

PYMBLE CATHOLIC PARISH

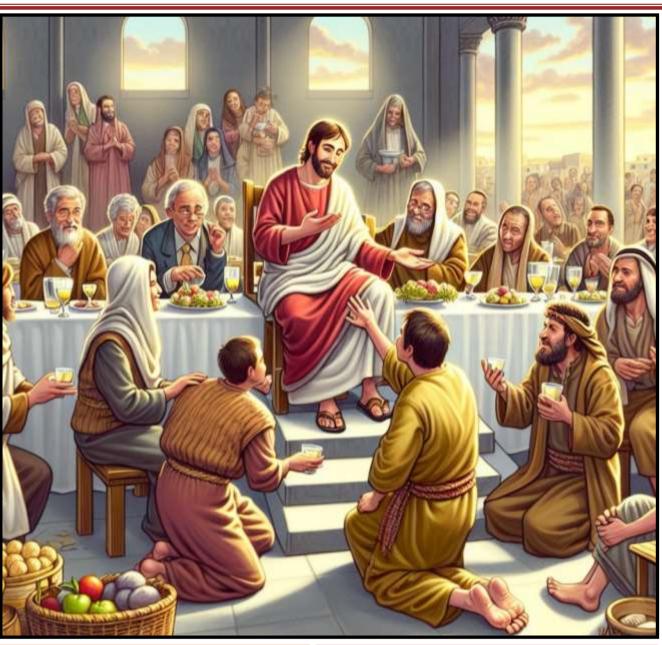
SACRED HEART & OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL SUCCOUR

Building a Christ-centred community of Love and Mercy

Pymble Parish is under the Pastoral care of the Salvatorian Fathers

CELEBRATING JUBILEE YEAR





Prayer for the blessed fruits of Regional Chapter of the Salvatorian Community in Australia

Come, Holy Spirit, Breath of the Divine Saviour, fill our hearts as we gather for our Regional Chapter. Immerse us deeply in the love and mission of Jesus, that we may walk faithfully with Him on our missionary journey in Australia. Inspire us with courage, wisdom, and unity. Guide our discernment with clarity and compassion. Where there is fear, sow peace; where there is doubt, plant hope. Let your presence renew our zeal, that we may be true witnesses of Christ's saving love among all peoples and cultures. Empower our words and actions so that all we do may flow from communion with You, and bear lasting fruit for the Kingdom. Mary, Spouse of the Spirit, intercede for us as we follow your Son with humble hearts and open hands. Amen.

Blessed Francis Jordan pray for us **Blessed Mary of the Apostles** pray for us

Baptisms at Pymble Parish BAPTISM

Our upcoming Baptism Formation Class will be held on:

Sunday, 14 September 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

We welcome to Pymble Parish
the newest members of
our community
Alfred,
Oliver & Ariana

who will be baptised this weekend at our Parish.



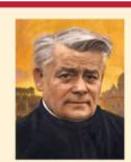
Pope Leo XIV's official prayer intention for August is:

For mutual coexistence

Let us pray that societies where coexistence seems more difficult might not succumb to the temptation of confrontation for ethnic, political, religious or ideological reasons.

A warm welcome to all our Parishioners and visitors who are participating in Mass 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: **Reconciliation:**

Tuesday - Friday 8:45am Sunday: 9:30 am, 6:00 pm Sunday 9:15am, 5:30 pm

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

Weekend: **Reconciliation:**

Saturday: 9:00 am Saturday 9:30am, 4:45am

Saturday: 5:00 pm (Vigil Mass) Sunday 7:45am

Sunday: 8:00 am (Quiet Mass)

Contact details

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Telephone: (02) 9144 2702

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

Office hours: Monday to Thursday 8:30am to 3:30pm &

Friday 9am to 3:30pm

For information about Weddings please contact the Parish Office. For information about the sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation, Reconciliation and First Eucharist, please contact Rebecca

Giving at the Parish

The **First Collection** goes to the upkeep of the clergy, Salvatorian Regional Office and the Broken Bay Diocese sustentation funds.

The **Second Collection** goes towards maintaining our Churches and the upkeep of the Parish, supporting the ministries of our Parish (including our Sacramental programs and Catechist work), helping us continue our good works.

