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The Shrine of St. John Paul II

The communities of St. Patrick's East Gosford,
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SIXTH SUNDAY
OF EASTER

10TH MAY 2026



IMPORTANT DATES

Thank you all for your continued support, prayers, and hard work at our parish. Special thanks to our weekend welcomers for their warm presence while assisting our priests with mass requirements, and helping sacramental candidates and parishioners whether new or long-standing. Thank you also to our Seniors Ministry leaders for hosting a successful bingo event last week. And a big thank you to our Sacramental leaders as they begin classes with 45 candidates, in preparation for Reconciliation & First Holy Communion.

10 May. Sunday. Mother's Day. 7.30am Mass, 9.30am Mass, 6.00pm Mass. No Youth group.

POLISH DONUTS for sale, after all masses in the church foyer.

11 May. Monday. 9.00am Mass.

12 May. Tuesday. 9.00am Mass.

11.00am Funeral Mass for Robyn Mulligan.

13 May. Wednesday. 11.30am Mass.

14 May. Thursday. 9.00am Mass.

15 May. Friday. 12.00pm Mass.

16 May. Saturday. 9.00am Mass followed by Coffee Shop in the Jordan Room.

17 May. Sunday. 7.30am Mass.

9.30am Mass & Morning Tea in the Jordan Room.

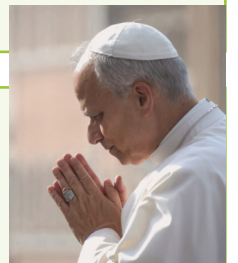
6.00pm Mass followed by Youth Group (Years 7-12) in the Jordan Room.



Blessed Francis Jordan

I need to be grateful that in one sense my life is completed - in order to live a fully new life until death - to give myself totally to the Society, come what may. Do everything according to the spirit of the Founder. *MM in LD note 92*

Pope Leo XIV Prayer Intention for May. *That everyone might have food.* Let us pray that everyone, from large producers to small consumers, be committed to avoid wasting food, and to ensure that everyone has access to quality food.



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Standard Weekend Masses

St. Patrick's Church; 76 York St. East Gosford

Saturday Vigil 5:00 pm

Sunday: 7:30 am; 9:30 am; 6:00 pm

Filipino Mass: 2nd Sunday of each month: 12:00 pm

St. Dionysius Church 21 Nurses Rd. Central Mangrove
Saturday Vigil 5:00 pm

Holy Trinity Church; 4200 Wisemans Ferry Rd; Spencer
1st. Sunday of Month 4:00 pm

Confession 30 minutes before weekend Masses

Standard Weekdays Masses

Mon.: 9:00 am	Tues: 9:00 am	Wed.: 11:30 am
Thurs.: 9:00 am	Fri.: 12:00 pm	Sat.: 9:00 am

Confession 30 minutes before weekdays Masses

Devotions

Adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament

Mon., Tues., Thurs. and Saturday from 8:30 am to 9:00 am

Wednesday from 11:00 am to 11:30 am

Friday from 12:30 pm to 3:00 pm

Rosary

Mon., Tues., Thurs. and Saturday begin at 8:05 am

Sunday begin at 7:05 am

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A FEW THINGS TO KNOW AND SHARE ABOUT FATIMA

May 13 is the optional memorial of Our Lady of Fátima, arguably the most prominent approved apparition of the 20th century. It became famous the world over, particularly for its three-part “secret. Here are a few things to know about this Marian apparition.

What happened at Fátima, Portugal? A young shepherd girl, Lucia dos Santos, said she experienced supernatural visitations as early as 1915, two years before the famous appearances of Our Lady of Fátima. In 1917, she and two of her cousins, Francisco and Jacinta Marto, were working as shepherds tending their families’ flocks. On May 13, 1917, the three children saw an apparition of a lady from heaven. She told them, among other things, that she would return once a month for six months. At her third appearance, on July 13, Lucia was shown the secret of Fátima. She reportedly turned pale and cried out with fear, calling Our Lady by name. There was a thunderclap, and the vision ended. The children again saw the Virgin on Sept. 13. In the sixth and final appearance, on Oct. 13, a dramatic outward sign was given to those gathered to witness the event. After the clouds of a rainstorm parted, numerous witnesses — some as far as 40 miles away — reported seeing the sun dance, spin, and send out coloured rays of light. **What happened after the main apparitions?** As World War I raged across Europe, an epidemic of Spanish flu swept the globe. It erupted in America and was spread by soldiers being sent to distant lands. This epidemic killed an estimated 20 million people. Among them were Francisco and Jacinta, who contracted the illness in 1918 and died in 1919 and 1920, respectively. Lucia entered the convent. On June 13, 1929, at the convent chapel in Tuy, Spain, Lucia had another mystical experience in which she saw the Trinity and the Blessed Virgin. Mary told her: “The moment has come in which God asks the Holy Father in union with all the bishops of the world to make the consecration of Russia to my Immaculate Heart, promising to save it by this means” (S. Zimdars-Schwartz, “Encountering Mary,” 197).

