



PYMBLE CATHOLIC PARISH

SACRED HEART & OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL SUCCOUR

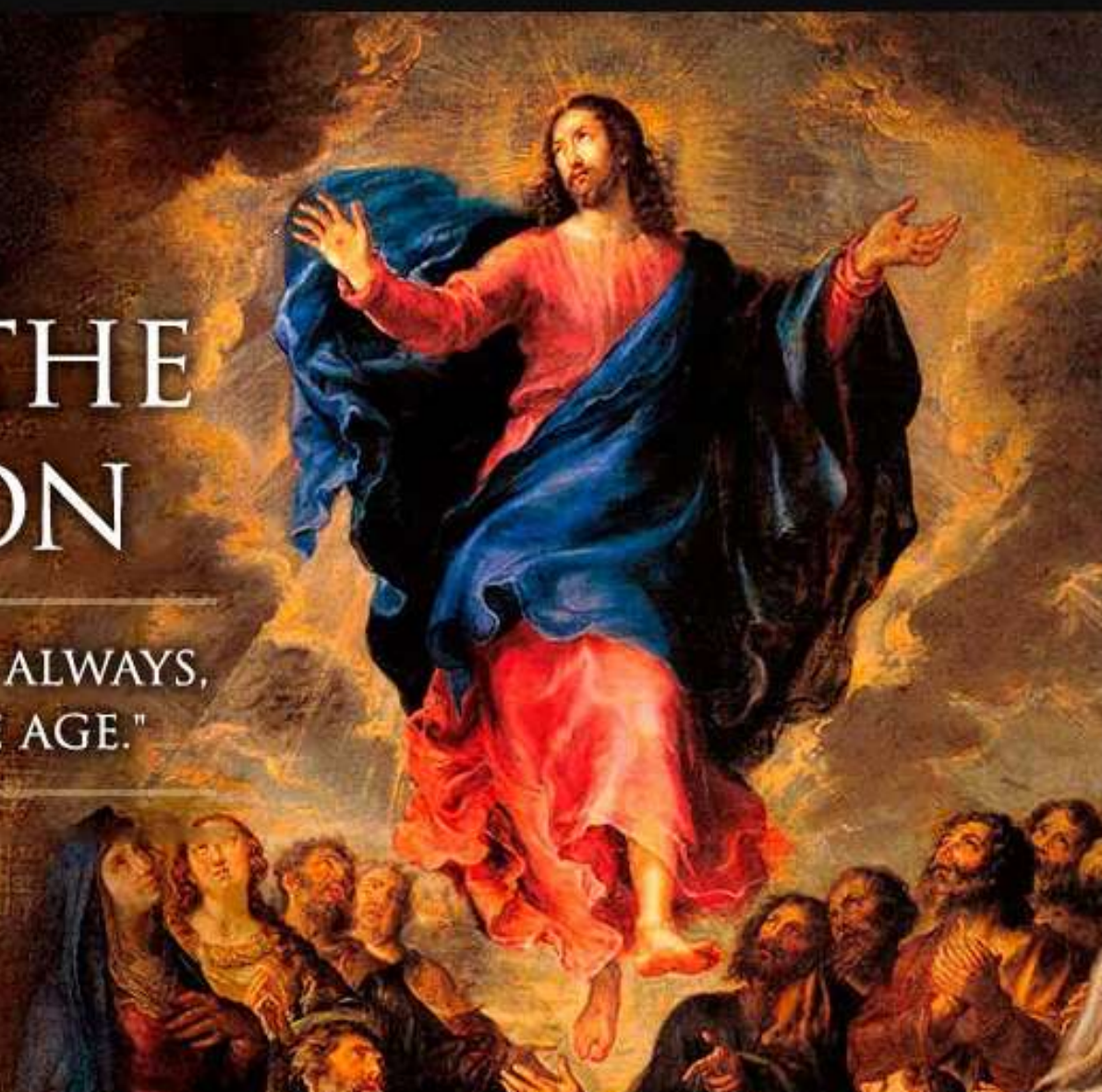
Building a Christ-centred community of Love and Mercy



Pymble Parish is under the Pastoral care of the Salvatorian Fathers.

FEAST OF THE ASCENSION

"BEHOLD, I AM WITH YOU ALWAYS,
UNTIL THE END OF THE AGE."



9am Sacred Heart Masses (18-21 May)

Father Boguslaw Loska SDS & Father Christopher Kowalczyk SDS will be away from Monday 17th May to Thursday 20th of May 2021. Please be advised that the 9am masses from Tuesday 18th May to Thursday 20th May will be celebrated by Father David Strong SJ.



**Charitable Works Fund Appeal
continues this weekend.**

***We thank you for your support and
generosity.***



The biggest event in the Salvatorian history from the time of our foundation is the beatification of our Father, Fr. Francis Mary of the Cross Jordan.

It is our greatest joy even in the time of pandemic and restrictions which make it impossible for many to attend the

celebration in Rome.

The beatification and the Mass of thanksgiving will be streamed live by the Catholic TV station TELEPACE: <https://telepacenews.it/diretta/>

Rite of Beatification at Basilica of St. John Lateran:

15 May 2021 at 10.30am (Italian time) (6.30pm – Sydney/Melbourne time, 4.30pm – Perth time)

Mass of thanksgiving for the new Blessed Francis Jordan at St. Peter's Basilica:

16 May 2021 at 3pm (Italian time) (11pm – Sydney/Melbourne time, 9pm – Perth Time)



Please note that there is a
limit of **260 people** at
Sacred Heart Church and
130 people at OLPS Church.

