



1st Reading

Amos 8:4-7

The Lord will forget nothing that the wicked do.

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 113.1-2, 4-6, 7-8 (R.1a, 7a)

Praise the Lord who lifts up the poor.

2nd Reading

1 Timothy 2:1-8

Pray often, free of anger and dissension.

Gospel Acclamation

2 Corinthians 8.9

Alleluia, alleluia!

Jesus Christ was rich but he became poor, to make you rich out of his poverty. Alleluia!

Gospel

Luke 16:1-13

Parable of the wise manager.



VOICE FROM THE PEWS

LITURGY TIMES

Saturday

Reconciliation, 5-5:45pm
Vigil Mass, 6pm

Sunday

Mass, 8am, 9.30am and 6pm
Youth Mass, 2nd & 4th Sun, 6pm

Monday and Wednesday

Mass, 7am

(except on Public Holidays which changes to 9.05am)

Tuesday, Thursday and Friday

Mass, 9.05am

Anointing Mass, 1st Fri, 9.05am

1st Friday Night Devotion

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament,
7.30pm

Children's Liturgy

Sat 6pm and Sun 9.30am
2nd & 4th Sun of the month
(during school term)

**Baptisms, Weddings, Funerals,
Anointing of the Sick
by appointment**

It is such a simple statement of truth, "We cannot serve both God and money." No Christian of faith could possibly disagree. But if we rephrase the question and ask, "How important is money to you?" the issue gets a little cloudier.

Money is an important part of our lives. There is no question that we need money to put food on the family table, clothes on our bodies and a roof over our heads. Earning money to provide these things is definitely in the service of God. Even providing luxuries for ourselves and our families is okay, as long as we are also providing for people in need. But when money becomes an end in itself, buying becomes a way of life or having this year's model becomes a necessity, we are in trouble.

It is so easy to get caught up in the false notion that things can make us happy, even though we know that the pleasure they offer is temporary. Forever happiness—day-into-the-dark-

of-night happiness— is found in God's love and in our relationships with family and friends.

Every once in a while it's important to check out our priorities, and re-evaluate our lifestyle. There are at least two ways of doing this: taking a good look around our homes and paying attention to what we find ourselves talking about. Both can tell us a great deal about what is important to us and who we are really serving.

FAMILY RESPONSE:

Talk about people you most admire. Why did you choose them? Is their worth dependent on the amount of money or the number of things they have?

PERSONAL RESPONSE:

What do you and your friends talk most about? What does this tell you about yourself?

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*The Holy Spirit Parish pays respect to the Darug People,
the traditional custodians of the land on which we gather to celebrate our faith and worship God.
We acknowledge with respect the elders past and present.*



We are a welcoming parish. Whatever your present status in the Catholic Church, whatever your current family or marital situation, whatever your past or present religious affiliation, whatever your personal history, age, background, race or color, sexual orientation, whatever your self-esteem... you are invited, welcomed, accepted, loved and respected by the Catholic Community of Holy Spirit.

If you are not an active member of this Community, consider sharing in what we have to offer. We serve the Community through outreach, education, social activities, sacramental preparation, youth and comfort to the sick and mourning. In addition to our spiritual and outreach organisations, perhaps you have an interest in joining one of our many liturgical ministries as: Minister of Holy Communion, Lector, Welcomer, Choir, etc.

Persons are formally registered by filling out a form that is then entered into the parish data system (information supplied remains confidential). These forms are available from the parish office or in the church foyer.

MISSION STATEMENT

The Mission of the People of God at Holy Spirit Parish is to witness to and to proclaim the word of God, and to pray and celebrate the Liturgy in word and sacraments so that we may be of service to others and form a community of "one mind and one heart on the way to God." (St Augustine)

FROM POPE FRANCIS:

"God loves us. May we discover the beauty of loving and being loved."

PASTORAL CARE FOR THE HOMEBOUND

Our clergy and pastoral care ministers bring the sacraments of Eucharist, reconciliation, and anointing of the sick to members who are unable to participate because of illness or aging. For more information and to arrange receiving the sacraments, contact Parish Office at 9670 8222 or admin@holyspiritstclair.com.au.



PRAYERS FOR THOSE IN OUR COMMUNITY

There is strength and peace that comes from when we pray for one another. If you have a prayer request or want to offer a Mass for a special intention, go to: <https://holyspiritstclair.com.au/mass-prayer-requests/>
We ask you to please submit your prayer intentions a few days before preferred Mass.

