

# Parish of Gosford

The Shrine of St. John Paul II

The communities of St. Patrick's East Gosford,  
Mangrove Mountain & Holy Trinity Spencer

Entrusted to the care of Salvatorians.



FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

22ND FEBRUARY 2026

Gosford Parish

## year of PRAYER



Loving and merciful God,  
You invite us to ask, to seek, and to knock,  
trusting that You will always open the  
door to those who come to You in faith.  
As we journey together in this Year of Prayer,  
open our hearts to the power of Your Spirit  
and help us to grow in trust, gratitude, and love.  
Teach us to listen deeply to Your voice—in  
silence, in Scripture, and in the faces of  
those around us.  
Strengthen our parish family in unity and hope,  
so that our prayer may lead us to action  
and our faith may shine in all we do.  
May this year renew our hearts  
and draw us ever closer to You.  
Through Christ our Lord.  
Amen



“

Prayer is the greatest strength  
of the world.



ASK  
SEEK  
KNOCK

## IMPORTANT DATES

Thank you to Paul Galea for his ongoing work at our Parish - most recently for repairing the presbytery roof. Thank you also to our volunteers who organised Saturday morning Coffee Shop & Sunday morning tea in the Jordan Room. Please note upcoming dates to remember:

**22 February.** 9.30am St Patrick's Family Mass (K-6)  
2.00pm Rite of Election at Our Lady of the Rosary, Waitara

After 6.00pm Mass, Youth Group in the Jordan Room  
**24 February. Tuesday.** 9.00am. Lenten Prayer Group for St Patrick's Parents in the Jordan Room

**26 February. Thursday.** 9.00am St Patrick's Year 5 join us for Mass

**27 February. Friday.** 11.30am Stations of the Cross.  
12.00pm Mass. 6.00-7.30pm Women's Lenten Group in the Jordan Room

**28 February. Saturday.** After 9.00am Mass, Saturday Coffee Shop in the Jordan Room

**1 March. Sunday.** After 7.30am Mass, join us for Holy Hour at 8.15-9.15am and Benediction at 9.15am, to begin the official journey toward the International Eucharistic Congress (Eucharist28)

After 6.00pm Mass, Youth Group in the Jordan Room  
**3 March. Tuesday.** 9.45am Seniors Bus Trip. Call Barbara 4322 0250 or Eunice 0438 272 141 to join.

**4 March. Wednesday.** 11.30am Mass  
St Patrick's Primary School OPEN DAY

Tours 9.30am & 5.30pm (see poster inside to register).



### Blessed Francis Jordan

However a happy spirit helps in everything - only try to preserve this treasure...  
but first it must take root in the Cross and in adversities; otherwise it is of  
no help. *MM Letters 1903/08/18*

**Pope Leo XIV** Prayer Intention for February. For children with incurable diseases.  
Let us pray that children suffering from incurable diseases and their families receive the  
necessary medical care and support, never losing strength and hope.



# ST PATRICK'S PARISH GOSFORD

UNDER THE PASTORAL CARE OF SALVATORIANS  
Society of the Divine Saviour

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 *Parish Contributions*

To support our parish, scan the QR code to make a donation for both the 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> Collections.

This QR code allows you to make contributions easily and securely using your mobile device.



CHURCH OPEN DAILY 9.00AM – 3:00PM.

## STANDARD WEEKDAY MASSES

### GOSFORD, 76 YORK STREET EAST GOSFORD

Mon: 9:00am	Wed: 11:30am	Fri: 12:00pm
Tue: 9:00am	Thu: 9:00am	Sat: 9:00am

Devotion to St JPII after Mass

**Adoration and Confession 30 minutes before each weekday Mass.**

## WEEKEND MASSES INCL. CONFESSION 30 MIN BEFORE

### GOSFORD, 76 YORK STREET EAST GOSFORD

Sat Vigil: 5:00pm	Sun: 7:30am, 9:30am & 6:00pm
Filipino Mass:	2nd Sunday of each month: 12:00pm
Mangrove Mountain	Sat Vigil 5:00pm St Dionysius Church 21 Nurses Road, Central Mangrove
SPENCER, 4200 WISEMANS FERRY RD	4:00pm 1 <sup>st</sup> Sat of Month

