mass. Drop off before the 9am Sunday Mass.

Please contact the parish office on 9144 2702 to book your week.



Blessing of Homes

During this Easter Season, Fr Irek is available to bless the houses of our parishioners.

If you would like your house to be blessed, please contact the Parish Office on 9144 2702.

Thank you.



As the house of God, we want our Church to look beautiful and to be kept clean. We would be very grateful if you would consider volunteering to help clean the Church.

Many hands make light work, so the more volunteers we have, the more the cleaning work can be shared. All the little things we do can, together, build the Kingdom of God in their own way – for God is present in all things. It can also be an opportunity to meet other parishioners. If you are able to help, please contact the Parish office on 9144 2702. Thank you!







ACN AUSTRALIA

For 75 years, the support of Christian refugees has been a major pillar of the work of Aid to the Church in Need (ACN). Today ACN is supporting displaced Catholic families by attending to basic needs such as food and medicine, but these families also hunger for the healing power of the sacraments and the pastoral support of the Church. As such, the help we provide is not only material. Our support of priests, sisters, and catechists all work to build up the faith and to offer help and consolation to those in desperate need.

Can you give hope to Christian refugees today?

Visit <u>www.aidtochurch.org/refugees</u>

PASTORAL WORKS Broken Bay

We give thanks to God for the blessing these pastoral works offer to those in hospital, at school, across neighbourhoods and local parishes of Broken Bay.

Parish numbers for the Pastoral Works Appeal:

Amount to be raised in May 2022	\$23,627.58
Amount raised in August 2021 and February 2022 plus Give Now Donations	\$11,264.42
Parish Quota 2021/22 Financial Year	\$34,892.00

Thank you for your contributions towards the pastoral works of the Church. God Bless.



Invitation to join the **Welcome Ministry**

We invite you to join a group of volunteers who will meet and greet parishioners as they enter Church before Mass. Welcome Ministers have an important and essential role to welcome and serve others when we gather as a faith community. While the Church used to have parishioners who carried out this work, this ministry fell away due to the impact of Covid. Studies show that one of the most important elements of a flourishing faith community is the way a community welcome others.

If you would like to become a Welcome Minister, or if you would like to know more, please contact Claudia or Daniela in the Parish office.

Introducing FORMED: The Catholic Faith. On demand.

As part of a new Parish initiative, the Parish is implementing a parish subscription to FORMED. FORMED is a premier online service providing over 4,000 Catholic studies, movies, audio dramas, talks, e-books, and even cartoons for our children. FORMED has content from over 60 apostolates (such as Augustine Institute, Ignatius Press, etc.) with material that is professionally produced, engaging, and solid in its catechism.

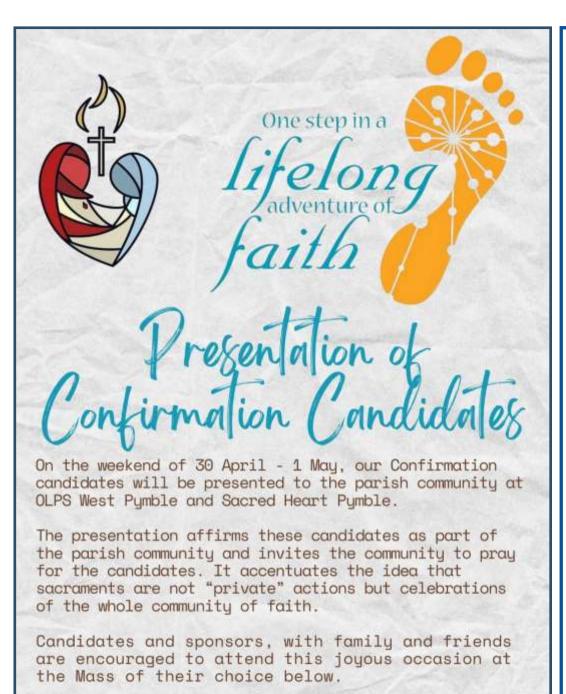


All of this material is available to you as a Pymble Parish participant at no charge.