Don't forget to sign the registration form or 'check-in' using the NSW Government App when you visit the Church

www.pymblecatholicparish.org.au

Pope Francis' Prayer Intention for May The World of Finance

Let us pray that those in charge of finance will work with governments to regulate the financial sphere and protect citizens from its dangers.



If you have used this bulletin, please take it home with you. Thank you!

www.pymblecatholicparish.org.au

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Parish Mass Times
Sacred Heart 2 Richard Porter Way, Pymble NSW 2073 Weekdays: Tuesday to Friday 9:00am Rosary: Tuesday to Friday after morning Mass Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament: Friday after morning Mass Weekend: Saturday (Vigil Mass): 5:30pm Sunday: 7:45am, 9:30am and 6:00pm Reconciliation: Friday 8:30am, Saturday 5:00pm Sunday 5:30pm Our Lady of Perpetual Succour 64 Kendall St, West Pymble, NSW, 2073 Weekdays: Tuesday: 12pm <i>During School Term as advertised in the Parish weekly calendar section</i> Weekend: Saturday: 9:00am and 5:00pm (Vigil Mass) Sunday: 9:00am Reconciliation: Saturday 9:30am
Contact details
Address: 2 Richard Porter Way, Pymble, NSW 2073 Postal address: PO BOX 231 Turramurra NSW 2074 Telephone: (02) 9144 2702 Email: office@pymblecatholicparish.org.au Website: www.pymblecatholicparish.org.au Office hours: Monday to Thursday 8.30am to 4.00pm Friday 8.30am to 1pm
<p>For information about Baptisms and Weddings please contact Daniela in the Parish Office.</p> <p>For information about the sacraments of Confirmation, Reconciliation and First Eucharist, please contact Melanie on melanie@pymblecatholicparish.org.au</p>

PARISH PRIMARY SCHOOLS

SACRED HEART

Principal: Mrs Mary Hor

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www.shpddb.catholic.edu.au

OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL SUCCOUR

Principal: Mrs Sue Host

Telephone: (02) 9498 6060



www.olpsdbb.catholic.edu.au




Our Lady of Perpetual Succour

Reflecting on the Sacred Scripture

Year 3/4W have been investigating how Jesus speaks to all through Sacred Scripture. We have focussed on the scriptures “Jesus Heals 10 Men with Leprosy” and “Jesus Heals a Blind Man at Bethsaida.” In pairs, students compared the two scripture passages using a Venn diagram, identifying similarities and differences.

Students deepened their understanding of the scripture passages by creating stained glass windows that reflected on one of the scripture passages.

PARISH WEEKLY CALENDAR

There is the limit of 260 people at SH Church and 130 people at OLPS Church at any time.

Sunday, 16 May

7:45am Mass at Sacred Heart
9:00am Mass at OLPS
9:30am Mass at Sacred Heart
6:00pm Mass at Sacred Heart
7:00pm Youth Group (Yr 8+)

Tuesday, 18 May

9:00am Mass at Sacred Heart
7.30pm Charismatic Prayer Group at SH

Wednesday, 19 May

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

Thursday, 20 May

9:00am Mass at Sacred Heart
6:00pm Serra Mass and Meeting
7:00pm Youth Group (Yrs 5-8)

Friday, 21 May

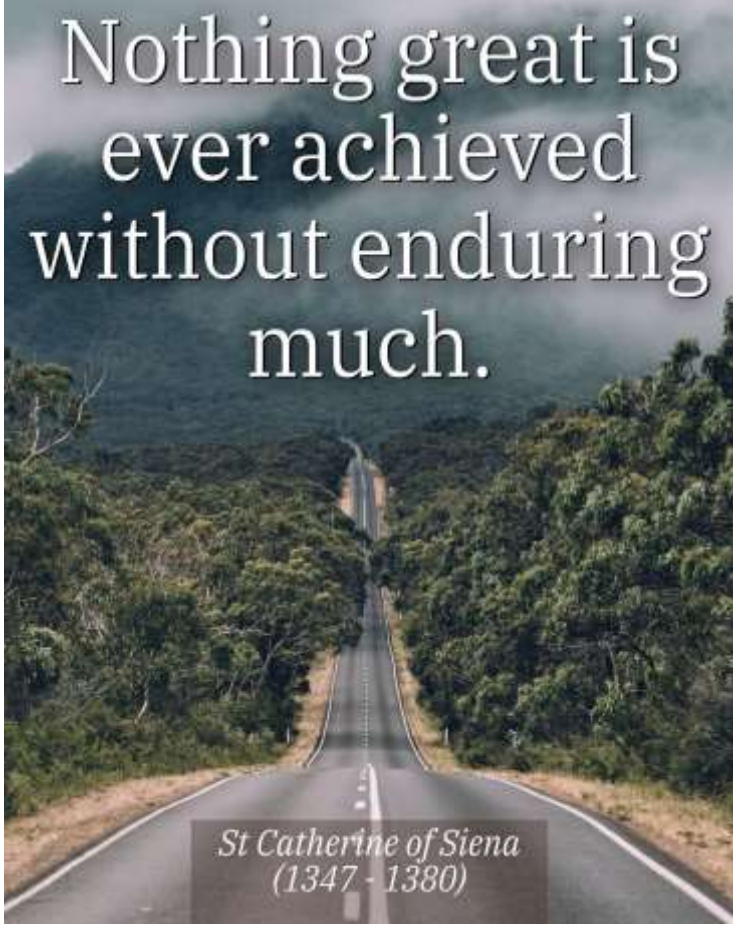
Youth off the Streets Collection
9:00am Mass at Sacred Heart
10:00am Bible Study at Sacred Heart

