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CELEBRATING JUBILEE YEAR



Prayer for Compassion & Generosity

Heavenly Father,
You teach us through Your Son to see
the poor and suffering
with compassion.
Open our eyes to those in need
around us,
and soften our hearts to share Your
blessings generously.
Help us to listen to Your Word
and live with mercy,
so that, trusting in Your promise,
we may one day rejoice with You
in heaven.
Through Christ our Lord.
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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Reminder!
**DON'T FORGET TO
SPRING FORWARD**

Daylight Savings
Begins
Next Weekend



Please set
your clocks
ahead 1
hour

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



Saturday, 27 September	Thursday, 2 October
<i>St Vincent de Paul, priest (Memorial)</i>	<i>The Holy Guardian Angels (Memorial)</i>
9:00am Mass at OLPS with Morning Prayer (Breviary)	9:00am Mass at Sacred Heart
5:00pm Mass at OLPS	
Sunday, 28 September	Friday, 3 October
<i>World Refugees and Migration Day</i>	9:00am Mass at Sacred Heart followed by First Friday Devotion with Adoration and Litany to the Sacred Heart of Jesus
<i>Jubilee of Catechists</i>	10:00am Bible Study
8:00am Mass at OLPS (quiet)	
9:30am Mass at Sacred Heart	
5:30pm Reconciliation at Sacred Heart	
6:00pm Mass at Sacred Heart	
Tuesday, 30 September	Saturday, 4 October
<i>St Jerome, priest, doctor (Memorial)</i>	<i>St Francis of Assisi (Memorial)</i>
9:00am Mass at Sacred Heart	9:00am Mass at OLPS followed by the First Saturday Devotion with Adoration and Prayers for New Vocations and Religious Life
7:30pm Charismatic Prayer Group	5:00pm Mass at OLPS
Wednesday, 1 October	Sunday, 5 October
<i>St Therese of the Child Jesus, virgin, doctor (Memorial)</i>	8:00am Mass at OLPS (quiet)
9:00am Mass at Sacred Heart	9:30am Mass at Sacred Heart
7:00pm Pymble Men's Fellowship Meeting	5:00pm Taize with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
7:00pm Salvatorian Collaborators Meeting	5:30pm Reconciliation at Sacred Heart
7:30pm St Vincent de Paul meeting	6:00pm Mass at Sacred Heart
	<i>The Rosary is recited after all weekday Masses at Sacred Heart Church and 9am Saturday Mass at OLPS</i>

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.

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

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

Graham Lynch, Janusz Czech, Elliot Leahy, Iris Garate-Marchant, Antonios Ghabach, Mrs Mary Sidaway, Pamela Seaman, Joseph Hendryjanto, Margaret Browne, Danny Ung

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.

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.

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 Bishop Anthony Randazzo	2 Bishop Emeritus David Walker	3 Bishop Emeritus Robert McGuckin	4 Fr Colin Blayney	5 Fr Stephen Hill
6 Fr Timothy Raj MSFS	7 Fr Alex Peter MSFS	8 Fr Vincent Lourduswamy MSFS	9 Fr Michael Belonio OSA	10 Fr Michael Sullivan OSA	11 Fr Jumbin Torres OSA	12 Fr John Zhang OSA
13 Father Van Tu Nguyen OSA	14 Fr Robert Borg	15 Fr Jim McKeon	16 Fr Aldrin Valdehueza	17 Fr Vince Casey Fr John Hill	18 Fr Greg Chee OCD	19 Fr Gerard Moran OCD
20 Fr Sunny Peackal OCD	21 Fr Restituto Ogsimer cs	22 Fr Jose Aliro Gutierrez cs	23 Fr Savino Bernardi cs	24 Deacon Roberto Corpuz	25 Deacon Richard Houwing	26 Deacon Adrian Gomez
27 Deacon Paul Simmons	28 Deacon Peter McCulloch	29 Deacon Kevin Hale Deacon Kevin McGregor	30 Fr Ireneusz Czech SDS	31 Fr Brendan Lee		

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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.

Projectionist 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.



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: October 19, November 23, 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

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.

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

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.