Thank you for your ongoing support.



First Collection

Second Collection

Parish Primary Schools

Sacred Heart

Principal: Kerry Paxton **Telephone:** (02) 7256 2142 www.shpdbb.catholic.edu.au

Our Lady of Perpetual Succour

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





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FIND OUT MORE...

In a tradition reaching back to 1940, the Australian Catholic Bishops release major social justice statements each year in time for Social Justice Sunday. Through this tradition they contribute to the development of local Catholic Social Teaching. The statements encourage the Catholic community to reflect and act on social, economic and ecological issues. They remind us of the social dimension of the mission of the Church. Social Justice Sunday is celebrated in Australia on the last Sunday in August.

This year's theme is **Signs of Hope on the Edge.** Australia is facing a deepening crisis. Over 273,000 people sought help from homelessness services last year, many also struggling with mental illness. Services are overstretched and many people are left without care, shelter, or hope. Many who are homeless also live with serious mental health challenges. Services are overwhelmed, and too many people are left without the help they desperately need.

This year's Social Justice Statement calls us to follow the example of Jesus, who always noticed, listened to, and cared for those on the edge of society. Just as Jesus healed the blind man Bartimaeus (Mark 10:46–52), we are called to see and respond to the needs of our sisters and brothers living in hardship.

For more information or to download a copy of this year's Social Justice Statement, please visit here: https://tinyurl.com/2k8z6476

WHAT'S ON IN OUR PARISH THIS WEEK

Saturday, 30 August

9:00am Mass at OLPS with Morning Prayer (Breviary)5:00pm Family Mass at OLPS followed by BBQ

Sunday, 31 August

Social Justice Sunday

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, 2 September

9:00am Mass at Sacred Heart

12:00pm Mass at OLPS

7:00pm Faith Formation: Lectio God at Sacred Heart

7:30pm Charismatic Prayer Group

Wednesday, 3 September

St Gregory the Great, pope, doctor (Memorial)

9:00am Mass at Sacred Heart

7:00pm Pymble Men's Fellowship Meeting 7:00pm Salvatorian Collaborators Meeting 7:30pm St Vincent de Paul Meeting Thursday, 4 September

9:00am Mass at Sacred Heart - Father's Day Mass (SH School attending)

Friday, 5 September

Spring Ember Day (Special Day of Prayer and Penance)

9:00am Mass at Sacred Heart followed by First Friday Devotion

Adoration and Litany to the Sacred Heart of Jesus

10:00am Bible Study

6:00pm Ladies' Dinner at West Pymble Bowling Club

Saturday, 6 September

9:00am Mass at OLPS followed by the First Saturday Devotion with

Adoration and Prayers for New Vocations to the Priesthood and

Religious Life

5:00pm Mass at OLPS followed by Soup & Slice

Sunday, 7 September

Father's Day

8:00am Mass at OLPS (quiet) followed by Morning Tea 9:30am Mass at Sacred Heart followed by Morning Tea 5:30pm Reconciliation at Sacred Heart

6:00pm Mass at Sacred Heart followed by Soup & Slice

The Rosary is recited after all weekday Masses at Sacred Heart Church and 9am Saturday Mass at OLPS

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:

Dolly McCann, Fr Chris Riley, John Makepeace, Jerald D'Cunha, Philomena De Souza, Celeste Guerrera, Anne Maxworthy, Peter Tansey, Pope Francis, Dianne McGirr

Death Anniversaries:

Manel Perera, Keith & Marie Burt, Tony Dixon, Clare Rogerson, Ranjan Fernando, Roshan Perera, Ron Chandler, Chris Drinkwater, William P Inchoco Sr, Antonino Celio, David Michael Bernie, Maria Palmer, Bill Dyer, John McLeod, Paul Pribila, Thelma Lovery

Prayers for the sick:

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

Weekly prayer intention:

This week we pray for all those who are suffering, for those who are experiencing mental health struggles, homelessness, and other forms of social exclusion. May they know the love and support of their communities and find hope in times of despair.

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.

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 Bronislaw (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					

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.



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

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.

pm alternate Tuesday evenings cred Heart Church Pymble Next event 2 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.

