



St. Therese Catholic Church Padstow

27th – 28th May 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: Eve Figgins, Norma Cassilus, Bernie Cudmore, Jerry Sladky, Lise Sercombe, Adriana De Luca, Kath Savage, Hilary Sladky, Claude Undergding, Maria Debono, Veronica Bennett, Watman Sutiono, Deba Beaini, Badwi Melkan, and Marie Mc Loughlin. May God give them the Grace of His healing. Let us pray to the Lord.

We Pray For Our Dead: Jacob Driessen, Renzo Stefani, Victor & Bertha Jonathan, Colin & Violet Ragel, Jim Kalandy, Helen Loczi, Giovanni Pruscino, Rita & Paul Pickin, Barry Robson, Eolo Molica, Frank Aiello, Carmela D'acciaro, Rosey Alcos, Angela Santoro, Ellias Nehme, Salima & Norm Nehme, Ryley & Jennifer Delmage, Ray Willis, Pina Montebello, Garry Campbell, Fred Comarmond, Margaret Bennington , Ray Bennington, Joseph Coffey and especially for those for whom Masses are being offered. We pray: Eternal Rest grant unto them O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace.



The Ascension of the Lord.

From Fr. Stephen.

There is an ancient parable about a problem God faced: Where to conceal his most precious possession, his own mage. So he sought council from 3 wise men. The first suggested on a high mountain where it could be safe forever. The second suggested he placed in the deepest ocean. The third suggested on the far side of the moon. God dismissed these suggestions and decided to follow his own original idea. He decided to put it in a place where people will never think of looking. He said to the wise men, I will put in men's hearts there it will never be discovered. The wise men nodded in agreement, they knew that God was indeed right. The image of God, the light of God is in the place we rarely look in our hearts.

St Augustine discussed the Ascension in his book 'The Confessions.' He made the same point: "He withdrew from our eyes that we might return to our own heart to find him." At the end of the Easter Season the Pascal Candle is distinguished, however do we find that light nearer home, in our own heart?

PARISH DINER: To celebrate Fr. Stephen's 40 years of priest hood. It will be held on the 20th August at the Menai Catholic Club from 6PM to 11PM. The event will include a 3 course meal with cake and coffee or tea to follow. The cost will be \$50 per head. A childrens' menu will be available. You will need to buy your own refreshments from the bar. Please place your expression of interest at the back of the church with George Roumanos, John Ryan, and Barry Willis after Mass next weekend.

- **FIRST HOLY COMMUNION:** Congratulations to all our First Holy Communion Candidates. Please remember to keep them and their families in your prayers.
- **DONATION'S RECEIPTS:** Just a reminder that we are no longer able to afford tax deductibility to the School Building Envelopes as from 1st January 1017. However, I would ask that you continue to contribute to the Planed giving. Your receipts for your contributions from 1st July to 31st December are at the back of the church. The CWF, The Priest Retirement Foundation, and Project Compassion collections remain 100% tax deductible. Your receipts for these collections will be made available towards the end of June. No receipts will be generated for the Planed Giving unless you ask for one.

Catholic Bushwalking Club: Established and operating since 1943 the CBC is currently having a membership drive. The club offers a variety of both day walks and multi day walks either in the wider Sydney region or wherever a member wants to lead a walk. The club caters for a wide age range and offers a social program as well as the walks program. The CBC is an incorporated body and is a member of Bushwalking NSW. For further information please visit our website: www.cbcsnw.org.au

Christianity across the Ages: A Journey of Faith and a Journey through the Evolution of Western Music. Powerpoint Presentation of slides combined with related story-telling by Marie Therese Levey rsj PhD, FASMC(Musicology) Regional Centre. 5 Alexandra Ave, Croydon June 2 9am-12pm Entry by voluntary donation. Bookings essential Email marie.levvey@sosi.org.au

Nazareth Senior College Bankstow: 40-year Reunion for the Class of '77. On Saturday 9th September at 7PM at Revesby Workers Club. Contact Linda 0408898830 Please pass on details to any ex-studaents.



| ROSTERS for 3 rd – 4 th June 2017 | | | |
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| READERS | 6.30PM MASS | 8.00AM MASS | 9.30AM MASS |
| 1 st Reader | B Scott | A Partridge | M Sortwell |
| 2 nd Reader | S Bonanno | G Freeman | M Vasiljevski |
| ACOLYTES | Anthony | John M | Frank |
| ALTAR SERVERS | K Yazbeck C Long | T Forrester P Forrester | R Webb H Kenny |
| MUSIC | Maria | | Irene |
| NURSING HOMES | J Mc Gibbon | CLEANERS | A Quaggiotto |
| ROSARY | O Mc Loughlin | | |
| SUNDAY SCHOOL | A Black & J Sammut | | |
| COUNTERS | C Jonathan, D Graff, P Barrett | | |
| ALTAR SOCIETY | Group B: M Roumanos, J Maloney, D Preoac, B Waters | | |