

GOOD SHEPHERD CATHOLIC PARISH

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MASS TIMES FOR THE LORD'S DAY

SATURDAY 5.30 P.M. SUNDAY 8 A.M. 10 A.M. 5.30 P.M.

WEEKDAY MASSES IN THIS SIXTH WEEK OF THE EASTER SEASON

MONDAY 8 a.m. (*Easter Mass*) **TUESDAY** (*Mary, Help of Christians*) 7 p.m.
WEDNESDAY (*Easter Mass*) 9 a.m. **THURSDAY** NO MASS TONIGHT
BECAUSE OF CONFIRMATION PREPARATION **FRIDAY** (*Easter Mass*) 9 a.m.

RECONCILIATION (*Confession & Forgiveness*). Our priest is available in the Reconciliation Rooms here on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 6.30 p.m. to 6.55 p.m. and on Saturdays from 4 p.m. to 5 p.m.

FR. MIKE SCHMITZ TO ADDRESS THE SYDNEY CHURCH as part of the 'Go Make Disciples' effort. This presenter of the 'Bible in a Year' podcast will speak to us on the topic 'Why evangelise; why spread the Gospel? What our Tradition tells from the Apostles to the present.' His address will be on next Saturday May 28th from 10 a.m. to 11.30 a.m. Please register at www.gomakedisciples.org.au/cas-events

CONFIRMATION PREPARATION GROUPS continue this Wednesday and Thursday at 7.30 p.m. in the Church. Each youngster with one parent (and bringing the folder) needs to attend every one of these meetings. Bishop Terry Brady is the Celebrant of the Confirmations in Masses on Saturday June 4th.

A PARISH COUNCIL MEETING will be held this Tuesday 24th 7.40 p.m.

DIDASKO- ONLINE CATHOLIC FAITH FORMATION: The Parish Renewal Team is offering Sydney Catholics an opportunity to grow in their faith with spiritual, intellectual, human and practical formation. With a new short course on offer each month, *DIDASKO* seeks to respond to Christ's Great Commission to "teach them the commands I have given you" (Mt 28:20), by building a culture of formation in our parishes. Courses are delivered online over three evenings by some of Sydney's best Catholic formators including Bishop Umbers, Rev. Dr Greg Morgan and Prof. Tracey Rowland. Our priest, Bro. Pat, has a fund that will cover the cost of each segment (\$25 for 3 sessions). Please see him, the poster on noticeboard, or copies on the table

ADULT BAPTISMS OR ADULTS BECOMING CATHOLICS take place after a group preparation called the **Catechumenate** or the **Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults** (RCIA). If an adult in our district is interested in being Baptized or anyone already Christened in another Church is interested in becoming a Catholic, please contact our Office or our priest. We intend to begin this preparation of adults in meetings involving members of the Parish plus Brother Pat on **Sunday June 12th at 6.45 p.m.**

INFANT BAPTISMS (for children of **Parish Families** (those who live within our boundaries: Hoxton Park, Middleton Grange, Elizabeth Hills and Hinchinbrook **or those** who normally take part in Mass here for the Lord's Day each weekend) are by appointment celebrated here each Sunday of the year, normally at **11.30 a.m.** Our priest visits the family at home beforehand to help prepare for the Christening and to obtain details for the Baptism Certificate and Register.

CONFIRMATION OF ADULTS will take place in St. Mary's Cathedral Sydney on **Pentecost Sunday 5th June** with our Archbishop being the Celebrant. If any adult in our parish has not yet received this Sacrament & wishes to be Confirmed please see our priest after Mass this weekend.

THE ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY works needs our support. Thank you for remembering their Poor Boxes in the Church foyer.