SICK:

Linda Allen, Yvonne Funnell, Carmelo Mederos, Marilon Peña Ramirez, Jonathan Tjarks, Luz Mier, Lina Cuschieri, Gabriel Fajardo, Tessa Acosta, Loree Mante, Craig Edwards, Michelle Edwards, Joseph Cuschieri, Yvonne Cuschieri, Bambi Rose, Manny Valladores, Brendan Gallagher Andrew Boulos, Emilia Rose Moya, Giulia & Joseph Caruana Joel Dizon, Angela Cook, Bella Tassone, Deepa Mary Joy, Ramon Rivera, John Warne, Brian Barnes, Harry Young, Steven Johns, Alice Grech.

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DEATH ANNIVERSARIES:

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Names submitted to Parish for the sick list will show for 4 weeks at a time.

PARISH COLLECTIONS & REGULAR CONTRIBUTION

If you are a new parishioner to Holy Spirit or an existing one and you would like to participate in the Regular Parish Contribution, forms are available for completion in the foyer of the church or go to the link provided below. Please complete your details and email it to accounts@holyspiritstclair.com.au or hand it to any of our priests. 30% of the collection is for the care of our Augustinian clergy and the 70% is for the administration and maintenance costs of the parish.

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We're grateful to those who continue to financially support our parish.

GOD BLESS YOU.



LIVE THE LITURGY Inspiration for the Week



Human beings are often very clever when managing money and making a profit. Sometimes, we place so much of our sense of security in money that we lower ourselves to deceit and fraud. Our need to produce a profit can easily lead to economic injustice and exploitation. Money is necessary to conduct the business of our lives. However, it cannot become the god we serve. Being smart, savvy, and creative with financial wealth can be good. Being smart, savvy, and creative with living out our relationship with God is even better. Our hearts have to find a home somewhere. Jesus reminds us of a choice we must make: God or mammon. We need to be cautious about “selling our souls” to what cannot fully satisfy us and falling into the traps of lust, gluttony, pride, and greed. Instead, we can better direct our efforts and our talents to the management of God’s kingdom, which in the end is the only thing that matters. Any ideas on how we can use the talents and skills God gave us to make for a better world?

QUESTIONS OF THE WEEK

First Reading: The prophet Amos warns those who exploit the poor and the vulnerable will be harshly condemned by the Lord. In what ways do you defend those marginalized in our society?

Second Reading: Paul teaches Timothy to be open, generous, and inclusive in his prayer life. How would you find this spiritual advice a challenge in your life?

Gospel Reading: In the parable of the dishonest steward, Jesus praises the steward for resolving his dilemma, in the end, with prudence. With his parable, Jesus teaches his disciples an important lesson on the dangers of monetary wealth. How do you avoid the trap of choosing money over God?



Parents wishing to have their child baptized are asked to contact the Parish Office prior to attending a preparation evening. Next Baptism Preparation session is on Tue 11 October, 7.00pm, at the church. Presenter is Seaview Kama.



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- ALICIA LARSEN**
(Daughter of Peter & Melissa)
- SOFIA KATHARINA SHEENS**
(Daughter of Benjamin & Renee)
- MIA FAYE TUMMINELLO**
(Daughter of David & Amanda)
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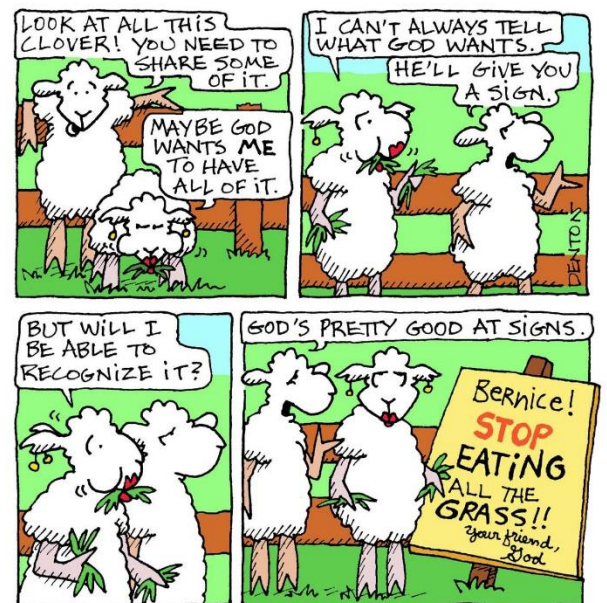
WEEKLY JUSTICE CHALLENGES

The Responsorial Psalm this Sunday is: “Praise the Lord, who lifts up the poor” (Psalm 113). Numerous psalms praise God for caring for the poorest and most vulnerable in our world. They also invite us to be part of God’s plan for bringing justice to all. Your challenge this week is to peruse the psalms until you find one which speaks to your family of God’s compassion for the poor. (You can also use Psalm 113.) Every day this week, pray at least part of your chosen psalm as a family or household on behalf of a person or community struggling with poverty, hunger, or lack of shelter. Start on Sunday with someone in your neighborhood or local community. Each day stretch your prayer further afield so that you are praying for global needs by the end of the week.

