

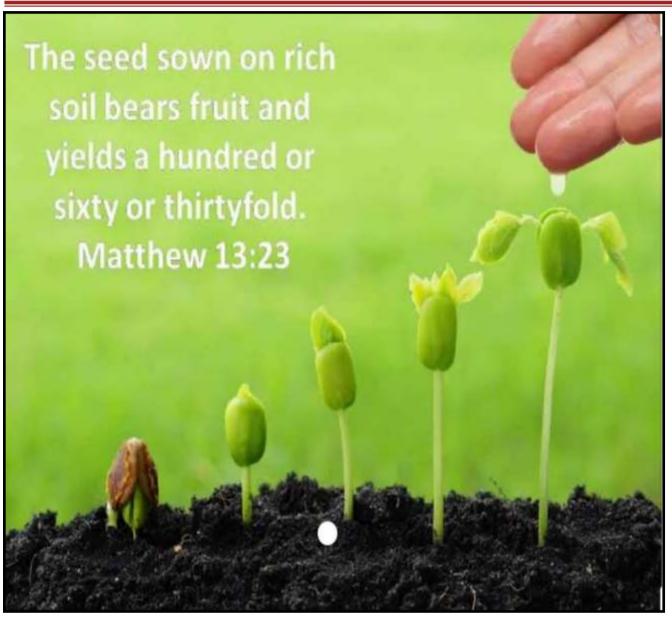
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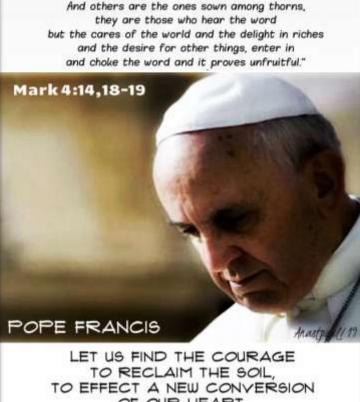
SACRED HEART & OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL SUCCOUR

Building a Christ-centred community of Love and Mercy

Pymble Parish is under the Pastoral care of the Salvatorian Fathers







LET US FIND THE COURAGE
TO RECLAIM THE SOIL,
TO EFFECT A NEW CONVERSION
OF OUR HEART,
BRINGING TO THE LORD
IN CONFESSION AND IN PRAYER
OUR ROCKS AND OUR THORNS.
IN DOING THIS,
JESUS, THE GOOD SOWER
THE WILL BE GLAD TO CARRY OUT
AN ADDITIONAL TASK TO PURIFY OUR HEARTS
BY REMOVING THE ROCKS
AND THE THORNS
WHICH CHOKE HIS WORD.



Baptisms at Pymble Parish

Please contact the Parish office on 9144 2702 or via email on office@pymblecatholicparish.org. au for Baptism enquiries.

Our upcoming Baptism Formation Class will be held on:

Monday, 24 July 2023 7:30pm at Sacred Heart Church

Bookings are essential.

POPE FRANCIS' PRAYER INTENTION FOR JULY

For a Eucharistic life

We pray that Catholics may place the celebration of the Eucharist at the heart of their lives, transforming human relationships in a very deep way and opening to the encounter with God and all their brothers and sisters.

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





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 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 8:45am, 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 (Vigil Mass): 9:00am and 5:00pm

Sunday: 9:00am

Reconciliation: Saturday 9:30am

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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 at melanie@pymblecatholicparish.org.au

Youtube QR code:



Podbean QR code:



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SACRED HEART

Principal: Mary Hor **Telephone**: (02) 9440 8056 www.shpdbb.catholic.edu.au

OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL SUCCOUR

Principal: Jodi Jefferson **Telephone:** (02) 7256 2101 www.olpsdbb.catholic.edu.au



You are warmly invited to Family Mass on Sunday 23 July, hosted by Year 3 families.

Family Mass is an opportunity for our community to come together, celebrate the Eucharist and listen to the Gospel. This joyful celebration will be followed by morning tea. Come and enjoy Mass and the good company of our beautiful community.

Family Mass Student Choir - A fun way for students of all ages to participate in Mass, all students are welcome to join in the choir. Please arrive at Church by 8:30am for rehearsal.

Pope Francis on the Parable of the Sower

Pope Francis told pilgrims gathered in St. Peter's Square on Sunday, 17July 2017 that Jesus spoke in a different manner from the "doctors of the law," who used "complicated language" that "was not well understood, but was full of rigidity and distanced the people."