You can enjoy FORMED with your computer or tablet or with your TV via the FORMED app using Apple TV or Google Chromecast. You can use your phone and the FORMED app to listen as you commute or do your work. To gain access to all of the Parish FORMED content, please follow:

- 1. Go to signup.formed.org
- 2. Enter the parish name "Pymble Catholic Parish"
- 3. Enter your name and your email address

That's all that is needed. You can access the free FORMED app for your phone by searching for "FORMED Catholic" in your app store.



Thank You Parish BBQ

West Pymble: Saturday Vigil 5pm or Sunday 9am Pymble: Saturday Vigil 5:30pm or Sunday 7:45am, 9am or 6pm

Our Parish gathered together after last Sunday's 6pm Mass at Sacred Heart for a post Easter celebratory BBQ. It was really wonderful to gather as a community and share a meal together.

Thank you to everyone who attended, and those who helped organised the evening to make it possible.

It was definitely an enjoyable evening for all!





Confirmation Formation has commenced

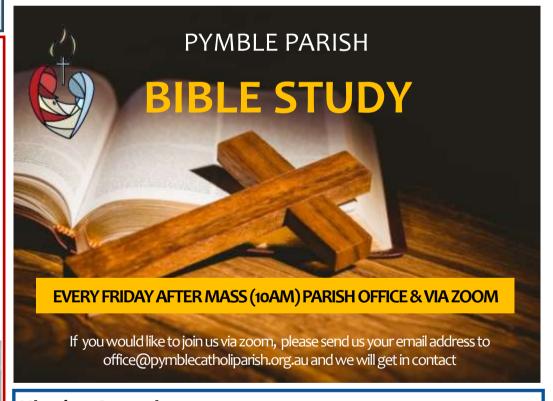
We are blessed to have Confirmation celebrations at our Parish on 22 May.

We have over 90 candidates who have commenced their formation. These candidates will be guided on their faith journey primarily by parents, sponsors, godparents, and families, and further supported by their schools and the Pymble Parish Sacramental Team.

Confirmation builds upon and strengthens what began at Baptism. Confirmation grounds us more deeply in our relationship with God, unites us more firmly to Christ, and through the Holy Spirit draws the candidates more intimately to the community of faith.

Please pray for the candidates, their parents, families and sponsors as they prepare to receive this important Sacrament.





Ukraine Appeal

s we see on a daily basis, the people of Ukraine are still desperate for our support. They need food, water, clothing (especially for women and children) and medical supplies. Many aid organisations have responded. If you can contribute via the following websites:

KAPITAC YKPAÏHN https://www.ukrainecrisisappeal.org/ CARITAS UKRAINE

ukraine/

Caritas https://www.caritas.org.au/donate/emergency-appeals/

Please inform the Parish Office if you have recently changed your address, phone number or email. For Parishioners who give via credit card, please let us know if your credit card has expired or if you have changed your card. Thank you!



Are you or a family member blind or visually impaired? Xavier Society for the Blind in New York City have been providing free braille and audio materials to blind and visually impaired Catholics worldwide since 1900, including many people in Australia. One of the biggest lines of service is

the Mass Propers - the readings, prayers, and responses to the Mass on Sundays and special Feast days. These are available in braille, audio, and large print.

For more information please visit https://xaviersocietyfortheblind.org/



Music Co-ordinator & Liturgy Co-ordinator For Sacred Heart

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Our Masses and Liturgies are enriched by the talent and time

shared by our talented musicians of our Parish. We are currently looking for a **Music Co-ordinator** to assist with the organisation of music and rostering.

We are also looking for a **Liturgy Co-ordinator** to assist with the rostering of readers.

If you are interested in helping out with either of the above roles, please contact the Parish Office on 9144 2702 or office@pymblecatholicparish.org.au.