7pm alternate Tuesday evenings
Sacred Heart Church Pymble
Next event 14 October 2025

For further information:

 **(02) 9144 2702**

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2 RICHARD PORTER WAY PYMBLE

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

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. Please join us!

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.

We'll be having a special morning tea following the Special Mass. Everyone is welcome!

Fr Rozo Palić

You are invited to join with Croatian-born Fr Rosario (Rozo) Palić speaking on the power of God's love, a progression to holiness and healing. Fr Palić is visiting from Clonmel, Tipperary, Ireland.

9:00am
Mass, Talk, Healing

Sacred Heart Church
2 Richard Porter Way
Pymble



FRIDAY
24 OCTOBER
2025

TRIVIA NIGHT & ONLINE AUCTION

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.

Congratulations to Tania and Jo!

We are so incredibly proud to share the news that our very own **Tania McLeod-Yu** has been awarded the **2025 NSW Volunteer of the Year Awards** in the Adult Volunteer of the Year Category. On Friday, 19 September in Hornsby, Tania was recognised among inspiring volunteers who dedicate their time, energy, and compassion to serving the community. Tania will be familiar to you all as she is a senior server for our Parish, and regularly helps out at our events. She also spends a lot of her time visiting the elderly and bringing Communion to them.

We are also excited to share that **Joanna Burdajewicz** has been nominated for the inaugural **Women's Leadership and Inspiration Award 2025**. Each nominee has made an extraordinary contribution to our community through leadership, advocacy and resilience.

Joanna has been recognised for her dedication to women's health and wellbeing across NSW, as well as her leadership within our parish and community, fostering both physical and spiritual health. Jo takes an active part in our parish, and is our current Chairperson of our Parish Pastoral Council.

Congratulations to both Jo and Tania for your amazing efforts in our parish and wider community! We are grateful for your service to our parish!

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!



Liturgy of the Word

Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Year C

Entrance Antiphon

All that you have done to us, O Lord,
you have done with true judgement,
for we have sinned against you
and not obeyed your commandments.
But give glory to your name
and deal with us according to the bounty of
your mercy.

First Reading Amos 8: 4-7

A reading from the prophet Amos

The almighty Lord says this:

Woe to those ensconced so snugly in Zion
and to those who feel so safe on the mountain
of Samaria.
Lying on ivory beds
and sprawling on their divans,
they dine on lambs from the flock,
and stall-fattened veal;
they bawl to the sound of the harp,
they invent new instruments of music like
David,
they drink wine by the bowlful,
and use the finest oil for anointing themselves,
but about the ruin of Joseph they do not care
at all.
That is why they will be the first to be exiled;
the sprawler’s revelry is over.

Responsorial Psalm Ps 145: 6-10 R. v 2

(R.) Praise the Lord, my soul!

1. It is the Lord who keeps faith for ever,
who is just to those who are oppressed.
It is he who gives bread to the hungry,
the Lord, who sets prisoners free. **(R.)**
2. It is the Lord who gives sight to the blind,
who raises up those who are bowed
down.
It is the Lord who loves the just,
the Lord, who protects the stranger. **(R.)**
3. He upholds the widow and orphan
but thwarts the path of the wicked.
The Lord will reign for ever,
Zion’s God, from age to age. **(R.)**

Second Reading 1 Timothy 6: 11-16

A reading from the first letter of St Paul to Timothy

As a man dedicated to God, you must aim to
be saintly and religious, filled with faith and
love, patient and gentle. Fight the good fight
of the faith and win for yourself the eternal life
to which you were called when you made your
profession and spoke up for the truth in front
of many witnesses. Now, before God the
source of all life and before Jesus Christ, who
spoke up as a witness for the truth in front
of Pontius Pilate, I put to you the duty of doing
all that you have been told, with no faults or
failures, until the Appearing of our Lord Jesus
Christ,

who at the due time will be revealed
by God, the blessed and only Ruler of all,
the King of kings and the Lord of lords,
who alone is immortal,
whose home is in inaccessible light,
whom no man has seen and no man is able to
see:
to him be honour and everlasting power.
Amen.