## ADORATION IN OUR CHURCH

### BEFORE THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Mon 8:30 - 9:00am	Wed 11:00 - 11:30am	Fri 12:30 - 3:00pm
Tue 8:30 - 9:00am	Thu 8:30 - 9:00am	Sat 8:30 - 9:00am

## ROSARY

Mon, Tue, Wed, Thu	Rosary Begins 1 Hour Before Mass
Fridays	11:35 am to 11:55 pm (30 Mins Before Mass)
Saturday	8:05am until 8:25am: 1st Priests & Religious 2nd Mothers & Babies 3rd Persecuted Christians
Sunday	7:05 am to 7:25 am

## ACTIVE GROUPS IN OUR COMMUNITY OF ST PATRICK'S

Craft Group	9:00am to 12:00pm Every Friday in the Jordan Room
Women's Lenten Program	6.00-7.30pm Every Friday from 20 <sup>th</sup> February. Meet outside the Jordan Room. \$10 program available.
Men of the Sacred Heart	3 <sup>rd</sup> Saturday of the month. 5:00pm Mass followed by meeting in the Jordan room.
Seniors Ministry	Activities 1st Tuesday of the month. Enquiries: Barbara: 4322 0250 or Eunice: 0438 272 141
Divine Will Prayer Group	Based on the writings of Luisa Piccarreta 6:00pm to 7:15pm every Wednesday in the Jordan Room. Wendy 0477 451 973 Jim 0468 273 280
Salvatorian Collaborators	3:00pm, 3 <sup>rd</sup> Saturday of the month, The Jordan room.
Paddies - Youth Group	
Arise - Youth Group	
Ascend - Youth Group	
Young Adults Group	18 to 35 year olds meet the 3 <sup>rd</sup> Saturday of each month 6:00 pm in the JPII Centre
Bible Discussion	Every Monday after 9.00am Mass



## NATIONAL CATHOLIC LEADERSHIP STANDARDS

Committed leadership, governance & culture

Key Elements of Standard 1:

- † A Commitment to Safeguarding
- † Promoting a Safeguarding Culture
- † Safeguarding Policies
- † Code of Conduct



## THANK YOU FROM FATHER PAUL

Father Paul extends his sincere gratitude to all who have offered messages of condolence and assurances of prayer following the death of his father, Antoni Szczur. Please continue to pray for the repose of Antoni's soul, as well as Fr Paul and his family - his mother Helena, and his brothers Marcin and Andrzej. **A Memorial Mass will be offered on Monday 16<sup>th</sup> March at 7.00pm after Fr Paul returns from Poland.**

## HISTORY OF THE STATIONS OF THE CROSS

The history of The Stations of the Cross goes many years back, to the days when pilgrims were first openly able to go to Jerusalem and walk in the footsteps of Jesus on Good Friday. The emperor Constantine permitted Christians to legally worship in the Roman Empire in 313 after 250 years of persecution. In 335, he erected the Church of the Holy Sepulcher at the site where Jesus' tomb was believed to have been. Processions of pilgrims to the church, especially during Holy Week, began soon after its completion. A woman named Egeria, a pilgrim from France, described one such pilgrimage which took place in the fourth century. The bishop of Jerusalem and about 200 pilgrims began "at the first cockcrow" at the site of Jesus' agony on Holy Thursday night. They said a prayer, sung a hymn, and heard a Gospel passage, then went to the garden of Gethsemane and repeated the procedure. They continued to Jerusalem itself, "reaching the (city) gate about the time when one man begins to recognize another, and thence right on through the midst of the city. All, to a man, both great and small, rich and poor, all are ready there, for on that special day not a soul withdraws from the vigils until morning," Egeria wrote. Pilgrimages eventually took a fixed route from the ruins of the Fortress Antonia, where Pilate had his judgment hall, to the Church of the Holy Sepulcher. That route through Jerusalem's Old City gained acceptance as the way Jesus went to his death and remains unchanged today. It is known as the Via Dolorosa, Latin for the "Sorrowful Way." Stops developed on the way to note specific events on the road to Calvary. In many cases, the pilgrims could only guess where some incidents took place because Jerusalem had been almost completely destroyed by Roman armies in 70 A.D. The pilgrims brought back oil from the lamps that burned around Jesus' tomb and relics from the holy places, and sometimes tried to recreate in Europe what they had seen in the Holy Land. The Moslem conquest of Palestine in the seventh century made such shrines more significant, since it made travel to the Holy Land dangerous. Devotions to the Way of the Cross began in earnest after 1342, when the Franciscan friars were given custody of the holy sites in the Holy Land. The Franciscans have been closely identified with the devotion ever since; for years, Church regulations required a set of the stations to be blessed by a Franciscan when possible. The number of stations varied widely, with some manuals of devotion listing as many as 37. The term "stations" in describing the