On Oct. 13, 1930, the bishop of Leiria (now Leiria-Fátima) proclaimed the apparitions at Fátima authentic and worthy of assent. **How was the “secret” of Fátima written down?** Between 1935 and 1941, on the orders of her superiors, Sister Lucia wrote four memoirs of the Fátima events. In the third of these, she recorded the first two parts of the secret, explaining that there was a third part she was not yet permitted by heaven to reveal. In the “Fourth Memoir,” she added a sentence to the end of the second part of the secret: “In Portugal, the dogma of the faith will always be preserved, etc.” This sentence has been the basis for much speculation that the third part of the secret concerned a great apostasy. Sister Lucia also noted that in writing the secret in the “Fourth Memoir”: “With the exception of that part of the secret which I am not permitted to reveal at present, I shall say everything. I shall not knowingly omit anything, though I suppose I may forget just a few small details of minor importance.” Upon the publication of the



“Third and Fourth Memoirs,” the world became aware of the secret of Fátima and its three parts, including Our Lady’s request that Russia be consecrated (entrusted) to her Immaculate Heart by the pope and the bishops of the world. On Oct. 31, 1942, Pius XII consecrated not only Russia but also the whole world to the Immaculate Heart of Mary. What was missing, though, was the involvement of the world’s bishops. In 1943, the bishop of Leiria ordered Sister Lucia to put the third secret of Fátima in writing. She did not feel at liberty to do so until 1944. It was then placed in a wax-sealed envelope on which Sister Lucia wrote that it should not be opened until 1960. **What happened to the “third secret” afterward?** The secret remained with the bishop of Leiria until 1957, when it was requested (along with photocopies of Sister Lucia’s other writings) by the Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith. According to Cardinal Tarcisio Bertone the secret was read by both Pope John XXIII and Pope Paul VI” “John Paul II, for his part, asked for the envelope containing the third part of the ‘secret’ following the assassination attempt on 13 May 1981” (ibid.). He read it sometime between July 18 and Aug. 11. It is significant that John Paul II did not read the secret until after the assassination attempt was made on his life. He notes in “Crossing the Threshold of Hope” (1994): “And thus we come to May 13, 1981, when I was wounded by gunshots fired in St. Peter’s Square. At first, I did not pay attention to the fact that the assassination attempt had occurred on the exact anniversary of the day Mary appeared to the three children at Fátima in Portugal and spoke to them the

words that now, at the end of this century, seem to be close to their fulfillment” (221). After reading the secret, the Holy Father realized the connection between the assassination attempt and Fátima. He has since consistently attributed his survival of the gunshot wound to the intercession of Our Lady of Fátima. “It was a mother’s hand that guided the bullet’s path,” he said, “and in his throes the pope halted at the threshold of death” (“Meditation from the Policlinico Gemelli to the Italian Bishops,” May 13, 1994). **What is the essence of Fátima’s three-part “secret?”** Then-Cardinal Joseph Ratzinger (later Pope Benedict XVI), prefect of the Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith, pointed out that the key to the apparition of Fátima is its call to repentance and conversion (MF, “Theological Commentary”). All three parts of the secret serve to motivate the individual to repentance, and they do so in a dramatic way. **What is the first part of the secret?** The first part of the secret — the vision of hell — is the most important, for it reveals to individuals the tragic consequences of failure to repent and what awaits them in the invisible world if they are not converted. **What is the second part of the secret?** In the second part, Mary says: “You have seen hell where the souls of poor sinners go. To save them, God wishes to establish in the world devotion to my Immaculate Heart.” Ratzinger explains: “According to Matthew 5:8, the ‘immaculate heart’ [of Mary] is a heart which, with God’s grace, has come to perfect interior unity and therefore ‘sees God.’ To be ‘devoted’ to the Immaculate Heart of Mary means therefore to embrace this attitude of heart, which makes the fiat — ‘your will be done’ — the defining centre of one’s whole life. It might be objected that we should not place a human being between ourselves and Christ. But then we remember that Paul did not hesitate to say to his communities: ‘imitate me’ (1 Cor 4:16; Phil 3:17; 1 Thes 1:6; 2 Thes 3:7, 9)” (op. cit.). After explaining the vision of hell, Mary spoke of a war that “will break out during the pontificate of Pius XI.” This latter war, of course, was World War II, which Sister Lucia reckoned as having been occasioned by the converted, and a period of peace will be granted to the world.” Much has been made of the statement “Russia will be converted.” Many people have assumed this meant the Russian people as a whole would become Catholic. But the language of the text does not require this. The Portuguese word “converterá” doesn’t necessarily mean converted to the Catholic faith. It can mean simply that Russia will stop its warlike behavior, and thus “there will be peace.” This interpretation seems to be the one understood by John Paul II in a passage cited above from “Crossing the Threshold of Hope.” *From ewtnvatican.com*

ROBYN MULLIGAN

Robyn Mulligan's sudden passing has significantly impacted our school community. Robyn was a Learning Support Assistant at St Patrick's for approximately 25 years. She had great patience and a sense of calm, thoroughly enjoying her work with the children.