Make a difference with HammondCare North Turramurra as a Volunteer

HammondCare is a leader in aged care, specialising in dementia care. As a volunteer you'll find that as you meet new people and face new challenges, you'll gain personal satisfaction and have fun in your local community.

You could help with:

- Social visiting
- Cafe'
- Games & Activities
- Piano playing
- · Walking companionship

For more information contact



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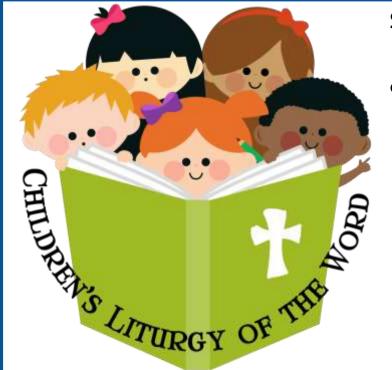
aniranjan@hammond.com.au

Thank you for your financial contribution to the support of our Parish Community and its priests - it is very much appreciated.

The First Collection taken up at Mass goes to the Salvatorian Fathers for the financial support of the priests and the Salvatorian Community. The Second Collection taken up at Mass is for the upkeep of the Parish. You are invited to help our Parish by committing to the Planned Giving Program.



Parish Office: 91442702 or info@pymblecatholicparish.org.au



Sacred Heart
Sunday
9:30am Mass

8 May

22 May

5 June

19 June

Australia enjoys one of the highest standards of living in the world, and we're living longer. Getting older should be fun – you have more time to do things you have always wanted to, to socialise with friends and learn new things. However, you may just need a little help to maximise those opportunities, to tackle changes in health, mobility and connecting with others.



At CatholicCare (our dedicated social services agency in the Diocese), help comes in lots of ways to suit your individual needs and circumstances. We are excited to launch our Home Care Packages for seniors to support them living independently in the home.

Many older Australians are eligible for a Home Care Package through the Commonwealth Government scheme, to substantially subsidise the cost of getting the extra help you need to maintain independence and vitality.

For more information call CatholicCare Senior Living on (02) 9488 2488 or visit www.catholiccaredbb.org.au/aged-care/hcp/.



HAVE YOU BEEN IMPACTED BY THE RECENT RAIN & FLOODS?

Our emergency relief program may be able to help you

1800 324 924

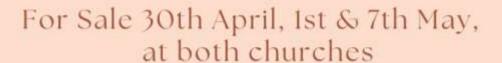


PYMBLE PARISH

Mother's Day

Raffle

1 x \$5 or 3 for \$10



All funds will go to help support the Salvatorian Seminaries and the education of our future Priests & Brothers



1ST PRIZE

ECOYA Hamper (Loftus flower fragranced car diffuser, room spray, hand & body lotion, diffuser, candle & shower gel) kindly donated by Matthew & Renee from Pymble Pharmacy worth \$220

2ND PRIZE

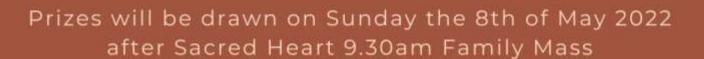
Hamper including Tea for one Gift set, Ferrero Chocolates, Lavender & Fresh linen reel diffuser, flavoured coffee mix set, Madura Tea Leaves, Grinders Coffee, Cold Fusion Tea Set, Tea Towels & a Soft Plush Throw.



3RD PRIZE

Handmade Acrylic "Our Father" Cross with the word Mum engraved on the stand, kindly donated by Julie from GLOW worth \$150 size: 26cm (w) x 40 cm (h)







Pymble Pharmacy has generously donated the beautiful First Prize for our Mother's Day Raffle, comprising a range of Ecoya products worth over \$200. We are most grateful for Matthew Burton's generosity and his incredible support of our Parish.

Please support Matthew, our parishioner, by visiting our local Pymble Pharmacy on Grandview Street.



We thank Julie from Glow who has generously donated a beautiful Acrylic "Our Father" cross for our Mother's Day raffle. It is cut from high grade acrylic to give it a smooth clean finish and comes especially dedicated to Mum.

