



St. Therese Catholic Church Padstow

18th - 19th November 2017

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Sunday Masses: Vigil 6.30PM, Sun 8.00AM, 9.30AM
Weekday Masses: Tuesdays & Thursdays at 8.30M, Fridays, & Saturdays at 9.00AM, Wednesdays at 7.30PM.

Reconciliation: Every Saturday from 5PM. **Baptisms & Marriages** By appointment.

We Pray For Our Sick: Matthew Morrissey, Jill Long, Emile Haddad, Elie Haddad, Afafdiab & Elie Diab, Patricia Costley, Roumanos Nehme, Rose Kerr, Eve Figgins, Norma Cassilus, Jerry Sladky, Adriana De Luca, Kath Savage, Hilary Sladky, Claude Undergding, Maria Debono, Veronica Bennett, Watman Sutiono, Deba Beaini, Badwi Melkan, and Marie Mc Loughlin. Susan Ryan May God give them the Grace of His healing. Let us pray to the Lord.

In this month of November we pray for deceased members of our families, and the benefactors of our parish. We pray especially for those for whom Masses are being offered and whose names appear in the Book of the Dead on the Altar. Eternal Rest grant unto them O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace.

33rd Sunday of Ordinary Time.

From Stephen.



Next Sunday we celebrate the "Feast of Christ the King," This marks the end of the liturgical year. Today's Liturgy of the Word reminds us not only of the end of the liturgical year but also of the end of all things and of the preparations we need to make to reach the

Kingdom of Heaven. The main theme of the three readings is an invitation to live in such a way that we make the best use of the talents God has given us, so that at the hour of our death Our Lord will say: "Well done, my good and faithful servant!... Come and share the joy of your master" Matthew 25: 21).

The Gospel challenges us to ask the questions: Are we using our talents and gifts primarily to serve God? Are we doing everything we can to carry out God's will? The parable of the talents challenges us to do something positive, constructive and life-affirming with our talents here and now.

- **Sacrament of Confirmation:** We congratulate all our Confirmation Candidates. Next Sunday we will welcome them back at the 9.30AM Mass when they will be presented with their Confirmation Certificates. I like to thank all those who helped in any way with the program, especially the parents, Josie D'acciaro and Jackie Vella for all the work behind the scenes. I thank also all who came to the 'Sending Mass' last Thursday, I am sure that the Lord will reward your commitment and witness. To one and all I thank you.
- **Healing Mass:** We will be celebrating Mass with the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick at the Casa Mia nursing home on Alma Road next Wednesday at 10.30AM. Parishioners will be most welcome.

- **Youth Festival Launch:** Please note because the Youth Festival will conclude with an open air Mass at the Domain on the 9th December at 6.30PM, There will be no Vigil Mass here in our Parish on that Saturday. We are encouraged to gather together for this special occasion. It will be the largest gathering since the Sydney 2008 World Youth Day!
- **November Masses:** November is traditionally regarded in our church when we pray especially for the dead. If you would like Masses offered for your departed please write their names on the envelopes provided and place them into any of the collections. Their names will be inscribed in the Book of the Dead which will be placed on the altar in due course.
- **I will be attending the 2nd Safeguarding of Children in-service at Polding House Tuesday morning, consequently there will be a Communion Service instead of the morning Mass**



Altar Society: As you are aware I am sure we have a lovely bunch of ladies who prepare the church for us every Sunday. We are looking for more volunteers. Your turn will usually come up once every 6 weeks depending on the number of helpers. The new roster will start next January. If you can help please see me after Mass of contact Judy Mc Lachlan 07733889. You may even learn some floral arrangements skills!

Advent Women's Retreat at Notre Dame Sydney: On Monday the 4th of December from 9am to 4:30pm, all women are invited to spend a day around the theme of "The Mystery of His Nativity." There will be Mass, Adoration, opportunities for Confession and to inspiring talks. Morning tea, lunch and afternoon tea will be provided. The retreat is taking place at the Broadway Campus of the University of Notre Dame Australia. It is free, but registration is essential: 02 8204 4189



Order Of Malta, invites all parishioners to Lourdes Day Mass, to be celebrated at St. Mary's Cathedral on Saturday 2nd December at 10am. A blessing of the sick will take place during Mass with water brought from the shrine of Lourdes. A bottle of Water from Lourdes will be given to those who receive a Blessing of the Sick. More information contact 9331 8477 or info@smom.org.au

Word Became Flesh: Come and delve into the mystery that is the Incarnation. A day of talks by Fr Daniel Russo (recently ordained and newly appointed assistant parish priest) at the Holy Family Parish meeting room 1D Anzac Rd Menai. On Saturday 2 Dec 10:30 – 3:00pm. BYO lunch. Free admission but donations gratefully accepted. RSVP 9543 2677 or menaihfp@bigpond.net.au



Sydney welcomes the young people of Australia to the Australian Catholic Youth Festival. 7th – 9th December. Our Parish invites young people of the area to join our Western Deanery Group. If you are aged between Year 9 and 30 years of age, consider calling Benjamin on 0487 213 444

ROSTERS for 25th – 26th November 2017

READERS	6.30PM MASS	8.00AM MASS	9.30AM MASS
1 st Reader	B Prior	K Setchell	M Sortwell
2 nd Reader	L Sercobe	D Graff	M Vasiljevski
ACOLYTES	Anthony	George	Brendon
ALTAR SERVERS	A Long N Long	T Forrester C Nandan	S D'acciaro P Abouraad
MUSIC	Amanda		Maria
NURSING HOMES	J Mc Grath	CLEANERS	M Allegro
ROSARY	G Mc Manus		
SUNDAY SCHOOL	Maria Gentilomo & Widy Yazbeck		
COUNTERS	C Jonathan, D Graff. P Barrett		
ALTAR SOCIETY	Group C: S Morrissey, N Hehme, E Matz		