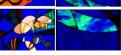


# HOLY SPIRIT PARISH



Worshipping Communities of St Clair, Erskine Park and parts of Kemps Creek













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Catholic Diocese of Parramatta

#### **Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year C**

02 March 2025

**LENT - 'A Time of Happiness and Joy!'** Dear Friends,

Yes, I know it's an unusual title but consider this quote: 'Some of Christianity's harshest critics have suggested that what is wrong with it is that it sets itself the absurd task of teaching happy people to be unhappy so that it can minister to their unhappiness' (Ronald Rolheiser, The Holy Longing p 141).



The contrary is true and Lent puts us in touch with the whole Christian reality – love, happiness and joy, suffering, death and the promise of eternal life. God's wish is for our real happiness even though we grapple daily with difficult human realities.

Jesus promises us his Joy in our close relationship with him as the vine and the branches. Jesus' extraordinary love for us mirrors the Father's love for him: 'I have told you these things so that my joy may be in you and your joy may be complete' (John 15:11).

Lent is an opportunity for us to fine tune our lives – according to our capacities. Amid the practical ways we observe Lent, the important focus is on what is happening in our hearts. Jesus' strong teaching last Sunday about love of neighbour, particularly love of our enemies, was guiding us not so much on what to do 'on the outside' but how to be 'on the inside'!

The Church offers a lot of practical wisdom and reaffirms our need to do penance – 'to interrupt the usual comforts of life, to rediscover in prayer the saving love of God, and to practice charity and justice towards those in need'. During Lent and on the Fridays of the year, we do penance, not only on our own account, but also in the name of the Church and of the world.

In addition to fasting and abstinence, we are free to choose practices most appropriate for our own circumstances and growth in the Christian life. Familiar practices include:

- Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are days of fasting and abstinence from meat (14 and over). Fasting is for those aged 18 to 59, unless personal/health or other circumstances dictate otherwise;
- On other Fridays of the year including the Fridays of Lent, we are encouraged to do one or more of the following:
  - ♦ *Prayer* for example, Mass attendance; family prayer; a visit to a church or chapel; reading the Bible; making the Stations of the Cross; praying the Rosary.
  - ♦ *Self-denial* for example, not eating meat or dessert; limiting entertainment to spend time with family; limiting food and drink so as to give to the poor;
  - ♦ *Works of Love* for example, special attention to someone who is poor, sick, elderly, lonely or overburdened, or homeless.

Our Lenten journey is about what's happening in our hearts and walking this path as a family or community makes it easier and more fruitful.

In Done

#### 1<sup>ST</sup> READING

Sirach 27:4-7
Speech shows state of mind

## RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps 91:2-3. 13-16. R. See v.2 (R.) Lord, it is good to give thanks to you.

#### 2<sup>ND</sup> READING

1 Corinthians 15:54-58

Death has no victory

### **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

Philippians 2:15-16 Alleluia, alleluia! Shine on the world like bright stars; you are offering it the word of life. Alleluia!

**GOSPEL**Luke 6:39-45
Take the plank from your eye.

#### **MASS & LITURGY TIMES**

#### **MASS**

Mon & Wed - 7 am
Tues, Thu & Frid - 9:05 am
Sat (Vigil) - 6 pm
Sunday - 8 am, 9.30 am & 6 pm
Public Holiday - 9:05 am
RECONCILIATION
Saturday, 5.00 to 5.45pm
WITH ANOINTING OF THE SICK
First Friday of the month, 9:05 am

# EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

First Friday of the month, 7:30 pm **DIVINE MERCY DEVOTION** Second Friday of the month, 7:30 pm

#### **CHILDREN'S LITURGY**

First & Third Sunday during school term

Vigil Mass on Sat @ 6 pm & Sun Mass @ 9:30 am FILIPINO MASS

First Sunday of the month, 11:30 am

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



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We are a welcoming parish. No matter your current status in the Catholic Church, family or marital situation, past or present religious affiliation, personal history, age, background, race, color, or sexual orientation—regardless of 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 our community, we encourage you to explore what we have to offer. We serve the community through outreach, education, social activities, sacramental preparation, and providing comfort to the sick and those in mourning. In addition to our spiritual and outreach organizations, you may be interested in joining one of our many liturgical ministries, such as Minister of Holy Communion, Lector, Welcomer, or Choir.

