



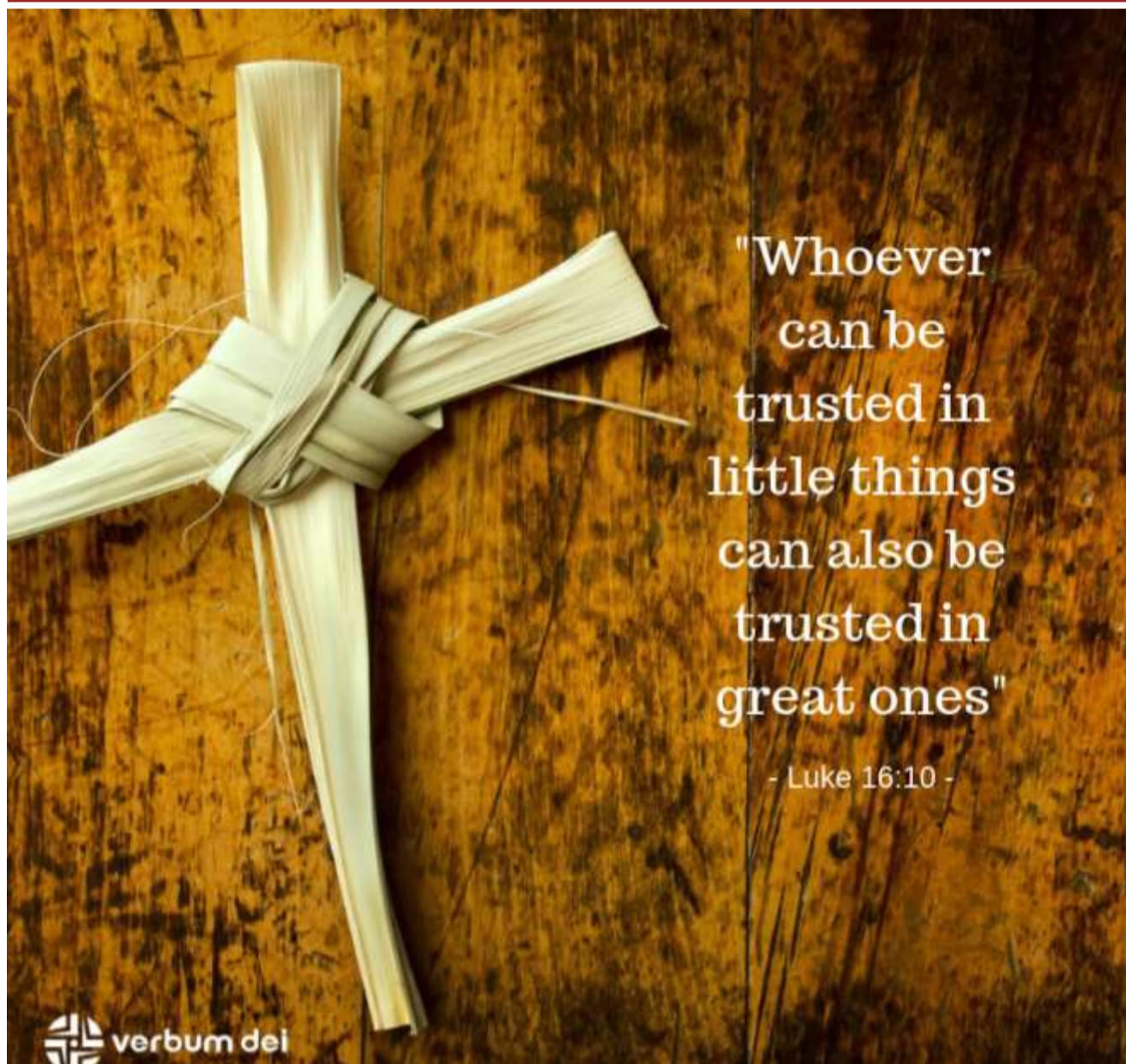
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Building a Christ-centred community of Love and Mercy

Pymble Parish is under the Pastoral care of the Salvatorian Fathers

CELEBRATING JUBILEE YEAR



Faithful in the Little Things

Gracious God,
You have entrusted us with many gifts—time, talents, and treasures. Teach us to be wise stewards, faithful in the little things, so that we may be trustworthy with greater things.
Help us to serve You above all, not wealth or worldly gain, but with hearts devoted to Your kingdom.
May our choices reflect Your truth, and may we always seek to honour You in all we do.
Amen.