Saturday, 22 May

9:00am Mass at OLPS
10:00am Confirmation at Sacred Heart
1:00pm Confirmation at Sacred Heart
3:00pm Confirmation at Sacred Heart
5:00pm Mass at OLPS
5:30pm Mass at Sacred Heart

Sunday, 23 May

7:45am Mass at Sacred Heart
9:00am Family Mass at OLPS
9:30am Mass at Sacred Heart
6:00pm Mass at Sacred Heart
7:00pm Youth Group (Yr 8+)



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:

Thomas Vicente, Odette McLeod, Matteo Infante, Stanislaw Kowalczyk, John Ryan, Pamela Campbell, Francisca Macalma, John Ying, Caroline Cheng, Geoffrey Applegate, Br Francis Joseph CFC, Gatin Anthony Lo Surdo, Patricia Shephard, Keith Dooley, Burt Schaafsma, John Sheppard, Fr Timothy Cahill

Death Anniversaries:

Patricia Callachor, Ed Rickard, Nancy Marrinon, Margaret Harris, Laura Bowe, Ed Rickard, Joseph Francis Sprouster, Ann Cesare & Ida Sartor, Mary Clare Richardson, James O'Rourke, Angus Ross, Mark Correia, Jane Clare Sprouster, Margaretha Hetty, Ann Lilian Castillo, Anna Lobo, Lilian Castillo, Lucia Sudiro, Judy Carson, John Marrinon, Luciano & Petra Dumrique, Annie Anto, Hugh Pinto, Kerry Oei, Patricia Grass, Angel Rodrigo, Antonius Djunaidi, Cheang and Lim New

Prayers for the sick:

Fr Chris Riley, Joe Pulis, Margaret Day, Juliana Cho, Odette McLeod, Catherine Haydon, Vincent Tan, Monica Cavanagh, Marietta Tomoe, Kevin Parsons, Marionne MacRitchie, Anthony Hernandez, Steve Barrum, Colleen Hussin, Owen Thomas, Suzanne O'Sullivan, Mel Pegg Weir, Doreen Landers, Aaron Moll, Lloyd Victor, Richard Fillingham, Joanne Fernandes, Elizabeth Dwyer.

Birthdays this month:

Michele Brack (25 May)

Weekly prayer intention:

This week we pray for all those whom You have called to serve the Church. Grant them courage and vision to serve your people, and may their lives and service call your people to respond to the presence of your Spirit among us.

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.

We welcome to Pymble Parish
the newest members of our community

Scarlett & Harper Priestley

who will be Baptised this weekend at
our Parish.

Baptisms at Pymble Parish

If you would like to know or if you have any questions about the Baptism process in our Parish, please contact the Parish office on 9144 2702 or info@pymblecatholicparish.org.au

Our next Baptism Formation Class will be held on **Wednesday, 26th May at 7:30pm at the Sacred Heart Presbytery.**

Bookings are essential.

The Parish Flocknote has now 401 members!
Thank you to all those Parishioners who have registered to be part of our "flock".

Remember that as a member of the Parish Flocknote you get free access to the **"Word on Fire"** content by Bishop Barron.

If you haven't signed up yet, it's quick & easy!
Simply visit us online at:

flocknote.com/pymblecatholicparish



Special 2021 Australian Salvatorian Celebrations

Salvatorian 2021 Year

Beatification of Fr Francis Jordan
60th Anniversary of the Australian Region
140th Anniversary of the Salvatorian Order

Saturday, 15 May 2021

Fr Francis Jordan
Beatification in Rome
(Live online at 6:30pm AEST)

Sunday, 16 May 2021

Thanksgiving Masses at
Salvatorian Parishes

Friday, 18 June 2021

Salvatorian NSW Thanksgiving Mass
With Bishop Anthony Randazzo
At Sacred Heart Church Pittwater

Wednesday, 8 September 2021

Salvatorian Australia Thanksgiving Mass
With Archbishop Timothy Costelloe
At St Mary's Cathedral Perth

The 2021 year will see
the Beatification of
the Salvatorian
founder, Fr Francis
Jordan and is again
cause to celebrate the
founding of the order
and its arrival in
Australia

YOU ARE
INVITED



NATIONAL MASS FOR THE BICENTENARY OF CATHOLIC
EDUCATION IN AUSTRALIA ON THE SOLEMNITY OF

Our Lady Help of Christians

24 MAY 2021 - Sacred Heart Church - 10.30am

Eucharistic Ministers and Altar Servers

We are looking to re-commence our roster for Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion. If you are no longer able to help out, please let the Parish Office know.

If you are able to help out with the **Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion** and **Altar Servers** Ministries, please contact the Parish Office.

Thank you for your support and commitment to our Parish.



**Amoris Laetitia
Family**
Year 2021 - 2022

Family Love: Vocation and Path to Holiness

Heavenly Father, We come before You to praise You and to thank You for the great gift of the family. We pray to You for all families consecrated by the Sacrament of Matrimony. May they rediscover each day the grace they have received, and as small domestic Churches, may they know how to witness to Your presence and to the love with which Christ loves the Church. We pray to You for all families faced with difficulty and suffering caused by illness or circumstances of which only You know. Sustain them and make them aware of the path to holiness upon which You call them, so that they might experience Your infinite mercy and find new ways to grow in love. We pray to You for children and young people: may they encounter You and respond joyfully to the vocation You have in mind for them; We pray for parents and grandparents: may they be aware that they are signs of the fatherhood and motherhood of God in caring for the children who, in body and spirit, You entrust to them; and for the experience of fraternity that the family can give to the world Lord, grant that each family might live their specific vocation to holiness in the Church as a call to become missionary disciples, in the service of life and peace, in communion with our priests, religious, and all vocations in the Church. Bless the World Meeting of Families. Amen!