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“Who will trust you with true wealth?”

Sheepish Question:

When—and why—have I thought it was okay to have more than my share?

PARISH NEWS AND EVENTS



"MARY AROSE AND WENT WITH HASTE" (LK 1:39)

22 DAYS
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Register now:
www.parrowyd.org

Bishop Vincent has announced a pilgrimage to the next World Youth Day in Lisbon, Portugal from July 21– August 11, 2023. Young people 16-35 and their families are encouraged to learn more at www.parrowyd.org. Express your interest in coming to Lisbon today! For all enquiries, contact James Camden, Head Mission Engagement – james.camden@parracatholic.org

WYD LISBON 2023



DAVID CURRIE PLAYSPACE -

Everyone is invited to the **Opening of the DAVID CURRIE PLAYSPACE** on Monday 19 Sept 2022, 10-10.30am at Banks Drive Reserve, St Clair.

As you can remember David Currie was a member of our community and has contributed a lot not only to our parish community, but also to the local community.

It includes accessible spinner, climbing net and slide, multi-bay swing, toddler specific multi-play unit, sensory play, wheelchair accessible trampoline and double flying fox.

We thank the Penrith City Council, the NSW and Australian Governments for funding this project, which is a great memorial for a well-loved member of our community.



ANOINTING

Friday 7 Oct, 9.05am

Reconciliation available before Mass from 8.30-9am



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HSC MASS 2022

SUNDAY 9TH OCTOBER

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The annual Wedding Anniversary Mass will be held on Sunday 30 October at 11am at St Patrick's Cathedral, Parramatta. Bishop Vincent will celebrate Solemn Mass, followed by a light lunch at the Cathedral Hall.

All couples celebrating a significant wedding anniversary will receive a certificate from Bishop Vincent.

Please register your name, years of marriage and numbers attending at marriage@parracatholic.org by 21 October.

Family and friends are welcome.

PARISH NEWS AND EVENTS



HOLY SPIRIT PARISH
2022 Marian Fiesta
 Saturday 22 October 2022
 5pm Block Rosary • 6pm Mass followed by dinner, entertainment & raffle
 DINNER TICKET: \$10 (ages 12 and up)

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FIESTA DINNER AND RAFFLE TICKETS NOW ON SALE

The 2022 Marian Fiesta Dinner and Raffle Tickets are now on sale at the Piety Stall.

- \$10 each for ages 12 and up (including drinks)
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- Free for ages 0-4

Raffle Tickets: \$5 for 3 or \$2 each

First Prize: \$500 Second Prize: \$300
Third Prize: \$200

and lots of consolation prizes!!!

2022 MARIAN FIESTA SOUVENIR BOOK

An Invitation to All Parishioners & Friends

On Sat 22 October, we will have the closing ceremony of our Holy Spirit Parish's 40th Year Foundation Anniversary and our annual Marian Fiesta celebration.

The 2022 Fiesta Committee, hosted by Africa & Mauritius communities, we would like to cordially invite you to participate in our fundraising drive. We humbly ask you to subscribe in our Souvenir Book to have your greetings or business advertisement posted therein for a fee.

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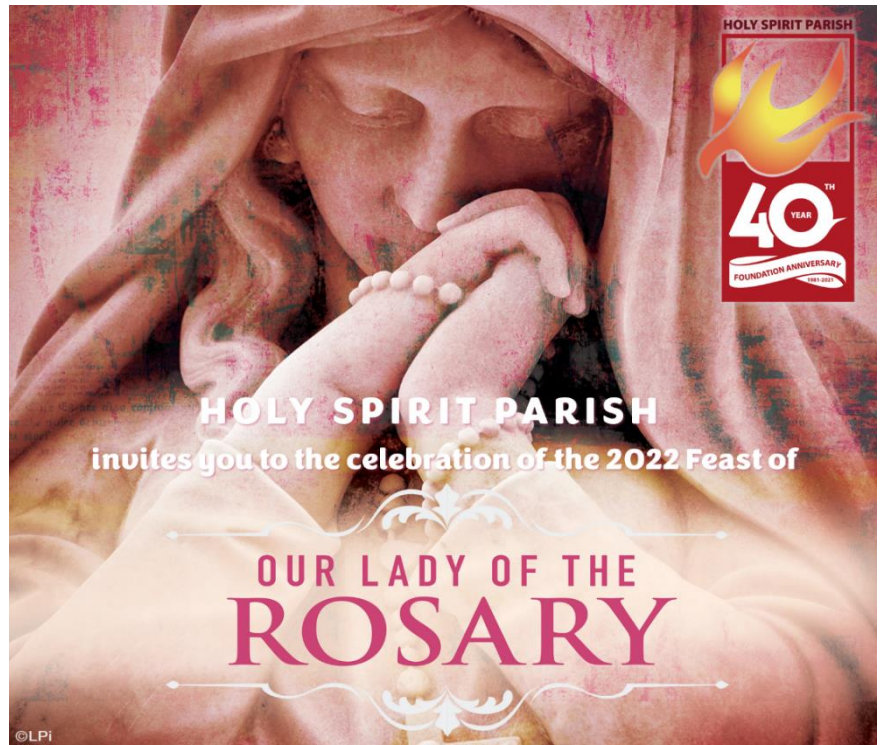
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All proceeds of which will be used for the upkeep and maintenance of our parish.