Baptisms at Pymble Parish



Our upcoming Baptism Formation Class will be held on:

**Sunday, 12 October 2025
at 10:30am
at Sacred Heart Church**

Bookings are essential, please contact the Parish office on 9144 2702 or via email on office@pymblecatholicparish.org.au



Pope Leo XIV's official prayer intention for September

For our relationship with all of creation

Let us pray that, inspired by Saint Francis, we might experience our interdependence with all creatures who are loved by God and worthy of love and respect.



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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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!

A warm welcome to all our Parishioners and visitors who are participating in Mass with us this weekend.



WHAT’S ON IN OUR PARISH THIS WEEK

<p>Saturday, 20 September <i>Sts Andrew Kim Tae-gon, priest, martyr, Paul Chong Ha-sang & companions, martyrs (Memorial)</i> 9:00am Mass at OLPS with Morning Prayer (Breviary) 3:00pm First Eucharist Formation Class #1 (Bookings required) 5:00pm Mass at OLPS</p> <p>Sunday, 21 September 8:00am Mass at OLPS (quiet) 9:30am Mass at Sacred Heart 10:30am Baptism formation class 10:30am Prayer Ministry at Sacred Heart 5:30pm Reconciliation at Sacred Heart 6:00pm Mass at Sacred Heart</p> <p>Tuesday, 23 September <i>St Pius of Pietrelcina, priest (Memorial)</i> 9:00am Mass at Sacred Heart 7:30pm Charismatic Prayer Group</p> <p>Wednesday, 24 September 9:00am Mass at Sacred Heart</p>	<p>Thursday, 25 September 9:00am Mass at Sacred Heart 6:30pm Serra Mass and Meeting</p> <p>Friday, 26 September <i>Sts Cosmas and Damian, martyrs (Optional)</i> 9:00am Mass at Sacred Heart followed by Adoration and Litany to the Sacred Heart of Jesus 10:00am Bible Study</p> <p>Saturday, 27 September <i>St Vincent de Paul, priest (Memorial)</i> 9:00am Mass at OLPS with Morning Prayer (Breviary) 5:00pm Mass at OLPS</p> <p>Sunday, 28 September <i>World Refugees and Migration Day</i> <i>Jubilee of Catechists</i> 8:00am Mass at OLPS (quiet) 9:30am Mass at Sacred Heart 5:30pm Reconciliation at Sacred Heart 6:00pm Mass at Sacred Heart</p> <p><i>The Rosary is recited after all weekday Masses at Sacred Heart Church and 9am Saturday Mass at OLPS</i></p>
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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.

<p>Recently Deceased: Jim Harrison, Joe Woods, Waleria Kołodziej, Dolly McCann, Fr Chris Riley, John Makepeace, Jerald D’Cunha, Philomena De Souza, Celeste Guerrera, Anne Maxworthy, Peter Tansey, Pope Francis, Dianne McGirr</p>
<p>Death Anniversaries: Alfonso Fuente-Marchat, Victor Hugo Aguilera, Justin Whitehorse, Maria Piwowar, Carmel Nola Conway, John English, Manel Perera, Keith & Marie Burt, Tony Dixon, Clare Rogerson, Ranjan Fernando, Roshan Perera, Ron Chandler, Chris Drinkwater</p>
<p>Prayers for the sick: Janusz Czech, Elliot Leahy, Iris Garate-Marchant, Antonios Ghabach, Mrs Mary Sidaway, Pamela Seaman, Joseph Hendryjanto, Margaret Browne, Danny Ung</p>
<p>Weekly prayer intention: This week we pray for the children who commencing their preparation for their First Eucharist. Father, open their hearts so that they can understand this wonderful gift that Jesus is offering them in the Sacrament. Amen.</p> <p>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.</p>