Way of the Cross was first used in the narrative of an English pilgrim, William Wey, who visited the Holy Land twice in the 15th century. Depictions of the events described in the Stations did not start becoming common in churches until Pope Innocent XI permitted the Franciscans in 1686 to erect such displays in all their churches. He also declared that all indulgences given for visiting the sacred sites in the Holy Land would apply to any Franciscan or Franciscan lay affiliate visiting a set of stations in a church. Pope Benedict XIII extended that privilege to all the faithful in 1726. Five years later, Pope Clement XII allowed all churches to have stations and fixed the number at 14, where it has been ever since. In recent years, many churches have included the Resurrection as a 15th station. Benedict XIV specifically urged every church in 1742 to enrich its sanctuary with stations. Two Franciscans of the era did much to spread the popes' wishes. St. Leonard of Port-Maurice erected stations at more than 500 churches in Italy, and St. Alphonsus Ligouri in 1787 wrote the version of the Stations that most Americans recognize because it was used in most churches in the United States throughout the 19th and 20th centuries. It has become standard for Catholic churches in this country to recite the prayers related to the Stations on the Fridays of Lent. Some Protestant churches, especially those belonging to the Episcopal or Lutheran denominations, have made the devotion part of their Lenten activities, particularly on Good Friday. The traditional 14 stations are as follows: Jesus is condemned to death; Jesus takes up his cross; Jesus falls the first time; Jesus meets his mother; Simon of Cyrene carries the cross; Veronica wipes the face of Jesus; Jesus falls the second time; Jesus meets the daughters of Jerusalem; Jesus falls the third time; Jesus is stripped of his garments; Jesus is nailed to the cross; Jesus is crucified; Jesus is taken down from the cross; Jesus' body is laid in the tomb. *From: [www.sacredheartfla.org](http://www.sacredheartfla.org)*