A Novena of Prayers to Mary Undoer of Knots

We all have some "knots" in our lives - and Mary can help to untie them. Devotion to Mary, Undoer of Knots has become increasingly popular since Pope Francis encouraged the devotion in Argentina, and then spoke about it during his first year as pontiff. The theology of the devotion goes back to the second century. St Irenaeus wrote that, "The knot of Eve's disobedience was untied by the obedience of Mary; what the virgin Eve bound by her unbelief, the Virgin Mary loosened by her faith". Mary's faith unties the knot of sin. So we pray that the Blessed Virgin Mary will intercede for all of us, to untie the knots of sin in our lives - so that we may be purified and ever closer to God.

A novena of rosary prayers to Mary Undoer of Knots is available in booklet form at the following link: www.bbcatholic.org.au/pymble/news-and-events/parish-news/mary-undoer-of-knots

The booklet may be used individually or in groups to pray a novena to Mary Undoer of Knots.

Rosary “marathon” for end to pandemic



A month of daily rosaries prayed at Catholic shrines around the world for the intention of an end to the coronavirus pandemic and the resumption of work and social activities.

Pope Francis will lead a rosary to begin a month-long prayer marathon in May for the end of the coronavirus pandemic.

The Pope’s rosary will be broadcast live from the Gregorian Chapel of St Peter’s Basilica at 6 pm Rome time on 1 May.

Located directly to the west of the Holy Sacrament Chapel, the Gregorian Chapel contains the relics of St Gregory of Nazianzus, a Doctor of the Church, as well as a 7th-century icon of Our Lady of Help.

The rosary starts a month of daily rosaries prayed at Catholic shrines around the world for the intention of an end to the coronavirus pandemic and the resumption of work and social activities. Families, teens, and young adults from Rome and the surrounding region will lead the rosary together with Pope Francis.

Among the participating shrines are St Mary’s Cathedral in Sydney, Our Lady of Walsingham in England, the Basilica of the Immaculate Conception in the United States, Our Lady of Częstochowa in Poland, the Blessed Virgin of the Rosary in South Korea, Our Lady of Aparecida in Brazil, Our Lady of Peace and Good Voyage in the Philippines, Our Lady of Knock in Ireland, the Virgin of the Poor at Banneux in Belgium, Notre Dame d’Afrique in Algeria, Our Lady of the Rosary of Fatima in Portugal, and Our Lady of Health in India.

Pope Francis will also close the month of rosaries by leading the prayer in the Vatican Gardens on 31 May.

Pope Francis has involved all the shrines around the world in this initiative so that they may become vehicles of prayer by the entire Church. The initiative is being conducted in the light of the biblical expression: ‘Prayer by the Church was fervently being made to God’ (Acts 12:5).

The initiative is organised by the Pontifical Council for the Promotion of the New Evangelisation. The Vatican’s evangelisation office extended an invitation to the shrines around the world, in order to promote the initiative reaching priests, families, and all the faithful, inviting them to join in this prayer of intercession and hope to the Blessed Virgin Mary.

All Catholics are invited to participate in the daily rosaries however and wherever they are able. Resources below enable everyone to participate at home.

www.vaticannews.va



The Ascension of our Lord

There are similarities in the reports of Jesus’ Ascension found in the Synoptic Gospels—Mark, Matthew, and Luke. In each case, Jesus assigns his disciples the task of proclaiming the gospel message to the entire world.

There are also notable distinctions. In the Gospels of Mark and Matthew, the disciples are sent by Jesus to baptize and to preach. In Luke’s Gospel, however, the commission to baptize is absent. Instead, Jesus directs the disciples to return to Jerusalem to await the fulfilment of his promise to send them the Holy Spirit. Curiously, only the Gospels of Mark and Luke actually report Jesus’ ascension into heaven. Matthew’s Gospel concludes with Jesus’ promise to remain with his disciples forever.

Only the Gospel of Mark notes that Jesus ascended to sit at the right hand of God. In noting this, Mark teaches that Jesus’ ascension affirms the glory Jesus received from God after his death and Resurrection.

In the commission that Jesus gives to his disciples, there are elements that are quite typical of Mark’s Gospel. The signs that will accompany belief in Jesus are as vivid as the action performed by Jesus during his ministry. Those who believe in Jesus will be empowered to do what Jesus himself has done. During his ministry, Jesus sent his disciples to preach, to heal, and to drive out unclean spirits. Now they are sent again to do these things and more. From his place with God in heaven, Jesus helped his disciples, and he continues to help us as we try to live as his followers.

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Lamentation & Supplication

A Prayer Service for the Pandemic

May 26 (Wednesday) @ 7:30 pm

Please bring photo of relative or friend who died of Covid-19

Our Lady of Dolours Church

94 Archer St Chatswood

(02)-9410-9000

– BLESSED FRANCIS JORDAN –



Father Francis Mary of the Cross Jordan – founder of the Salvatorian Family – was born as *John Baptist Jordan* on June 16, 1848, in Gurtweil, Germany, a small town in the Black Forest area of the southwestern part of the country, just a few miles from the border of Switzerland. Even in his youth, Jordan was known to be a devout young man who often spent time in private prayer.