Serra Vocations Prayer Calendar-September 2025						
Please pray daily for all clergy using the prayer provided on the side. Additionally, say a prayer each day for the priests listed in the calendar below .						
Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun
1 Fr Paul Finucane	2 Fr Paul Durkin	3 Fr Bogdan Skupien Fr Eliseus Shin	4 Fr Chima Ofor	5 Marek Woldan	6 Fr Joshi Naduppura	7 Fr Philip Thottam MSFS
8 Fr Grzegorz (Greg) Skulski SDS	9 Fr Bronisław (Bronek) Pietrusewicz SDS	10 Fr Ryszard (Richard) Sadowski SDS	11 Fr Zygmunt Smigowski SDS	12 Fr Bill Stevens	13 Fr Harry Kennedy	14 Fr Stephen Hamilton
15 Fr Rex Curry	16 Fr Jack Robson	17 Fr Stan Skibicki	18 Fr Robert Brogan	19 Fr Geoff Bugden	20 Sr Marea Ross rsj	21 Sr Josefa Mabine OSA Sr Jenifer Canillas OSA
22 Seminarians ShayneD’Cunha	23 Seminarians Matthew French Tan Nguyen	24 Seminarians Victor Atuhura Huy Tran	25 Fr Robert Crawford	26 Sr Ann Duncan rsj	27 Fr Carmelo Sciberas	28 Fr Jim Tierney
29 Fr Clem Hill Fr Terry Johns	30 Sister Damian Lai					

DAILY PRAYER
FOR
VOCATIONS



Heavenly Father, we praise You for Your goodness and thank You for Your gifts. Help us respond to and live out our mission in the Church. Assist all Your people to know their vocation in life and help them to prepare for it. Call many to be priests, deacons and consecrated men and women for Your greater glory, and for the service of Your people. Give those whom You call the grace to respond generously and to persevere faithful. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Sacred Heart School Car Park Works

26 September - 8 October

Please note that Sacred Heart School will be undertaking some plumbing work in the carpark area between the Bobbin Head Road car park and the Bannockburn Road car park from **26 September 2025**. We have been advised that there will no vehicle access between the two carparks.

Both carparks will still be available for parking, however only pedestrian access will be available between the two carparks during this time. We thank you for your understanding and patience.

BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS


Sunday, 19 October 9:30am

Sacred Heart Church, Pymble

In celebration of the Feast of St Francis of Assisi, the Patron Saint of Animals, we will be celebrating a special Mass for our pets and their owners.

We will commence the day with a Mass at Sacred Heart Church, followed by the Blessing of good health and wellbeing of our furry friends outside the Church following Mass.

All animals must be leashed or in a crate, and must remain outside of the Church building at all times. If your beloved animal is unable to make it, you're welcome to bring a photo of them for a blessing.





PRAYER MINISTRY

"Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest"
Matthew 11:28

Would you like someone to join with you in prayer? We would love to pray with you and for you.

The Charismatic Prayer Group invite you to join with a Prayer Ministry team of two people who will pray for your intention.

There are no formalities, please come along or stay after Mass and join in prayer in the crying room at Sacred Heart Pymble after the 9:30am Mass on each 3rd Sunday of the month.

Dates for 2025 are: September 21, October 19, November 16, and December 21.

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LECTIO: GOD

What do we mean when we say "God"?



Invitation

You are invited to join our nine part series **What do we mean when we say "God"?** with Elizabeth Klein

Topics

The series topics include:

- I Am Who I Am
- The Lord Our God is One
- The Likeness of the Glory of the Lord
- The Love of God
- Who is Jesus Christ?
- One God in Three Persons
- I and the Father Are One
- God is Love
- Question and Answer

For further information:

 **(02) 9144 2702**

Context

Misconceptions about God abound, even among Christians, and these misconceptions can become obstacles in our relationship with God. Join Assistant Professor Elizabeth Klein for a study of Scripture that will lead to a clearer awareness of who God is, and equipping you to share with others.

Join In

Please join in with this opportunity to learn, share your thoughts and to get to know others in our Parish community.

7pm alternate Tuesday evenings
Sacred Heart Church Pymble
Next event 16 September 2025

Elizabeth Klein

Dr Klein specialises in the writings of St Augustine. She completed her PhD from the University of Notre Dame in 2016, and joined the Augustine Institute in 2017.