## WHAT IS EUCHARISTIC ADORATION?

Eucharistic adoration is a time for prayer in which Christians people adore our Lord Jesus Christ in the Most Blessed Sacrament. Adoration can take place either when the Church reserves our Eucharistic Lord Jesus in the tabernacle, or when a priest or deacon exposes the consecrated Host in a monstrance outside of Mass. This type of worship logically flows from the Catholic dogma that Jesus is truly and sacramentally present—body, blood, soul, and divinity—in the Eucharist, in this case under the appearance of bread in the consecrated Host. In adoration, Catholics seek to revere and encounter deeply our Lord in the Eucharist. It is a wonderful time for prayer, thanksgiving, and worship. **The Origins of Eucharistic Adoration** Eucharist adoration began at the Last Supper, when Jesus instituted the holy sacrifice of the Mass, and the apostles revered and received him in the Most Blessed Sacrament. In the early Church, the Church affirmed the Real Presence, including by reserving the Eucharist for the sick and dying. In addition, within the Mass, St. Augustine says matter-of-factly of receiving the Eucharist, that No one eats that flesh, unless he has first worshipped . . . and . . . we sin not in worshipping (Expositions on the Psalms, Ps 98(99),8. As is often the case, our Lord helps the Church deepen her understanding of sacred truth through confronting heresy, in this case when Pope Gregory VII required Berengarius of Tours to affirm the Real Presence in 1079 (Rom. 8:28). As a result, reverence for the Blessed Sacrament grew over subsequent centuries. St. Francis of Assisi had a great devotion to our Eucharistic Lord, and, in 1226, weeks before St. Francis died, King Louis VII of France asked the Bishop of Avignon to expose the Eucharist in the Chapel of the Holy Cross, resulting in the first extended or perpetual adoration of the Eucharist. Twenty years later, in 1246, Corpus Christi was first celebrated in the Diocese of Liège, and later, in 1264, a year after the Eucharistic Miracle of Bolsena in central Italy, Pope Urban IV instituted Corpus Christi as a universal feast in the Church. These events fuelled Eucharistic adoration through the rise of public processions, and, in turn, helped evangelize Europe. **What Is Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament?** Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, also known as adoration of the Eucharist or adoration of the Holy Eucharist, is an act of worship and thus given to God alone. In adoration, Catholics worship and glorify Jesus Christ who is truly present in the Eucharist. Worship (latria) differs markedly from the veneration and honour (dulia and hyperdulia) given to the saints, especially the Blessed Mother. **What to Do During Eucharistic Adoration** Many non-Catholics, and also Catholics, ask, “What do I do during adoration?” The answer is simple—spend time with Almighty God. He is truly present in the Eucharist, and yearns to encounter you. God is everywhere, and yet God doesn’t manifest himself most intimately everywhere on earth. In the Old Covenant era, the most intimate encounter took place in the holy of holies, which only the high priest could enter—and he only once a year for the Yom Kippur/Day of Atonement sacrifices (Lev. 16:1-2, 34). Any other piercing of the veil would result in the death of the high

priest or anyone else. Jesus sacrificially died to reconcile us with the Father, symbolized by the tearing of the veil (Luke 23:44-45), so that we all could draw near for intimate communion with him. Not only can we commune with him at Mass, including through reverent reception of the Blessed Sacrament, but also in Eucharistic adoration—as the church sanctuary and tabernacle is the New Covenant analogue to the Old Covenant holy of holies and the Ark of the Covenant, respectively. During adoration, some people choose to pray the rosary, others meditate on Scripture, and others simply sit in silent prayer. There is no single “right way” to pray, although typically silence is observed. Our Lord wants us to make time for adoration for our benefit, not his, so if we reverently wait on the Lord in prayer, he will bless us in one way or another (Matt. 6:33) Whether you stay a few minutes or a full holy hour, all are welcome to rest and rejoice in God’s presence. **Why Go to Eucharistic Adoration?** Why should Catholics go to adoration? Because it provides a direct, intimate encounter with our Eucharistic Lord Jesus Christ. Spending time in prayer with our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament is an incredible way to better hear the voice of God, meditate on his goodness, and take a needed—and edifying—break away from our busy lives. Many saints who’ve gone before us have emphasized the importance of Eucharistic adoration in their spiritual walks, including St. Francis of Assisi, St. John Vianney, and St. Teresa of Calcutta. In adoration, we receive special graces to live out our Catholic faith. Adoration provides opportunity for silence, reflection and—most important—divine intimacy and his peace that our world cannot provide (John 14:27). As Pope St. John Paul II said, The Church and the world have a great need for Eucharistic worship. Jesus waits for us in this sacrament of love. *From: www.catholic.com*

## VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR 2026 SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM

Calling volunteers to help with our Sacramental Program this year. We will be recruiting a team of teachers, leaders, and helpers to assist with the sacraments of First Reconciliation & First Holy Communion (June) and Confirmation (November). Please contact the parish office this week with expressions of interest. Thank you all. patsgos@acs.net.au 4325 1042

## PALMS FOR PALM SUNDAY

If you are able to donate palms or assist with preparing palms for Palm Sunday, please contact the parish office. Thank you all. patsgos@acs.net.au 4325 1042

## VOLUNTEERS FOR CATECHIST PROGRAM

If you wish to join our Catechist team please contact our co-ordinator Anna Catlin 0413191058. Thank you.

