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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.

FIRST READING TODAY. About 1,200 years before Christ, as Moses approaches death and within sight of the Promised Land, he exhorts the Chosen People to treasure and observe the Torah, the Hebrew Law, the Word that is very near to them. We think of the beginning of the Gospel of John, which calls Jesus 'The Word' who is God made flesh.

WEEKDAY MASSES THIS FIFTEENTH WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME

MONDAY (Feastday of St. Benedict) 8 a.m. TUESDAY 7 p.m. WEDNESDAY 9 a.m. THURSDAY 7 p.m. FRIDAY (the Feast-day of Saint Bonaventure) 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. & Saturdays from 4 p.m. to 5 p.m. Please don't leave it till the last minutes for the priest has Mass to follow.

IGNITE NATIONAL CATHOLIC CONFERENCE: THE MOMENT

will take place at Freeman College Bonnyrigg Heights **29**th Sept.to **2nd** Oct. They are "incredible days of faith, formation and worship" with Fr. Rob Galea, Therese Mills & Pat Keady. Please see the notices on our noticeboard and foyer tables. **Our great young adults** who presented the Way of the Cross are invited to come and bring some of your friends.

WORKING BEE NEXT SATURDAY 16th JULY (before school resumes) to clean up the gardens and grounds after all the rainy days. Please come to help for an hour or two or longer, any time from **8 a.m.** onwards. Please bring any useful equipment that you can.

ADULT BAPTISMS OR ADULTS BECOMING CATHOLICS take place after a group preparation called the Catechumenate or Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA). If any adult is interested in becoming a Catholic Christian please join us when we continue this preparation this Sunday 6.45 p.m. in the priest's house, 20 Twentieth Ave., across from Good Shepherd Hall.

YOUTH FOR CHRIST (a ministry of Couples for Christ) would like to invite youth of our Parish aged 13-21 to times of fun, friendship - and learning more about our faith. For more info about Catholic Youth for Christ, please call Robi on 0468 660 041.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY Thanks for donations to SVDP Poor Boxes in the Church foyer. Also, any offering for a copy of a **CATHOLIC WEEKLY** goes into a Poor Box, normally \$2.

PARISH ENVELOPES AND DIRECT DEBITS help us to give a set amount each week and help the Parish to have a more consistent income. These donations are 30% tax-deductible. We thank those who use them. Envelopes for the new financial year are in the foyer now. Please collect yours. If you wish to start using the envelopes, please fill in the back of a foyer WELCOME card & hand it to our priest or at the Parish Office. For anonymous donations to our Parish you can use the second collection at Mass or the TAPnGO device in the foyer. The first collection at Mass pays for our priest. The excess over his wage & living each week goes to a central fund to provide for priests in poorer Sydney parishes. Thanks to all our generous givers.

5 DECADES OF THE ROSARY: this meditation is prayed in Church: Mondays before **8 a.m.** Mass & Wednesdays **8.30 a.m.**