While working as a laborer and painter-decorator traveling throughout his homeland, Jordan became keenly aware of the difficult spiritual situation of the people in his homeland. Because the Church had been limited in its mission by the government (in what became known as the *Kulturkampf*) people were turning away from God and the practice of their faith. This only strengthened Jordan's faith and he began to sense a call to the priesthood. On July 21, 1878, he was ordained a priest in Freiburg, Germany, and

because he had a talent for languages, his bishop sent him to Rome, and later to the Holy Land, for advanced studies. Jordan became fluent in many languages, including Syrian, Aramaic, Coptic, Arabic, Hebrew and Greek.

But Jordan was sensing that something else was in store for his future. He began thinking about ways to combat the growing disinterest in spirituality and religion. In September 1880, Jordan met privately with Pope Leo XIII in the Vatican, where he outlined his plan to begin a society devoted to spreading the teachings of the faith. The Pope gave Jordan his blessing to begin creating such an organization. On December 8, 1881, Father Jordan and two others professed private vows as members of the new foundation. They were soon joined by **Therese von Wüllenweber**, now known as **Blessed Mary of the Apostles** since her beatification in 1968. Membership in the new foundation grew, structures changed, and missionaries were sent out to all corners of the globe. In time, Father Jordan's and Mother Mary's communities evolved into the three branches that make up the **Salvatorian Family**: the priests and brothers of the Society of the Divine Savior, the Congregation of the Sisters of the Divine Savior, and the International Community of the Divine Savior (Lay Salvatorians). The name "**Salvatorian**" comes from the Latin word < *Salvator* > meaning "*Savior*." With a bold, unique and forward-looking vision within the Church, Salvatorians – men and women, religious and laity – work together in mission to bring the Gospel of the Savior to all people throughout the world. Father Jordan and Mother Mary fostered within their followers an unshakable trust in Divine Providence – that God would be with them and guide them in their variety of ministries. That trust remains strong in us still!



The Motherhouse of the Society is just down the street from St. Peter's Basilica in Rome. The Motherhouse of the Sisters is nearby, atop one of the great hills of the city. Globally today, more than two thousand Salvatorians – priests, sisters, brothers, and lay members – work to continue the mission of Father Francis and Mother Mary: "***To proclaim the goodness of kindness of Jesus, the Savior, by all ways and means the love of God inspires.***"



Fr. Francis Jordan died in Tavers, Switzerland, on September 8, 1918, and was buried in the local church. In 1956, his body was transferred to Rome and is now entombed in a special chapel in the Motherhouse of the Society. On March 19, 1999, Pope John Paul II visited the community and prayed at the tomb of Father Jordan. In 2011, the Vatican published the *Decree on the Heroicity of His Virtues* and declared Father Jordan "Venerable." On June 19, 2020, Pope Francis declared that a miracle in Brazil, gained through the intercession of Father Jordan, was authentic and his beatification was approved. As of May 15, 2021, he is "**Blessed Francis Jordan**." His feast day will be celebrated annually on July 21, the anniversary of his ordination.

The Miracle

Expecting a baby in 2014, a young couple in Jundiai, Brazil, was informed by several medical doctors and specialists that their unborn child was suffering from an incurable bone disease (skeletal dysplasia). Being members of a group of Lay Salvatorians, the parents began to pray through the intercession of Venerable Francis Jordan, inviting other members of the Salvatorian Family to join them. The child was born completely healthy on September 8, 2014 – the Feast of the Birth of the Blessed Mother, and the anniversary of Fr. Francis Jordan's death. After the required canonical procedures had been successfully completed, the Holy Father – Pope Francis – declared that this miraculous healing was worked by God through the intercession of Fr. Francis Jordan and his beatification was approved and scheduled for May 15, 2021, at the Basilica of St. John Lateran in Rome.



The "miracle baby" now 6-years-old, with her mother and father.



A Prayer for the Intercession of Blessed Francis Jordan

Lord Jesus Christ, Savior 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 Savior, 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 ... *(pause to include your personal intention)*. I make this prayer through you, my Savior, who lives and reigns with the Father and the Holy Spirit, forever and ever. Amen.

From the writings of Blessed Francis Jordan:

"If we want to accomplish great things, we must have great trust. Human misery is so great that we can do nothing without the grace of God. When we are separated from the help that comes from above, when we have little or no trust, what will we be able to do for those who cannot even pronounce the name of Jesus without God's grace? How much less will we be able to do great work for God's glory? We are convinced that we hope for everything from God, so also we must have unshakable trust in God. In any misery, we look to God from whom we await our help." *(In a talk to the community, June 1894)*

"I want to tell you my deepest desire: that all of you endeavor always, more and more, to deepen in love of the Cross. Study the Cross and suffering, study the sacred Scriptures in order to know the sublimity of suffering and to become convinced of this – that the works of God flourish only in the shadow of the Cross. Become lovers of the Cross. You know that our dear Savior saved the world through his Cross. Why would we then choose another way?" *(In a letter to the Sisters, 1898)*



*The Congregation of the Sisters
of the Divine Savior*



The Society of the Divine Savior

*The International Community
of the Divine Savior*



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Visit our website:

www.salvatorianfamily.us

Pymble Catholic Parish Covid-19 Update

Short term NSW Covid-19 regulations apply on Thursday 6, May 2021 (from 5pm) until 12:01am on Monday 17 May:

- Masks are compulsory for all public indoor venues.
- Singing indoors by congregants is not permitted.
- Places of worship and religious services (including weddings and funerals) limited to 1 person per 2sqm. Children count towards the capacity limit.

Under the current NSW Health regulations, the permitted capacity of the Sacred Heart Church in Pymble is 260, and the permitted capacity of Our Lady of Perpetual Succour Church in West Pymble is 130.