## WORLD DAY FOR PRAYER

World Day of Prayer for 2026 will be held at Wyoming Anglican Church, 4 Ronald Ave, Wyoming at 2.00pm. The focus will be on Nigeria. If you would like to represent our Catholic parish, please contact patsgos@acs.net.au 4325 1042



1st March, 2026

Sunday

8:15 am 9:15 am



## EUCCHARIST28

**Eucharist28: A National Journey of Prayer and Renewal Begins.** The official journey toward the International Eucharistic Congress 2028 (Eucharist28), to be held in Sydney, has formally begun. Eucharist28 marks a significant moment in the life of the Church in Australia, coinciding with the centenary of the first International Eucharistic Congress held in Sydney in 1928. More than a single event, the Congress is being shaped as a multi-year national pilgrimage of prayer, formation, and renewal, inviting Catholics across Australia, Oceania, and beyond to rediscover the transforming power of the Eucharist. Speaking about the hopes for the Congress, Bishop Richard Umbers, General Secretary for Eucharist28, said: “My hope is that people in Sydney, across Australia, Oceania and the whole world will discover for the first time or rediscover the joy of being nourished by Christ and be strengthened to become His presence in our communities – other Christs for the life of the world.” **As part of the preparatory journey, parishes are being invited to participate in a nationwide Holy Hour on Sunday, 1 March 2026, the Second Sunday of Lent. At our Parish this Holy Hour will take place after 7:30 am Mass with Benediction at 9:15 am. All are welcome to stay as long as they wish and spend some time with our Lord in silence.**



**PROJECT  
COMPASSION**

## Project Compassion Donation Envelopes: How do I use them?

This Lent, like we did in 2025, there is a single Project Compassion donation envelope – rather than the six weekly envelopes used in previous years. This change was made to reduce waste and support our shared commitment to caring for our common home.

You can still give weekly by taking several envelopes at once or simply make your offering when you're ready. Thank you for *Uniting Against Poverty* with us this Lent

**UNITE   
AGAINST  
POVERTY**  
this Lent



**ST PATRICK'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL**  
EAST GOSFORD

**OPEN DAY**

**WEDNESDAY 04 MARCH 2026**

**TOURS & INFORMATION SESSIONS:**  
9:30AM & 5:30PM

**A PLACE TO LEARN, GROW AND THRIVE**

We are a vibrant Catholic primary school where every child is known, valued, and supported. Our multicultural community celebrates diversity and fosters a sense of belonging for all families.

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## ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

**CF PSALM 90:15-16**

When he calls on me, I will answer him;

I will deliver him and give him glory,  
I will grant him length of days.

## FIRST READING

**GENESIS 2:7-9; 3:1-7**

**A reading from the book of Genesis**

The Lord God fashioned man of dust from the soil. Then he breathed into his nostrils a breath of life, and thus man became a living being.

The Lord God planted a garden in Eden which is in the east, and there he put the man he had fashioned. The Lord God caused to spring up from the soil every kind of tree, enticing to look at and good to eat, with the tree of life and the tree of the knowledge of good and evil in the middle of the garden.

The serpent was the most subtle of all the wild beasts that the Lord God had made. It asked the woman, 'Did God really say you were not to eat from any of the trees in the garden?' The woman answered the serpent, 'We may eat the fruit of the trees in the garden. But of the fruit of the tree in the middle of the garden God said, "You must not eat it, nor touch it, under pain of death".' Then the serpent said to the woman, 'No! You will not die! God knows in fact that on the day you eat it your eyes will be opened and you will be like gods, knowing good and evil.' The woman saw that the tree was good to eat and pleasing to the eye, and that it was desirable for the knowledge that it could give. So she took some of its fruit and ate it. She gave some also to her husband who was with her, and he ate it. Then the eyes of both of them were opened and they realised that they were naked. So they sewed fig-leaves together to make themselves loin-cloths.