Gospel Acclamation 2 Corinthians 8:9

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

Gospel Luke 16: 19-31

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke

Jesus said to the Pharisees: ‘There was a rich
man who used to dress in purple and fine linen
and feast magnificently every day. And at his
gate there lay a poor man called Lazarus,
covered with sores, who longed to fill himself
with the scraps that fell from the rich man’s
table. Dogs even came and licked his sores.
Now the poor man died and was carried away
by angels to the bosom of Abraham. The rich
man also died and was buried.

‘In his torment in Hades he looked up and
saw Abraham a long way off with Lazarus in
his bosom. So he cried out, “Father Abraham,
pity me and send Lazarus to dip the tip of his
finger in water and cool my tongue, for I am in
agony in these flames.” “My
son,” Abraham replied “remember that during
your life good things come your way, just as
bad things came the way of Lazarus. Now he is
being comforted here while you are in agony.
But that is not all: between us and you a great
gulf has been fixed, to stop anyone, if he
wanted to, crossing from our side to yours,
and to stop any crossing from your side to
ours.”

‘The rich man replied, “Father, I beg you then
to send Lazarus to my father’s house, since I
have five brothers, to give them warning, so
that they do not come to this place of torment
too.” “They have Moses and the prophets,”
said Abraham “let them listen to them.” “Ah
no, father Abraham,” said the rich man “but if
someone comes to them from the dead, they
will repent.” Then Abraham said to him, “If
they will not listen either to Moses or to the
prophets, they will not be convinced even if
someone should rise from the dead.”’

Gospel Reflection

Meditation: What most absorbs your time,
your attention, and your heart? In the parable
of the rich man who refused to help the
beggar named Lazarus Jesus paints a dramatic
scene of contrasts - riches and poverty,
heaven and hell, compassion and indifference,

inclusion and exclusion. We also see an abrupt
and dramatic reversal of fortune. Lazarus was
not only poor and a beggar, he was also sick
and unable to fend for himself. He was "laid"
at the gates of the rich man's house. The dogs
which licked his sores probably also stole the
little bread he got for himself. Dogs in the
ancient world symbolized contempt. Enduring
the torment of these savage dogs only added
to the poor man's miseries and sufferings.

The rich man treated the beggar with
contempt and indifference, until he found his
fortunes reversed at the end of his life! In
God's economy, those who hold on
possessively to what they have, lose it all in
the end, while those who share generously
receive back many times more than they gave
away.

Hope in God and his merciful help

The name *Lazarus* means *God is my help*.
Despite a life of misfortune and suffering,
Lazarus did not lose hope in God. His eyes
were set on a treasure stored up for him in
heaven. The rich man, however, could not see
beyond his material wealth and possessions.
He not only had every thing he needed, he
selfishly spent all he had on himself. He was
too absorbed in what he possessed to notice
the needs of those around him. He lost sight
of God and the treasure of heaven because he
was preoccupied with seeking happiness in
material things. He served wealth rather than
God. In the end the rich man became a
beggar!

Do you know the joy and freedom of
possessing God as your true and lasting
treasure? Those who put their hope and
security in the kingdom of heaven will not be
disappointed (see Hebrews 6:19).

***Lord Jesus, you are my joy and my treasure.
Make me rich in the things of your heavenly
kingdom and give me a generous heart that I
may freely share with others the spiritual and
material treasures you have given to me.***

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To access Fr Irek’s homily on
YouTube, please scan the
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Pymble Parish Roster - 4 & 5 October 2025		
Sacred Heart (Pymble)	Sunday 9:30am	Sunday 6pm
Acolytes	C Wawrzyniak	T McLeod
Altar Servers	G Awad / A Down	W Ng
Readers	B Allen	L Ng
Altar Society	4 October:	
Counters	5 October: G Hugh / T Scanlan / P Ward	
OLPS (West Pymble)	Saturday 5:00pm	Sunday 8:00am
Acolytes	J Pease	I Chisholm
Altar Servers	E Chea	Volunteers needed
Readers	J Pease	I Chisholm
Altar Cloth	4 October: P Ryan	

Children's Corner

What happened to the rich man when he died?

What should the rich man have done while he was still living on earth?



Jesus wants us to listen to him. In what ways can we listen to God? Draw yourself listening to God.

Help the angels take Lazarus up to heaven.



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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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