Any enquiries or further clarifications about this fundraising event, please call Sarah Damole on 0405 756 752 or email scanetedamole@gmail.com or Jenny Kyd on 0401 335 964 or email jkyd@bigpond.net.au.

We need you to email your photos/artwork/branding logo with your message/advertisement on or before the 30th of September 2022.

Thanking you in anticipation and God bless.



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MARIAN TALK

Wed 12 October, 7.30pm

Speaker:

Sr Mary Louise Walsh, ISSM

FIESTA DAY

Sat 22 October

5pm, Block Rosary

6pm, Mass

Main Presider: Bishop Vincent Long
 (followed by dinner, entertainment and raffle)

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7.30pm, Holy Spirit Church

Thu 13 Oct, Philippines

Fri 14 Oct, Men's Business

Sat 15 Oct, Sri Lanka/Pakistan

Sun 16 Oct, BASIC GIFT

Mon 17 Oct, Pacific Islands

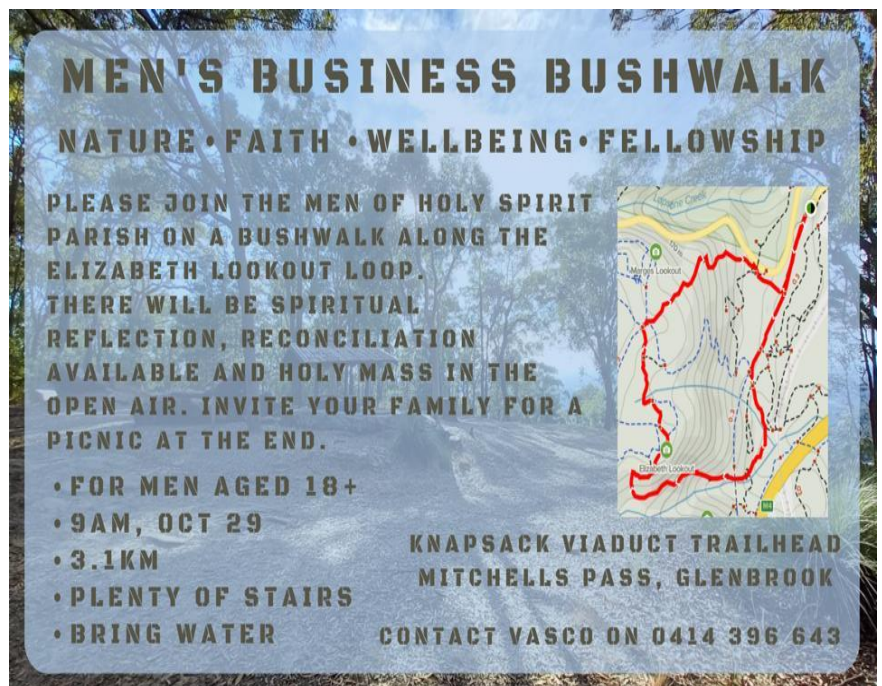
Tue 18 Oct, India

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Thu 20 Oct, Europe

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"A Christian is: a mind through which Christ thinks, a heart through which Christ loves, a voice through which Christ speaks, and a hand through which Christ helps."

St Augustine of Hippo



**WHY DO WE DO THAT?
Catholic Life Explained**

Question:

Why do we celebrate Catechetical Sunday?

Answer:

The mission of the church reflects the mission of Jesus to teach, preach, heal, and forgive. Through these acts, Jesus shares the good news of salvation and invites all people to share in the life and love of God. The church continues this mission in all its ministries, but especially, and perhaps most importantly, through catechesis.