In the parable, Jesus performs, as it were, "a 'spiritual x-ray' of our heart, which is the soil on which the seed of His Word falls," the Pope continued. "Our heart, like the soil, can be good and then the Word bears fruit—and so much—but it can also be hard, impermeable."

After reflecting on the different types of soil in the parable, the Pope concluded:

Let us find the courage to make a good soil remediation, a good remediation of our heart, bringing to the Lord in Confession and prayer our stones and our brambles. Thus Jesus, the good sower, will be happy to carry out an additional work: to purify our heart, removing the stones and thorns that choke the Word.

May the Mother of God, who today we remember with the title Blessed Virgin of Mount Carmel, unsurpassable in receiving the Word of God and putting it into practice (cf. Lk. 8:21), help us to purify our heart and to keep the presence of the Lord.

Pope Francis—17 July 2017

WHAT'S ON IN OUR PARISH THIS WEEK

Sunday, 16 July

Mass at Sacred Heart 7:45am 9:00am Mass at OLPS 9:30am Mass at Sacred Heart 6:00pm Mass at Sacred Heart

Tuesday, 18 July

Mass at Sacred Heart 9:00am 7:30pm Charismatic Prayer Group

Wednesday, 19 July

9:00am Mass at Sacred Heart 11:00am Mass at Horton House

7:00pm Alpha Course

Thursday, 20 July

St Apollinaris, bishop, martyr (Optional)

9:00am Mass at Sacred Heart 7:00pm Pymble Men's Fellowship

Meeting

Friday, 21 July

Youth off the Streets Collection Feast of Blessed Francis Jordan St Lawrence of Brindisi, priest, doctor (Optional)

9:00am Mass at Sacred Heart with Adoration

and Litany to the Sacred Heart of

Jesus

10:00am Bible Study via ZOOM 7:00pm Parish Council Evangelisation

Training

Saturday, 22 July

First Eucharist Classes at 2pm and 4pm (by appointment only)

9:00am Mass at OLPS Mass at OLPS 5:00pm

5:30pm Mass at Sacred Heart

Sunday, 23 July

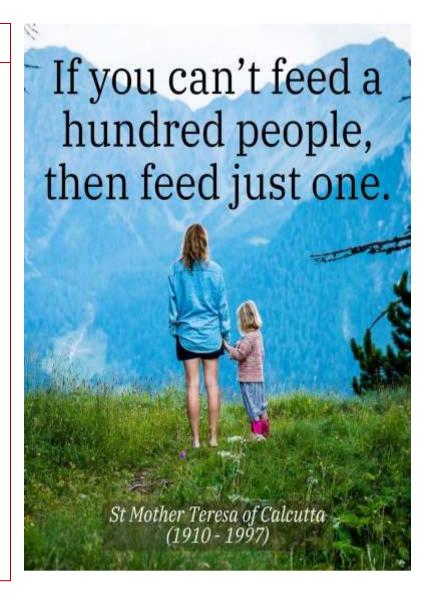
First Eucharist Class at 10:30am (by appointment only)

7:45am Mass at Sacred Heart

9:00am Mass at OLPS 9:30am Mass at Sacred Heart

6:00pm Mass at Sacred Heart, followed by

soup after Mass



Parish Prayer Zone

The Rosary is recited after all weekday Masses

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

Recently Deceased:

Andrew Patterson, Monica Lamond, Yu Oi Lau, Jann Brassil, Gilda Ramos Lizardo, Lilas Roche, Alice Chapman, Nancy Constantin, Marie Letts, Owen Thomas, Michael Byrnes, Drew Brebner, Elizabeth George, Darrell Campbell, Georgie Crawford

Death Anniversaries:

Norman Li, Andrew Law, William Dwyer, Maria Margaret Palmer, Joseph Lin, Teresa Butler, John McLeod, Valeriana Mirinda, Margaret Kime, Harold Burford, Ron Edgar, Thelma Lovery, Nancy Marrinon, Odette McLeod, Ed Rickard, Johnny D'Souza, Ed Rickard, Jose Anibal Sanchez, Jane Clare Sprouster, Joseph Francis Sprouster, Angus Ross, Lilian Castilo, Lucia Sudiro, Ignatius Fernandes

Prayers for the sick:

Danny Ung, Ryan Kim, David Gardener, Sarinder Tamana

Weekly prayer intention:

This week we pray that our hears and minds be good soil, in which the seed of God's Word, can be sown into. We pray that we can thrive and live out the abundant life God intended for us Amen.