YEAR 12

Invitation

All Year 12 Students

Year 12 students and their families are invited to come together at Mass to celebrate the Year 12 work and preparation for the coming HSC exam period.

Mass will be followed by a BBQ, please bring a plate/drinks to share. For further information please contact Louise Johnston at 0413 137 534.

5pm, Saturday, 11 October 2025

Our Lady of Perpetual Succour Church
64 Kendall Street West Pymble | 02 9144 2702

Is God Calling You to Make a Difference In Vocations Ministry?



SERRA VOCATIONS MASS AND DINNER MEETING

THURSDAY 25 SEPTEMBER 2025

AT SACRED HEART CHURCH PYMBLE

COMMENCING WITH MASS AT 6:30 PM

Our Mass Celebrant will be our Diocesan Vocations Director Fr Joey Frez. After dinner, Father will provide a vocations update and share his vocation journey.

EVERYONE IS WELCOME, SO PLEASE COME AND SEE.

Please remember to pray every day for vocations to the priesthood, diaconate, the consecrated life, ecclesial women, all seminarians, novices, and for the residence of Joseph House Discernment Centre. Please also pray for the perseverance of existing vocations.

For catering purposes kindly telephone Anna Leung on **0478 083 116** or email annaytleung@yahoo.com.au or telephone Terry Scanlan on **0438 887 295** or email terry_scanlan@bigpond.com if you are planning to attend.



We are in the early stages of planning a **TRIVIA NIGHT** and **ONLINE AUCTION** for Saturday, 8 November, and are seeking **donations of any gifts and prizes that can be raffled or auctioned**. We would be grateful if you could contribute by donating any of the following:

- Wines & spirits
- Restaurant or Store Vouchers
- Homewares & Electrical Goods
- Non-perishable gourmet foods (that can contribute to hampers)
- Hampers
- Family Experiences
- Vouchers for services that your business offers, e.g. cleaning, hairdressing, tutoring, physio, massages and more

Items can be delivered to any of the weekend Masses or the Parish Office during office hours. Please contact the Parish Office if you have any questions.



Thank You

We extend our heartfelt thanks to our parishioner for the incredible gift of a handcrafted pulpit, made especially for the OLPS Church. Your generosity and talent have blessed our parish with a sacred piece that is a valued addition to our beautiful Church.



Projector Volunteers Needed

Having the mass readings, congregation responses, prayers and hymns on the screen is an important aspect of our weekend masses. But at both churches we are getting desperately short of projector volunteers that drive these via the church laptop and we are down to only two volunteers across each mass time.

If you think you can help with this function, please contact the parish office or drop by and talk to the projectionist after mass.

It is not a difficult job, anyone comfortable with the basic operations of a laptop, iPad or smartphone will find it straightforward. The system is very reliable and we will provide the little bit of training you need. Be brave, give it a go and don't worry about making mistakes.

Children's Liturgy

At Children's Liturgy last Sunday, the children learnt that the Exaltation of the Holy Cross can be understood in 2 parts.

That God made the ultimate selfless sacrifice of Jesus Christ on the cross so that we can be saved. This is because He loves us so much.

And that the cross upon which Jesus died for us, has become a triumph symbol that should be lifted high in worship, praise and adoration. The children made origami crosses and held them high in worship at offertory.





Liturgy of the Word

Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Year C

Entrance Antiphon

I am the salvation of the people, says the Lord.
Should they cry to me in any distress,
I will hear them, and I will be their Lord for ever.

First Reading Amos 8: 4-7

A reading from the prophet Amos

Listen to this, you who trample on the needy
and try to suppress the poor people of the country,
you who say, ‘When will New Moon be over
so that we can sell our corn,
and Sabbath, so that we can market our wheat?
Then by lowering the bushel, raising the shekel,
by swindling and tampering with the scales,
we can buy up the poor for money,
and the needy for a pair of sandals,
and get a price even for the sweepings of the wheat.’
The Lord swears it by the pride of Jacob,
‘Never will I forget a single thing you have done.’