Julie makes hand crafted soy scented candles, sacramental gifts, melts and hampers for all occasions. You can contact Julie via instagram on https://www.instagram.com/glow.sydney/



A MESSAGE TO OUR CONFIRMATION **CANDIDATES FROM FR. IREK**

Go to https://youtu.be/8tpqrsoVoRQ and watch him explain the Sacrament of Confirmation.







PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR CONFIRMATION CANDIDATES AS THEY PREPARE FOR THIS SACRAMENT

BLESSED OLIVIA

NUESTRA SEÑORA DE LOURDES

ST ABIGAIL

ST ALOYSIUS

ST ANNE, MOTHER OF THE BLESSED

VIRGIN MARY

ST ANTHONY

ST ANTHONY OF PADUA

ST AVA

ST BONIFACE

ST CATHERINE LABOURE

ST CECILIA

ST CHLOE OF SOLARIA

ST CLARE OF ASSIST

ST DAMIEN OF MOLOKAL

ST ELIZABETH

ST EMILY DE VIALAR

ST EMILY OF RODAT

ST FELICITY

ST FRANCIS OF ASSIST

ST FRANCIS XAVIER

ST GABRIEL

ST GEMMA GALGANI

ST GEORGE OF LYDDA

ST HARVEY

ST HELENA

ST ISAAC JOGUES

ST ISABEL OF FRANCE

ST ISABELLA

ST ISABELLA OF PORTUGAL

ST ISIDORE OF SEVILLE

ST JEREMY

ST JEROME

ST JOHN CHRYSTOSTOM

ST JOHN THE APOSTLE

ST JOHN THE BAPTIST

ST JOSEPH

ST JUDITH

ST LEO

ST LEO THE GREAT

ST LUCY

ST LUKE

ST MARK

ST MARY OF THE CROSS

ST MATTHEW

ST MELANIA

ST MICHAEL

ST NICHOLAS OF MYRA

ST PATRICK

ST PETER THE APOSTLE

ST RAPHAEL

ST ROSE OF LIMA

ST SEBASTIAN

ST STEPHEN

ST TARCISIUS

ST TERESA OF CALCUITA

ST VINCENT DE PAUL

VENERABLE BEDE



Pastoral Discernment

Central Coast

Submissions have now closed!

Bishop Anthony invites all members of the community to join him for the Pastoral Discernment - Central Coast Project Conversation Forums on 15 May 2022

All are invited to participate in a face-to-face gathering, hear what the data is saying, and discover the themes that are beginning to emerge.

Date: Sunday 15 May 2022

Time: 12 noon for light refreshments, for a 12:30 pm start

Venue: OLOR Parish Hall, 239-243 The Entrance Rd, The Entrance.

Register: <u>www.bbcatholic.org.au/pdcc</u>

Registrations close on 9th May 2022

Entrance Antiphon

Cry out with joy to God, all the earth; O sing to the glory of his name. O render him glorious praise, alleluia.

First Reading

Acts 5:27-32, 40-41

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles

The high priest demanded an explanation of the apostles. 'We gave you a formal warning,' he said 'not to preach in this name, and what have you done? You have filled Jerusalem with your teaching, and seem determined to fix the guilt of this man's death on us.' In reply Peter and the apostles said, 'Obedience to God comes before obedience to men; it was the God of our ancestors who raised up Jesus, but it was you who had him executed by hanging on a tree. By his own right hand God has now raised him up to be leader and saviour, to give repentance and forgiveness of sins through him to Israel. We are witnesses to all this, we and the Holy Spirit whom God has given to those who obey him.' They warned the apostles not to speak in the name of Jesus and released them. And so they left the presence of the Sanhedrin glad to have had the honour of suffering humiliation for the sake of the name.

Responsorial Psalm

(R.) I will praise you, Lord, for you have rescued me.