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Are you interested in becoming an Altar Server?

Girls and boys who have received their First Holy Communion are encouraged to participate as an Altar Server. Altar servers are guided as they support the priest in various tasks during Mass. In this way, an altar server can have an active role in the Mass and experience a sense of belonging. Parish training for altar servers is provided.

Why become an altar server?

- Altar serving is a way of actively participating in the Mass.
- Altar servers have a privileged place in the Mass, it is not only a
- Altar servers experience very personally that Jesus Christ is present during Mass.

What is required?

- Altar servers serve during one of the weekend Masses.
- Altar servers attend a 20 minute training session held in the Church.

If your child is interested in this program for Pymble or West Pymble, please contact the Parish office or complete the registration form: tinyurl.com/2zvw5r9e. Forms are also available at the back of both churches.

We will notify you when the training session will be held.



"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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Saint Ignatius' College Riverview Loyola Drive Riverview Saturday, 13 September 2025

For over 70 years, the Bazaar has been raising funds to support Jesuit Mission's programs in over 10 countries. Since 1952, Saint Ignatius' College Riverview has generously hosted this event.

Join in this community celebration with rides, live music, exciting stalls, fun games, and engaging activities. Explore stalls with delicious food, homemade jams, cakes, books, toys, a wine auction, and more. Over 5,000 people from the Sydney Jesuit community come together for a spectacular day, with parents, students, old boys, parishioners, other schools, and friends running the stalls.

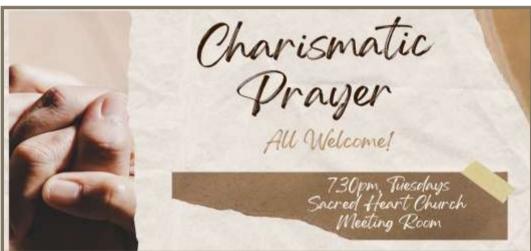
Further information and advance tickets at the link below.

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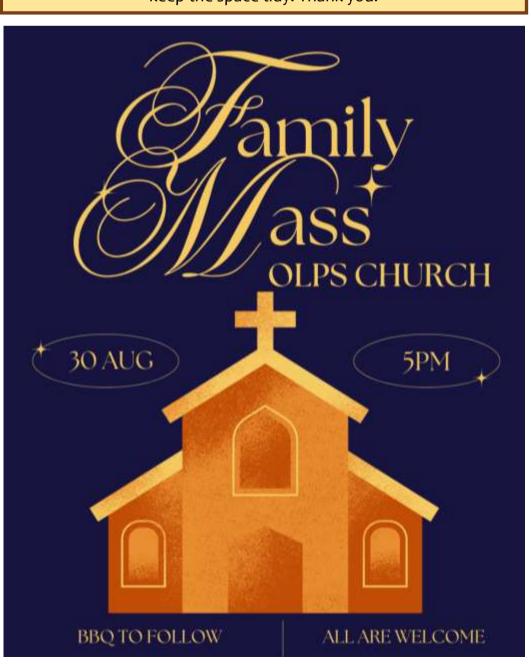
All proceeds on the day will support vulnerable communities around the world





Food Containers Left Behind

We have many food containers left behind in the Kitchenette at Sacred Heart Church from our many recent social events recently. Please check if any of them are yours and take them home to help us keep the space tidy. Thank you!





We'll be having a special Soup and Slice **Father's Day Celebration at OLPS Church** Saturday, 6 September **After 5pm Mass**

Bring bread or soup to share Let's gather in fellowship, everyone is welcome!

hank you

to Chris, Peter T, Peter M, Ty, Evan and Andrea for helping us repair our potholes in the Sacred Heart Church carpark. We are incredibly grateful for your service and help in keeping our premises safe for our parishioners.

BICENTENNIAL CLUB



Ladies of Sacred Heart and Our Lady of Perpetual Succour are invited to join in for casual dinner and drinks at the West Pymble **Bicentennial Club**



Ladies Dinner Night

6pm Friday 5 September 2025

An opportunity to catch up, chat and connect with friends old and new. Buy your own meal and drinks.