To formally register, please fill out a form that will be entered into our parish data system (all information provided will remain confidential). These forms are available at the parish office or in the church foy-

To learn more about parish life, you can pick up a copy of our Welcome Newsletter available in the foyer or visit this link on our website

https://holyspiritstclair.com.au/wp-content/uploads/2021/03/Holy-Spirit-Parish-Welcome-Newsletter.pdf

#### 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)

(St Augustine)

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

GOD BLESS YOU.

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: <a href="https://holyspiritstclair.com.au/mass-prayer-requests/">https://holyspiritstclair.com.au/mass-prayer-requests/</a>. We ask you to please submit your prayer intentions a few days before preferred Mass.

#### **SICK**

Pope Francis, Josephine Attard, Tony Teodoro, Maureen Geoghegan, Thomas Nguyen Xuan Huu, Fe Uy, Judy Younes Scott, Robert Bucholtz, Yael De Leon, Ida Martirez, John Cassar, Joe & Dot Gray, John Carr, Steven Johns, Hayden Young, Angela Cook, Jenny Tran, Julienne Mcnally, Alan Demascus, Michael Hay, Veronica Portelli, Mary Rose Sammut, Mark Warden, Maria Nguyen Thi Hoa, Viola Cleo, Bryan Lopez, Luz Escara, Marilou Villaflor, Arthur Arendse, Lole Barcelon, Sari Marcus, Mara Carmencia Ablaza Leitu Saena, Tafolosa Unga, Rosemary Allon, Jamil Sakr, Victoria Molina Morales

#### **RECENTLY DECEASED**

Harriet Thomas, Carmen Valleta, Eileen Aloisio, Pauline Carr, Joyce Verri, Tony Alevi, Rudy Rupac, Katariena Abela, Patricia McCall, Rita Murray, Gedelfo D.Palomata, Salvación Benzon, Alberto G. Torres, Virgina Peloe, Heather Long, Julius Afeaki, Ernie Mendoza dela Cruz, Agnes Borg, Daphne Baxter

#### **DEATH ANNIVERSARIES**

Lourdes & Melchior Acosta, Vicente Floro, Jaime Obsequio, Sor Marta del Sagrario, Ghylian Duhau, Marciana Abad, Dolores Bunch Mauro Ocampo Evangeline Cruz, Irenea Ocampo, Benjamin Morales Jr, Ida Kirby Janet Hawley, Malcolm Howse, Danny Barnes, Elisa Viajar, Antonio Verri, Cajitan Gonsalves, Terry Teodoro, Milton Fernandes, Rita Oliver, Doris Ann Foster, Emmanuel Eric Ortiz, Glenn Bouche, Hazel DeSilva, Charlie Portelli, Urbano, Rosario and Otto Clemente, Amy and Eddie Machado, Felix Canete Sr, Michael Robinson, Shirley Salmon, Theresa Pavey, Tonylop and Maria Kuljanic, Ivanka Velcic, Edith Gonsalves, Ethel Rose., Fr Brendon Quirke OSA.

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

Please contact admin if you have an ongoing illness and wish to remain on the sick list for longer than 4 weeks.

#### 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. Regular Parish Contribution Form and other ways to donate:

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# HEARERS OF THE WORD

So faith comes from what is heard, and what is heard comes through the word of Christ.