- I will praise you, Lord, you have rescued me and have not let my enemies rejoice over me.
 O Lord, you have raised my soul from the dead, restored me to life from those who sink into the grave.' (R.)
- Sing psalm to the Lord, you who love him, Give thanks to his holy name.
 His anger lasts but a moment; his favour through life.
 At night there are tears, but joy comes with dawn. (R.)
- The Lord listened and had pity.
 The Lord came to my help.
 For me you have changed my mourning into dancing;
 O Lord my God, I will thank you for ever. (R.)

Second Reading

Rv 5:11-14

A reading from the book of the Apocalypse

In my vision, I, John, heard the sound of an immense number of angels gathered round the throne and the animals and the elders; there were ten thousand times ten thousand of them and thousands upon thousands, shouting, 'The Lamb that was sacrificed is worthy to be given power, riches, wisdom, strength, honour, glory and blessing.' Then I heard all the living things in creation – everything that lives in the air, and on the ground, and under the ground, and in the sea, crying, 'To the One who is sitting on the throne and to the Lamb, be all praise, honour, glory and

power, for ever and ever.' And the four animals but when you grow old said, 'Amen'; and the elders prostrated themselves to worship.

but when you grow old you will stretch out you and somebody else will

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia Christ is risen, the Lord of all creation; he has shown pity on all people. Alleluia!

Gospel

Jn 21:1-19

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John

Jesus showed himself again to the disciples. It was by the Sea of Tiberias, and it happened like this: Simon Peter, Thomas called the Twin, Nathanael from Cana in Galilee, the sons of Zebedee and two more of his disciples were together. Simon Peter said, 'I'm going fishing.' They replied, 'We'll come with you.' They went out and got into the boat but caught nothing that night.

It was light by now and there stood Jesus on the shore, though the disciples did not realise that it was Jesus. Jesus called out, 'Have you caught anything, friends?' And when they answered, 'No', he said, 'Throw the net out to starboard and you'll find something.' So they dropped the net, and there were so many fish that they could not haul it in. The disciple Jesus loved said to Peter, 'It is the Lord.' At these words 'It is the Lord', Simon Peter, who had practically nothing on, wrapped his cloak round him and jumped into the water. The other disciples came on in the boat, towing the net and the fish; they were only about a hundred yards from land.

As soon as they came ashore they saw that there was some bread there, and a charcoal fire with fish cooking on it. Jesus said, 'Bring some of the fish you have just caught.' Simon Peter went aboard and dragged the net to the shore, full of big fish, one hundred and fifty-three of them; and in spite of there being so many the net was not broken. Jesus said to them, 'Come and have breakfast.' None of the disciples was bold enough to ask, 'Who are you?'; they knew quite well it was the Lord. Jesus then stepped forward, took the bread and gave it to them, and the same with the fish. This was the third time that Jesus showed himself to the disciples after rising from the dead.

After the meal Jesus said to Simon Peter, 'Simon son of John, do you love me more than these others do?' He answered, 'Yes Lord, you know I love you.' Jesus said to him, 'Feed my lambs.' A second time he said to him, 'Simon son of John, do you love me?' He replied, 'Yes, Lord, you know I love you.' Jesus said to him, 'Look after my sheep.' Then he said to him a third time, 'Simon son of John, do you love me?' Peter was upset that he asked him the third time, 'Do you love me?' and said, 'Lord, you know everything; you know I love you.' Jesus said to him, 'Feed my sheep.

'I tell you most solemnly, when you were young you put on your own belt and walked where you liked; but when you grow old you will stretch out your hands, and somebody else will put a belt round you and take you where you would rather not go.'

In these words he indicated the kind of death by which Peter would give glory to God. After his he said, 'Follow me.'