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.

A GIFT IN YOUR WILL

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



OLPS Kidsplay run on Fridays at 9am during school term. The dates for Term 3 will be:

21 July

8 September

4 August

22 September

18 August



SYDNEY

Ignite Conference 23 Sydney
4:00 pm Thursday to 1:30 pm Sunday
Thursday, 28 September - Sunday, 1 October 2023
Broken Bay Cathedral Precinct
27 Yardley Avenue Waitara

The Sydney Ignite Conference is your time. You are invited to join in four days of unforgettable Catholic music, speakers, dance, media, sacraments, workshops and worship. We invite the Holy Spirit to breathe Wonder into our lives, Church and nation together.

Join over 2,000 high schoolers, young adults, leaders, teachers, priests and religious taking part in a life changing encounter with God and His Church.

For full details check out www.igniteconference.com.au



Reminder: June frozen meal donations for the Father Chris Riley's Youth Off The Streets program should be dropped of at the Parish office **between 9am and 10am on Friday, 21 July 2023**. At 10am, the meals will be transported to Youth Off The Streets. Collections are scheduled for the third Friday of each month except January. Thank you for your support for this important program.



Please note that the office will be closed Monday 17 July.

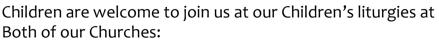
The office will re-open on Tuesday, 18 July at 8:30am. We will respond to you as soon as we can.

We thank you for your understanding.

Email: info@pymblecatholicparish.org.au

Phone: 9144 2702

Children's Liturgy at Pymble Parish





PYMBLE HOTEL



Ladies Dinner Out

7pm Friday 4 August 2023

Ladies of Sacred
Heart and Our
Lady of Perpetual
Succour are
invited to join in
for dinner and
drinks at the
Pymble Hotel
Bistro 1939

A great opportunity to catch up, chat and connect with friends old and new.

Buy your own meal and drinks.

If you need a lift there please let us know.

Please RSVP by Tuesday 1 August 2023 to the Parish office.

Pymble Catholic Parish 02 9144 2702





Blessed Francis Mary of the Cross Jordan (1848-1918), Priest and Founder of the Salvatorians Feast Day 21 July 2023



John Baptist Jordan was born into a poor family in Gurtweil, Germany. His family's poverty prevented him from completing his studies and entering a seminary and he spent some years working as an itinerant painter and labourer.

In time, he was able to begin seminary studies and he was ordained a priest on 21 July 1878. Father Jordan had demonstrated a proficiency with languages and his archbishop sent him to Rome to study Greek and Semitic languages.

Father Jordan became increasingly aware that God was calling him to establish a new apostolic work in the Church, envisioning a collaborative society of priests, religious and lay people who would promote the Catholic Faith throughout the world.

On 8 December 1881, Father Jordan and a small group of companions professed religious vows, establishing the "Apostolic Teaching Society", At the time of his profession, Father Jordan took the religious name "Francis Mary of the Cross".

A short time later, the Society came to include a group of religious women (this first group of sisters later became an independent community known as the Sisters of the Sorrowful Mother).

In the years that followed, the Society Father Jordan founded was transformed into two distinct religious communities, one including priests and brothers and the other, a new community of religious sisters. Given a new name and now dedicated to the Divine Saviour, these communities became known as the Salvatorians.

Father Jordan spent the remainder of his life governing the community of priests and brothers and overseeing the establishment of new missions in several countries, and the ongoing publishing and educational projects of the young community.

Blessed Francis Mary of the Cross died on 8 September 1918, in Fribourg, Switzerland, where he had been forced to relocate during the First World War. He was beatified on 15 May 2021.

Today, Salvatorian priests, brothers, sisters, and lay members serve in a myriad of ministries in more than 40 countries, inspired by Father Jordan's vision of collaboration and universality.

For reflection

"Be a true apostle of Jesus Christ. Do not rest until you have carried the Word of God to all the corners of the earth. Be a true herald of the Most High."

(Blessed Francis Mary of the Cross Jordan).

Prayer

We humbly ask you, almighty God, that at the intercession of blessed Francis Jordan you may multiply your gifts among us and order our days in peace.

Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever. Amen.