Fr. Kieran O'Mahony OSA - www.tarsus.ie

Lord, inspire me to read your Scriptures and to meditate upon them day and night. I beg you to give me real understanding of what I read, that I in turn may put its precepts into practice. Yet, I know that understanding and good intentions are worthless, unless rooted in your graceful love. So I ask that the words of Scripture may also be not just signs on a page. but channels of grace into my heart. Amen. (Origen, AD c.184-c.254)

#### GOSPEL: Luke 6:39-45

Jesus also told them a parable: "Can a blind person guide a blind person? Will not both fall into a pit? A disciple is not above the teacher, but everyone who is fully qualified will be like the teacher. Why do you see the speck in your neighbour's eye, but do not notice the log in your own eye? Or how can you say to your neighbour, 'Friend, let me take out the speck in your eye,' when you yourself do not see the log in your own eye? You hypocrite, first take the log out of your own eye, and then you will see clearly to take the speck out of your neighbour's eye. "No good tree bears bad fruit, nor again does a bad tree bear good fruit; for each tree is known by its own fruit. Figs are not gathered from thorns, nor are grapes picked from a bramble bush. The good person out of the good treasure of the heart produces good, and the evil person out of evil treasure produces evil; for it is out of the abundance of the heart that the mouth speaks."

## Thought for the day

For many, it is seemingly possible to sleep-walk through life, to live on an entirely sentient level. Perhaps our current culture of distraction supports such superficial so-called living. Many, however, are dissatisfied and long for an awakening, a conversion, a transformation, for something more. Such a hunger of the heart is acknowledged in many religions and philosophies — Jesus' teaching here could just as easily be on the lips of the Gautama Buddha. The difference for Christians is the grace of God in Christ and the gift of the Holy Spirit. Ultimately, it is all grace, grace upon grace as the Prologue of John puts it.

#### **Prayer**

God of all our awakenings, we know that the journey inward is the journey home. Keep our hearts restless until we come to rest in you. Amen.

#### **POINTERS FOR PRAYER**

- Can you remember an occasion when you were giving out about the behaviour of another person, and later realised you had some of the same fault yourself? Was that a wake-up call for you? Jesus tells us it is more constructive to correct our own faults, than complain about the faults of others.
- 2. If we want to help other people we need to have our feet on the ground, with a realistic awareness of our gifts and our limitations. Otherwise we will be impractical, like the blind leading the blind. What has helped you to be realistic about what you can and cannot do?
- 3. "No good tree bears bad fruit, nor again does a bad tree bear good fruit." This parable invites us to examine the motivation behind what we do. If our basic motivation is love, then our lives will bear good fruit. If love is absent from our lives then the fruits will be conflict, disharmony and abuse of people for our own selfish ends.

### **PRAYER**

O God, our teacher and judge, hear our prayer as we gather at the table of your word. Enrich our hearts with the goodness of your wisdom and renew us from within, that all our actions, all our words, may bear the fruit of your transforming grace. We make our prayer through your Son, Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever. Amen.

# **PARISH NEWS AND EVENTS**

# PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL 2025

We welcome the members of the Parish Pastoral Council 2025.

Chair: Seaview Kama, Vice Chair: Peter Moriarty, Secretary: Dominic Dimech, Members: Fr Percival, Fr Peter, Fr Dave, Fr Saju, Michael Paulo, Andrea Bouche, Trina Esguerra Cruz, Corrine Brooker, Deepu Thomas, Aaron Smith

Ash **Wednesday** 05 March

Mass times: 7am 9:05 am 7 pm

Mass of the **Anointing of** the Sick Friday 07 March 9:05 AM

## **PROJECT COMPASSION 2025**



### **PROJECT COMPASSION**

**Project Compassion Sunday** 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> of March 2025

This Lent, we are called to *Unite Against Poverty* through Caritas Australia's Project Compassion. Your generous support this Lenten Season will enable Caritas Australia to provide life-changing support to vulnerable communities in need.





Please donate today.

You can support Project Compassion 2025 through the donation boxes, envelopes or by scanning the QR code above.

Or online at: caritas.org.au/project-compassion

Or by calling: 1800 024 413

Thank you for standing with us, as we *Unite Against* 

Poverty this Lent.

# **Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament**

Friday, 07 March 7:30 PM Confession will be available

# **Bingo Night:**

March 29th, 7pm in the Holy Spirit School Hall. Donations for prizes are welcome.

## **Divine Mercy Devotion**

Every Second Friday of the month at 7:30pm. Next session will be on the 14th of March. following stations of the Cross

### Stations of the Cross

Held on Fridays during Lent.