Responsorial Psalm Ps 112: 1-2, 4-8 R. vv 1, 7

(R.) Praise the Lord who lifts up the poor.

- 1. Praise, O servants of the Lord,
praise the name of the Lord!
May the name of the Lord be blessed
both now and for evermore! **(R.)**
- 2. High above all nations is the Lord,
above the heavens his glory.
Who is like the Lord, our God,
who has risen on high to his throne
yet stoops from the heights to look down,
to look down upon heaven and earth? **(R.)**
- 3. From the dust he lifts up the lowly,
from the dungheap he raises the poor
to set him in the company of princes,
yes, with the princes of his people. **(R.)**

Second Reading 1 Timothy 2: 1-8

A reading from the first letter of St Paul to Timothy

My advice is that, first of all, there should be prayers offered for everyone – petitions, intercessions and thanksgiving – and especially for kings and others in authority, so that we may be able to live religious and reverent lives in peace and quiet. To do this is right, and will please God our saviour: he wants everyone to be saved and reach full knowledge of the truth. For there is only one God, and there is only one mediator between God and mankind, himself a man, Christ Jesus, who sacrificed himself as a ransom for them all. He is the evidence of this, sent at the appointed time, and I have been named a herald and apostle of it and – I am telling the

truth and no lie – a teacher of the faith and the truth to the pagans.

In every place, then, I want the men to lift their hands up reverently in prayer, with no anger or argument.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!
Jesus Christ was rich but he became poor,
to make you rich out of his poverty.
Alleluia!

Gospel Luke 16: 1-13

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke

Jesus said to his disciples: ‘There was a rich man and he had a steward who was denounced to him for being wasteful with his property. He called for the man and said, “What is this I hear about you? Draw me up an account of your stewardship because you are not to be my steward any longer.” Then the steward said to himself, “Now that my master is taking the stewardship from me, what am I to do? Dig? I am not strong enough. Go begging? I should be too ashamed. Ah, I know what I will do to make sure that when I am dismissed from office there will be some to welcome me into their homes.”

‘Then he called his master’s debtors one by one. To the first he said, “How much do you owe my master?” “One hundred measures of oil,” was the reply. The steward said, “Here, take your bond; sit down straight away and write fifty.” To another he said, “And you, sir, how much do you owe?” “One hundred measures of wheat,” was the reply. The steward said, “Here, take your bond and write eighty.”

‘The master praised the dishonest steward for his astuteness. For the children of this world are more astute in dealing with their own kind than are the children of light.

‘And so I tell you this: use money, tainted as it is, to win you friends, and thus make sure that when it fails you, they will welcome you into the tents of eternity. The man who can be trusted in little things can be trusted in great; the man who is dishonest in little things will be dishonest in great. If then you cannot be trusted with money, that tainted thing, who will trust you with genuine riches? And if you cannot be trusted with what is not yours, who will give you what is your very own?

‘No servant can be the slave of two masters: he will either hate the first and love the second, or treat the first with respect and the second with scorn. You cannot be the slave both of God and of money.’

Gospel Reflection

The necessity of prudent foresight to avert disaster

Before news of his dismissal became public knowledge, the shrewd steward struck a deal with his master's debtors. In discounting their debts he probably was giving up his generous commission. Such a deal won him great favor with the debtors. Since the steward acted as the landowner's agent, such a deal made his master look very generous and forgiving towards those who owned him money. Surely everyone would praise such a generous landowner as the town hero! Since the master could not undo the steward's cancellation of the debts without losing face and making his debtors resent him, he praised the steward for outwitting him and making him appear as a generous and merciful landowner.

Generous giving is rewarded with treasure that lasts forever

What's the point of Jesus' parable? Jesus did not praise the steward for his dishonest behaviour but for his shrewd foresight in relieving the debts of others who he believed would, in turn, treat him as a friend and show him mercy, kindness, and generosity in his time of need and great want. Jesus immediately followed this parable with an exhortation to his followers to make use of the world's material goods, including "tainted money", to relieve those who are indebted to us for the material and physical help we give them in their time of need and want. In the Scriptures generous giving is connected with alms giving - the sharing of our financial and material resources with those in need. God who sees all, rewards those who are generous in helping others.