## RESPONSORIAL PSALM

**Ps 50:3-6. 12-14. 17. R. SEE V.3**

**(R.) Be merciful, O Lord, for we have sinned.**

1. Have mercy on me, God, in your kindness. In your compassion blot out my offence. O wash me more and more from my guilt and cleanse me from my sin.

**(R.) Be merciful, O Lord, for we have sinned.**

2. My offences truly I know them; my sin is always before me.

Against you, you alone, have I sinned; what is evil in your sight I have done.

**(R.) Be merciful, O Lord, for we have sinned.**

3. A pure heart create for me, O God, put a steadfast spirit within me. Do not cast me away from your presence, nor deprive me of your holy spirit.

**(R.) Be merciful, O Lord, for we have sinned.**

4. Give me again the joy of your help; with a spirit of fervour sustain me.

O Lord, open my lips and my mouth shall declare your praise.

**(R.) Be merciful, O Lord, for we have sinned.**

## SECOND READING

**ROMANS 5:12, 17-19**

**A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Romans**

Sin entered the world through one man, and through sin death, and thus death has spread through the whole human race because everyone has sinned. If it is certain that death reigned over everyone as the consequence of one man's fall, it is even more certain that one man, Jesus Christ, will cause everyone to reign in life who receives the free gift that he does not deserve, of being made righteous. Again, as one man's fall brought condemnation on everyone, so the good act of one man brings everyone life and makes them justified. As by one man's disobedience many were made sinners, so by one man's obedience many will be made righteous.

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

**SEE MATTHEW 4:4**

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory!

No one lives on bread alone,  
but on every word that comes from the mouth of God.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory!

## GOSPEL

**MATTHEW 4:1-11**

**A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew**

Jesus was led by the Spirit out into the wilderness to be tempted by the devil. He fasted for forty days and forty nights, after which he was very hungry, and the tempter came and said to him, 'If you are the Son of God, tell these stones to turn into loaves.' But he replied, 'Scripture says:

Man does not live on bread alone but on every word that comes from the mouth of God.'

The devil then took him to the holy city and made him stand on the parapet of the Temple. 'If you are the Son of God,' he said, 'throw yourself down; for scripture says:

He will put you in his angels' charge, and they will support you on their hands in case you hurt your foot against a stone.'

Jesus said to him, 'Scripture also says:

You must not put the Lord your God to the test.'

Next, taking him to a very high mountain, the devil showed him all the kingdoms of the world and their splendour. 'I will give you all these', he said, 'if you fall at my feet and worship me.' Then Jesus replied, 'Be off, Satan! For scripture says:

You must worship the Lord your God, and serve him alone.'

Then the devil left him, and angels appeared and looked after him.

## COMMUNION ANTIPHON

**MATTHEW 4:4**

One does not live by bread alone,  
but by every word that comes forth from the mouth of God.

