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20 February 2022 – Seventh Sunday of Ordinary Time

Parish Mass Times:
Monday to Friday: 9am
Saturday: 9am, 6pm (vigil)
Sunday: 8am, 10am, 6pm
Public Holidays: 9am
Rock Mass: Once a term

Baptism: Fourth Sunday of each month by appointment
Wedding: Contact Parish Office at least 6 months prior notice
Morning Prayer: Monday - Friday: 8:30am
Anointing of Sick: 2nd Thursday of the month at 9am or by request
Eucharistic Adoration: Saturday 9:30 – 10am concluding with Benediction
Reconciliation: Saturday 9:30am
Rosary: Immediately after weekday Mass and Saturday (8:35am)



Every Friday (during term time)
Lectio Divina facilitated by Fr Greg on Zoom

Second Thursday of Every Month
Anointing of the Sick – 9am

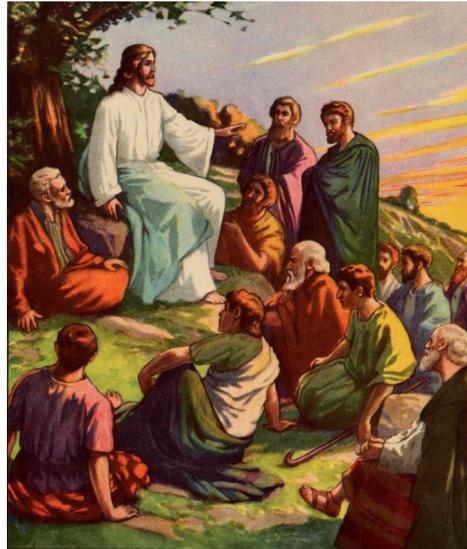
First Friday of Every Month
Exposition/Adoration at 7pm followed by Mass at 7:30pm

Just a reminder that we follow NSW Health advice to reduce the spread of Covid.

- sanitise your hands;
- wear your mask; and
- socially distance

Acknowledgement of Traditional Owners

We wish to acknowledge the traditional custodians of these lands on which we gather and show our respect to the Elders past and present . We also wish to pay our respects to all Aboriginal people.



“To you who hear, I say, love your enemies, do good to those who hate you, bless those who curse you, pray for those who mistreat you..” (Gospel)

Dear Parishioners,

‘Love your enemies, do good to those who hate you.’ This is hard to do and yet it is fundamental to Christian life. Imagine how happy our world

would be if this was lived out on a global scale. And yet, this kind of attitude has to take root at the personal level before it can grow to global proportions. I have to learn to love not only my enemies, but even those who simply annoy me, those who seem to have a grudge against me, act unfairly towards me, or speak ill of me. One of our greatest models in learning how to do this is St Therese of Lisieux. In her ‘Little Way’ she showed us that doing something as simple as taking on the washing up duty for someone in our household who is annoying us can be an act of love. It may not change the person in question, but it changes us. Because when we choose to love, even through small acts of service, it opens our hearts to God’s healing grace and mercy, and this can’t help but overflow.

May God bless you.
Fr Greg Chee, OCD

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Social Justice Corner

The Power of Community – Creating Welcoming Communities

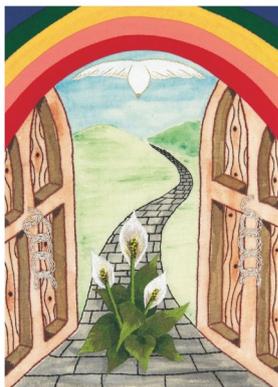
A community forum (in person and online) will be held on **Tuesday 22nd February 2022** from **6.30pm- 8pm** to explore how effective democracy can support fairer and more positive outcomes for refugee newcomers across Australia. Speakers will include Shabnam Safa, Community Refugee Sponsorship Australia and Australian television personality and Director of Big Deal, Craig Reucassel. To register go to: <https://www.trybooking.com/events/landing?eid=86656>. The in person event will be held at St Bernadette's Parish Hall 367 Old Northern Road, Castle Hill.

The Statement from the Heart Exploration

You are invited to attend an exploration of The Statement from the Heart. The Statement invites us to respond to what Indigenous Australians are calling for: Voice.Treaty.Truth. The event is being organised by The Grail in partnership with Eremos, Women's Reconciliation Network, Network for Good, Justice and Peace Office Catholic Archdiocese of Sydney, Creators of Peace and Initiatives of Change Australia and will be held on **Saturday, 26th February 2022** from **9.30am- 3.30pm** (via zoom). This special event will include insightful videos, authentic stories, small group conversations, moments to pause & opportunities to commit to further action. Please email: admin@grailaustralia.org.au to register. A zoom link will be sent to all registrants a few days prior to the event.

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER— REPRESENTATIVE NEEDED

The churches in the Ku-ring-gai area are looking forward to celebrating the World Day of Prayer together for 2022 on Friday, 4th of March at 10am. St Ives Baptist will be hosting the service this year. We are after a representative from our church to attend. Please contact the office on 9144 6998.



World Day of Prayer 2022

England, Wales and Northern Ireland

Date and time: 4 March 2022
11am

Location: St Ives Baptist Church
28 Memorial Ave, St Ives

Contact: St Ives Baptist Church
8593 4776
enquiries@sibc.org.au

Prayer Zone



Please pray for the ill:

Quentin Stewart; Rob Sanders; Anne Jardane; Naomi Upton; Vanessa Park; Rebecca Davies; Denise Carmody; Grace Cheah; Elizabeth Walsh; Rebecca Anderson; Maria Garcia; Jose Mestres; Meacheal; Estelle Sok; Lewis Crinitti; Thi Nguyen; Victoria; Carmel Hadley; Carmel Hurrell, Mary Sanzone, Fergus O'Brien, Michelle Soumier, Jane Donnelly, Lisa Doherty, Gracie Spencer, Brendan Stone

If you know of anyone who can no longer attend mass due to illness; or if you have noticed one of our parishioners is no longer attending mass, could you please let the office know.