(From The Roman Missal: Common of Pastors)





GIFT A BIBLE

Would you like to help us Gift a Bible to a Child in Our Parish?

We are calling for donors to Gift a Bible to the State Primary School children in Years 5 and 6, and High School students in Years 7 to 10 that Pymble Catholic Parish Catechists teach each week.

Through the generosity of Fr Harry Davis's estate, the NRSVCE Bibles are subsidised and cost only \$14 each through the Diocese. Over 10,000 Bibles have been subsidised through his Estate in the last 15 years.

Our Schools - total 75 Bibles

Primary Schools: PPS, WPPS, GEPS, GWPS, and TPS – 50 Bibles

Turramurra High: 25 Bibles

Please note: We will keep you updated on the progress and if we receive more than required for this year's distribution, Bibles will be purchased this year for distribution in 2024.

We thank you in advance for your generosity in supporting the spreading of the Word of God.

To donate to this worthy cause, please head to:

https://www.bpoint.com.au/pay/pymbleparish, select "Other" and insert "Bible gift" as purpose of payment, or you can contact the Parish Office. Please contact the Parish Office for further information.



BYO food, drink and picnic equipment

Caley's Patio is a private garden bushland setting in the Wildflower Garden. The covered Patio overlooks an attractive garden area and has electric BBQs, tables and chairs. A children's playground is within walking distance.





Liturgy of the Word Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Entrance Antiphon

As for me, in justice I shall behold your face; I shall be filled with the vision of your glory.

First Reading

ls 55: 10-11

A reading from the prophet Isaiah

Thus says the Lord: 'As the rain and the snow come down from the heavens and do not return without watering the earth, making it yield and giving growth to provide seed for the sower and bread for the eating, so the word that goes from my mouth does not return to me empty, without carrying out my will and succeeding in what it was sent to do.'

Responsorial Psalm

(R.) The seed that falls on good ground will yield a fruitful harvest.

- You care for the earth, give it water, you fill it with riches.
 Your river in heaven brims over to provide its grain. (R.)
- And thus you provide for the earth; you drench its furrows, you level it, soften it with showers, you bless its growth. (R.)
- You crown the year with your goodness.
 Abundance flows in your steps,
 in the pastures of the wilderness it flows.
 (R.)
- 4. The hills are girded with joy, the meadows are covered with flock. the valleys are decked with wheat They shout for joy, yes, they sing. (R.)

Second Reading

Rom 8: 18-23

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Romans

I think that what we suffer in this life can never be compared to the glory, as yet unrevealed, which is waiting for us. The whole creation is eagerly waiting for God to reveal his sons. It was not for any fault on the part of creation that it was made unable to attain its purpose, it was made so by God; but creation still retains the hope of being freed, like us, from its slavery to decadence, to enjoy the same freedom and glory as the children of God. From the beginning till now the entire creation, as we know, has been groaning in one great act of giving birth; and not only creation, but all of us who possess the first-fruits of the Spirit, we too groan inwardly as we wait for our bodies to be set free.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

The seed is the word of God, Christ is the sower:

all who come to him will live for ever. *Alleluia!*

Gospel

Mt 13: 1-9 (shorter form)

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew

Jesus left the house and sat by the lakeside, but such crowds gathered round him that he got into a boat and sat there. The people all stood on the beach, and he told them many things in parables.

He said, 'Imagine a sower going out to sow. As he sowed, some seeds fell on the edge of the path, and the birds came and ate them up. Others fell on patches of rock where they found little soil and sprang up straight away, because there was no depth of earth; but as soon as the sun came up they were scorched and, not having any roots, they withered away. Others fell among thorns, and the thorns grew up and choked them. Others fell on rich soil and produced their crop, some a hundredfold, some sixty, some thirty. Listen, anyone who has ears!'

Gospel Reflection

Meditation: What is the best and easiest way to help people understand God's kingdom? Like the rabbis of his time, Jesus very frequently used parables - short stories and images taken from everyday life - to convey hidden truths about the kingdom of God. Like a skillful artist, Jesus sketched memorable pictures with short and simple words. A good image can speak more loudly and clearly than many words. Jesus used the ordinary everyday illustrations of life and nature to point to another order of reality hidden, yet visible to those who had "eyes to see" and "ears to hear". Jesus communicated with vivid illustrations which captured the imaginations of his audience more powerfully than any abstract presentation could. His parables are like buried treasure waiting to be discovered (Matthew 13:44).