We will continue to record names and contact details of those present at services along with the date and time they attend as requested by NSW Government. Please sign the registration forms available at the entrance of each Church.

Please note that we have also made available the NSW QR Code to register your attendance. You need to download the NSW Service App to your mobile and then scan the QR Code to register.

We thank all of our parishioners you for your generosity, your loving hearts and continued support. We rely on your generous contributions to maintain our services, facilities and staff and it is especially needed at this time.

We ask you to continue praying for the grace that we need in our Church and our world in these uncertain times.

Thank You for your ongoing patience and co-operation!



INVITATION TO A SERRA VOCATIONS MASS & DINNER MEETING 20TH May 2021

Father Paul Durkin, Parish Priest of Holy Name Parish Wahroonga and Diocesan Vocations Director will be celebrating Mass for Serra at Sacred Heart Church, 2 Richard Porter Way Pymble on Thursday 20th May 2021.

The evening commences with Mass at 6.00 PM followed by a light meal and a short meeting.

Following the meeting Father Paul will be our guest speaker providing an overview of the highly successful activities being undertaken by the Vocations Office which has resulted in 11 young men in training for the Priesthood with many others completing the discernment process.

If you would like to know more about vocations activities in our Diocese and make a difference in encouraging new and supporting existing vocations please "come and see".

Bishop David Walker was once quoted as saying that "we all share the responsibility to provide ordained ministers for our community". Supporting the Diocesan efforts by being a Serra member can assist us all to fulfil our personal responsibilities.

Please remember to pray every day for vocations to the priesthood, diaconate, the consecrated life, ecclesial women, all seminarians, novices, for those completing the discernment process and for the perseverance of existing vocations.

Please telephone: Terry Scanlan on 0438 887 295 or email terry_scanlan@bigpond.com by the 17th May 2021 if you would like to attend.

We look forward to seeing you on the 20th May.

Nursing Appointment

Arrupe House, Pymble, is a community of retired Jesuit priests and brothers. One experienced Registered Nurse is required for am shift duties on a permanent part-time or casual basis.

Email: secretary@canisius.edu.au or

Mobile: 0437 040 711 (Fr Michael McShane SJ)

How can we help you?

Our Parish is prepared to assist those parishioners that might need some extra help and support during these difficult times. We are here for you!



Here are some of the things that we could do for you:

- Post letters or small parcels.
- Pick up some groceries and/or medicines.
- Cook a plate for you and drop it at your home.
- Other... please let us know how else we might be able to help you.

Please contact the Parish office

office@pymblecatholicparish.org.au or

by phone at (02) 9144 2702



The 2021 count will take place on the weekends of **1/2 May** (beginning with the Vigil Mass on Saturday 1 May), **8/9 May**, **15/16 May** and **22/23 May**).

As always, we thank our parishioners for helping with this task over these 4 weekends.

**BIBLE
STUDY**
PYMBLE PARISH



In Sacred Scripture, the Church constantly finds her nourishment and her strength, for she welcomes it not as a human word, "but as what it really is, the word of God."⁶⁷ (CCC104).

Meetings start at 10am on Fridays.

Sacred Heart Church, Pymble



CHARITABLE WORKS FUND

May Appeal

Many thousands of young people and families in our community receive help from the charities that CWF supports. They can arise with new strength and hope because of your support.

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

Please give generously to the final CWF appeal of the Financial Year 2020/21. Donations are 100% tax deductible and support five charities: -

- **Hospital Chaplaincy and Pastoral Care Programme** – where Hospital Chaplains and five lay Pastoral Care ministers reach 3,500 patients and 700 families each year in our hospitals.
- **Confraternity of Christian Doctrine** – materials, training and support for almost 1,000 catechists who take the gospel to students in our State schools.
- **St Lucy's School** – serving primary school students with disabilities.
- **St Edmund's College** – serving secondary school students with disabilities.
- **Ephpheta Centre** – serving the Catholic deaf community.

Please take a moment to watch the 'Thank you' video to hear from those you are helping - <https://youtu.be/hvA4Etwvd4E>

All donations are gratefully received.

You can donate in three ways:

- Complete the CWF collection envelope in your pew;
- Online at www.bbcatholic.org.au/give;
- Or scan the QR code.



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



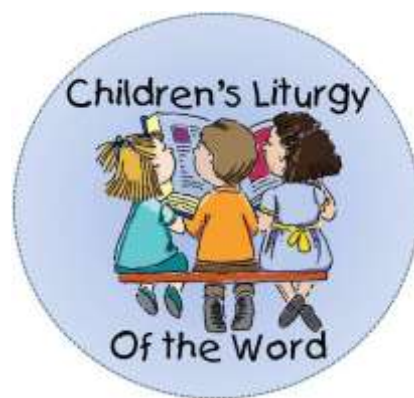
Father Chris Riley's

youth off the streets®

Note, starting from April, we have moved to Friday collections.

Reminder: May frozen meal donations for the Father Chris Riley's Youth Off The Streets program should be dropped off at the Parish office between **9am and 10am on Friday, 21 May 2021.**

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.



Children's Liturgy at Sacred Heart

We are looking for more members to assist with Children's Liturgies at Sacred Heart. These are usually run the first and third Sundays of each month during school terms. If you are interest-

ed in helping or if you would like further information regarding this ministry, please contact the Parish Office on **9144 2702** or office@pymblecatholicparish.org.au.

POSITION VACANT Communications Assistant Part time, 4 days per week



Do you want to be part of a new national team to promote, shape and grow Ignatian Spirituality and Formation in Australia?