We pray that Our Lord surrounds her 3 children, Liam, Bridie, James, her 2 grandchildren, extended family and many friends and colleagues, giving the strength and courage they need during this incredibly difficult time.



Prior to Robyn working at our school, Liam, Bridie and James attended St Patrick's. Robyn taught us to take every opportunity in life and this was reflected in the amazing journeys she enjoyed to all parts of the world (UK, USA, South America, Europe, Antarctica). Also, one of her favourite topics to talk about was her grandchildren whom she loved dearly. Robyn's Funeral Mass will be held on Tuesday May 12th at 11.00am.

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SALVATORIAN COLLECTION

On behalf of all Salvatorians, we would like to thank you for your prayers and great generosity. Thanks to your support, we will be able to help young men during their journey to the priesthood. Hopefully one day, they will walk the walk of faith, and share their priesthood with the people of God in Australia. If you would like to support the formation of 15 young Salvatorian seminarians in the Philippines, the collection envelopes are in the church foyer. We have collected \$4,940 so far. Thank you again for your prayers and generosity.



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YOUTH GROUPS RECOMMENCE

Years 3-4: Friday 3.00-4.30pm (starts May 15)
Years 5-6: Friday 6.00-7.45pm (starts May 15)
Years 7-12: Sunday 7.00-8.45pm (started May 3)
Please contact Abhishek Thomas, Youth Ministry Coordinator, for more details. Ph: 0444 558 600. abhishek.thomas2006@gmail.com

VOLUNTEERS FOR SATURDAY COFFEE SHOP & ALTAR LINEN TEAM

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Craft Group Every Friday in the Jordan Room from 9:00 am to 12:00 pm

Seniors Ministry Activities 1st Tuesday of the Month. Enquires: Barbara: 04322 0250 or Eunice 0438 272 141

Divine Will Prayer Group Every Wed. 4pm. The Jordan Room. Enquires: Wendy 0477 451 973 Jim 0468 273 280

Salvatorian Collaborators: 3rd Saturday of the Month. 3:00 pm. The Jordan Room

Paddies—Youth Group: Year 3-4 3.00-4.30pm Friday Abhishek Thomas Ph: 0444558600

Arise—Youth Group: Year 5-6 6.00-7.45pm Friday Abhishek Thomas Ph: 0444558600

Ascend—Youth Group: 7-12 7.00-8.45pm Sunday Abhishek Thomas Ph: 0444558600

Young Adults: Enquires: Jaimi Andrews Ph: 0452480112 E: jaimilea.andrews@gmail.com

Bible Discussion: Every Monday after 9:00 am Mass. The Jordan Room. Ph: Cecilia 4323 6571.

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

CF ISAIAH 48:20

Proclaim a joyful sound and let it be heard; proclaim to the ends of the earth: The Lord has freed his people, alleluia.

FIRST READING

ACTS OF THE APOSTLES 8:5-8. 14-17

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles

Philip went to a Samaritan town and proclaimed the Christ to them. The people united in welcoming the message Philip preached, either because they had heard of the miracles he worked or because they saw them for themselves. There were, for example, unclean spirits that came shrieking out of many who were possessed, and several paralytics and cripples were cured. As a result there was great rejoicing in that town.

When the apostles in Jerusalem heard that Samaria had accepted the word of God, they sent Peter and John to them, and they went down there, and prayed for the Samaritans to receive the Holy Spirit, for as yet he had not come down on any of them: they had only been baptised in the name of the Lord Jesus. Then they laid hands on them, and they received the Holy Spirit.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps 65:1-7. 16. 20. R. SEE V.1

(R.) Let all the earth cry out to God with joy.

1. Cry out with joy to God all the earth, O sing to the glory of his name. O render him glorious praise. Say to God: 'How tremendous your deeds! **(R.)**

2. 'Before you all the earth shall bow; shall sing to you, sing to your name!' Come and see the works of God, tremendous his deeds among men. **(R.)**

3. He turned the sea into dry land, they passed through the river dry-shod. Let our joy then be in him; he rules for ever by his might. **(R.)**

4. Come and hear, all who fear God. I will tell what he did for my soul: Blessed be God who did not reject my prayer nor withhold his love from me. **(R.)**

SECOND READING

1 PETER 3:15-18

A reading from the first letter of St Peter

Reverence the Lord Christ in your hearts, and always have your answer ready for people who ask you the reason for the hope that you all have. But give it with courtesy and respect and with a clear conscience, so that those who slander you when you are living a good life in Christ may be proved wrong in the accusations that they bring. And if it is the will of God that you should suffer, it is better to suffer for doing right than for doing wrong.