What can the parable about seeds and roots teach us about the kingdom of God? Any farmer will attest to the importance of good soil for supplying nutrients for growth. And how does a plant get the necessary food and water it needs except by its roots? The Scriptures frequently use the image of fruit-bearing plants or trees to convey the principle of spiritual life and death. Blessed is the man who trusts in the Lord, whose trust is the Lord. He is like a tree planted by water, that sends out its roots by the stream, and does not fear when heat comes, for its leaves remain green, and is not anxious in the year of drought, for it does not cease to bear fruit.

How do you listen to God's word?

Jesus' parable of the sower is aimed at the hearers of his word. There are different ways of accepting God's word and they produce different kinds of fruit accordingly. There is the prejudiced hearer who has a shut mind. Such a person is unteachable and blind to what he or she doesn't want to hear. Then there is the shallow hearer. He or she fails to think things out or think them through; they lack depth. They may initially respond with an emotional reaction; but when it wears off their mind wanders to something else.

Another type of hearer is the person who has many interests or cares, but who lacks the ability to hear or comprehend what is truly important. Such a person is too busy to pray or too preoccupied to study and meditate on God's word. Then there is the one whose mind is open. Such a person is at all times willing to listen and to learn. He or she is never too proud or too busy to learn. They listen in order to understand. God gives grace to those who hunger for his word that they may understand his will and have the strength to live according to it. Do you hunger for God's word?

The refusal to believe and understand

Jesus told his disciples that not everyone would understand his parables. Did Jesus mean to say that he was deliberately confusing or hiding the meaning of his stories from his listeners? Very likely not. Jesus was speaking from experience. He was aware that some who heard his parables refused to understand them. It was not that they could not intellectually understand them, but rather, their hearts were closed to what Jesus was saying. They had already made up their minds to not believe. God can only reveal the secrets of his kingdom - that which is hidden to the spiritually blind - to those who hunger for God and humbly submit to his truth.

What can makes us ineffective or unresponsive to God's word? Preoccupation with other things can distract us from what is truly important and worthwhile. And letting our hearts and minds be consumed with material things can easily weigh us down and draw us away from the heavenly treasure that lasts for eternity. God's word can only take root in a receptive heart which is docile and ready to hear what God has to say.

How God's word takes root in us

The parables of Jesus will enlighten us if we approach them with an open mind and heart, ready to let them challenge us. If we approach them with the conviction that we already know the answer, then we, too, may look but not see, listen but not understand. God's word can only take root in a receptive heart that is ready to believe and willing to submit. Do you submit to God's word with trust and obedience?

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Pymble Parish Roster 22/23 July 2023					
Sacred Heart (Pymble)	Saturday 5.30pm	Sunday 7.45am	Sunday 9.30am	Sunday 6.oopm	
Acolytes	J Walton	C De Sousa	R Samson	A Wahab	
Altar Servers	A & W Rusak L & W Ng	H & A Liceralde	E Foote M Tamana	R Samson	
Music	A Castillo M Lulan	Quiet Mass	Volunteers	YOUTH	
Projector	J Witcombe	C Greedy	M Ortiz	G Jose	
Readers	M Collins	M Dias	Volunteers	Youth	
Altar Society	22 July: Daphne / Maria				

Counters 23 July: M Boland / J Li / J Challita

OLPS Saturday (West Pymble) 5.00pm		Sunday 9.00am	
Acolytes	J Pease	M D'Silva	
Altar Servers			
Readers	M Achurra	I Chisholm	
Music and Projector	K & P Rodrigues	M Mead K Haddrick D Blahut	
Altar Cloth	22 July: A Glover		

Children's Corner

Help Jesus tell the story of the farmer sowing the seed. Add words and pictures to the story. Some seed fell on the road



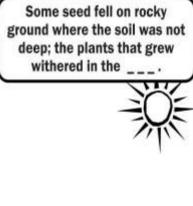
Which of these four plants is the one bearing fruit?

A farmer scattered ____ in a field.

Draw the farmer sowing seed.



Write down what happened to the seed.



Draw what happened to the seed which fell on rocky ground.

The Word of God is like seed that needs good soil. How can we be like good soil for this seed?

Some seed fell among thorns, which choked the plants that grew.



Draw thorns choking the plants.

But some seed fell on good ground and...

Write down what happened to the seed that fell on good ground and draw a picture of it.



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