This new role will be responsible for producing and delivering JISA's eDMs including national and regional newsletters, a new national website and digital materials for Ignatian Retreats and Formation.

The role is pivotal to building awareness of JISA and take-up of its Spirituality and Formation offerings across Australia and beyond and works collaboratively with members of the ministry, nationally and internationally.

We welcome applicants who are highly organised, creative, collaborative and proficient in a variety of digital communication platforms. An interest in spirituality will be highly regarded.

To request the Position Description email info@jisa.org.au.

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Australian Catholic Men's Gathering 2021

The Australian Catholic Men's Gathering aims to inspire men with a vision for personal discipleship, service and mission in the family, parish and the world. This online program hopes to reinforce the importance of gathering as men in the faith environment of the Church and working to ensure the Gospel is alive in our homes, parishes and communities.

The Australian Catholic Men's Gathering for 2020 was a successful online event where approximately 1,000 men gathered across Australia at 42 sites.

In this Year of St Joseph, the Australian Catholic Men's Gathering is again being offered as a free online event for registered participants. All parishes across Australia are invited to participate in the 2021 program which will concentrate on St Joseph and will include a pre-recorded introductory session, three pre-recorded program sessions, and a final commissioning, all available online from **Saturday, 31 July 2021.**

The content is arranged so that men can access it in ways that fit their schedules and other commitments.

The 2021 program offers flexibility so that you may participate individually or gather with others from your parish or men's group. The sessions are designed to be used on one full day or across a number of days and they can be integrated with local initiatives such as Mass, testimonies and group discussions.

Individual registration will ensure that you receive updates about the program and links to the pre-recorded videos when they are available.

For further information and registration, please see: <https://www.nce.catholic.org.au/catholicmen>



Liturgy of the Word

The Ascension of the Lord

Year B

Entrance Antiphon

Men of Galilee, why gaze in wonder at the heavens?
This Jesus whom you saw ascending into heaven
will return as you saw him go, alleluia.

First Reading Acts 1:1-11

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles

Why are you standing here looking into the sky? Jesus has been taken into heaven.

In my earlier work, Theophilus, I dealt with everything Jesus had done and taught from the beginning until the day he gave his instructions to the apostles he had chosen through the Holy Spirit, and was taken up to heaven. He had shown himself alive to them after his Passion by many demonstrations: for forty days he had continued to appear to them and tell them about the kingdom of God. When he had been at table with them, he had told them not to leave Jerusalem, but to wait there for what the Father had promised. 'It is,' he had said, 'what you have heard me speak about: John baptised with water but you, not many days from now, will be baptised with the Holy Spirit.'

Now having met together, they asked him, 'Lord, has the time come? Are you going to restore the kingdom to Israel?' He replied, 'It is not for you to know times or dates that the Father has decided by his own authority, but you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you, and then you will be my witnesses not only in Jerusalem but throughout Judaea and Samaria, and indeed to the ends of the earth.'

As he said this he was lifted up while they looked on, and a cloud took him from their sight. They were still staring into the sky when suddenly two men in white were standing near them and they said, 'Why are you men from Galilee standing here looking into the sky? Jesus who has been taken up from you into heaven, this same Jesus will come back in the same way as you have seen him go there.'

Responsorial Psalm

(R) God mounts his throne to shouts of joy: a blare of trumpets for the Lord.

1. All peoples, clap your hands,
cry to God with shouts of joy!
For the Lord, the Most High, we must fear,
great king over all the earth. **(R)**

2. God goes up with shouts of joy;
the Lord goes up with trumpet blast.
Sing praise for God, sing praise,
sing praise to our king, sing praise. **(R)**

3. God is king of all the earth.
Sing praise with all your skill.
God is king over the nations;
God reigns on his holy throne.. **(R)**

Second Reading Eph 1:17-23

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Ephesians

He made Jesus to sit at his right hand in heaven.

May the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, give you a spirit of wisdom and perception of what is revealed, to bring you to full knowledge of him. May he enlighten the eyes of your mind so that you can see what hope his call holds for you, what rich glories he has promised the saints will inherit and how infinitely great is the power that he has exercised for us believers. This you can tell from the strength of his power at work in Christ, when he used it to raise him from the dead and to make him sit at his right hand, in heaven, far above every Sovereignty, Authority, Power, or Domination, or any other name that can be named, not only in this age, but also in the age to come. He has put all things under his feet, and made him, as the ruler of everything, the head of the Church; which is his body, the fullness of him who fills the whole creation.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!
Go and teach all people my gospel.
I am with you always, until the end of the world.
Alleluia!

Gospel Mk 16:15-20

The Lord Jesus was taken into heaven and is seated at the right hand of God.

Jesus showed himself to the Eleven and said to them, 'Go out to the whole world; proclaim the Good News to all creation. He who believes and is baptised is saved; he who does not believe will be condemned. These are the signs that will be associated with believers: in my name they will cast out devils; they will have the gift of tongues; they will pick up snakes in their hands, and be unharmed should they drink deadly poison; they will lay their hands on the sick, who will recover.'

And so the Lord Jesus, after he had spoken to them, was taken up into heaven: there at the right hand of God he took his place, while they, going out, preached everywhere, the Lord working with them and confirming the word by the signs that accompanied it.

Gospel Reflection

Person and role of the Holy Spirit

As Jesus approaches the hour he was to be glorified - through his death on the cross and his resurrection - he revealed more fully to his disciples the person and role of the Holy Spirit. What does Jesus tell us about the Holy Spirit? First, the Holy Spirit is inseparably one with the Father and the Son. It is the Holy Spirit who gives life - the very life of God - and who makes faith come alive in hearts and minds of people who are receptive to God's word.