You can join us in the morning after the 9:05am Mass, or in the evening at 7:00pm

# SOCIAL JUSTICE COMMISSION **GATHERING W/ CHRIS BOWEN MP**

Chris Bowen MP will be attending the Social Justice Community Meeting on Tuesday the 18th of March at 7:00pm, in the Pioneers Room. All are welcome to attend.

#### LETTER FROM PRINCIPALS OF EMMAUS AND TRINITY

Principals Gabriela Osterlund (Emmaus) and Cathy Hey (Trinity) have written to their school communities regarding a Sydney Water proposal regarding a Stormwater Development Servicing Plan in the vicinity of the schools at Kemps Creek which would affect both school communities and Emmaus Retirement Village. The Diocese of Parramatta and Catholic Schools Parramatta have expressed concern over the potential impact of this proposal and provided feedback to Sydney Water. The letter reassures parents that at this time, there has been no decision about changes to the school sites for either Emmaus or Trinity. Both will continue to warmly welcome new enrolments, limit any future disruptions, prioritise continuity, and focus on delivering excellent learning experiences for your children. A copy of the Principals' letter is in the Church foyer for your information.

# **NEWS FROM THE DIOCESE**

#### Join the Diocese of Parramatta's Jubilee Youth Pilgrimage

Young people (18-35) across Western Sydney and the Blue Mountains are invited to embark on an 18-day pilgrimage to the Jubilee of Youth in Rome from 19 July – 5 August 2025. The journey includes a visit to Greece, tracing the footsteps of Saint Paul, before heading to Rome for the celebration. Express your interest today at parracatholic.org/jubileeyouth2025

#### FaithLIFE Lenten Scripture night by Dr Michele Connolly RSJ: 3 March

Are you looking to read the Bible during Lent but don't know where to start? Consider the FREE Diocesan Lenten Scripture Night guided by Scripture scholar, Dr Michele Connolly RSJ. Monday, 3 March. 6:30 PM - 8:30 PM. 51-59 Allawah St, Blacktown NSW 2148 - Mary Queen of the Family parish. RSVP via parracatholic.org/events/lenten-scripture-night/ OR email met@parracatholic.org

## 2025 SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION

### **BOOKINGS CAN BE MADE ONLINE THROUGH THE PARISH WEBSITE**

# FIRST RECONCILIATION (YEAR 3)

Preparation Sessions will be in February (3 weeks)
First Reconciliation:
8, 12, 15 March

### **CONFIRMATION (Year 5)**

Bookings available from 14 April 2025

Parent Information & Catechesis:

 Tuesday 13 May 5pm or Wednesday 14 May 6pm
 Preparation Sessions will be in May (3 weeks)
 Confirmation Masses: June (dates TBC)

#### **FIRST COMMUNION (Year 4)**

Bookings available from 1/7/25 Parent Information & Catechesis:

Tuesday 12 August 5pm or Wednesday
 13 August 6pm

Preparation Sessions will be in August (3 weeks)

First Communion Masses

- 6 September 3pm
- 13 September 3pm
- 14 September 12pm
- 20 September 3pm

#### **Ecumenical World Day of Prayer service: 7 March**

The World Day of Prayer is a global ecumenical movement led by Christian laywomen, observed annually in over 170 countries on the first Friday in March. Join us on Friday, 7 March, at 10am at Penrith Uniting Church (15 Evans Street, Penrith – behind the Fire Station). All denominations are warmly invited to participate. Morning tea will be provided after the service. For more information, please contact Rev Christine Bayliss Kelly on 0409 925 607.

#### Safeguarding the Elderly Project: 13 March

Are you interested in sharing and listening to ideas about how we can meet the needs of older people in our Parish communities? You are invited to 'Share a Cuppa' on Thursday 13 March from 10am-12noon at the Bishop Bede Heather Centre, Blacktown. Those involved in ministries such as Ministers of Communion to the Sick and Pastoral Care Groups, are invited to share their experiences and reflections. RSVP by Monday 3 March with any dietary requirements to: safeguardingtraining@parracatholic.org. Please contact Maria Kervin (Manager, Prevention, Healing & Support) at: mariakervin@parracatholic.org if you would like more information on hosting such a Morning Tea within your own Parish with your Ministry Team.