Why, Christ himself, innocent though he was, had died once for sins, died for the guilty, to lead us to God. In the body he was put to death, in the spirit he was raised to life.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

JOHN 14:23

Alleluia, alleluia!

All who love me will keep my words, and my Father will love them and we will come to them. Alleluia!

GOSPEL

JOHN 14:15-21

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John

Jesus said to his disciples: 'If you love me you will keep my commandments. I shall ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate to be with you for ever,

that Spirit of truth whom the world can never receive since it neither sees nor knows him; but you know him, because he is with you, he is in you. I will not leave you orphans; I will come back to you. In a short time the world will no longer see me; but you will see me, because I live and you will live. On that day you will understand that I am in my Father and you in me and I in you. Anybody who receives my commandments and keeps them will be one who loves me; and anybody who loves me will be loved by my Father, and I shall love him and show myself to him.'

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

JOHN 14:15-16

If you love me, keep my commandments, says the Lord, and I will ask the Father and he will send you another Paraclete, to abide with you for ever, alleluia.

NICHES AVAILABLE PARISH MEMORIAL WALL

The Parish Memorial Wall, located at the back of the Church, has niches available to purchase for yourself or your loved ones. These niches are blessed annually by the Parish Priest as well as parishioners tending to the gardens and praying for the deceased. Please contact the Parish office for further details. Ph: 4325 1042 or email patsgos@acs.net.au



PARISH ROSTER FOR SATURDAY 16TH MAY & SUNDAY 17TH MAY

Mass	VIGIL (5.00pm)	7.30am	9.30am	6.00pm	5.00pm Mangrove Mt
Date	Sat 16 th May	Sun 17 th May	Sun 17 th May	Sun 17 th May	Sat 16 th May
Audio/Visual	Fiona Bolton	Michael Lynch	Tom Croll	Reagan Gomez	
Acolytes	Sam Giddings	Eunice Dal Busco	Peter McLean	Viti De Toffol	
	Jon Kealy	Gerard Price	Peter Cho	Mark Bennett	
Commentator	Hilary Pope	John Konopka	Raph Saccasan	Cheryl Walsh	Peter Chin
Lectors	Trudie Hiep	Thea Dowsett	Priscilla Houghton	Rayden Gomez	Alyce Chin
	Adam Murdoch	Sheila Evans	Liz Malik	Rick Llige	Mark Bigeni
Extraordinary Ministers of The Eucharist	Carolina Murdoch	Jane Eager	Cath Croll	Ange Stitt	
Altar		Amelia Eager	Theodore Huang	Remi De Toffol	
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			Jaime Bright	Gabriel Guirguis	
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				Cara Eades	
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PRAY FOR THE RECENTLY DECEASED:

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ANNIVERSARIES:

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REMEMBRANCES: Anthony & Effie Fernandes, Joseph Baynie, Fariba Ghazi, Phyllis Owens, Ramon & Patria Sarsagat, Joseph & Charlie Gauchi, Helena & Wladyslaw Sawicki, Mary Luci, Silvio Eddie Vega Munoz.

MASS INTENTIONS

Fri 8/5	12.00pm Gosford	For Rowena Limpio-Sandoval (birthday blessing and thanksgiving)	Wed 13/5	11.30am Gosford	<i>Mass intention available</i>
Sat 9/5	9.00am Gosford	JPII intentions	Thu 14/5	9.00am Gosford	For the soul of Amparo Bantay
	5.00pm Gosford	For the soul of David Muir (anniversary of death)	Fri 15/5	12.00pm Gosford	For the souls of Ramon & Patria Sarsagat (48 th wedding anniversary)
	5.00pm Central Mangrove	For the soul of Mary Luci	Sat 16/5	9.00am Gosford	JPII intentions
Sun 10/5	7:30am Gosford	For God's Blessing of the Harper Family		5.00pm Gosford	For the soul of Joseph Baynie
	9:30am Gosford	For the soul of Silvio Eddie Vega Munoz		5.00pm Central Mangrove	For the souls of Joseph & Charlie Gauchi
	6.00pm Gosford	Parish intentions	Sun 17/5	7:30am Gosford	For the souls of Helena & Wladyslaw Sawicki
Mon 11/5	9.00am Gosford	For the soul of Peter Mills (3 rd anniversary of death)		9:30am Gosford	For the soul of Lionel Owens (anniversary of death)
Tue 12/5	9.00am Gosford	For the souls of Anthony & Effie Fernandes		6.00pm Gosford	Parish intentions

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