# PARISH ROSTER SATURDAY 28<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY & SUNDAY 1<sup>ST</sup> MARCH

Mass	Vigil 5:00 pm	7:30 am	9:30 am	6:00 pm	Mangrove Mt Vigil 5:00 pm
<i>Date</i>	<i>Sat 28<sup>th</sup> February</i>	<i>Sun 1<sup>st</sup> March</i>	<i>Sun 1<sup>st</sup> March</i>	<i>Sun 1<sup>st</sup> March</i>	<i>Sat 28<sup>th</sup> February</i>
<b>Audio Visual</b>	<i>Michael Lynch</i>	<i>Ron Begg</i>	<i>Greg McBride</i>	<i>Jackie Wilks</i>	
<b>Acolytes</b>	Jon Kealy	John McCrae	Liz Malik	Patrick Nicholls	
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<b>Lectors</b>	Val Dibben	Sheila Evans	Neil Murphy	Sebastian Eager	
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<b>Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist</b>	Nicole Murphy	Anna Neale	Steph Trevenen	Rick Llige	
			Patti Beattie		
<b>Altar Servers</b>	Soren Patelia	Veronica Chechelska	Esther Mathey	Evana Jose	Jessica Xuereb
		Sabina Chechelska	Jude Mathey	Jeremy Jubin	
			Elinor Aldaoud	Serah Jubin	
			George Aldhoud	Allyana Cattanach	
			Phoebe Gottardo		
			Jessica Jaison		
<b>Music</b>			Choir		
<b>Counters</b> 2/3 Joyce Byrne Marie Cradock, Eunice Dal Busco 9/3 Ron Begg David Slingsby Trudie Hiep	<b>Altar Linen</b> For Sun 1/3 Aimee Sands For Sun 8/3 Sheila Evans	<b>Altar Society</b> Sat 28/2 Eunice Dal Busco Shirley Tun Lettie Bradstreet Sat 7/3 Fran Thompson Audrey Morris Thea Dowsett Barbara Mills	<b>Coffee Shop</b> Sat 28/2 Carla Bridge Jan Stinson Sat 7/3 Jenny Appleby Anita Venn Nan Moffat	<b>Friday Hospital</b> 13/3 Co- Eileen Arndt John McCrae Bigi Kongola Denise Nicholson Sandrea Petith Joan Vella-Critien Cecilia Cornejo	<b>Sunday Hospital</b> Co- Nora Koleszar 1/3 Johnson Fernandes Paul Hussein 15/3 Marie Cradock Mark Bennett

**PRAY FOR THE SERIOUSLY ILL MEMBERS OF OUR COMMUNITY:** Ula Okruta, David McEwen, Stella Kim, Helen Golden, Mary Bayliff, Juniper Ann Butt, Coleen Martin, Marian Rodwell, Emily Rudd, Clarrie Anslow, Greg McBride, Ping Brundette, Christine Hind, Colleen Leslie, Frank Lentini, Peter Rudd, Gloria Emara, Tom Milostic, Mary-Anne Bonnici, Carmen Gaha, Chris Golden, Clair Hasting, Paul Jones

**PRAY FOR THE RECENTLY DECEASED:** Doreen & John Tripony, John Rigg, Rolf Kostuch, Judith Anne Vale, Desmond Freeman, Scott Adams

**ANNIVERSARIES:** Gilberto Dal Busco, John Hiep, Zoe Patten, Annette Patten, Judith Wennerbom, Mary Jane & Michael Angelo Buhagiar, Betty Van Yzendoorn, Glenn Mills, John Muir

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## MASS INTENTIONS

Fri 20/2	9.00am Gosford	For the soul of John Rigg (recently deceased)	Wed 25/2	11:30am Gosford	For the souls of Zoe Patten & Annette Patten (anniversary of death)
Sat 21/2	4.00pm Spencer	JPII Intentions	Thu 26/2	9:00am Gosford	For the souls of Doreen & John Tripony (recently deceased)
Sat	5.00pm Gosford	For Mary Jane & Michael Angelo Buhagiar (anniversary of death)	Fri 27/2	12noon Gosford	For Ula Okruta (seriously ill)
Sat	5.00pm Central Mangrove	Parish intentions	Sat 28/2	9:00am Gosford	JPII Intentions
Sun 22/2	7:30am Gosford	For the soul of Judith Wennerbom (anniversary of death)	Sat	5:00pm Gosford	For the souls of Rosina & Emmanuel Gassar (anniversary of death)
Sun	9.30am Gosford	For the souls of Eddie Thomas Vega Olvera & Miguel Antonio Lazo Alvarez	Sat	5:00pm Central Mangrove	Parish Intentions
Sun	6.00pm Gosford	For the soul of John Hiep (anniversary of death)	Sun 1/3	7:30am Gosford	For the souls of Kazimiez & Angela Dabski
Mon 23/2	9.00am Gosford	For the souls of relatives and friends of C& G Caruana	Sun	9:30am Gosford	For the soul of Peter Mills (Birthday Remembrance)
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