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WEEKEND MASSES:

Saturday Vigil: 5pm
 Sunday: 8am, 9.30am,
WEEKDAY MASS TIME:

Mon. 7.00am Tues7.30pm
 Wed. 9.00am Thurs 7.00am
 Fri 9.00 am Sat 9.00am

HOLY HOUR: Saturday 8-9.00am
RECONCILIATION: 10 mins before
 Mass and Saturdays 8. – 8.55am
 Tuesday 6.45pm – 7.25pm

BAPTISMS: at 9.30am Mass
BAPTISM Prep Thurs. 1st November 7pm
WEDDINGS: By appointment.
ANOINTING MASS: 5th / 6th Jan 2019
NOVENA OUR LADYDIVINE MERCY
Tues. 6.30pm

Our sick: Glenn Horton, Jan Gurba, Mary Carmen Borg, Norma Cook, Ida Dimeglio, Josefa Dabu, Rita Webb, Josie Lay, Christine Woodard, Lonza Busuttill, Maria Suszycka, Urszula Kaminska, Thea Van Gastel, Josephine Marinilli, Joan Hagley, Amy Zuschmann and all dear friends from Mildred Symons House & house bound.

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<http://catholicfaitheducation.blogspot.com.au/>
READING MINISTRY:
HTTP://CATHOLICREADINGS.ORG
<https://www.compellingtruth.org>
www.vocationcentre.org.au
Online Bible Correspondence Courses:
<http://www.ibtministries.org>
 EWTN-Kids (catechism for Kids)
 Catholic News Service,
 Catholica; Zenith News; Fish Eaters
<http://www.liturgy.sydneycatholic.org/>
www.catalystforrenewal.org.au
<https://www.cruxnow.com>

Sat: 9am: + ; Vigil 5pm: +Darrel Weinman; **Sun: 8am:** Relief and deliverance for souls in Purgatory; **9.30am:** +Pro Populo; **Mon:** +Giovanna Tesoriero; **Tues:** ; **Wed:** Guido Natoli; **Thurs:** +Dantis; **Fri:** Relief & Deliverance for the Souls in Purgatory

The St Vincent de Paul Society 2018 Festival Mass will be held on Friday 30th November 2018 at 7pm At St Declan's Penhurst 92 Penhurst Street, Penhurst. Light refreshments will follow the Mass.

Plenary Council: What do you think God is asking of us in Australia at this time? St Joseph's will be holding our parish's "Listening & Dialogue" sessions on the dates / times listed below. If you would like to participate, please choose a date and time to suit you and simply turn up at that time. It is anticipated the sessions will last about half an hour and will be held in the room beneath our church after mass as follows – **Saturday, 20 October 6:00pm; Sunday, 28 October 9:00 am and Sunday, 4 November 2018 10:30 am.** Only one session needs to be attended for you to have input. I encourage you to participate. Your story is important. Glenn Horton (Parish Facilitator)

Working with Children Check numbers are required for **ALL** Ministries. Please contact Anne in the Office for further details: Mon 12-3pm Thurs 8-3pm on 9528 0205.



In the midst of the Synod on Youth, Pope Francis canonized seven saints on Sunday, October 14. Among them Pope Paul VI and Oscar Romero, two well-known figures in the Catholic Church who made significant contributions in the past century. The other five; Nunzio Sulprizio, Francesco Spinelli, Vincenzo Romano, Maria Caterina Kasper, Nazaria Ignazia March Mesa.

Less than two weeks left till the month of November, the time set apart for Remembrance of Souls of our Departed. All Masses will be dedicated for Their Eternal Rest as well as **an extra one on Sundays at 7pm.**Please write the names of your Beloved Departed and place in the envelope provided then present at the Box of Remembrance.

Only 100 books with the reflections for Advent and Christmas arrived. The cost of books and fright \$3.50 please place your donation to the Honesty Box. Your help will be most appreciated.



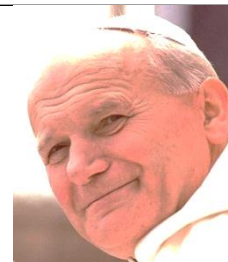
Saint Michael the Archangel, defend us in battle. Be our safeguard against the wickedness and snares of the devil. May God rebuke him we humbly pray; and do Thou, O Prince of the Heavenly Host, by the Power of God, cast into hell Satan and all the evil spirits, who wonder through the world seeking the ruin of souls. Amen. Most Sacred Heart of Jesus Have Mercy on us (3 x).

Fatima Prayer O my Jesus, forgive us our sins. Save us from the fires of hell, lead all souls to heaven especially those in most need of your mercy.

Sydney Catholic Early Childhood Services proposal had been accepted. The initial concept design and further introductory details of the project. will be presented to Parish Community soon.

Three Step Plan for Reforming the Church: Pray, Learn, Speak out.

40th anniversary of John Paul II election: "In order for the Church to receive the gift of Peter, one man must be willing to pay the price". Ten ways Pope St. John Paul II left his mark on the Church: 1.Theology of the Body; 2. More than 480 canonizations; 3. Peaceful resistance to communism; 4. Inspirer of priestly vocations; 5. The Pope of the Family; 6. Authoritative interpretation of the Second Vatican Council; 7. Catechism of the Catholic Church; 8. Personalism; 9. Totus Tuus Maria; 10. Affirmation of the feminine genius; JP2 did not come to set back the clock to before 1963. He came to prepare the Church and the world for the third millennium, which would come as soon as the 20th century ended and the 21st began. He sought reconciliation where possible. He defended the consistent, perennial teachings of the 2,000-year-old religion. He used modern tools — like the jet plane, the Internet, television, and radio — to spread his message. He preserved the rich heritage and patrimony of Catholicism, while at the same time he shook some of the dust off the places that had become complacent and lethargic. **Pontificate: 22/10/1978 – 2/04/2005**



Halloween Christian Perspective: The word *Halloween* itself is a shortened form of "All Hallows Eve," the day before All Saints Day. This holiday, properly understood and celebrated with all of its fun trappings, can be a way for us to deepen our understanding of faith. Halloween has its roots in the ancient Celtic tribes of Ireland, Scotland, Wales, and Brittany. On October 31, the tribes would celebrate the festival of Samhain. During this festival, Celts believed the souls of the dead -- including ghosts, goblins, and witches -- returned to mingle with the living. In order to scare away the evil spirits, people would wear masks and light bonfires. When the Romans conquered the Celts, they added their own touches to the Samhain festival, such as making centrepieces out of apples and nuts for Pomona, the Roman goddess of the orchards. The Romans also bobbed for apples and drank cider -- traditions which may sound familiar to you. But where does the Christian aspect of the holiday come into play? In 835, Pope Gregory IV moved the celebration for all the martyrs (later all saints) from May 13 to November 1. The night before became known as All Hallow's Eve or "holy evening." Eventually the name was shortened to the current Halloween. On November 2, the Roman Catholic Church celebrates All Souls Day.

Musicians are urgently needed to practice for Christmas Masses. Please ring Steve on 0431119745