Sydney Alliance Federal Pre-Election Assembly: 13 March Join the Diocese of Parramatta's delegation at the Sydney Alliance Federal Pre-Election Assembly 2025. A great opportunity to experience and showcase our faith in action as this non-partisan assembly invites decision-makers to commit to concrete post-election action on housing and renting, affordable and renewable energy, and climate resilience: 13 March 2025, 5:40pm–7:40pm, Morley Centre, 2 Darcy Rd, Westmead. Register at <a href="events.humanitix.com/sydney-alliance-federal-assembly-2025">events.humanitix.com/sydney-alliance-federal-assembly-2025</a> and please include "Catholic Diocese of Parramatta" and the name of your parish or organisation.

# Catalyst for Renewal luncheon with Dr Susan Connelly RSJ: 15 March

Join us for a luncheon with Dr Susan Connelly RSJ on the ACBC's Social Justice Statement 2024-25 "Truth and Peace: A Gospel Word in a Violent World" on 15 March at 12.30pm. It is held at Hunters Hill Parish Hall, tickets \$35 each. For further information, call 02 4971 4090, email catalyst-for-

renewal@outlook.com or book via https://

www.trybooking.com/CYPEV

#### The FaithFeed: 29 March

Have questions about life & faith? Join with others on the search at The FaithFeed live studio audience - hosted by Baulkham Hills Parish in the Hills Deanery – all are welcome! The FaithFeed will be held on Saturday 29 March. Doors open 7:00PM for a 7:30PM start. The night will feature faith stories, live music, activities, and great conversation. RSVP via parracatholic.org/events-faithfeed

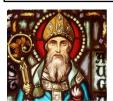
# Safeguarding Face-to-face Training Opportunities: 3 May

The next session of face-to-face Mandatory Safeguarding Renewal Training will be held on Saturday 3 May at Holy Family Emerton for Cycle 2 (Module 4-5). More training opportunities will be available soon. Please register directly for this training or for other convenient dates and locations by clicking on the training event at: <a href="https://parracatholic.org/connect/events/?series=safeguarding-training">https://parracatholic.org/connect/events/?series=safeguarding-training</a>. For more information, please

email: safeguardingtraining@parracatholic.org

#### Marriage Enrichment Weekend: 23-25 May

We are offering an opportunity for you to learn to become the best version of yourselves together and live your best life in love! Come and join us on 23-25 May at a Marriage Encounter Weekend at Mt Carmel Retreat Centre, Varroville, NSW – a stunning & tranquil oasis on the edge of Sydney. Book online at <a href="www.wwme.org.au">www.wwme.org.au</a> or contact Christine & Terry Mahony on 0490 774 419 or <a href="mailto:nswbookings@wwme.org.au">nswbookings@wwme.org.au</a>



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"Now is the time of mercy, a time for us to correct ourselves. The time for judgment has not yet come. There is no need to despair. Because of our human, pardonable and more trivial sins, God has established in the Church set times for requesting mercy. We have a daily medicine in our saying 'Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us', so that we may share in the Body and Blood of Christ."

St Augustine, Sermon 17, 5

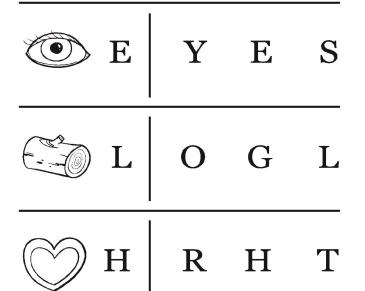
## PRAYERS- FOR EVERYDAY AND EVERYBODY

## **The Jubilee Prayer**

Father in heaven, may the faith you have given us in your son, Jesus Christ, our brother, and the flame of charity enkindled in our hearts by the Holy Spirit. reawaken in us the blessed hope for the coming of your Kingdom. May your grace transform us into tireless cultivators of the seeds of the Gospel. May those seeds transform from within both humanity and the whole cosmos in the sure expectation of a new heaven and a new earth, when, with the powers of Evil vanguished, your glory will shine eternally. May the grace of the Jubilee reawaken in us, Pilgrims of Hope, a yearning for the treasures of heaven. May that same grace spread the joy and peace of our Redeemer throughout the earth. To you our God, eternally blessed, be glory and praise for ever. Amen



What letter **begins** each picture name? Circle the beginning letter. Then color the pictures.