FEAST DAYS— FEBRUARY

Tuesday 22nd, The Chair of St Peter, apostle
Wednesday 23rd, St Polycarp, bishop, martyr

CALLING PARISHIONERS WHO LOVE TO SING.

Come and join our dedicated group of Parish Choir volunteers who gather to sing and serve our church by leading our worship on the 2nd Sunday of each month. Rehearsals are held from 9am before the 10am mass. Please see Patricia Kiely after the 10am mass on Sunday 27 February for more information, or contact the Parish office on 9144 6998.

THE NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER AND FASTING 2022

The National Day of Prayer and Fasting will be held on Saturday 26th February 2022. The theme for 2022 is "Purity in Christ." The scriptural theme is found in Psalms 51:10, **"Create in me a pure heart O God, and renew a steadfast spirit within me."** There is great power in unified prayer. Psalm 133 says, **"When brethren dwell together in unity... there the Lord commands a blessing even life evermore."** The primary goal of the National Day of Prayer and Fasting is to Glorify God!

www.nationaldayofprayer.org.au

Reminder:



Please bring in your blessed palms from last year so they can be burnt for Ash Wednesday. Baskets will be placed at the entrances of the church so you can leave your palms.

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share your thoughts

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week

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POPE FRANCIS' PRAYER INTENTION FOR FEBRUARY

For religious sisters and consecrated
women.

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The Word

Sunday 20 February 2022 7th Sunday in Ordinary Time

First Reading

From the first book of Samuel 1 Sm 26:2. 7-9. 12-13. 22-23

The Lord has put you in my power, but I will not raise my hand against you.

Saul set off and went down to the wilderness of Ziph, accompanied by three thousand men chosen from Israel to search for David in the wilderness of Ziph. So in the dark David and Abishai made their way towards the force, where they found Saul asleep inside the camp, his spear stuck in the ground beside his head, with Abner and the troops lying round him.

Then Abishai said to David, 'Today God has put your enemy in your power; so now let me pin him to the ground with his own spear. Just one stroke! I will not need to strike him twice. David answered Abishai, Do not kill him, for who can lift his hand against the Lord's anointed and be without guilt?' David took the spear and the pitcher of water from beside Saul's head, and they made off. No one saw, no one knew, no one woke up; they were all asleep, for a deep sleep from the Lord had fallen on them.

David crossed to the other side and halted on the top of the mountain a long way off; there was a wide space between them. David then called out, 'Here is the king's spear. Let one of the soldiers come across and take it. The Lord repays everyone for his uprightness and loyalty. Today the Lord put you in my power, but I would not raise my hand against the Lord's anointed.'

The Word of the Lord.

Responsorial Psalm Ps 102:1-4. 8. 10. 12-13. R. v.8

(R.) The Lord is kind and merciful.

1. My soul, give thanks to the Lord, all my being, bless his holy name. My soul, give thanks to the Lord and never forget all his blessings. *(R.)*
2. It is he who forgives all your guilt, who heals every one of your ills, who redeems your life from the grave, who crowns you with love and compassion. *(R.)*
3. The Lord is compassion and love, slow to anger and rich in mercy. He does not treat us according to our sins nor repay us according to our faults. *(R.)*
4. As far as the east is from the west so far does he remove our sins. As a father has compassion on his sons, the Lord has pity on those who fear him. *(R.)*

Second Reading

From the first letter of St Paul to the Corinthians: 1 Cor 15:45-49

Just as we have carried the earthly image, we must carry the heavenly image.

The first man, Adam, as scripture says, became a living soul; but the last Adam has become a life-giving spirit. That is, first the one with the soul, not the spirit, and after that, the one with the spirit. The first man, being from the earth, is earthly by nature; the second man is from heaven. As this earthly man was, so are we on earth; and as the heavenly man is, so are we in heaven. And we, who have been modelled on the earthly man, will be modelled on the heavenly man.

The Word of the Lord.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

I give you a new commandment;
love one another as I have loved you.

Alleluia!

Gospel

From the holy Gospel according to Luke: Lk 6:27-38

Be merciful as your Father is merciful.

Jesus said to his disciples: 'I say this to you who are listening: Love your enemies, do good to those who hate you, bless those who curse you, pray for those who treat you badly. To the man who slaps you on one cheek, present the other cheek too; to the man who takes your cloak from you, do not refuse your tunic. Give to everyone who asks you, and do not ask for your property back from the man who robs you. Treat others as you would like them to treat you. If you love those who love you, what thanks can you expect? Even sinners love those who love them. And if you do good to those who do good to you, what thanks can you expect? For even sinners do that much. And if you lend to those from whom you hope to receive, what thanks can you expect? Even sinners lend to sinners to get back the same amount. Instead, love your enemies and do good, and lend without any hope of return. You will have a great reward, and you will be sons of the Most High, for he himself is kind to the ungrateful and the wicked.

'Be compassionate as your Father is compassionate. Do not judge, and you will not be judged yourselves; do not condemn, and you will not be condemned yourselves; grant pardon, and you will be pardoned. Give, and there will be gifts for you: a full measure, pressed down, shaken together, and running over, will be poured into your lap; because the amount you measure out is the amount you will be given back.'

The Gospel of the Lord.