Reflection

The Lord Jesus renews Peter's faith and calling - and ours as well

Why did Jesus choose to reveal himself to the apostles at the Sea of Galilee - and right after they had spent a whole night of futile fishing? The Risen Lord was waiting on the shore for Peter and the other apostles. When their boat drew near the shore, Jesus questioned them and then gave a command to lower their nets into the sea. When their nets began to burst at the great haul of fish, John, the beloved disciple, recognized that it was the Lord who was speaking to them. Peter then immediately leaped from the boat and ran to the Lord. Do you run to the Lord Jesus when you meet setbacks and disappointments, and when you faith is being put to the test? The Lord Jesus is always ready to renew us in faith and to give each of us fresh hope in his promises for us.

Why did Jesus perform this miraculous catch of fish after his third resurrection appearance to the apostles? By looking back to the first miracle of the great catch of fish, we can recognize the significance of Jesus repeating this miracle again for his apostles. The first miracle took place at the beginning of Jesus' ministry in Galilee when the Lord called Peter to leave all and follow him. After Peter had fished all night and caught nothing, Jesus commanded him to lower his nets (see Luke 5:4-11). When his nets began to break under the weight of the great haul, Jesus then spoke to Peter and gave him a new calling and mission from now on he would be "catching people" for the kingdom of God (Luke 5:10). Jesus repeats this miracle for Peter to remind him that he must continue his mission of "catching people" and "making disciples" for the kingdom of Christ.

Do you love me more than anything else?

In his third appearance to the apostles, Jesus prepared a breakfast for them and ate with them. Peter's prompt response to draw near to the Lord and eat breakfast with him stands in sharp contrast to his previous denial and distancing himself from his Master during the night of Jesus' arrest and trial. Why did Jesus question Peter's love and loyalty three times in front of the other disciples? It must have caused Peter pain and sorrow since he had publicly denied Jesus three times previously. Now Peter, full of remorse and humility, unequivocally stated that he loved his Lord and Master and was willing to serve him whatever it might cost.

Lord Jesus, inflame my heart with your merciful love and remove everything that is unkind, ungrateful, unloving and unholy, and that is not in accord with your will. May I always seek to love you above all else and follow you wherever you wish to lead me.

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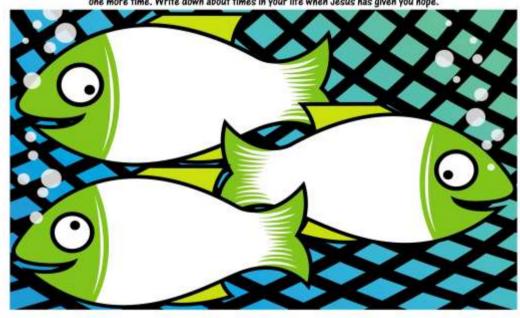
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Sacred Heart (Pymble)	Saturday 5.30pm	Sunday 7.45am	Sunday 9.30am	Sunday 6.oopm	
Acolytes	C Parbury	J Walton	R Samson	A Wahab	
Altar Servers	Volunteers	Volunteers	J Foote E Foote	R Samon	
Music	B Laniewski	Quiet Mass	M Tang M A Bannister	T Sato Youth Choir	
Projector	J Witcombe	P Tang	M Tse	M Ereve	
Readers	J Tabuteau	A Halgreen	B Allen	Youth Mass	
Altar Society	7 May: Volunteer				
Counters	8 May: T Scanlan / T Ryan / P Ward				
OLPS (West Pymble)	Saturday 5.00pm		Sunday 9.00am		
Acolytes	J Pease		A Mazzei		
Altar Servers	Volunteers		Volunteers		
Readers	A Makepeace		M Walz		
Music and Projector	E & A Chan		K & P Rodrigues		
Altar Cloth	8 May: N Simpkins				
Altar Society	8 May: N Simpkins / J Lougnan				

Children's Corner

Help Peter swim to shore to be with Jesus.



The disciples had almost given up on catching fish when Jesus appeared to them and told them to let down their nets one more time. Write down about times in your life when Jesus has given you hope.



Jesus asked his disciples to let down their nets and they were rewarded. What are some things that Jesus asks us to do? How are we rewarded?

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