2 Prince of Wales Drive. West Pymble If you need a lift there please let us know.

Please RSVP by Friday, 29 August 2025 to Marie marie@dalla.net.au.

Contact: Louise Johnston 0413 137 534.

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Liturgy of the Word Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Entrance Antiphon Cf Psalm 85: 3, 5

Have mercy on me, O Lord, for I cry to you all the day long.

O Lord, you are good and forgiving, full of mercy to all who call to you.

First Reading Sirach 3: 19-20, 30-31

A reading from the book of Ecclesiasticus

My son, be gentle in carrying out your business,

and you will be better loved than a lavish giver.

The greater you are, the more you should behave humbly,

and then you will find favour with the Lord; for great though the power of the Lord is, he accepts the homage of the humble. There is no cure for the proud man's malady, Since an evil growth has taken root in him. The heart of a sensible man will reflect on parables,

an attentive ear is the sage's dream.

Responsorial Psalm Ps 67: 4-7, 10-11 R. v.11

(R.) God, in your goodness, you have made a home for the poor.

- The just shall rejoice at the presence of God,
 they shall exult and dance for joy.
 O sing to the Lord, make music to his name;
 rejoice in the Lord, exult at his presence.
 (R.)
- Father of the orphan, defender of the widow, such is God in his holy place.
 God gives the lonely a home to live in; he leads the prisoners forth into freedom. (R.)
- 3. You poured down, O God, a generous rain: when your people were starved you gave them a new life. It was there that your people found a home, prepared in your goodness, O God, for the poor (R.)

Second Reading Hebrews 12: 18-19, 22-24a A reading from the letter to the Hebrews

What you have come to is nothing known to the senses: not a blazing fire, or a gloom turning to total darkness, or a storm; or trumpeting thunder or the great voice speaking which made everyone that heard it beg that no more should be said to them. But what you have come to is Mount Zion and the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem where the millions of angels have gathered for the festival, with the whole Church in which everyone is a 'first-born son' and a citizen of heaven. You have come to God himself, the supreme Judge, and been

placed with spirits of the saints who have been made perfect; and to Jesus, the mediator who brings a new covenant.

Gospel Acclamation Matthew 11: 29

Alleluia, alleluia! Take my yoke upon you; learn from me, for I am gentle and lowly in heart. Alleluia!

Gospel <u>Luke 14: 1, 7-14</u>

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke

On a sabbath day Jesus had gone for a meal to the house of one of the leading Pharisees; and they watched him closely. He then told the guests a parable, because he had noticed how they picked the places of honour. He said this, 'When someone invites you to a wedding feast, do not take your seat in the place of honour. A more distinguished person than you may have been invited, and the person who invited you both may come and say, "Give up your place to this man." And then, to your embarrassment, you would have to go and take the lowest place. No; when you are a guest, make your way to the lowest place and sit there, so that, when your host comes, he may say, "My friend, move up higher." In that way, everyone with you at the table will see you honoured. For everyone who exalts himself will be humbled, and the man who humbles himself will be exalted.'

Then he said to his host, 'When you give a lunch or a dinner, do not ask your friends, brothers, relations or rich neighbours, for fear they repay your courtesy by inviting you in return. No; when you have a party, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, the blind; that they cannot pay you back means that you are fortunate, because repayment will be made to you when the virtuous rise again.'

Gospel Reflection

Meditation: Who wants to be last? Isn't it only natural to desire respect and esteem from others? Jesus' parable of the guests invited to the marriage feast probes our motives for seeking honour and position. Self-promotion is most often achieved at the expense of others! Jesus' parable reinforces the teaching of Proverbs: Do not put yourself forward in the king's presence or stand in the place of the great; for it is better to be told, "Come up here," than to be put lower in the presence of the prince (Proverbs 25:6-7).

True humility frees us to be our true selves as God sees us

What is true humility and why should we make it a characteristic mark of our life and action? True humility is not feeling bad about yourself, or having a low opinion of yourself, or thinking of yourself as inferior to others. True humility

frees us from preoccupation with ourselves, whereas a low self-opinion tends to focus our attention on ourselves. Humility is truth in self-understanding and truth in action. Viewing ourselves truthfully, with sober judgment, means seeing ourselves the way God sees us (Psalm 139:1-4). A humble person makes a realistic assessment of himself or herself without illusion or pretence to be something he or she is not. The humble regard themselves neither smaller nor larger than they truly are.