Catechetical Sunday is celebrated on the third Sunday of September. The task of handing on the Gospel is entrusted to the whole community, who by word and example, form young and new members in the way of the Gospel. Parish programs assist parents in teaching the basics of faith through liturgical experience, instruction, and faith formation. This ministry is essential for the parish to grow, for individuals to develop as believers, and for the ongoing spiritual formation of the whole community. It reminds the church that preaching the Gospel and growing in faith are essential to our sacramental practice and our liturgical prayer.

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CREATION CARE TIPS

*"No slave can serve two masters...
You cannot serve God and wealth."
—Luke 16:13*

Many in our society serve the god of consumerism, perhaps unconsciously. They live as if there is an infinite supply of raw materials, but that belief is squeezing the planet dry and destroying our ecosystems. Make a commitment this week to refuse to make a purchase (except for groceries or other true essentials like healthcare supplies). Use your extra time, money, or the resources you save to do something positive that serves God instead.



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NEXT WEEKEND (25 SEPTEMBER): 26TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, Yr C

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| <p>1st Reading Amos 6:1. 4-7 <i>Woe to the complacent.</i></p> <p>Responsorial Psalm Psalm 146.6c-7, 8-9a, 9b-10 (R.1) <i>Praise the Lord, my soul!</i></p> <p>2nd Reading 1 Timothy 6:11-16 <i>Fight the good fight.</i></p> <p>Gospel Acclamation 2 Corinthians 8.9 <i>Alleluia, alleluia!</i> <i>Jesus Christ was rich but he became poor, to make you rich out of his poverty.</i> <i>Alleluia!</i></p> <p>Gospel Luke 16:19-31 <i>Parable of the rich man and Lazarus.</i></p> | <p>24 SEPT, 6PM</p> <p>Minister at the Altar Volunteer Needed</p> <p>Eucharistic Ministers Lea Jadraque Fe Uy Aruna Heslop</p> <p>Reader 1 Janice Salmon</p> <p>Reader 2 Romeo Prieto</p> <p>Commentator Lea Jadraque</p> <p>Music Couples for Christ</p> <p>Powerpoint Nanette I.</p> <p>Junior Servers Volunteers Needed</p> <p>Welcomers Terry Serrao Volunteer Needed Volunteer Needed</p> | <p>25 SEPT, 8AM</p> <p>Minister at the Altar Edward De Leon</p> <p>Eucharistic Ministers Gloria Slade Fiona Ferreira Ron Brackett</p> <p>Reader 1 Vitolina Fidow</p> <p>Reader 2 Millie Perez</p> <p>Commentator Espy Sarno</p> <p>Music Gabrielle Rumora</p> <p>Powerpoint Manuel Fidow</p> <p>Junior Servers Volunteers Needed</p> <p>Welcomers Angela Pecnik Espy Sarno Volunteer Needed</p> | <p>25 SEPT, 9.30AM</p> <p>Minister at the Altar Fred Harris</p> <p>Eucharistic Ministers Nilo Gajo Marthese Grima Anabel Jader</p> <p>Reader 1 Tina Fernandes</p> <p>Reader 2 Michael Paulo</p> <p>Commentator Carmen Marcelo</p> <p>Music Children's Choir</p> <p>Powerpoint Joseph Valladores</p> <p>Junior Servers Volunteers Needed</p> <p>Welcomers Joe Duval Volunteer Needed Volunteer Needed</p> | <p>25 SEPT, 6PM</p> <p>Minister at the Altar Stephen Middleton</p> <p>Eucharistic Ministers Lumen Decena Peter Smith Robert Lees</p> <p>Reader 1 Genevieve Luangratt</p> <p>Reader 2 Jodie Donlan</p> <p>Commentator Robert Lees</p> <p>Music BASIC GIFT</p> <p>Powerpoint BASIC GIFT</p> <p>Junior Servers Volunteers Needed</p> <p>Welcomers Esther Rose Eleanor Stuart Volunteers Needed</p> |
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OBSERVANCES FOR THE WEEK OF 18 SEPTEMBER

- Mon 19 Sept:** St Januarius, bishop and martyr
- Tue 20 Sept:** St Andrew Kim Tae-gon, Paul Chong Hasang and comp, martyrs
- Wed 21 Sept:** St Matthew, apostle and evangelist
- Thu 22 Sept:** Thursday of the 25th Week in Ordinary Time, Yr 2
- Fri 23 Sept:** St Pius of Pietrelcina (Padre Pio), priest
- Sat 24 Sept:** Saturday of the 25th Week in Ordinary Time, Yr 2

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