True generosity does not impoverish - but enriches the giver

What is the enemy of generosity? It's greed, the excessive desire for personal gain and security. However, we do not need to be afraid for true generosity does not impoverish the giver, but enriches that person a hundredfold! Generosity expands the soul - but greed contracts it. God is generous and superabundant in lavishing his gifts upon us. We can never outmatch God in generosity. He has given us the best of gifts in sending us his only-begotten Son, the Lord Jesus Christ, who offered up his life for us on the cross. The Father also offers us the gift of the Holy Spirit who fills us with the fruit of peace, joy, patience, kindness, love, and self-control - and many other blessings as well. Everything we have is an outright gift of God.

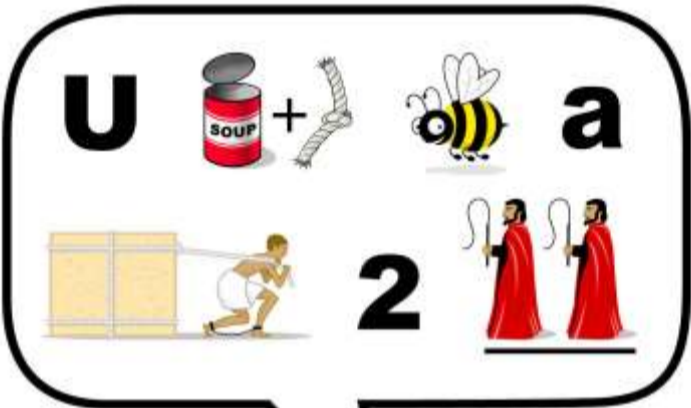
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Pymble Parish Roster - 27 & 28 September 2025		
Sacred Heart (Pymble)	Sunday 9:30am	Sunday 6pm
Acolytes	N Axalan	J Stanawski
Altar Servers	A & L Centofanti	A Perera
Readers	R Pazniewski	R Samson
Altar Society	27 September: Susan / Beth	
Counters	28 September: J Witcombe / M Tang / M Boland	
OLPS (West Pymble)	Saturday 5:00pm	Sunday 8:00am
Acolytes	C Parbury	M D'Silva
Altar Servers	Volunteers needed	Volunteers needed
Readers	A Leung	C Delaney
Altar Cloth	27 September A Glover	

Children's Corner



Try to decipher this teaching that Jesus gave to his disciples.



“If you’re honest in small things, you’ll be honest in big things; If you’re a crook in small things, you’ll be a crook in big things.” (Luke 16: 10)

Do you know what a white lie is? It’s the kind that doesn’t seem very important, like when you tell your mum you’re coming when she calls, even though you’re not. White lies might not seem to matter. After all, what harm do they do? If you notice yourself telling small lies like these, however, ask yourself: Do I want to be good, or do I just want to seem good? What do you think God wants?

Please guide my words today, Lord.

Draw a picture of something that you are trusted to do every week.



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How can money be used badly?

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Parish Safeguarding

Dear Parishioners,

We take our responsibility to safeguard the vulnerable, whether they be children, the young, the elderly or the disabled very seriously. We work to ensure that no one is taken advantage of within our Parish.

If you have any concern about the treatment of a child, young person or anyone within our parish environment, please approach myself directly or Claudia within the parish office on 02 9144 2702.

Alternatively, you may wish to contact Pamela Sweeney, Safeguarding Manager (Chancery & Churches) on 02 8379 1651.

Yours in Christ,

Fr Ireneusz Czech SDS

Children, the young, and the vulnerable must be safe

Supported by adults who ...

CARE for us as we are a precious gift from God

RESPECT our rights, abilities, contributions, needs and wishes

ASK us how we are feeling and what we are thinking, ask us what we need

LISTEN to what we are really saying

TELL us about dangers – and what's being done to protect us

SEE what other adults are doing, and how they are behaving

DO what they are supposed to do and what they say they will do

STEP UP AND SPEAK OUT when we are being hurt, bullied or treated badly.

"Christ has no hands, no feet on earth but yours. Yours are the eyes through which he looks with compassion on this world."

- attributed to St Teresa of Ávila



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