I will help and encourage, rather than judge others.

## SAFEGUARDING is everyone's responsibility

Commitment to the Safety of Children and Young People



#### Holy Spirit Parish, St Clair

is committed to celebrating and safeguarding the involvement of young people in our communities. We believe that young individuals are valuable members of our church family, and their voices, ideas, and contributions are essential.



With joyful hearts, we welcome our newly baptised: Elliot Jackson Craig, Tommy Mark Grayson, Lexie Gallacher, and Elouise Mifsud.

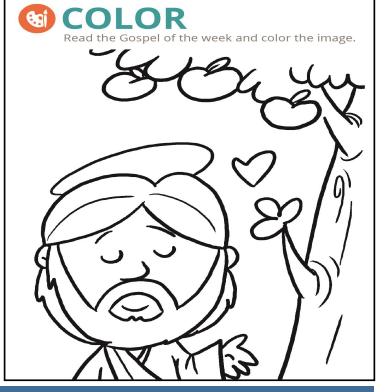
### **BAPTISM PREPARATION MEETING**

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 **March 11th 7.00pm**. Presenter will be Joyce McMahon.



# Novena to Our Mother of Perpetual Help on Zoom

Every Wednesday @7:30 PM Meeting ID: 896 9388 2850 Passcode: 254 695



#### NEXT WEEKEND (9TH MARCH): 1ST SUNDAY OF LENT, YEAR C

1<sup>ST</sup> READING Deuteronomy 26:4-10 Moses tells the Israelites of God's care for them RESPONSORIAL

**PSALM** Ps 90:1-2, 10-15, R. v.15

(R.) Be with me, Lord, when I am in trouble. 2<sup>ND</sup> READING

Romans 10:8-13 *All who call upon the* Lord will be saved GOSPEL

ACCLAMATION

Matthew 4:4 No one lives on bread alone, but on every word that comes from the mouth of God.

**GOSPEL** 

Luke 4:1-13 *Jesus is tempted in the* desert

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Ministries	8 March , 6 PM	9 March, 8 AM	9 March, 9.30 AM	9 March, 6 PM
Ministry of the Altar	Peter Moriarty	Madeline Mostert	Anthony Bertumen	Edward De Leon
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Reader 1 Reader 2 Commentator	Hazel Littlewood Eileen Baana Dudley Littlewood	Dawn Timmins Manuel Fidow Sally Banguis	Bianca Dowsett Ray Zafra Uinise Blake	Candice Salmon Marty Facciol Kate Blasco
Music		Pierre D'Cunha	Mary Immaculate	Alleluia Choir
PowerPoint	Volunteer Needed	Christine Younes	Boy Sanosa	Thomas Deepu
Junior Servers	Jayden P Ivy	Jakob Jayden S	Noah Max	Ifeanyi Chinedu
Welcomers	Volunteer Needed Selwyn Oliveira Sonia Oliveira	Volunteer Needed Volunteer Needed Volunteer Needed	Joe Duval Volunteer Needed Volunteer Needed	Eleanor Stuart Volunteer Needed Volunteer Needed

#### OBSERVANCES FOR THE WEEK OF THE 3RD OF MARCH

Mon 3 Mar: Monday of the Eighth Week in Ordinary Time

Tues 4 Mar: Saint Casimir

Wed 5 Mar: ASH WEDNESDAY (Fast and Abstinence)

Thu 6 Mar: Thursday after Ash Wednesday

7 Mar: Friday after Ash Wednesday, Saints Perpetua and Felicity, *Martyrs* Fri

Sat 8 Mar: Saturday after Ash Wednesday, Saint John of God, Religious

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