The Holy Spirit makes it possible for us to know God personally. He gives us experiential knowledge of God as our Father. The Spirit witnesses to our spirit that the Father has indeed sent his only begotten Son into the world to redeem it and has raised his Son, Jesus Christ, from the dead and has seated him at his right hand in glory and power.

The Holy Spirit reveals to us the knowledge, wisdom and plan of God for the ages and the Spirit enables us to see with the "eyes of faith" what the Father and the Son are doing. Through the gift and working of the Holy Spirit we become witnesses to the great work of God in Christ Jesus.

Spirit strengthens us in faith and courage

Jesus warned his disciples that they could expect persecution just as Jesus was opposed and treated with hostility. We have been given the Holy Spirit to help us live as disciples of Jesus Christ. The Spirit gives us courage and perseverance when we meet adversities and challenges. Do you pray for the Holy Spirit to strengthen you in faith, hope and love and to give you courage and perseverance when you meet adversities and challenges?

O merciful God, fill our hearts, we pray, with the graces of your Holy Spirit; with love, joy, peace, patience, gentleness, goodness, faithfulness, humility and self-control. Teach us to love those who hate us; to pray for those who spitefully use us; that we may be the children of your love, our Father, who makes the sun to rise on the evil and the good, and sends rain on the just and on the unjust. In adversity grant us grace to be patient; in prosperity keep us humble; may we guard the door of our lips; may we lightly esteem the pleasures of this world, and thirst after heavenly things; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Pymble Parish Roster 22/23 May 2021

Sacred Heart (Pymble)	Saturday 5.30pm	Sunday 7.45am	Sunday 9.30am	Sunday 6.00pm
Acolytes	Volunteer needed	C De Sousa	T McLeod	J Starnawski
Altar Servers	Volunteer needed	Z Foutie	R Antony	Volunteer needed
Readers	M Collins	A Halgreen	Volunteer needed	Youth Mass
Music	M Tang M Lulan	Quiet Mass	G Foley A & A Leahy	Youth Choir Tessie Sato
Projector	P Tang	M Gonsalves	M Ordonio	S Thomas
Counters	23 May: M Boland / T Scanlan			
Altar Society	22 May: J Brassil / B Linsao / S Pe			
OLPS (West Pymble)	Saturday 5.00pm		Sunday 9.00am	
Acolytes	J Pease		M D'Silva	
Altar servers	S Goodall J Carr		G Benson B & A Halpin	
Readers	A Carr		Family Mass	
Music and Projector	E & A Chan		M Mead K Haddrick	
Altar Cloth	22 May: A Glover			
Altar Society	22 May: M Walz			

PLEASE NOTE: If your name is on the roster but you are not able to attend Mass, please organise someone to replace you or contact the Parish Office. Wherever possible stay 1.5 metres apart, wear a mask and practise good hand hygiene. **Please stay home if you are feeling unwell or if you are experiencing cold or flu symptoms.**

Draw Jesus saying goodbye to his friends and promising to be with them always.



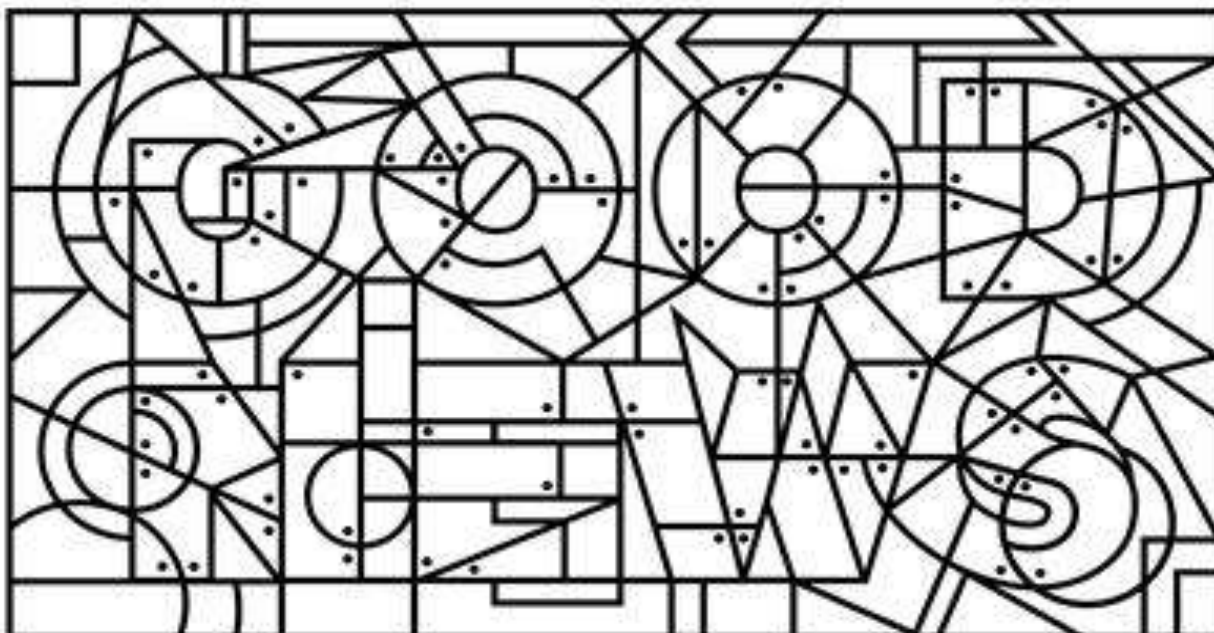
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