True humility frees us to be our true selves and to avoid despair and pride. A humble person does not have to wear a mask or put on a facade in order to look good to others, especially to those who are not really familiar with that person. The humble are not swayed by accidentals, such as fame, reputation, success, or failure.

True humility frees us to love and serve selflessly for the good of others

Humility is the queen or foundation of all the other virtues because it enables us to view and judge ourselves correctly, the way God sees us. Humility leads to true self-knowledge, honesty, realism, strength, and dedication to give ourselves to something greater than ourselves. Humility frees us to love and serve others selflessly, for their sake, rather than our own. Paul the Apostles, gives us the greatest example and model of humility in the person of Jesus Christ, who emptied himself, taking the form of a servant, ...who humbled himself and became obedient unto death, even death on a cross (Philippians 2:7-8). The Lord Jesus gives grace to those who seek him humbly. Do you want to be a servant as Jesus served?

Lord Jesus, you became a servant for my sake to set me free from the tyranny of sin, selfishness, and conceit. Help me to be humble as you are humble and to love freely and graciously all whom you call me to serve.

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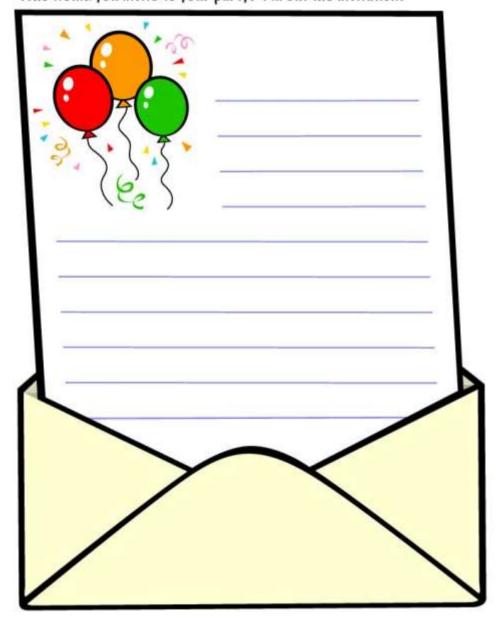
To access Fr Irek's homily on YouTube, please scan the QR code:



Pymble Parish Roster - 6 & 7 September 2025						
Sacred Heart (Pymble)	Sunday 9:30am	Sunday 6pm				
Acolytes	N Axalan	P Adams				
Altar Servers	L Williams	F Seeto / A Perera				
Readers	J Gardener	E Lloyd-Jones				
Altar Society	6 September: Jan / Marie / Teresa					
Counters	7 September: E Skrodzka / J Witcombe / M Boland					
OLPS (West Pymble)	Saturday 5:00pm	Sunday 8:00am				
Acolytes	J Pease	I Chisholm				
Altar Servers	Volunteers needed	Volunteers needed				
Readers	B Nairn	M Tang				
Altar Cloth	6 September A Glover					

Children's Corner

Who would you invite to your party? Fill out the invitation.

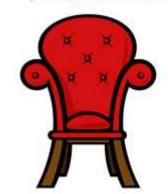


Use the words below to complete these sentences.

- When you are invited to be a _____, go and sit in the ____ place.
- If you put yourself ____ others, you will be put down.
- When you are _____ to a wedding feast, don't sit in the ____ place.
- If you _____ yourself, you will be honored.
- When you give a _____, invite the _____, crippled, the lame and the ____.
 They _____ pay you back.

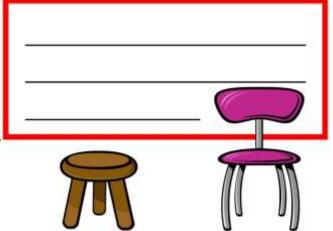
CANNOT GUEST
HUMBLE INVITED
BEST BLIND FEAST
ABOVE WORST
WEDDING POOR

If you were invited to a party where would you sit? Circle the chair you would sit in and write down why you would sit there.









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